

APPENDIXCITIZENS COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE AMERICAN FREEDOMS

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations", revised, December 1, 1961, pp. 43-44, describes this committee as follows:

"The Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms \* \* \* specializes in propaganda aimed at abolishing the Committee on Un-American Activities and discrediting the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Created in Los Angeles in 1952, the front organization is run by FRANK WILKINSON, an identified Communist who recently resumed the full-time, paid post of executive secretary after approximately a year's leave of absence to assist in a similar campaign by another front in New York City, the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee.

"When the Committee on Un-American Activities held hearings in Los Angeles, September 2-5, 1958, to inquire into the nature of the Party's recent reorganization in California, the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms sponsored a series of public meetings to protest the hearings and the very existence of the Committee. Communists subpoenaed as witnesses were guests of honor.

"At this time, leaders of the party's Southern California District, were mobilizing Communists in the area for participation in an intensified campaign to abolish this committee of Congress. How the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms served the party in this effort was revealed by (Communist Party) District Chairman DOROTHY HEALEY in a report to the party's Southern California District Council on September 21, 1958. Mrs. HEALEY declared that the party preferred public protest meetings to be held by the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms rather than under party auspices because Communists could attend without danger of being exposed as members of the party. She also noted that Communists scheduled as congressional committee witnesses could not appear beforehand at openly Communist rallies without creating the impression that the party was conspiring with witnesses to withhold information from the committee."

(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 259 on the Southern California District of the Communist Party, April 3, 1959, pp. 7 and 8.)

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A source advised on May 12, 1964, that the Los Angeles Sobell Committee is the Los Angeles, California affiliate of captioned organization.

Following the execution of atomic spies ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG in June, 1953, the "Communist campaign assumed a different emphasis. Its major effort centered upon MORTON SOBELL," the ROSENBERGS' codefendant. The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg case - a Communist front which had been conducting the campaign in the United States - was reconstituted as the National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee at a conference in Chicago in October, 1953 and "then as the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case."

("Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" dated December 1, 1961, issued by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, page 116.)

In September, 1954, the name "National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" appeared on literature issued by the Committee. In March, 1955, the current name, "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell," first appeared on literature issued by the Committee.

The Address Telephone Directory for the Borough of Manhattan, New York City, as published by the New York Telephone Company on April 16, 1963, lists the "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" as being located at 940 Broadway, New York, New York.

1APPENDIXCOMMUNIST INFILTRATION OF THE  
FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH OF LOS ANGELES

A source advised on May 11, 1964, that the premises of the First Unitarian Church of Los Angeles have been utilized for meetings by Communist Party members and sympathizers over a period of years. Speakers and lecturers at the church frequently espouse Communist causes or follow the Communist Party line. Communist front group literature is distributed at the church. The church is used by some Communist Party members for "mass concentration" work.

This same infiltration extends to adjuncts of the church such as the Unitarian Public Forum and the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship for Social Justice.

STEPHEN H. FRITCHMAN has been minister of the church since 1948.

Reverend STEPHEN H. FRITCHMAN is described in the Fourth Report, Un-American Activities Committee in California, 1948, page 115, as a very active "Communist fronter" and connected with numerous "Communist front organizations and activities."

Membership in the First Unitarian Church does not of itself connote membership in or sympathy with the Communist Party.

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A source advised on April 25, 1962, that Constitutional Liberties Information Center (CLIC) was formed in July, 1961, in Los Angeles, California, as a Communist Party (CP) defense committee to combat the U.S. Supreme Court decisions of June 5, 1961, upholding the Internal Security Act of 1950 and the membership provisions of the Smith Act. Formation of a committee was announced at a CP meeting of the District Committee, Southern California District CP (SCDCP) on July 8, 1961, by DOROTHY HEALEY, Chairran, SCDCP. Officers of CLIC include REUBEN W. BOROUGH, Chairman, and HUGH DE LACY, Vice Chairman.

Another source advised on August 8, 1961, that REUBEN W. BOROUGH and HUGH DE LACY were then current members of the Professional-Cultural Section, SCDCP.

A third source advised on March 23, 1964, that CLIC is a non-membership organization which continues to function as an information distributing center opposing the application of the 1950 Internal Security (McCarran) Act. It issues a newsletter on an irregular basis. It is under the complete control of the SCDCP.

APPENDIXEMMA LAZARUS FEDERATION OF JEWISH WOMEN'S CLUBS

A source advised on May 19, 1964, that the Emma Lazarus Jewish Women's Clubs of Los Angeles (ELJWC of LA) are affiliated with the Emma Lazarus Federation of Jewish Women's Clubs with headquarters in New York, New York. The ELJWC of LA have been active from the early 1950's to the present time. Prior thereto the organization was known as the Emma Lazarus Division of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order (JPFO). The JPFO has been designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The ELJWC of LA is controlled by officers who are either current members of the Southern California District, Communist Party (SCDCP) or who have had past affiliations with Communist Party dominated organizations. The Jewish Commission, SCDCP, exercises influence over the ELJWC of LA inasmuch as the President of the ELJWC of LA is also a member of the SCDCP Jewish Commission and the organization closely follows the Communist Party line.

APPENDIXLOS ANGELES COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION OF FOREIGN BORN

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations", revised, December 1, 1961, pp. 103-104 describes this committee as follows:

"A 'branch' of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born found to be under the 'actual management, direction and supervision' of Communist Party members. The Los Angeles Committee was reorganized in October, 1950 and reported that it 'shall be affiliated to the national organization known as the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born \* \* \*'. The American Committee and the 'various area or local committees \* \* \* constitute \* \* \* one organization within the meaning of the \* \* \* statute (Internal Security Act) 'under which the Subversive Activities Control Board found the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born to be a 'Communist-front organization' and ordered it to register as such with the Attorney General".

(Subversive Activities Control Board, Docket No. 109-53, Report and Order with respect to the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, June 27, 1960, pp. 41, 8, 12 and 51.)

"Cited as a 'regional' organization of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born and one of its 'most complex affiliates.' The Committee on Un-American Activities found that in early publications the local affiliates frankly identified themselves as chapters of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born; their representation of themselves as independent groups came only after enactment of the Internal Security Act which would have required them, as affiliates, to register as Communist-front organizations."

"Control of the local organizations \* \* \* was made possible primarily by virtue of the fact that the leaders of the local groups were Communist Party members and therefore subject to the discipline of the Party. \* \* \* The local affiliates \* \* \* were actually little more than administrative staffs, whose purpose it was to implement the program of the Communist Party in their respective areas."

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"The 'Lamp' of January, 1950, reported that the Los Angeles Committee for Protection of Foreign Born had been established on November 29, 1949. Publicly identified Communist ROSE CHERNI! served as the 'operating head' since the time of its organization."

(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1182 on Communist Political Subversion, August 16, 1957, pp. 86, 87, 55, 35, 54, 58, and 59; also cited in Annual Report for 1956, House Report #53, Feb. 11, 1957, p. 5.)

APPENDIXLOS ANGELES LOCAL - SOCIALIST WORKERS PARTY (LAL-SWP)

On May 20, 1964, a confidential source advised that the LAL-SWP has been in existence since the 1930's and continues to exist. The source further advised that the LAL-SWP is a local branch of the National SWP with aims and purposes identical to those of the National SWP.

The SWP has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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YOUTH ACTION UNION  
formerly known as Los Angeles  
Youth For Peace and Socialism

A source advised on May 12, 1964, that during the period January through March, 1962, a series of formation meetings to establish a "socialist youth organization" was held in the Los Angeles area. LEONARD POTASH was acting chairman in charge of the group and PAUL ROSENSTEIN and FRANKLIN ALEXANDER were named to a provisional committee to help organize the new group. On April 3, 1962, the group officially selected the name of Los Angeles Youth For Peace and Socialism (LAYPS) and elected officers.

Source further advised that POTASH, ROSENSTEIN and ALEXANDER as of 1963, were all members of the Southern California District Communist Party (SCDCP).

A second source advised on May 12, 1964, that the LAYPS was organized with the full knowledge and assistance of DOROTHY HEALEY, Chairman of the SCDCP, and that several CP members had been approved by HEALEY to teach Marxist theory to the members of the LAYPS. This source further advised that the LAYPS would be a Marxist study and action group and that the teachings of KARL MARX would be followed. Source also advised that although the alleged purpose of the group was to promote "socialism" in the United States, the group considered themselves to be "CP oriented" and were anxious to study the brand of Marxism associated with the CP, USA.

The first source above further advised on May 12, 1964, that in June, 1963, the LAYPS changed the name of the organization to Youth Action Union for two

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reasons; the first being that it was felt the LAYPS had gained a bad reputation because of its association with CP groups, and the second because it was felt the word "Socialism" in the title was driving away possible recruits.

The chairman of the Youth Action Union is MARVIN TREIGER, who is also the chairman of the Youth Committee, SDCP.

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Los Angeles, California

September 15, 1964

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Title **COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
FOR MORTON SOBELL**

Character **INTERNAL SECURITY - C;  
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950**

Reference **Report of Special Agent [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] dated as above, at  
Los Angeles, California, 37c**

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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SUBJECT Rosenberg/Sobell Committee

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5683	9/24/64	NY memo to SAC	3	0	
5684	9/29/64	FD-306 Informant report	1	0	
5685	10/16/64	NY memo to SAC	2	-	see NY 100-109849
5686	<del>10/29/64</del>	NY memo to DE	5	-	see NY 100-109849
5687	10/5/64	FD-306 Informant report	1	-	SEE NY 100-37158
5688	10/6/64	A.L. report to HQ	9	9	
5689	10/7/64	NY Letter to HQ	2	0	
5690	10/8/64	LHM ATTACHED TO SERIAL 5691	3	1	
5691	10/8/64	NY Airtel to HQ	1	1	
5692	10/10/64	NY National Guardian Newspaper clipping	1	1	
5693	10/14/64	HQ Letter to L.A.	1	1	

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5696	10/21/64	HQ. Letter to AL	1	1	
5697	10/21/64	FD-306 Informant report	2	+	SEE NY FILE 100-109849
5698	10/23/64	FD-306 Informant report	1	0	
5699	10/15/64	SA memo to SAC	4	-	SEE NY FILE 100-109849
5700	10/24/64	SA memo to SAC	1	1	
5701	10/24/64	NY memo to L.A.	5	-	SEE NY FILE 100-109849
5702	10/25/64	SA memo to SAC	1	1	
5703	10/30/64	L.A. Letter to HQ	3	0	REFER TO ANOTHER GOVT AGENCY
5704	11/6/64	LHM ATTACHED TO SAC SERIAL 5705	3	1	
5705	11/6/64	NY Airtel to HQ	1	1	

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5706	11/13/64	HQ Letter to LA	1	1	
5707	11/14/64	BULKY exhibit to supv.	1	1	
5708	11/7/64	NY National Guardian Newspaper clipping	1	1	
5709	11/17/64	NY memo to SAC	6	-	see NY 100-109849
5710	11/20/64	PH report to HQ	6	6	
5711	11/23/64	FD-306 Informant report	1	1	
5712	11/24/64	FD-306 Informant report	2	-	SEE NY FILE/100-109849
5713	11/14/64	NY National Guardian Newspaper clipping	2	2	
5714	11/24/64	NY memo to LA	2	-	see NY - 100-109849
5715	11/30/64	FD-306 Informant report	2	-	see NY 100-109849
5716	11/28/64	NY National Guardian Newspaper clipping	1	1	
5717	12/2/64	NY Letter to HQ	5	0	

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5719	12/3/64	NY Airtel to HQ Attach to the above	2	1	
5720	11/27/64	S.F. REPORT TO HQ	11	11	
5721	12/11/64	FD-306 Informant report	2	-	SEE NY. 100-109849
5722	12/14/64	NY memo to SAC	2	-	SEE NY 100-109849
5723	12/17/64	NY memo to C.I.	4	-	SEE NY 100-109849
5724	12/23/64	FD-306 Informant, report	3	-	SEE NY. 100-109849
5725	12/24/64	FD-306 Informant report	1	-	SEE NY. 100-37158
5726	12/24/64	FD-306 Informant report	4	-	SEE NY. 100-109849
5727	12/28/64	SA MEMO TO SAC, LA	3	3	
5728	1/5/65	DE Letter to HQ	2	2	
5729	1/4/65	NY memo to K.C.	3	-	SEE NY 100-109849

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5731	1/12/65	B.A. Letter to HQ	2	0	REFER TO ANOTHER GOV'T AGENCY
5732	1/25/65	FD-306 Informant report	1	0	
5733	1/25/65	FD-306 Informant report	1	1	
5734	1/25/65	FD-306 Informant report	1	1	
5735	1/25/65	FD-306 Informant report	1	0	
5736	1/27/65	NY memo to SAC	1	1	
5737	1/22/65	NY memo to SAC	2	-	see NY 100-109849
5738	2/4/65	W.F.O. Airtel to HQ	3	0	Refer to another gov't agency
5739	2/8/65	NY memo to DE	7	-	see NY 100-109849
5740	2/8/65	B.S. Letter to HQ	1	1	
5741	2/8/65	K.C. memo to NY	2	-	see NY 100-109849



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Reurlet 9/10/64 advising that no six-month report is being submitted at this time due to the inactivity of the local committee of captioned organization in Washington, D. C.

You are instructed to closely follow this matter and if no information is developed during the next six-month period concerning the activities of this local group you should consider making your next report a RUC report.

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TITLE OF CASE  <b>COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL</b>		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] <i>b7c</i>	TYPED BY <b>mmb</b>
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REFERENCE: Report of SA [REDACTED] at Albany dated 4/8/64.

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INFORMANTS:

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Characterization of ELIZABETH ALLEN and JANE ANDERSON

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The following confidential informants were contacted on the dates indicated concerning any current activities of captioned organization in Syracuse, New York:

b7d [redacted] by SA [redacted] on 9/22/64;  
[redacted] by SA [redacted] on 9/23/64;  
[redacted] by SA [redacted] on 9/18/64;  
[redacted] by SA [redacted] on 9/18/64.

This report is classified "~~Confidential~~" since data reported by informants AL T-1, AL T-2, and AL T-4 could reasonably result in the identification of these informants of continuing value and compromise their future effectiveness.

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Will follow and report activities of captioned organization.

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Report of: SA [REDACTED] Office: ALBANY  
Date: October 6, 1964 b7c

Field Office File No.: 100-13260 Bureau File No.: 100-387835

Title: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - C;  
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

Synopsis: LILLIAN REINER, 1009 Cumberland Avenue, Syracuse,  
New York, continues as Chairman of the Syracuse  
Sobell Committee (SSC). [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Other Confidential Informants state that  
SSC has been dormant [REDACTED] know of no  
future activities planned. b7d

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DETAILS:

Syracuse Sobell Committee (SSC)

A characterization of the SSC appears in  
the Appendix to this report.

On September 22, 1964, Confidential Informant [REDACTED]  
related that LILLIAN REINER, 1009 Cumberland Avenue, Syracuse,  
New York, continues as Chairman of the SSC. Informant noted

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that the activities of the SSC operate out of the residence of REINER and observed that there was no official headquarters of the SSC. Informant stated that the organization has been in a state of dormancy [REDACTED] and related that [REDACTED] knew of no activities being planned in the immediate future.

[REDACTED]

Confidential Informant [REDACTED] advised on December 5, 1952, that JANE ANDERSON and ELIZABETH ALLEN were long-time members of the Communist Party at Syracuse, New York. b7d

On June 10, 1964, [REDACTED] stated [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated that the principal speaker was ROSE SOBELL, the mother of MORTON SOBELL, and informant observed that her talk contained nothing new but was merely a review of the SOBELL case, with the usual emphasis on the need for money in his behalf.

On June 10, 1964, Confidential Informant [REDACTED] reported on the above meeting and furnished essentially the same information.

During September, 1964, other Confidential Informants were canvassed concerning any activities of the SSC, and all observed that there had been a state of dormancy [REDACTED] and that they knew of no future activities planned at this time. b7d

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SYRACUSE SOBELL COMMITTEE (SSC)

On July 10, 1959, [REDACTED] b7d  
[REDACTED] Syracuse, New York, furnished information which reflected that the Syracuse Sobell Committee was affiliated with the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, 940 Broadway, New York 10, New York, and that the Syracuse Sobell Committee had been formed for five years.

A confidential source advised on May 31, 1963, that the Syracuse Sobell Committee was still in existence and that LILLIAN REINER was the titular head of this organization with ELSIE COHN continuing to function as Treasurer, and JANE ANDERSON and ELIZABETH ALLEN being Co-Secretaries of the Syracuse Sobell Committee.

Another confidential source advised on January 15, 1962, that the Syracuse, New York Chapter was one of the affiliates of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Eastern Region of the United States.

On May 25, 1964, another confidential source advised that the purposes and aims of the Syracuse Sobell Committee were, insofar as this source was concerned, the same as those of the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, namely, to continue to fight for the parole of Morton Sobell and to raise funds on his behalf to carry out this fight successfully.

Another confidential source advised as follows:

As of March 11, 1951, LILLIAN REINER was not known as a Communist Party member, but as Chairman of the American Labor Party at Syracuse, New York, she worked closely with Communist Party members.

(See Appendix for characterization of the American Labor Party.)

As of December 29, 1951, ELSIE COHN was a member of the Communist Party.

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SYRACUSE SOBELL COMMITTEE (Continued)

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AMERICAN LABOR PARTY

"For years, the Communists have put forth the greatest efforts to capture the entire American Labor Party throughout New York State. They succeeded in capturing the Manhattan and Brooklyn Sections of the American Labor Party, but outside of the New York City area, they have been unable to win control." (Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 78.)

"Communist dissimulation extends into the field of political parties forming political front organizations such as the \*\*\* American Labor Party. The Communists are thus enabled to present their candidates for elective office under other than a straight Communist label." (Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91.)

On October 7, 1956, Peter Hawley, New York State Chairman, American Labor Party, publicly announced the American Labor Party State Committee unanimously approved a resolution dissolving the organization and ordering the liquidation of its assets.

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Reference	<b>Report of SA [REDACTED] b7c at Albany, dated and captioned as above.</b>

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# Suppressed Facts IN THE Rosenberg Case

IRWIN EDELMAN

denounced as an "interloper" by  
Judge Kaufman — but instru-  
mental in winning Justice Doug-  
las's stay of execution, introduces  
his forthcoming book dealing  
with defense counsel Bloch's  
conduct of the case.

**FRI., OCT. 16**

**8:30 Sharp Cont. \$1**

Boksenbaum's Basement  
at 195 Prospect Place  
Brooklyn MA 2-3565

IRT to Grand Army Plaza  
BMT-Brighton to 7th Ave.

Auspices: ergo

Committee for Peace and Freedom  
c/o Cox, 1060 Union St., Brooklyn

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR  
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Reference is made to New York airtel and memorandum enclosure both dated 10-8-64 in captioned matter. Copies of referenced communications were furnished the Los Angeles Office.

There are enclosed for Legat, Bonn, a copy of referenced airtel and two copies of the memorandum enclosure thereto.

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This matter should receive expeditious attention.

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c/o Alleen Cox, 1060 Union St., Brooklyn 23, N.Y.

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**COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
FOR MORTON SOBELL**

Rerep SA [REDACTED] dated 10-6-64 at Albany  
in captioned matter.

A review of rerep notes that only one meeting was held during the period of the report, namely, the meeting held in May, 1964, which was fully attended. Further, confidential informants have advised that the Syracuse Sobell Committee has been dormant since the May, 1964, meeting and they know of no future activities planned.

Albany is instructed to remain alert to this situation and in the event the Syracuse Sobell Committee has not been active during the period covered by the next report, Albany should consider placing this investigation in an "RUC" status.

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-

DATE: OCT 26 1964

FROM : SA [REDACTED] b7c

SUBJECT: CESSIE BLUMBERG

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Attached hereto is a letter, addressed to captioned subject, owner and operator of Green Acres Hotel, Lake Huntington, New York.

This letter is apparently from the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell. Information has been furnished that that committee has had affairs at the Green Acres Hotel or at the BLUMBERG residence for benefit of the committee. This letter was received at Kingston, New York on 10/22/64, and was mailed from Jeffersonville, New York.

The sender was anonymous, although it is believed that [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] contacted on 9/15/64 and [REDACTED] b7c

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TO: SAC 100-107111 (u)

DATE: 10/28/64

FROM: SA [REDACTED] b7c

SUBJECT: Sobell Committee

On 10/28/64 [REDACTED] b7c

Chemical Bank N.Y. Trust Co. 5th Ave + 20th St. NYC  
made available to the writer on a confidential basis bank records concerning the above captioned account.

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The above information is not to be made public except in a usual proceeding following the issuance of a subpoena. } b7c

The officer to be subpoenaed is [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Home bank & address.

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1. For Morton Sobell APPENDIX

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**FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)**  
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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR  
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New York is instructed to expedite its investigation in this matter which was requested of that office by copies of Bulet to Los Angeles dated 10-14-64 in captioned matter.

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TO : SUPERVISOR 41 DATE 11-16-64

FROM : BULKY EXHIBITS SECTION (FILE 100-16711)

SUBJECT: EXHIBITS MAINTAINED IN RED ROPE  
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The Bulky Exhibit Section has instituted a project to have above captioned exhibits thoroughly reviewed for disposal or retention.

Attached are first and last sections of file referring to exhibits in question. The first section contains the green sheets listing the exhibits.

Each supervisor receiving a copy of this memorandum is requested to have the pertinent exhibits reviewed and fill in the spaces listed below. This memorandum is to be returned to the Bulky Exhibit Section by 11-23-64.

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# YOU MUST CARE, PRESIDENT JOHNSON

Hundreds of eminent Americans care. They say Morton Sobell is innocent and must go free. President Johnson, as you start the first term of your own, act on this petition.

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### SIGNERS INCLUDE:

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### SOBELL COMMITTEE

940 Broadway, New York 18, N.Y.

I care. Please include my name as a signer of the petition. Enclosed is my contribution of \$..... to help the appeals in Morton Sobell's behalf. Please send me more information.

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### Reference

Report of SA [REDACTED], dated 4/30/64 at Philadelphia.

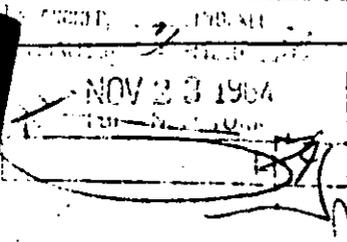
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### Leads

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Will follow and report the activities of the Philadelphia Sobell Committee.

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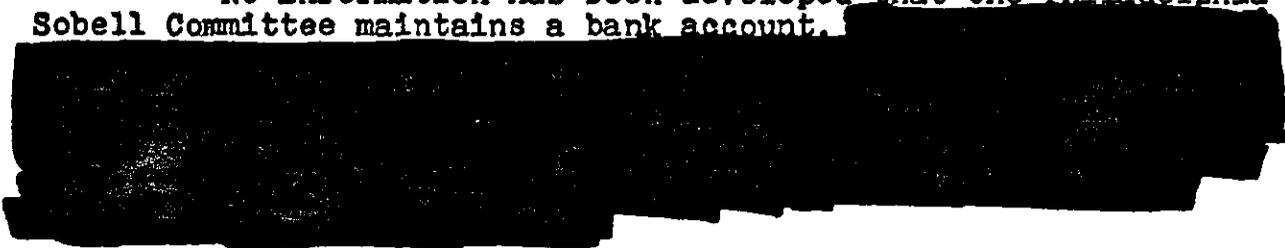
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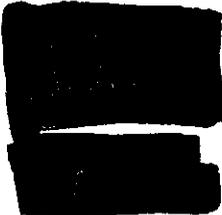
No information has been developed that the Philadelphia Sobell Committee maintains a bank account.



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Informants

The following confidential informants were contacted on dates indicated and were unable to supply information concerning Sobell Committee activity in Philadelphia:



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## Title:

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
FOR MORTON SOBELL

## Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - C;  
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

## Synopsis:

The Philadelphia Sobell Committee has no headquarters, officers, formal members, or official organ. No activities in Philadelphia area since March 1964.

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Details: At Philadelphia, Pa.

All addresses used in this report are Philadelphia, Pa., unless otherwise noted.

Characterizations of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell (CSJMS) and the Philadelphia Sobell Committee (PSC) are contained in the Appendix of this report.

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On April 17, 1964, [REDACTED] advised the PSC has no headquarters, officers, formal members, or official organ. Informant advised that JEAN KRANTZIS, a member of the Communist Party of Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware (CPEDD), continues to serve as the leader of any Philadelphia activities; however, there have been no meetings of this organization since March 1964.

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Literature issued by the Committee on the dates indicated reflects the following variations of the names of the Philadelphia Committee which have been utilized:

- 2/11/52 Philadelphia Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, Post Office Box 805, Philadelphia, Pa.
- 10/14/53 Philadelphia Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg-Sobell Case, Post Office Box 805, Philadelphia, Pa.
- 10/19/53 Philadelphia Rosenberg-Sobell Committee, Post Office Box 805, Philadelphia, Pa.
- 7/8/54 Philadelphia Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case, Post Office Box 805, Philadelphia, Pa.

On [redacted] a source advised that the Philadelphia Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case was being disbanded because of a lack of funds and a lack of activity on the part of the Committee. b7d

On [redacted] this source advised that [redacted] a meeting was held in Philadelphia to re-establish this committee, and the committee would be called the Philadelphia Sobell Committee. b7d

A second source advised on May 25, 1964 that the Philadelphia Sobell Committee continues to operate as a local affiliate of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell. It has no officers; however, JEAN FRANTJIS serves as the leader of any activities in Philadelphia. These activities have been limited to the holding of occasional meetings for the purpose of raising funds to help free Morton Sobell from prison. b7d

A third source advised on May 10, 1964 that as of May 2, 1954 JEAN FRANTJIS was a member of the Communist Party, Eastern Pennsylvania and Delaware.

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**SOBELL COMMITTEE**

940 Broadway, New York, N.Y. 10010

- I care. Please include my name as a signer of the petition.
- Enclosed is my contribution of \$..... to help the appeals in Morton Sobell's behalf.
- Please send me more information.

NAME .....  
(Please Print)

ADDRESS .....

CITY ..... STATE ..... ZIP CODE .....

LOS ANGELES

You Are Invited to A Luncheon  
in honor of  
**ROSE SOBELL**  
who will give the latest report  
on Morton's case  
Hungarian Hall, 1251 S. St. Andrews Pl.  
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COMMITTEE TO SECURE  
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-367835)  
 FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)  
 SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR  
 MONTAG SOBELL  
 IS - C; ISA of 1950  
 (OO: NY)

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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TITLE OF CASE  <b>COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA [REDACTED] b7c</b>	TYPED BY <b>BFS</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>IS - C; ISA, 1950</b>	

REFERENCE: Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 5/27/64, at San Francisco. b7c

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ADMINISTRATIVE:

A copy of this report is being furnished to Los Angeles for correlation purposes concerning the activities of the Los Angeles Sobell Committee.

Copies of this report are also being disseminated to local intelligence agencies because of their interest in this matter.

Instant report is being classified confidential in order to protect the identities of the informants utilized who have continuing value and whose exposure could result in compromise of their future effectiveness.

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INFORMANTS:

Source

SF T-1 is  
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SF T-2 is  
[REDACTED]

SF T-3 is  
[REDACTED]  
(by request)

SF T-4 is  
[REDACTED]

Location

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AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA: Will continue to follow and report the activities of captioned committee in the Northern District of California.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
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Copy to: 2 - G-2, Sixth Army (RM)  
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Report of: SA [REDACTED] b7c Office: San Francisco  
Date: 11/27/64

Field Office File #: 100-35117 Bureau File #: 100-387835

Title: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
FOR MORTON SOBELL

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - C; INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

## Synopsis:

Headquarters of BACSC continue to be located at 345 Franklin Street, San Francisco. WARREN K. BILLINGS and ESTHER LAMPEL, Chairman and Secretary respectively for BACSC. Meeting Citizen's Full Pardon for Sobell held in San Francisco on 5/15/64. [REDACTED] b7D  
[REDACTED] EBSC has no headquarters. HAZEL LINTON identified as Chairman for EBSC. [REDACTED] b7D  
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DETAILS:

Characterizations for the Bay Area Council of Sobell Committees (BACSC), also known as the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, are contained in the appendix section attached hereto.

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I. BACSC

A. Headquarters b7D

SP [REDACTED] reported on November 18, 1964, that the headquarters of the BACSC is located at 345 Franklin Street, San Francisco, California.

B. Officers b7D

SP [REDACTED] on November 18, 1964, identified WARREN K. BILLINGS and ESTHER LAMPEL, also known as ESTHER SKLAR, as Chairman and Secretary of the BACSC respectively.

The December 3, 1961, issue of the "People's World" (PW) identified WARREN K. BILLINGS as the person who was recently pardoned in the 1916 Preparedness Day bombing with TOM MOONEY.

The PW is a West Coast Communist publication printed in San Francisco, California.

On March 27, 1953, WARREN K. BILLINGS informed Special Agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation that he was not and had never been a member of the Communist Party (CP), but described himself as a "philosophical anarchist".

[REDACTED] advised on February 25, 1952, that in 1932, ESTHER SKLAR was CP Organizer of Unit 18, City Terrace, Los Angeles County CP; [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] stated SKLAR had formerly been a member

of District 2, CP, New York, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised that in 1938, ESTHER SKLAR, an unemployed millinery worker residing at 2522 1/2 Pomeroy Avenue, Los Angeles, who held an executive position in Cap Makers Local 22, had attended the CP Workers School in Los Angeles and was in 1938 assigned to the Needle Trades Unit 5, Industrial Section, Los Angeles County CP. b7D

C. Joint Meetings and Meetings of BACSC b7D

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b7D [REDACTED] reported on Augst 28, 1946, that Doctor EUGENE EAGLE was the Club Chairman for the Oakland Branch of the CP in Oakland, California.

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D. Activities

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SF T- [redacted] made available a copy of a mimeographed "Dear Friend" letter dated March, 1964, which identified the writer as WARREN K. BILLINGS, Chairman, BACSC, 345 Franklin Street, San Francisco. The letter informed the recipient that as one of the thousands who had spoken out on behalf of MORTON SOBELL, the recipient would be heartened to learn that a new campaign on SOBELL's behalf had been initiated. The letter commented that because justice had not been served in this case, MORTON SOBELL was now asking for a Citizen's Full Pardon. The letter went on to say that as a person interested in American justice, particularly as it pertained to MORTON SOBELL, the recipient would join "us" in publicizing the campaign and in collecting signatures to the below-described petition. The letter called attention to the Citizen's Full Pardon meeting on behalf of MORTON SOBELL which would be held on May 15, 1964, at the Sir Francis Drake Hotel, San Francisco.

[redacted] b7D SF T- [redacted] furnished a copy of the petition which carried space for six names, addresses, and occupations, and read as follows:

"CITIZENS FULL PARDON FOR MORTON SOBELL

"In the national effort to end the atmosphere of immorality and malice that concerns us all, we must come to grips with the festering case of Morton Sobell.

"'I am innocent' Morton Sobell has cried out through more than 13 years of imprisonment. We believe him. Some of the most eminent persons in the United States and abroad have found the evidence barren, questioned the fairness of the trial, and voiced shock at the extreme cruelty of the 30-year sentence.

"As responsible citizens, in whose name Morton Sobell's imprisonment continues, we cannot be associated with such a denial of justice to a man and his family, and to our nation's ideals. We wish to join in granting on behalf of the public conscience a CITIZENS' FULL PARDON to Morton Sobell.

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"We respectfully call upon the President of the United States to make this an official act of the United States Government."

The petition carried the notation it should be returned to Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, 940 Broadway, New York, New York.

In the May 15, 1964, issue of the "Daily Californian", University of California campus newspaper, there appeared an article captioned, "Nobel Winner to Speak for Morton Sobell". The article informed that Dr. HAROLD C. UREY, Nobel Prize winner and University physicist, would address the Bay Area Citizens' Full Pardon Meeting for Morton Sobell at 7:45 p.m., on May 15, 1964, at the Sir Francis Drake Hotel, San Francisco.

The article further informed that Dr. UREY would speak on "Academic Reflections of the McCarthy Era". The article commented that Dr. UREY had "recently" sent letters to each member of Congress urging intervention to free SOBELL.

SF T- [redacted] reported on [redacted] that on May 15, 1964, [redacted] attended the above-announced meeting. T- [redacted] related the meeting was opened by WARREN K. BILLINGS, Chairman of the BACSC. In his opening remarks, BILLINGS likened his and TOM MOONEY's case to that of MORTON SOBELL and termed them both as "frameups". The principal speaker was Dr. HAROLD UREY, who explained he became interested in the SOBELL case as a result of reading the transcript on the case, and because of the difficulties he experienced while traveling in Rome, Italy, where he was looked upon as a "possible Communist spy". [redacted]

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SF T- [redacted] reported on [redacted] that on May 15, 1964, he attended the affair at the Sir Francis Drake Hotel, San Francisco. T- [redacted] informed that the affair opened with a short sketch about the dangers of war with Cuba. People were led to believe this would mean the end of life on earth. In addition, a sketch revolving around people who see Communists everywhere was presented. The principal speaker was Dr. UREY, who, in

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his speech, commented that when ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG refused to admit guilt and be saved, chose to die, claiming innocence to the end, he decided to work for MORTON SOBELL's freedom.

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II. EAST BAY SOBELL COMMITTEES (EBSC)

A. Headquarters

SF T- [REDACTED] reported on November 18, 1964, that the EBSC did not have a headquarters.

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B. Officers

SF T- [REDACTED] on November 18, 1964, identified HAZEL LINTON as Chairman of the EBSC.

SF T- [REDACTED] reported on November 23, 1960, that HAZEL LINTON had resigned her membership in the CP in Oakland, California, during the latter part of 1959

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C. Meetings

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BAY AREA COUNCIL OF SOBELL COMMITTEES  
aka Committee to Secure Justice for  
Morton Sobell, Northern California  
Council of Sobell Committees

A source advised on October 31, 1955, that the Bay Area Council of Sobell Committees (BACSC) was formed on October 17, 1955, in San Francisco, California, as the local affiliate of the National Sobell Committee, to carry out the policies of the National Committee to obtain the freedom of MORTON SOBELL.

On April 22, 1964, a second source advised that the BACSC has its headquarters at 345 Franklin Street, San Francisco, California, and is continuing to function and plan future Sobell affairs.



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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41648)

DATE: 12/28/64

FROM : SA CLAUDE E. WILLIS

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
FOR MORTON SOBELL (CSJMS)  
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SOURCE	ACTIVITY	RECEIVED	AGENT	LOCATION
[REDACTED]	See below.	[REDACTED]	Writer	[REDACTED]

who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.

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Informant furnished the following described items:

Following items pertaining to Sobell Committee in NYC:

- (a) Letter [REDACTED] from Sobell Committee dated November, 1964 beginning "People Still Care."
- (b) Envelope of transmittal postmarked [REDACTED].
- (c) Business reply envelope.
- (d) Letter to FBI office from [REDACTED] dated [REDACTED] enclosing letter to Sobell Committee, NYC, [REDACTED].

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CC: 1 - New York (REGISTERED)  
100- [REDACTED]

(COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE 100-107111-5727)  
FOR MORTON SOBELL)

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Read by [REDACTED]

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Buy U.S. Savings Bonds Regularly on the Payroll Savings Plan



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[REDACTED]

(f) Clipping entitled "You Must Care, President Johnson".

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the above and could add nothing further.

All necessary action has been taken by the writer.

APPENDIXCOMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

A source advised on May 12, 1964, that the Los Angeles Sobell Committee is the Los Angeles, California affiliate of captioned organization.

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SOURCE: [REDACTED] b7D

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

1/5/65

SAC, DETROIT (100-20338)

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
FOR MORTON SOBELL  
IS - C; ISA OF 1950  
(OO: New York)

Re New York airtels to Bureau dated 3/6/64 and  
12/3/64.

Referenced airtels contained information indica-  
ting that PETER DARROW, Ann Arbor, Michigan, is an attorney  
who has been active in behalf of MORTON SOBELL and has been  
involved in legal and quasi-activities in behalf of SOBELL.

On December 9, 1964, PETER DARROW, Ann Arbor,  
voluntarily and unexpectedly appeared at the Ann Arbor  
Resident Agency where he was interviewed by SA [redacted]  
[redacted] DARROW commented that he was in the building  
which housed the resident agency and, "just dropped by".  
He stated that he had no particular business to discuss  
and appeared simply to talk about the Bureau. He initiated  
the conversation by stating that he felt the Bureau had  
"vindicated itself" in the recent arrest of individuals  
in Mississippi in connection with last summer's slaying  
of three civil rights workers in that state.

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With reference to the testimony of FBI Director  
J. EDGAR HOOVER before the Warren Commission, he volunteered  
that he was "appalled" to learn that the FBI had given  
"a list of subversives" to the Secret Service in accordance  
with the wishes of the Warren Commission. He stated that  
it troubled him to learn that the FBI maintains such "lists".  
He inquired as to whether or not the FBI maintained "lists"  
of all individuals who have at any time associated them-  
selves with subversive organizations which have been so  
publicly cited.

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- ② - New York (100-107111) (RM)
- 2 - Detroit

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He was told of the Bureau's responsibilities in the internal security field and he appeared sympathetic and understanding of that responsibility. He then went on to explain that neither he nor his wife had ever willingly supported a subversive organization. He pointed out, however, that he had become politically active with persons he considered to be "liberal" and through such political activity he became acquainted with one Rev. GAEDE of Ann Arbor who interested him in the MORTON SOBELL case.

DARROW stated that he studied the SOBELL case and became convinced that in the question of guilt and the demand of justice SOBELL should be granted a parole due to the question of guilt. He therefore agreed to serve as legal counsel for a group of ministers and University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, faculty personnel whom Rev. GAEDE represented. He said he prepared a legal brief and recently plead SOBELL's case before the Federal parole board. He noted that he lost his case and understands that this was the last good chance SOBELL had for parole.

He said that through the offices of Senator PHILIP HART of Michigan he was granted interviews at Washington with prominent government officials to discuss the SOBELL case. Included among such interviews, he said, were interviews arranged for him with lawyers of the Department of Justice. He did not quote any Department of Justice officials, however, he said, that in visits to the Department of Justice he received the "impression" that SOBELL would never be released on parole because FBI Director HOOVER insisted that SOBELL not be paroled.

DARROW furnished no additional information concerning persons active in the defense of SOBELL and mentioned no names of individuals so active other than Rev. GAEDE.

The above is being furnished for the information of the Bureau and office of origin. No additional interviews are contemplated with DARROW, however, if he should again volunteer information in this or related matters, the Bureau and office of origin will be immediately advised.

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Date of Report \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibit \_\_\_\_\_

Date(s) of activity \_\_\_\_\_

Current \_\_\_\_\_

Brief description of activity or material

Throwaway re rummage sale at HURBIL  
GOLDRING's residence for benefit  
of CSJMS. ©

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Remarks:

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Date of Report

**Exhibit**

Date(s) of activity

**Current**

Brief description of activity or material

CSJMS letter dated November, 1964

with pardon petition enclosed captioned

"You Must Care, Pres. Johnson".

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC (100-107111) 41

DATE: 1/27/65

FROM: SA [REDACTED] (41)

SUBJECT: Sobell Committee  
IS-G

On 1/27/65 [REDACTED]

Open. Bk. 919 Trust Co., 512 Ave. & 30th St NYC  
made available to the writer on a confidential basis bank records concerning the above captioned account.

A review of the records reflected no pertinent activity and the balance as of 1/27/65 \$2608.37

The above information is not to be made public except in a usual proceeding following the issuance of a subpoena.

The officer to be subpoenaed is [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Same bank & address

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

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SAC, BOSTON (100-27290)

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
FOR MORTON SOBELL  
IS - C; ISA of 1950  
(OO: New York)

ReBuairtel with enclosure, 3/13/57, and Bslet  
4/11/57 entitled "National Committee to Secure Justice  
In the Rosenberg Case (NCSJRC), IS-C; ISA of 1950."

Referenced enclosure, a copy of a memorandum  
from Assistant Attorney General WILLIAM F. TOMKINS dated  
3/8/57, requested that he be advised of the availability  
of certain informants, including T-1 [redacted] in the  
report of SA [redacted] 6/29/53, Boston, T-1  
[redacted] and T-6 [redacted] in the report of SA [redacted]  
2/26/54, Boston, and T-5 [redacted] in the report of  
SA [redacted] 2/17/56, Boston, to testify in an  
administrative proceeding against the NCSJRC.

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ReBslet advised of the unavailability of [redacted]  
and [redacted] in view of their then status as current  
active informants.

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For the information of the Bureau and the New  
York Office, CHARLES R. PIPER [redacted] and ELSIE  
PIPER [redacted] a husband and wife team, [redacted]  
[redacted] testified for the  
Government in the course of SACB hearings (Bufile 100-372598),  
held in the United States Court House, Boston, Mass.,  
12/10,11 and 14/64. The background of these two former  
informants, [redacted]  
[redacted] is noted to have been  
furnished to the Department in connection with such hearings.

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is exempt from disclosure, in its entirety, under (b)(7)(D) as information contained in this serial would identify an informant to whom an expressed promise of confidentiality has been given. This information includes dates and places of meetings which were attended by a limited number of people known to the informant and/or information from these meetings and situations in which an informant was in close contact with members of these organizations, disclosure of which would reveal his identity.

SAC, CHICAGO (100-25530)

2/9/65

SA [REDACTED] b7c

CHICAGO SOBELL COMMITTEE  
IS - C

On January 12, 1965, [REDACTED] b7d who has furnished reliable information in the past, furnished the writer a written report containing bank account information for the month of December, 1964, for the above captioned organization. This account is maintained at the Amalgamated Trust and Savings Bank, 111 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois. It should be noted that when using this information, a statement should be made that this information is not to be made public without the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum directed to [REDACTED] of this bank. The original report is filed in [REDACTED]. b7d

A photostat copy of the information furnished is attached to the copies of this memorandum with the exception of the [REDACTED]. b7d

- ① - New York (100- ) (Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL) (Encl 1) (RM)

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# Memorandum

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41648)      DATE: 1/25/65

FROM : SA [REDACTED] b7c

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL  
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Informant furnished the following described items:

- (a) Booklet entitled "The Facts in the ROSENBERG-SOBELL Case 1950-1964.
- (b) Envelope of transmittal to source.
- (c) [REDACTED] b7D

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed and could add nothing further to the above.

All necessary action in connection with this memo has been taken by the writer.

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100- (Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL)

CC: [REDACTED] b7D

CEW:mkd  
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5748	2/11/65	FD-306 Informant report	2	0	
5749	2/11/65	FD-306 Informant report	1	1	
5750	2/19/65	NY report to HQ	33	30	
5751	2/19/65	FD-306 Informant report	1	0	
5752	2/23/65	HQ Letter to Legat, Bonn.	2	2	
5753	2/24/65	NY memo to SAC	1	1	
5755	3/1/65	NY memo to SF	2	-	SEE NY 100-109849
5756	3/4/65	LA memo to SAC	1	1	UPPER LEFT CORNER OF PAGE IS TORN AND MISSING
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5759	3/15/65	S.E. Letter to HQ	1	1	
5760	3/17/65	LA. report to HQ	26	26	
5761	3/18/65	W.F.O Letter to HQ	1	1	
5762	3/18/65	FD-306 Informant report	2	-	see NY 100-109849
5763	3/22/65	FD-306 Informant report	2	-	see NY 100-109849
5764	8/25/65	1 Transfer sheet	1	1	
5765	3/23/65	FD-306 Informant report	3	0	
5766	3/24/65	NY memo to SAC	1	1	
5767	3/24/65	HQ Letter to C.G.	1	1	
5768	4/6/65	A.L. report to HQ	9	9	
5769	4/16/65	NY memo to SAC	2	-	see NY 100-109849

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York  
February 4, 1955

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S)

*As Classified  
by [signature] 2/5/55*

Re: Committee to Secure Justice  
For Morton Sobell  
Internal Security - C  
Internal Security Act of 1950

A characterization of the Committee  
to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell  
is attached hereto.

A source who has furnished reliable information  
in the past, advised on [redacted]

[redacted] b7D  
Morton Sobell was transferred to the Federal Penitentiary  
at Lewisburg, Pennsylvania on January 31, 1955.

[redacted] b7D  
The Sobell Committee has prepared an advertisement  
with some twenty signatures ready for publication in the  
"New York Times". The "New York Times" has refused to print  
the advertisement, however, without a release from each  
signator.

Helen Sobell indicated that a large Sobell meeting  
will be held in San Francisco on May 28, 1955 with William  
Kunstler, the New York Attorney as the scheduled guest speaker.

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Re: Committee to Secure ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~  
Justice For Morton Sobell

1. APPENDIX

COMMITTEE TO SECURE  
JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

"Following the execution of atomic spies ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG in June, 1953, the 'Communist campaign assumed a different emphasis. Its major effort centered upon MORTON SOBELL,' the ROSENBERGS' codefendant. The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case - a Communist front which had been conducting the campaign in the United States - was reconstituted as the National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee at a conference in Chicago in October, 1953, and then as the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case' . . . ."

("Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" dated December 1, 1961, issued by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, page 116.)

In September, 1954, the name "National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" appeared on literature issued by the Committee. In March, 1955, the current name, "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell," first appeared on literature issued by the Committee.

The Address Telephone Directory for the Borough of Manhattan, New York City, as published by the New York Telephone Company on April 20, 1964, lists the "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" (CRJPS) as being located at 940 Broadway, New York, New York.

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2/4/55

**AIRTEL**

**TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-38703)**

**FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)**

**SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
FOR MORTON SOBELL (CSJMS)  
IS-C; IS of 19.0**

Attached hereto are six copies of a LHM suitable for dissemination containing information furnished telephonically by [redacted] on 2/4/55. The copy of the LHM and airtel are being furnished to the Kansas and Philadelphia offices in view of the transfer of MORTON SOBELL and to the San Francisco office since it contains information concerning future meetings of the Sobell Committee in their area. b7c  
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This LHM is classified "Confidential" since it contains information which, if disseminated, could reveal the identity of an informant of continuing value and thus, in turn, could have an adverse effect upon the national defense interests of the country.

*R. O. H.*

- 3 - Bureau (100-38703) (Encls. 6) (RM)
- 1 - Kansas City (100- ) (MORTON SOBELL) (Enc. 1) (RM)
- 1 - Philadelphia (100- ) (MORTON SOBELL) (Enc. 1) (RM)
- 1 - San Francisco (100- ) (CSJMS) (Enc. 1) (RM)
- 1 - New York (100-100659) (MORTON SOBELL) (4)
- 1 - New York [redacted]
- 1 - New York [redacted]
- 1 - New York (100-107111)

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If orally furnished and reduced to writing by Agent:

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Date of Report  
**Exhibit**

Date(s) of activity

Brief description of activity or material

(1) A copy of a ltr from Helen Sobell on CSJMS stationary dtd ~~2/3/65~~, addressed to Dear Friend and thanking persons for signing the Sobell petition. The ltr contains a release on the bottom and asks signators for permission to release their name in NY Times.

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Brief description of activity or material

- CSJMS newsletter dated 1/25/65 and**
- Pgs. 184-186 of "Excerpts from Alcatraz".**

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REFERENCE

Report of SA **[REDACTED]** 7/31/64, **b7c**  
at New York, captioned as above.

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Copies of this report have been designated to interested local intelligence agencies.

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Trust Company NYC  
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LEADS

Copies of this report are being furnished for information purposes to all offices wherein active adjuncts or affiliates of the CSJMS have been revealed to exist either through publicity of the CSJMS or by confidential informants, and to those offices wherein reside individuals prominent in the varying letter writing and signature campaigns of the CSJMS.

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SAT NEW YORK, NEW YORK. Will follow and report the activities of captioned organization as revealed through confidential informants, panel sources and/or publicity releases.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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- 1 - Assistant Deputy Chief of Staff Intelligence, New York City (RM)
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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
FOR MORTON SOBELL

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INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

Synopsis:

The current: National Headquarters of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell (CSJMS) are at Room 2D, 940 Broadway, New York City. Key personnel include HELEN SOBELL, wife, ROSE SOBELL, mother, LEAH SCHNEIDER, Office Manager, AARON KATZ, Volunteer Organizer, and EVELYN HARAP. The current campaigns of the CSJMS are to demand that the President of the US give a Full Pardon to MORTON SOBELL, releasing him from prison, and to discredit the conviction of JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG and MORTON SOBELL.

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DETAILS

A characterization of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell (CSJMS) may be found in the Appendix Section of this report.

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The CSJMS, the New York Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell and the Sobell Committee will be referred to by the initials CSJMS, NYCSJMS and SC, where appropriate, in this report.

A. Officers and Location

A letter on the stationery of the CSJMS dated November, 1964, and signed by HELEN L. SOBELL (Mrs. MORTON SOBELL) lists the following address of the officers of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, 940 Broadway, New York 10, New York, ALgonquin 9-9983; Mrs. Morton Sobell, Mrs. Rose SOBELL - Chair-  
man.

[REDACTED] b2  
December 8, 1964

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JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG and MORTON SOBELL were convicted in the United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on March 29, 1951, on a charge of Conspiracy to Commit Espionage on behalf of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR). The ROSENBERGS were sentenced to death on April 5, 1951, and MORTON SOBELL was sentenced to 30 years imprisonment on the same date. JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG were legally executed at Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, New York, on June 19, 1953. MORTON SOBELL is currently serving his sentence at the United States Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania.

①  
in the custody of the  
Attorney General

This source, an admitted member of the Communist Party (CP), from [redacted] to [redacted] b7D  
[redacted] identified HELEN KOREWITZ (HELEN SOBELL, Mrs. MORTON SOBELL) as a member of the Education and Literature Committee of the CP in Washington, D.C., as of February 1, 1944.

[redacted] b7D  
February 2, 1944

This source, [redacted] b7D

[redacted] The source advised that on several occasions during this period Mrs. SOBELL had requested him to join the CP and the source added that, although he believed ROSE SOBELL to be a CP member because of this, he could not confirm her

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as a member of the CP or a Communist front organization.

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This source advised that EVELYN HARAP was a member of the Chelsea-Lincoln Square Section of the CP, but that she had left the CP following the resignation of JOHN GATES in the Spring of 1958, and had not attended a CP meeting since that time.

[REDACTED]

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January 13, 1959

This source

[REDACTED] advised that LEAN SCHNEIDER had been an active member of the City Branch of the CP in Austin, Texas.

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[REDACTED]

October 20, 1954

This source advised that AARON KATZ was a member of the CP for six years and had been transferred into the Waterfront Section of the CP on December 23, 1943. According to the source, KATZ in 1944, held

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CP Membership book number 31250.

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April 27, 1944



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April 15, 1963

B. Aims and Purposes

A letter on the stationery of the CSUM, dated November 1954, certifies, "Dear Friends: People Still Care" is set forth as follows:

... An independent new book devoted entirely to the case is being prepared by a major publisher. New evidence of innocence of the Rosenbergs and Morton Sobell is documented in a startling expose.

Across America, thousands have signed petitions asking a Citizens Full Pardon for Morton Sobell based on his innocence.

We are undertaking a meaningful new effort now that President Johnson is starting his first term on his own. Enclosed is an ad similar to the one we hope to place in the NEW YORK TIMES and other publications to reach a national audience.

on 1/2/63

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"Will you say, together with all who want to see an innocent man free, 'I CARE!' Please let your signature and the most generous contribution you can make speak for you."

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December 8, 1964

A press release on the stationery of the CSJMS dated September 15, 1964, captioned, "Coming! A New Break In The Entire Rosenberg-Sobell Case" is set forth in part as follows:

"The mere thought can make one's heart beat faster. But it's a reality. The latest word we have received from the authors is that one of America's leading publishers, DOUBLEDAY, has scheduled a winter publication of their book that is both an objective new look and a blistering probing into the Rosenberg-Sobell case, unearthing vital new evidence.....

"..... The book, written by Walter and Miriam Schneir, is titled INVITATION TO AN INQUEST-- A New Look at the Rosenberg-Sobell Case. It contains striking new material that should arouse the national conscience, and it is based on the painstaking independent investigation that the authors made.....

"..... CLIMAXING THE PETITION DRIVE-- To give the petitions maximum meaning, it is intended that they be presented in Washington in ample time to fight for Christmas amnesty. ...."

[REDACTED] b2

September 20, 1964

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C. Finances

The information furnished by NY T-5 and NY T-6 listed below is not to be made public except in the usual proceedings following the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum and NY T-5 and NY T-6 have advised that they do not retain custody of the basic documents from which any of the below listed check information was obtained.

In the event that the information furnished by NY T-5 is to be utilized the person to be subpoenaed is [REDACTED] Chemical Bank New York Trust Company, Fifth Avenue and 20 th Street, New York City; and, in the event that the information furnished by NY T-6 is to be utilized the person to be subpoenaed is [REDACTED] Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company, 221 Park Avenue South, New York City.

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A review of the bank account of the SC, which account is maintained at the Chemical Bank New York Trust Company, Fifth Avenue and 20th Street, New York City, reflects a bank balance of \$995.82 as of July 28, 1964, and further that the following pertinent checks were drawn against the account during the previous accounting period:

<u>Check Number</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
4828	July 16, 1964	Cash (Endorsed LEAH SCHNEIDER)	\$ 119.34
4818	July 9, 1964	HELEN SOBELL	200.00

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<u>Check Number</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
4831	July 23, 1964	Cash (Endorsed LEAH SCHNEIDER)	\$ 123.54

NY T-5  
July 28, 1964

A review of the bank account of the SC maintained at the Chemical Bank New York Trust Company reflects a balance of \$916.21 as of August 26, 1964, and further that the following pertinent checks were drawn against this account during the previous accounting period:

<u>Check Number</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
4842	August 6, 1964	Cash (Endorsed GENOVEVA CLEMENTE)	\$ 139.60
4860	August 20, 1964	Cash (Endorsed GENOVEVA CLEMENTE)	139.60
4862	August 20, 1964	Cash (Endorsed GENOVEVA CLEMENTE)	100.00

NY T-5  
August 26, 1964

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A review of the bank account of the SC maintained at the Chemical Bank New York Trust Company reflects a balance of \$515.63 as of September 28, 1964, and further that the following pertinent checks were drawn against this account during the previous accounting period:

<u>Check Number</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
4869	September 3, 1964	Cash (Endorsed GENOVEVA CLEMENTE)	\$ 139.60
4871	September 10, 1964	Cash (Endorsed GENOVEVA CLEMENTE)	139.60
4875	September 14, 1964	Cash (Endorsed LEAH SCHNEIDER)	100.00
4880	September 17, 1964	Cash (Endorsed LEAH SCHNEIDER)	202.10
4881	September 17, 1964	Cash (Endorsed LEAH SCHNEIDER)	65.56
4892	September 24, 1964	Cash (Endorsed LEAH SCHNEIDER)	202.18
4874	September 11, 1964	HELEN SOBELL	148.05
4887	September 18, 1964	HELEN SOBELL	148.05

NY T-5  
September 28, 1964

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A review of the bank account of the SC at the Chemical Bank New York Trust Company reflects a balance of \$104.11 as of October 28, 1964.

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October 28, 1964

A review of the bank account of the SC at the Chemical Bank New York Trust Company reflects a balance of \$494.66 as of November 24, 1964.

NY T-5  
November 24, 1964

A review of the bank account of the SC maintained at the Chemical Bank New York Trust Company reflects a balance of \$1,397.95 as of December 30, 1964, and further that the following pertinent checks were drawn against this account during the pertinent accounting period:

<u>Check Number</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
4956	December 3, 1964	Cash (Endorsed HELEN SOBELL)	\$ 100.00
4959	December 7, 1964	Cash (Endorsed HELEN SOBELL)	100.00
4971	December 14, 1964	HELEN SOBELL	95.73
4974	December 16, 1964	HELEN SOBELL	1000.00
4975	December 16, 1964	HELEN SOBELL	147.00

NY T-5  
December 30, 1964

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A review of the bank account of the SC at the Chemical Bank New York Trust Company reflects a balance of \$2,608.37 as of January 27, 1965.

NY T-5  
January 27, 1965

The records of the Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company, 221 Park Avenue South, New York City, reflect that check number 3416 dated June 24, 1964, in the amount of \$100.00 was made payable to the CSJMS from the account of Jewish Currents, which account was maintained at that bank.

NY T-6  
July 30, 1964

A characterization of Jewish Currents may be found in the Appendix Section attached hereto.

D. CSJMS Activities and Publicity

On Pages three and six of the July 8, 1964 issue of the "Morning Freiheit" is a lengthy newspaper feature article captioned, "Roy Cohn Was Caught In His Own Trap", by HELEN SOBELL. This article gives a short resume of the conviction of JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG and MORTON SOBELL and proceeds into a lengthy resume of the subsequent career of ROY COHN, one of the Federal Prosecutors in the case. According to the article COHN was one of the principals in a case involving fraud and was himself under indictment. The article requests the reader to write to the President of the United States and/or to sign a petition for SOBELL's release.

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A characterization of the "Morning Freiheit" may be found in the Appendix Section attached hereto.

A meeting of a branch of the Socialist Workers Party (SWP) was held on [redacted] in [redacted]

[redacted] At this meeting the Acting Organizer for the Branch advised that [redacted]

[redacted] pamphlets relating to the SOSELL case and further that these pamphlets would be distributed throughout the [redacted] area by the SWP members.

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The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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A fund-raising party was held in the Far Rockaway Section of New York City on August 22, 1964. HELEN and ROSE SOBELL gave short talks on the case, ... about the unjust accusation, conviction and sentencing of MORTON SOBELL, and the prominent people who were working toward the freedom of MORTON SOBELL.

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August 24, 1964

On Page seven of the August 29, 1964 issue of "National Guardian" is a box advertisement which is set forth in part below:

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"Why is Morton Sobell, an innocent man, still imprisoned for 14 years? Does our Justice Department protect racists and prosecute innocent people? Hear Helen Sobell-Sunday, September 6 . . ."

On Page seven of the September 5, 1964 issue of the "National Guardian" the above advertisement is repeated.

A characterization of the "National Guardian" may be found in the Appendix Section attached hereto.

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October 9, 1954

The YKUF has been designated  
pursuant to Executive Order  
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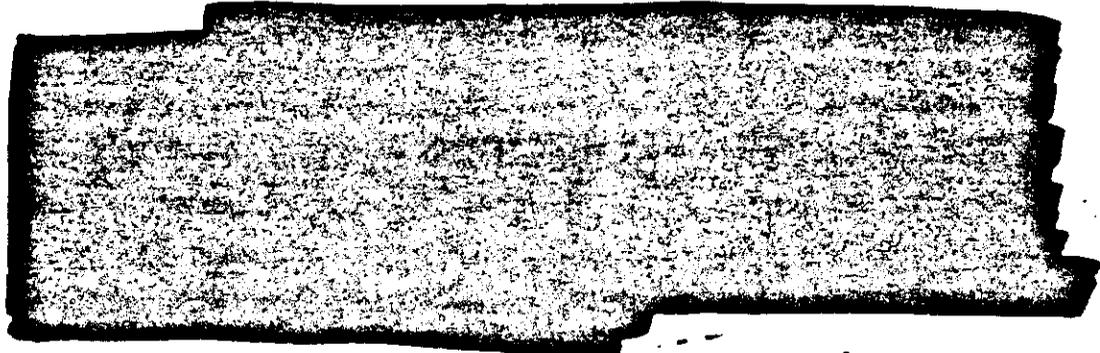
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On Page 9 of the October 10, 1964 issue of the "National Guardian" is an advertisement for a meeting to be held on October 16, 1964, in New York City, at which a newly published book, "Suppressed Facts in the Rosenberg Case", by IRVING EDELMAN, would be discussed. On Page 11 of the October 17, 1964, issue of the "National Guardian" this advertisement was repeated.

In the June 18, 1953, issue of the "New York Herald Tribune", a New York City daily newspaper, is a feature article captioned, "Rosenberg Stay Aided By Lx-Red", which reports that an "obscure Los Angeles pamphleteer", whose activities led to the stay of execution of JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG, had disclosed on June 17, 1953, that he had been expelled from the Rosenberg Defense Committee for what he described as his efforts to expose blunders in the legal defense of the atom spies. The article reports that IRVING EDELMAN, former book

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shop owner, who was interviewed by telephone in Los Angeles, freely conceded that he was a former Communist, but said that he had been expelled from the CP in 1947.

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E. Current Publicity Releases

Micrographs Under Seal of the FBI

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Stationery of the CSJMS captioned, "Morton Sobell  
Transferred to Lewisburg Prison"

This is quoted in part as follows:

NEW YORK--Morton Sobell, who continues to appeal for release on the basis of his innocence on the conspiracy to commit espionage charge on which he was condemned to 30 years in prison, has been transferred to Lewisburg Federal Penitentiary from the Prison Medical Center in Springfield, Missouri, his wife, Helen Sobell, disclosed today.

He had been transferred there from the Federal Penitentiary at Atlanta, Ga., because of poor health requiring hospitalization. Previously he had been incarcerated in Alcatraz for more than five years and world-wide appeals that there was no justification for confining him in the now defunct maximum security prison was followed by his transfer to Atlanta.

Mrs. Sobell reported that more than 7000 have signed a petition to President Lyndon B. Johnson asking Sobell's release on the ground that he is an innocent man, unjustly convicted. Sobell has charged that the testimony of a lone witness against him was perjured.

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February 10, 1965

F. Miscellaneous

A review of the Central Indices of the Associated Hospital Services of New York, which firm furnishes Blue Cross Hospitalization and Blue Shield.

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Medical Coverage in the New York area fails to reflect any hospitalization or medical coverage plans for personnel of the CSWS.

NY T-11  
January 21, 1965

1.APPENDIXCOMMITTEE TO SECURE  
JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

"Following the execution of atomic spies ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG in June, 1953, the 'Communist campaign assumed a different emphasis. Its major effort centered upon MORTON SOBELL, the ROSENBERGS' codefendant. The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case - a Communist front which had been conducting the campaign in the United States - was reconstituted as the National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee at a conference in Chicago in October, 1953, and 'then as the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case' . . ."

("Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" dated December 1, 1961, issued by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, page 116.)

In September, 1954, the name "National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" appeared on literature issued by the Committee. In March, 1955, the current name, "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell," first appeared on literature issued by the Committee.

The Address Telephone Directory for the Borough of Manhattan, New York City, as published by the New York Telephone Company on April 20, 1964, lists the "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" (CSJMS) as being located at 940 Broadway, New York, New York.

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APPENDIX

"JEWISH CURRENTS,"  
Formerly known as "Jewish Life"

"Jewish Life" for October, 1957, announced that after the October issue, and with the next issue to be published in January, 1958, the magazine was changing its name to "Jewish Currents," because of the claim to the name "Jewish Life" by the magazine "Orthodox Jewish Life."

The May, 1964, issue reported that "Jewish Currents" is published by Jewish Currents, Incorporated, Room 601, 22 East 17th Street, New York City.

Concerning "Jewish Life," the "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," dated December 1, 1961, and prepared by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, stated:

- "(1) Cited as a Communist-front which first appeared in November, 1946, as a monthly published by the Morning Freiheit Association, publishers of the Yiddish Communist daily. . . Morning Freiheit. The first issue contained this announcement of policy: Jewish Life dedicates itself to strengthening the friendship of the Jewish people with the Soviet Union. . ."

"Its Editor, LOUIS HARAP, has been identified as a Communist in sworn testimony.

"(Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, Trial by Treason: The National Committee to Secure Justice for the Rosenbergs and Morton Sobell, August 25, 1956, p. 93.)"

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APPENDIX

"MORNING FREIHEIT"

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning "Morning Freiheit":

"Morning Freiheit

- "1. The Communist International 'subsidized \* \* \* the founding of the CPUSA's newspaper, Freiheit.'  
(Subversive Activities Control Board, Docket No. 51-101, Modified Report with respect to the Communist Party of the United States of America, December 18, 1956, p. 159.)
- "2. A 'Communist Yiddish daily.'  
(Attorney General FRANCIS BIDDLE, Congressional Record, September 24, 1942, p. 7686.)
- "3. 'The Freiheit has been one of the rankest organs of Communist propaganda in this country for almost a quarter of a century.'  
(Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 75.)"

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APPENDIX

"NATIONAL GUARDIAN"

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," revised and published as of December 1, 1961, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., contains the following concerning the "National Guardian":

"National Guardian

- "1. 'established by the American Labor Party in 1947 as a "progressive" weekly \* \* \*. Although it denies having any affiliation with the Communist Party, it has manifested itself from the beginning as a virtual official propaganda arm of Soviet Russia.' (Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, Trial by Treason: The National Committee to Secure Justice for the ROSENBERGS and MORTON SOBELL, August 25, 1956, p. 12.)"



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

New York, New York

February 19, 1955

In Reply, Please Refer to  
File No.

Title            Committee To Secure Justice  
                  For Morton Sobell

Character        Internal Security - C;  
                  Internal Security Act of 1950

Reference        is made to report of Special  
                  Agent [REDACTED] dated **b7c**  
                  and captioned as above at New York.

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Director, FBI (100-387835)

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
FOR MORTON SOBELL  
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For your information the investigation conducted to date by the Los Angeles and New York Offices has not developed any additional information concerning this individual or his identity.

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FOR MORTON SOBELL  
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In the event the Los Angeles and New York Offices develop any identifiable data concerning this unidentified individual you will be promptly advised. *u*

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MEMORANDUM

TO: SAC (100-107111) (41)

DATE: 2/24/65

FROM: SA [REDACTED] (b7C) (#41)

SUBJECT: Sobell Committee  
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On 2/24/65 [REDACTED] (b7D)

Chen Bk 914 Trust Co. 524 Ave 4 2024 ST. NYC  
made available to the writer on a confidential basis bank records concerning the above captioned account.

A review of the records reflected no pertinent activity and the balance as of 2/24/65 \$ 3,167.53

The above information is not to be made public except in a usual proceeding following the issuance of a subpoena.

The officer to be subpoenaed is [REDACTED] (b7D)

[REDACTED] same bank and address

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C, LOS ANGELES (100-41648)

3/4/65

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
FOR MORTON SOBELL (CSJMS)  
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The following leaflets were furnished to writer  
by [redacted] on 2/26/65 [redacted]

- (a) Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell (CSJMS)  
New York City, News Release captioned "Morton Sobell  
Transferred to Levensburg Prison."
- (b) CSJMS letter dated 1/25/65, beginning, "Now He Go To  
The New York Times Ad—"
- (c) Excerpts from Alcatraz, 1868-1963... issued by  
CSJMS, New York City.

ACTION:

Informant was thoroughly interviewed concerning the  
above and could add nothing further.

All necessary action in connection with the above  
has been taken by the writer.

CC: [redacted]

NEW YORK (REGISTERED)  
(100-107111)(CSJMS)

CEW:mib  
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Date: 3-9-65

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Via Airtel

(Priority)

To: SAC, New York (100-107111)

From: Director, FBI (100-387835)

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
FOR MORTON SOBELL  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C  
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

Rerep SA Philip H. Sheridan dated 2-19-65 at  
New York in captioned matter.



You are instructed to advise the Bureau and offices  
receiving copies of rerep the correct information in this  
regard. Inasmuch as this error did not materially affect  
the accuracy of the information being reported, form error  
should be charged to responsible personnel.

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to lead*

*Conceded by 3/11/65  
and shown subject  
SA [redacted]*

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<b>TITLE OF CASE</b>  COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL		<b>REPORT MADE BY</b> [REDACTED] b7c	<b>TYPE</b> ND
		<b>CHARACTER OF CASE</b>  INTERNAL SECURITY - C	

**REFERENCE:** Report of SA [REDACTED] dated 3/9/64 at Chicago. b7c

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**LEAD**

**CHICAGO**

**AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.** Continue to follow and report activities of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell and Chicago Sobell Committee.

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

The attached report has been classified "CONFIDENTIAL" because it contains information of utmost value furnished by [REDACTED] regarding Chicago Sobell Committee activities in Chicago, the disclosure of which could reasonably result in the identification of [REDACTED] b7d

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②-New York	(100-107111) (RM)
2-Chicago	(100-25530)

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**Notations**

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of this informant of continuing value and compromise the future effectiveness thereof.

One copy each of the letterhead memorandum has been made available to G-2, ONI, and OSI, Chicago, with copies of the attached report.

[redacted], Assumed Name Division, <sup>b7D</sup>  
County Clerk's Office, City and County Headquarters,  
Chicago, Illinois, advised SA [redacted] on February <sup>b7C</sup>  
24, 1965, that the Chicago Sobell Committee is not regis-  
tered in the division.

The Corporation and Security Division of the  
Secretary of State's Office, 188 West Randolph Street,  
Chicago, Illinois, was contacted and their records  
were caused to be checked by [redacted] <sup>b7D</sup>  
on February 24, 1965, and no record could be located for  
the Chicago Sobell Committee.

The [redacted] on February 24,  
1965, was by SA [redacted] <sup>b7C</sup>  
[redacted] <sup>b7D</sup>

INFORMANTS

Source

Location

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Source

CG T-3  
Anonymous

Location

Information regarding Mrs.  
DAVID (GERTRUDE) SOLTKE

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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Copy to:  
1 - G-2, Chicago (RM)  
1 - ONI, Chicago (RM)  
1 - OSI, Chicago (RM)

Report of: [REDACTED] b7c

Office: Chicago, Illinois

Date: 3/11/65

Bureau File #: 100-387835

Field Office File #: 100-25530

Title: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
FOR MORTON SOBELL

Character: INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Synopsis: The Chicago Sobell Committee (CSC) is an affiliate of captioned organization. As of February, 1965, the CSC was operating out of room 714, 192 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois. DAVID L. SOLTNER and Mrs. DAVID (GERTRUDE) SOLTNER ascertained to be the guiding force behind the CSC. Information concerning CSC finances set forth. The CSC sponsored a garden social and a white elephant sale in 1964 for fund-raising purposes to continue the battle for the release of MORTON SOBELL from federal prison.

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**DETAILS:**

The following organization mentioned in this report has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450:

**American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born**

The following organizations mentioned in this report have not been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450:

**The Chicago Committee to Defend the Bill of Rights**

**The Chicago Committee to Defend Democratic Rights, formerly known as Chicago Joint Defense Committee to Defeat the Smith Act**

**Chicago Sobell Committee, also known as the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell**

**The Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell**

**Fair Play for Cuba Committee (National)**

**Fair Play for Cuba Committee (Chicago Chapter)**

**Midwest Committee for Protection of Foreign Born**

**National Lawyers Guild (National)**

**National Lawyers Guild (Chicago Chapter)**

**I. CHARACTERIZATION**

The Chicago Sobell Committee (CSC) (see latter pages) is the Chicago, Illinois, affiliate of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell (see latter pages).

(CG T-1, 2/19/62)

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JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG and MORTON SOBELL were convicted in United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on March 29, 1951, on a charge of conspiracy to commit espionage on behalf of the Soviet Union. The ROSENBERGS were sentenced to death on April 5, 1951, and MORTON SOBELL was sentenced to 30 years' imprisonment on the same date.

JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG were legally executed at Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, New York, on June 19, 1953, and MORTON SOBELL is currently serving his sentence in the United States Prison Medical Center, Springfield, Missouri.

## II. ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

As of May 8, 1964, DAVID L. SOLTKER appeared to be the guiding force behind the CSC and is assisted by GERTRUDE SOLTKER, his wife.

(CG T-2, 5/8/64)

[REDACTED], McKey and Poague, 111 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois, advised SA [REDACTED] on February 24, 1965, that they are no longer the rental agents of the building located at 192 North Clark Street, Chicago. [REDACTED] further advised she believed a Mr. KENNETH SMITHSON of 188 West Randolph Street, Chicago, is the new owner or manager of the building at 192 North Clark Street, Chicago. b7D b7C

On February 24, 1965, through a [REDACTED] to Mr. KENNETH SMITHSON, it was determined that EDWIN D. WEBER of 188 West Randolph Street, Chicago, is the owner of the building located at 192 North Clark Street, Chicago. SMITHSON advised that he, SMITHSON, was the Manager of the building. b7E

On February 25, 1965, it was observed by SA [REDACTED] that the directory in the building at 192 North Clark Street, Chicago, reflected the Chicago Sobell Committee was an occupant of Room 714; also, a sign on the door of Room 714 carries said name. b7E

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DAVID L. SOLTNER

The files of the Subcommittee on Un-American Activities, House of Representatives, as reviewed August, 1943, reflected that the name DAVID SOLTNER appeared as a signer to the Communist Party (CP) Election Petition submitted to the State of Illinois in 1940.

On October 21, 1960, DAVID SOLTNER was in attendance at a public meeting sponsored by the Fair Play for Cuba Committee (FPCC) entitled, "Report from Cuba" held at Chicago. Featured speakers were ROBERT TABER, former CBS correspondent and Executive Secretary of the National FPCC, and CARLTON BEALS, Chairman of the National FPCC.

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Mrs. DAVID (GERTRUDE) SOLTNER

The files of the Subcommittee on Un-American Activities, House of Representatives, as reviewed in August, 1943, reflected that the name of Mrs. DAVID (GERTRUDE) SOLTNER appeared as a signer of the CP Election Petition submitted to the State of Illinois in 1940.

GERTRUDE SOLTNER, as of 1943, was a member of the CP.

(CG T-3, 1943)

On August 2, 1960, GERTRUDE SOLTNER attended the 70th birthday celebration of PEARL M. HART, President, National Lawyers Guild (NLG), Chicago Chapter, at Chicago. This affair was sponsored by the Midwest Committee for Protection of Foreign Born (MCPFB) and the Chicago Committee to Defend Democratic Rights (CCDDR).

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III. FINANCES

The CSC raises funds through sustainers, solicitations, and contributions from individuals and the holding of public affairs.

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The following information regarding the CSC bank account maintained at the Amalgamated Trust and Savings Bank, Chicago, Illinois, was furnished by CG T-4 on the dates indicated. The information furnished by CG T-4 is no longer in his possession and the information is not to be made public except upon issuance of a subpoena duces tecum directed to [REDACTED] of this bank. Information concerning checks drawn against the CSC is no longer in the possession of CG T-4 or the bank.

January, 1964

Opening Balance.....\$517.06  
Closing Balance..... 499.20

A total of \$63.50 was deposited for the month of January, 1964. A check in the amount of \$30.00 was made payable to McKey and Poague and cleared through the First National Bank of Chicago. One check in the amount of \$50.00 was made payable to Committee to Secure Justice for M. Sobell and cleared through the Corn Exchange Bank, New York.

(CG T-4, 2/14/64)

February, 1964

Opening Balance.....\$499.20  
Closing Balance..... 255.59

A total of \$34.00 was deposited for the month of February, 1964. A check in the amount of \$30.00 was made payable to McKey and Poague and cleared through the First National Bank of Chicago. One check in the amount of \$80.00 was made payable to Committee to Secure Justice for M. Sobell and cleared

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through the Corn Exchange Bank, New York. A check in the amount of \$125.00 was made out to cash and endorsed by D. SOLTKER and cleared through the Amalgamated Trust and Savings Bank of Chicago.

(CG T-4, 3/11/64)

March, 1964

Opening Balance.....\$255.59  
Closing Balance..... 224.20

There were no deposits for the month of March, 1964. A check in the amount of \$30.00 was made payable to McKey and Poague and cleared through the First National Bank of Chicago.

(CG T-4, 4/9/64)

April, 1964

Opening Balance.....\$224.20  
Closing Balance..... 396.63

A total of \$384.50 was deposited for the month of April, 1964. A check in the amount of \$30.00 was made payable to McKey and Poague and cleared through the First National Bank of Chicago. A check in the amount of \$50.00 was made out to cash and cleared through the Amalgamated Trust and Savings Bank, Chicago. A check in the amount of \$83.00 was made payable to the Committee to Secure Justice for M. Sobell and cleared through the Corn Exchange Bank, New York.

(CG T-4, 5/7/64)

May, 1964

Opening Balance.....\$396.63  
Closing Balance..... 392.29

A total of \$27.00 was deposited for the month of May, 1964. A check in the amount of \$30.00 was made payable to McKey and Poague and cleared through the First National Bank of Chicago.

(CG T-4, 6/9/64)

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June, 1964

Opening Balance.....\$392.29  
Closing Balance..... 621.34

A total of \$335.50 was deposited for the month of June, 1964. A check in the amount of \$30.00 was made payable to McKey and Poague and cleared through the First National Bank of Chicago. Two checks in the amount of \$50.00 and \$25.00 were made out to cash and cleared through the Amalgamated Trust and Savings Bank, Chicago.

(CG T-4, 7/8/64)

July, 1964

Opening Balance.....\$621.34  
Closing Balance..... 291.69

A total of \$40.00 was deposited for the month of July, 1964. A check in the amount of \$300.00 was made payable to Committee to Secure Justice for M. Scbell and cleared through the Corn Exchange Bank, New York. Another check in the amount of \$30.00 was made payable to McKey and Poague and cleared through the First National Bank of Chicago.

(CG T-4, 8/7/64)

August, 1964

Opening Balance.....\$291.69  
Closing Balance..... 260.37

No deposits were made for the month of August, 1964. A check in the amount of \$30.00 was made payable to McKey and Poague and cleared through the First National Bank of Chicago.

(CG T-4, 9/4/64)

September, 1964

Opening Balance.....\$260.37  
Closing Balance..... 140.60

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A total of \$8.00 was deposited for the month of September, 1964. A check in the amount of \$30.00 was made payable to McKey and Poague and cleared through the First National Bank of Chicago. Another check for \$75.00 was made payable to cash and endorsed by DAVID SOLTKER and cleared through the Amalgamated Trust and Savings Bank, Chicago.

(CG T-4, 10/9/64)

October, 1964

Opening Balance.....\$140.60  
Closing Balance..... 116.07

A total of \$45.00 was deposited for the month of October, 1964. A check in the amount of \$37.80 was made payable to cash and endorsed by DAVID SOLTKER and cleared through the Amalgamated Trust and Savings Bank, Chicago. Another check in the amount of \$30.00 was made payable to EDWIN WEBER, for rent of room 714, 192 North Clark, and cleared through the American National Bank, Chicago.

(CG T-4, 11/12/64)

November, 1964

Opening Balance.....\$116.07  
Closing Balance..... 646.68

A total of \$704.45 was deposited for the month of November, 1964. A check in the amount of \$30.00 was made payable to EDWIN WEBER and cleared through the American National Bank, Chicago. Two other checks were made out to cash in the amounts of \$75.00 and \$50.00 and cleared through the Amalgamated Trust and Savings Bank, Chicago.

(CG T-4, 12/7/64)

December, 1964

Opening Balance.....\$646.68  
Closing Balance..... 408.26

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A total of \$43.00 was deposited for the month of December, 1964. A check in the amount of \$30.00 was made payable to EDWIN WEBER for rent of room 714, 192 North Clark Street, and cleared through the American National Bank of Chicago. Another check was made payable to the Committee to Secure Justice for M. Sobell in the amount of \$250.00. This check cleared through the Corn Exchange Bank, New York.

(CG T-4, 1/12/65)

January, 1965

Opening Balance.....	\$408.26
Closing Balance.....	450.55

A total of \$93.65 was deposited for the month of January, 1965. A check in the amount of \$30.00 was made payable to KENNETH I. SMITHSON for rent of room 714, 192 North Clark Street, Chicago, and cleared through the First National Bank of Chicago.

(CG T-4, 2/10/65)

#### IV. ACTIVITIES

On June 23, 1964, the CSC, 192 North Clark Street, Chicago, room 714, sponsored a garden social in Chicago featuring HELEN SOBELL, wife of MORTON SOBELL, and her son, MARK SOBELL, age 14, for the purpose of raising financial assistance to help free her husband, MORTON SOBELL. Approximately 72 individuals attended this social. HELEN SOBELL gave a speech concerning her husband and stated throughout her speech that he was an innocent man and was unjustly convicted. She said that many noted lawyers, scientists, and professional people of repute believe that if SOBELL had been on trial today he would be a free man. She emphasized that financial help was needed to keep up the legal battle for her husband's freedom and complete pardon on the basis that he was innocent when convicted. She said that it was the faithful efforts of individuals behind the Sobell Committee in Chicago as well as abroad and in other cities in the United States that raised the funds that will eventually win her husband's freedom from imprisonment. She said that his health

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had been ruined due to neglect and the backward sanitary conditions of Alcatraz Prison.

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HELEN SOBELL

On February 2, 1944, [REDACTED] to an admitted member of the CP from [REDACTED] identified HELEN GUREWITZ (HELEN SOBELL), Mrs. MORTON SOBELL, as a member of the Education and Literature Committee of the CP in Washington, D.C., as of February 1, 1944.

On November 21, 1964, the CSC sponsored its annual white elephant sale in Chicago. The primary purpose of this sale was to raise and increase financial funds for the release and complete pardon of MORTON SOBELL. Also, it was a way of getting those people together who are sympathetic to the Sobell cause. There were many lawyers at this affair who spoke freely on the ways and means of immediate release of SOBELL and other political prisoners due to the fast growing trend of socialism and the better and closer relations with the Soviet Union. Many of those present hailed the victory of President JOHNSON as establishing a clean and easier approach to the release of SOBELL. This was the general conversation and atmosphere among the guests at the affair. J. EDGAR HOOVER, Director of the FBI, was criticized as other individuals were criticized who were anti-communist in their political beliefs.

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APPENDIX

CHICAGO COMMITTEE TO DEFEND  
THE BILL OF RIGHTS

The Chicago Committee to Defend the Bill of Rights (CCDBR) maintains headquarters in Suite 424, 431 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois.

A source advised in July, 1960, that RICHARD CRILEY, then a member of the Civil Liberties Commission, Communist Party (CP) of Illinois, met with key leaders of the CP of Illinois and discussed with them the fact that the climate in the United States on civil liberties and civil rights issues had changed to the extent that it was now possible to proceed to form a new organization with broad mass support. By doing so, CRILEY believed that people who would not associate themselves with an organization of narrow scope would join a civil liberties and civil rights organization built around a broader issue such as the abolishment of the House Committee on Un-American Activities (HCUA). The CP leaders, after receiving assurance from CRILEY that any new organization that might evolve would protect the Party interests, authorized CRILEY to proceed with his plan to form a broader organization.

A second source advised on October 31, 1960, that a new organization known as the Chicago Committee to Defend the Bill of Rights was formally launched in Chicago at a meeting on October 26, 1960. The stated primary purpose of the new organization was to seek the abolition of the HCUA, and RICHARD CRILEY was named as its Executive Secretary, after having been the guiding force in arranging the October 26, 1960, meeting.

The first source in October, 1960, advised that CRILEY again attended a meeting of the Illinois District CP leadership on October 28, 1960, at which time he reported on the organizational meeting of the CCDBR. CRILEY stated the immediate purpose of his organization is to obtain mass support to abolish the HCUA, but the new Committee purposes will also include defense of Smith Act and Taft-Hartley victims. He said there will be no formal affiliation with any national organization of similar purpose; however, the CCDBR, according to CRILEY, will consult and have liaison with national organizations having the same purpose. According to the source, the CP leadership agreed with the general direction of the CCDBR as outlined by CRILEY.

A third source advised on May 11, 1964, that the CCDBR continues to adhere to the same aims and purposes, with RICHARD CRILEY as Executive Director; however, its Board of Directors has been expanded to include additional members of the clergy, educators and labor representatives, not known to be CP members.

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1. CHICAGO COMMITTEE TO DEFEND DEMOCRATIC RIGHTS, Formerly known as Chicago Joint Defense Committee to Defeat the Smith Act

A source advised on April 15, 1958, that the Chicago Joint Defense Committee to Defeat the Smith Act (CJDC) was formed by the Communist Party (CP) in March, 1956.

A second source advised on July 17, 1958, that at a working conference of the CJDC held on June 8, 1958, at Chicago, Illinois, the name of the CJDC was changed to the Chicago Committee to Defend Democratic Rights (CCDDR). The purpose of the CCDDR, according to its "Statement of Principles and Organization" was to "...defend and extend the human rights embodied in the Bill of Rights...and to put an end to the political and racial persecutions which threaten American democracy today."

The second source further advised on May 18, 1960, that as of May, 1960, the CCDDR continued to function within the framework of its stated principles and that in accordance with its "Statement of Principles and Organization" had a number of "Working Committees" which included the Chicago Smith Act Families Committee, South Side Freedom Committee, and Taft-Hartley Working Committee. The source further stated that as of May, 1960, RICHARD CRILEY was serving as the Executive Secretary of the CCDDR.

This same source advised on February 8, 1961, that the CCDDR continued to operate until October 26, 1960, when the Chicago Committee to Defend the Bill of Rights (CCDBR) was formed and the offices and assets of what was formerly the CCDDR were taken over by the CCDBR. At the October 26, 1960, meeting, a referendum for approval of the above described action was called for, and subsequently votes were solicited from "associates" of the old CCDDR. The source further advised that no formal dissolution meeting of the CCDDR was ever held, but for all intents and purposes the CCDDR ceased to exist on October 26, 1960, and the new CCDBR has functioned under the guidance of RICHARD CRILEY, its Executive Secretary, since that time.

RICHARD CRILEY, according to a third source, was a member of the State Committee, CP of Illinois, as of February, 1961.

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CHICAGO SOBELL COMMITTEE, Aka.  
Chicago Committee to Secure  
Justice for Morton Sobell

On May 11, 1964, [REDACTED] McKey and Poague, 111 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois, rental agents of the building located at 192 North Clark Street, Chicago, advised that the Chicago Sobell Committee (CSC) rents Room 714, 192 North Clark Street, Chicago, Illinois. b7D

A source advised on April 19, 1962, that the CSC, which is also known as the Chicago Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell and was formerly known as Chicago Rosenberg-Sobell Committee and Chicago Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, is a small group of volunteers who do Sobell fund raising and programming in the Chicago area. The Chicago Committee, since its inception in 1952, has been an affiliate of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, which is also known as the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell and was formerly known as the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, with headquarters in New York.

A second source advised on May 8, 1964, that DAVID L. SOLTNER appeared to be the guiding force behind this Committee and is assisted by GERTRUDE SOLTNER, his wife.

A third source advised on May 7, 1964, that the CSC maintains a bank account at the Amalgamated Trust and Savings Bank, 111 South Dearborn, Chicago, Illinois, and that DAVID SOLTNER is listed in this bank account as the Secretary of the CSC.

The above information cannot be made public except in the usual proceedings following issuance of a subpoena duces tecum.

The files of the Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House of Representatives, as reviewed in August, 1943, reflected that the names of DAVID and GERTRUDE SOLTNER appear as signers of the Communist Party (CP) Election Petition submitted to the State of Illinois in 1940.

A fourth source in 1943 advised that GERTRUDE SOLTNER as of 1943 was a member of the CP.

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
FOR MORTON SOBELL

"Following the execution of atomic spies Ethel and Julius Rosenberg in June, 1953, the 'Communist campaign assumed a different emphasis. Its major effort centered upon Morton Sobell,' the Rosenbergs' codefendant. The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case - a communist front which had been conducting the campaign in the United States - was reconstituted as the National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee at a conference in Chicago in October, 1953, and 'then as the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Rosenberg Case'..."

("Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" dated December 1, 1961, issued by the House Committee on Un-American Activities, page 116.)

In September, 1954, the name "National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" appeared on literature issued by the Committee. In March, 1955, the current name, "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell," first appeared on literature issued by the Committee.

The Address Telephone Directory for the Borough of Manhattan, New York City, as published by the New York Telephone Company on April 20, 1964, lists the "Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell" (CSJMS) as being located at 940 Broadway, New York, New York.

APPENDIXFAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE

The April 6, 1960, edition of "The New York Times" newspaper contained a full-page advertisement captioned "What Is Really Happening in Cuba," placed by the Fair Play for Cuba Committee (FPCC). This advertisement announced the formation of the FPCC in New York City and declared the FPCC intended to promulgate "the truth about revolutionary Cuba" to neutralize the distorted American press.

"The New York Times" edition of January 11, 1961, reported that at a hearing conducted before the United States Senate Internal Security Subcommittee on January 10, 1961, Dr. CHARLES A. SANTOS-BUCH identified himself and ROBERT TABER as organizers of the FPCC. He also testified he and TABER obtained funds from the Cuban Government which were applied toward the cost of the aforementioned advertisement.

On May 16, 1963, a source advised that during the first two years of the FPCC's existence there was a struggle between Communist Party (CP) and Socialist Workers Party (SWP) elements to exert their power within the FPCC and thereby influence FPCC policy. This source added that during the past year there had been a successful effort by FPCC leadership to minimize the role of these and other organizations in the FPCC so that their influence as of May, 1963, was negligible.

The SWP has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On May 20, 1963, a second source advised that VINCENT "TED" LEE, FPCC National Office Director, was then formulating FPCC policy and had indicated that he had no intention of permitting FPCC policy to be determined by any other organization. This source stated that LEE believed that the FPCC should advocate resumption of diplomatic relations between Cuba and the United States and should support the right of Cubans to manage their revolution without interference from other nations. LEE did not advocate supporting the Cuban revolution per se.

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The November 23, 1963, edition of "The New York Times" reported that Senator THOMAS J. DODD of Connecticut had called FPCC "the chief public relations instrument of the Castro network in the United States." It is to be noted that Senator DODD was a member of the Senate Internal Security Subcommittee which twice conducted hearings on the FPCC.

The December 27, 1963, edition of "The New York World Telegram and Sun" newspaper stated that the pro-CASTRO FPCC was seeking to go out of business and that its prime activity during its lifetime had been sponsorship of pro-CASTRO street rallies and mass picket lines, and the direction of an active propaganda mill highlighting illegal travel-to-Cuba campaigns. Its comparatively brief span of life was attributed to mounting anti-CASTRO American public opinion, the 1962 Congressional hearings which disclosed FPCC financing by CASTRO's United Nations Delegation, and ultimately, the bad publicity which the FPCC received from disclosure of activities on its behalf by suspected presidential assassin LEE H. OSWALD.

On February 6, 1964, the previously mentioned second source advised that V. T. LEE had recently remarked that the FPCC was dead and that there were no plans to organize another similar organization.

On April 13, 1964, a third source advised that there had not been any FPCC activity in many months and that the FPCC had been dissolved.

APPENDIXFAIR PLAY FOR CUBA COMMITTEE,  
CHICAGO CHAPTER

A source advised in October, 1960, that the Chicago Chapter of the Fair Play for Cuba Committee (FPCC) was formed during the summer of 1960 at Chicago, Illinois, under the direct guidance and leadership of RICHARD CRILEY, a member of the State Committee, Communist Party (CP) of Illinois.

A second source in August, 1960, furnished a leaflet entitled, "What Is Really Happening in Cuba?" distributed by the FPCC in Chicago. The aims and purposes of the FPCC as set forth in this leaflet include the following: "To disseminate the truth, to combat untruth; to publish and distribute factual information which the United States mass media suppresses. In general, to contribute to foundations for peace, friendship, and understanding between ourselves and the Cuban people." The leaflet reflects the FPCC plans to accomplish these aims: "By mailing of informational bulletins; organizing public meetings and forums; providing speakers, movies, and slides for meetings of interested organizations, placing ads in newspapers; to visit Cuba and see for themselves what conditions really are."

A third source advised on March 9, 1964, that there has been no activity of the FPCC in Chicago since late November, 1963, and for all intents and purposes the organization is defunct.

The mailing address for the FPCC, Chicago Chapter, is Post Office Box 4474, Chicago 80, Illinois.

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MIDWEST COMMITTEE FOR  
PROTECTION OF FOREIGN BORN

The Midwest Committee for Protection of Foreign Born (MCPFb) since the latter part of March, 1962, has maintained an office in Room 422-424, Manhattan Building, 431 South Dearborn Street, Chicago, Illinois.

On July 16, 1947, [REDACTED] a member of the Communist Party (CP) from [REDACTED] to about [REDACTED] advised that the MCPFb was founded at a conference held in Chicago, Illinois, on May 25, 1947, and the MCPFb was to operate as the midwest organization of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born (ACPFb).

On May 5, 1955, a source advised that in a "Statement of Principles" issued in April, 1955, by the MCPFb, it was noted that "The purpose of the Midwest Committee shall be to seek to perpetuate for the foreign born the fundamental concepts of equality, regardless of race, color, creed, nationality, political belief or place of birth, and to preserve the basic ideals of liberty and hospitality which serve as the guarantees of democracy for all Americans."

A second source as of May 15, 1964, advised that the MCPFb continued to function as the midwest organization of the ACPFb and still adhered to its "Statement of Principles" last published in 1955.

The ACPFb has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications" revised and published December 1, 1961, by the Committee on Un-American Activities, U. S. House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., states as follows on page 121 concerning the National Lawyers Guild:

"1. Cited as a Communist front.

(Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 149.)

"2. Cited as a Communist front which 'is the foremost legal bulwark of the Communist Party, its front organizations, and controlled unions' and which 'since its inception has never failed to rally to the legal defense of the Communist Party and individual members thereof, including known espionage agents.'

(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 3123 on the National Lawyers Guild, September 21, 1950, originally related September 17, 1950.)

"3. 'To defend the cases of Communist lawbreakers, fronts have been devised making special appeals in behalf of civil liberties and reaching out far beyond the confines of the Communist Party itself. Among these organizations are the \* \* \* National Lawyers Guild. When the Communist Party itself is under fire these offer a bulwark of protection.'

(Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91.)"

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APPENDIXNATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD,  
CHICAGO CHAPTER

A source advised on May 14, 1964, that it was his understanding that the National Lawyers Guild (NLG) was formed around 1936 in New York City and that the Chicago Chapter of the NLG (CCNLG), which is affiliated with the national group in New York, was formed shortly thereafter, possibly in 1937, by a group of liberal progressive lawyers in protest against activities of the American Bar Association which they claimed was a non-liberal, non-progressive organization. The CCNLG has no established headquarters but occasionally uses the return address of its officials on literature.

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
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Re Seattle report dated 6/26/64.

Since the last report submitted by the Seattle Office in the captioned matter, there has been no significant activity reported concerning this organization. On March 10, 1965, [REDACTED] advised orally that there has been no activity to report on this organization. b7D

Because of the lack of any significant information to report, no report is being prepared at this time.

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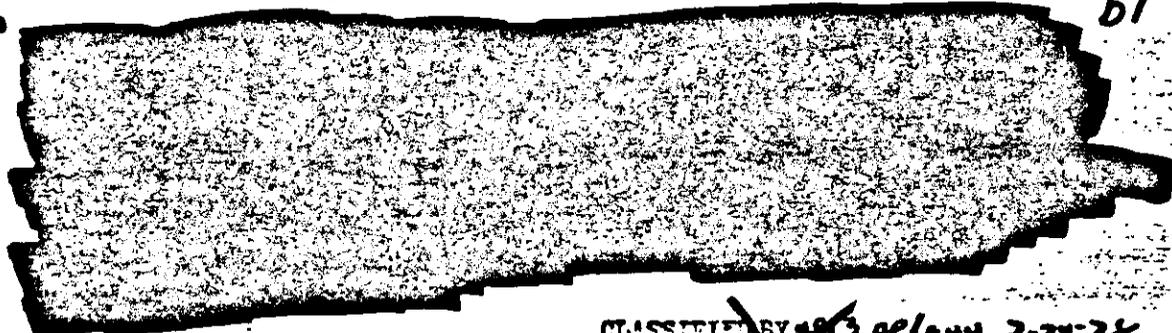
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DETAILS:

For the purpose of brevity, the Los Angeles Sobell Committee will be hereinafter referred to as the LASC; and the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell as the CSJMS; and the Southern California District Communist Party as the SDCDP.

All the meetings and activities reported herein were held in Los Angeles, California, unless otherwise indicated.

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I. SCOPE

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As of March 5, 1965, the LASC was composed solely of the Los Angeles Area Chapter, also known as the Metro Chapter.

II. CHARACTERIZATION

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The LASC (see CSJMS Appendix) is the Los Angeles, California, affiliate of the CSJMS.

JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG and MORTON SOBELL were convicted in United States District Court, Southern District of New York, on March 29, 1951, on a charge of conspiracy to commit espionage on behalf of the Soviet Union. The ROSENBERGS were sentenced to death on April 5, 1951, and MORTON SOBELL was sentenced to thirty years imprisonment on the same date. JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG were legally executed at Sing Sing Prison, Ossining, New York on June 19, 1953; and MORTON SOBELL is currently serving his sentence at the Federal Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania.

III. AIMS AND PURPOSES

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Between September, 1964 and February, 1965, the aim and objective of the LASC was the circulation of petitions in behalf of Morton Sobell and obtaining support and publicity in an attempt to influence the President of the United States to pardon SOBELL.

IV. HEADQUARTERS

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V. OFFICERS

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Informant advised none of the above individuals have actual titles and generally operate the LASC as a group.

SOPHIE DAVIDSON

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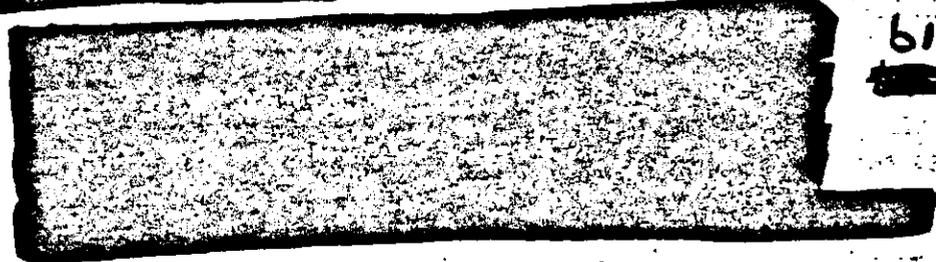
JEAN SINCLAIR

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On October 10, 1959, JEAN SINCLAIR attended the 40th anniversary celebration of the "People's World" (PW) at 607 South Western Avenue, Los Angeles.

The PW is a West Coast Communist weekly newspaper.

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EVELYN LOUISE BURKETT FREEMAN

LA T-4 (11/29/50)

As of November 29, 1950, EVELYN BURKETT was the Executive Secretary of the Music Division, Hollywood Arts, Sciences and Professions Council (See Southern California Chapter of the National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions Appendix).

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BEN DOBBS

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As of March 3, 1965, BEN DOBBS was the Executive Secretary of the SCDP.

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A. LASC STAFF

[REDACTED]

There is presently no staff of the LASC, and the Los Angeles Area Chapter, LASC, handles all functions and activities.

VI. MEMBERSHIP

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VII. FINANCES

LA T-19 (3/3/65)

As of March 3, 1965, "The Sobell Committee" maintained bank account number 13-953 at the Security First National Bank, 253 North Western Avenue, Los Angeles, and the balance of this account was \$389.13. Source advised there were no checks in the account at the time of audit.

Source further advised the persons presently authorized to sign checks for the LASC were SOPHIE DAVIDSON and ZVELYN FREEMAN.

This information is not to be made public except in the usual proceedings following issuance of a subpoena duces tecum.

In the event it is desired to utilize this information, the person to be subpoenaed is the manager of the Security First National Bank, 253 North Western Avenue, Los Angeles.

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LA T-6 (10/7/64)

As of October 7, 1964, records of the bank account of HELEN L. TRAVIS, at the Bank of America, 2305 Brooklyn Avenue, Los Angeles, reflected a check dated September 11, 1964, in the sum of \$10 to the "Sobell Comm" had been drawn by TRAVIS and endorsed by the "Sobell Committee".

LA T-6 (12/23/64)

As of December 23, 1964, records of the bank account of [REDACTED] at the above bank reflected [REDACTED] b7c

The above information is not to be made public except in the usual proceedings following issuance of a subpoena duces tecum.

In the event it is desired to utilize this information, the person to be subpoenaed is the manager of the Bank of America, Brooklyn - Breed Branch, 2305 Brooklyn Avenue, Los Angeles.

HELEN L. TRAVIS

[REDACTED]  
Informant advised he had been informed by [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] that HELEN L. TRAVIS and her husband ROBERT TRAVIS were current members of the CP, Michigan District.

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HELEN MAXINE LEVI TRAVIS was indicted by a Federal Grand Jury at Los Angeles on June 26, 1963, on two counts charging her with unlawful departure from Los Angeles and travel to Cuba in 1962 without having a valid passport. She was convicted after trial in United States District Court in Los Angeles on May 14, 1964, and on June 22, 1964, was sentenced in United States District Court, Los Angeles, to six months imprisonment and fined \$500 on each of the two counts; sentence as to imprisonment suspended and placed on probation for two years. Bond of \$2,500 was continued while the case is on appeal to the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals, San Francisco, California.

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VIII. ACTIVITIES

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(12/11/64)

On December 5, 1964, there was an LASC luncheon honoring ROSE SOBELL, mother of MORTON SOBELL, at 1251 South St. Andrews Place, Los Angeles.

NAT CORNER reported on a recent long trip he had made to Europe in behalf of MORTON SOBELL. [REDACTED] further advised ROSE SOBELL stressed the importance of writing President JOHNSON for a Christmas reprieve for MORTON SOBELL.

NAT CORNER

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Informant identified photographs of NAT CORNER taken while he participated in a picket line in front of the Federal Building, Los Angeles, protesting House Committee on Un-American Activities hearings being held in that building between April 24 and April 27, 1962.

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On January 16, 1965, the LASC held a rummage sale  
at 331 San Fernando Road, Burbank, California.

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IX. POLITICAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL ACTIVITY

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On October 7, 1964, informant advised ROSE SOBELL mother of MORTON SOBELL, would be in Los Angeles on October 28, 1964, for a stay of two weeks.

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Informant furnished a post card put out by the LASC which solicited rummage for a future rummage sale.

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X. PUBLICITY

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Appearing in the PW of February 13, 1965, page three, was an article reporting the transfer of MORTON SOBELL from Springfield, Missouri to Lewisburg, Pennsylvania. The article quoted HELEN SOBELL, wife of MORTON SOBELL as stating, "We hope this step means that we are a bit closer to the only goal we can accept in this disgraceful case - the long overdue complete freedom of my innocent husband".

The article further reported, "Mrs. Sobell reported more than 7,000 have signed a petition to President Lyndon B. Johnson asking Sobell's release on the ground that he is an innocent man, unjustly convicted. Sobell has charged that the testimony of a lone witness against him was perjured."

XI. SUBVERSIVE RAMIFICATIONS

A. CONNECTIONS WITH THE SCDGP

b2 [REDACTED] (11/12/64)  
[REDACTED] (12/2/64)

On [REDACTED] it a meeting of the [REDACTED] SCDGP, at [REDACTED] b7c  
[REDACTED] it was announced there would be a luncheon

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honoring ROSE SOBELL on December 5, 1964, at 1251 South St. Andrews Place, Los Angeles. [redacted] further advised the luncheon was to cost \$1.50 and books would be sold to raise funds for the LASC. b2

b2 [redacted] (12/24/64)  
[redacted] (12/24/64)

On [redacted] at a meeting of the [redacted] CP at [redacted] California, it was reported ROSE SOBELL had recently been in Elsinore as a guest of honor at a party which raised \$176 for the CSJMS. Informant could not further identify the actual sponsors of this party. b7D

b2 [redacted] (1/27/65)

On [redacted] at a meeting of the [redacted] SCDCP at [redacted] the role of the Los Angeles Committee for Protection of Foreign Born (See Appendix). He stated a decision had been made to extend the field of work of the Los Angeles Committee for Protection of Foreign Born into an "umbrella organization" for defense against all forms of "political oppression" such as the "oppression" against MORTON SOBELL and against other organizations. b7

APPENDIX

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BAY AREA COUNCIL OF SOBELL COMMITTEES  
aka Committee to Secure Justice for  
Morton Sobell, Northern California  
Council of Sobell Committee

A source advised on October 31, 1955, that the Bay Area Council of Sobell Committees (BACSC) was formed on October 17, 1955, in San Francisco, California, as the local affiliate of the National Sobell Committee, to carry out the policies of the National Committee to obtain the freedom of MORTON SOBELL.

On April 22, 1964, a second source advised that the BACSC has its headquarters at 345 Franklin Street, San Francisco, California, and is continuing to function and plan future Sobell affairs.

On December 18, 1959, a third source advised that MARY KRVAR, a member of the Warehouse Club, Communist Party (CP) East Bay Region, Oakland, California, and the paid organizer for the BACSC, has stated that the CP is interested in controlling the BACSC so that the BACSC will continue to follow the line of the National Sobell Committee in attempting to obtain the freedom of MORTON SOBELL.

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APPENDIXCITIZENS COMMITTEE TO PRESERVE AMERICAN FREEDOMS

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations", revised, December 1, 1961, pp. 43-44, describes this committee as follows:

"The Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms \* \* \* specializes in propoganda aimed at abolishing the Committee on Un-American Activities and discrediting the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Created in Los Angeles in 1952, the front organization is run by FRANK WILKINSON, an identified Communist who recently resumed the full-time paid post of executive secretary after approximately a year's leave of absence to assist in a similar campaign by another front in New York City, the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee.

"When the Committee on Un-American Activities held hearings in Los Angeles, September 2-5, 1958, to inquire into the nature of the Party's recent reorganization in California, the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms sponsored a series of public meetings to protest the hearings and the very existence of the Committee. Communists subpoenaed as witnesses were guests of honor.

"At this time, leaders of the party's Southern California District, were mobilizing Communists in the area for participation in an intensified campaign to abolish this committee of Congress. How the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms served the party in this effort was revealed by (Communist Party) District Chairman DOROTHY HEALEY in a report to the party's Southern California District Council on September 21, 1958. Mrs. HEALEY declared that the party preferred public protest meetings to be held by the Citizens Committee to Preserve American Freedoms rather than under party auspices because Communists could attend without danger of being exposed as members of the party. She also noted that Communists scheduled as congressional committee witnesses could not appear beforehand at openly Communist rallies without creating the impression that the party was conspiring with witnesses to withhold information from the committee."

(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 259 on the Southern California District of the Communist Party, April 3, 1959, pp. 7 and 8.)

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

A source advised on May 12, 1964, that the Los Angeles Sobell Committee is the Los Angeles, California affiliate of captioned organization.

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APPENDIX

LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION OF FOREIGN BORN

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations", revised, December 1, 1951, pp. 103-104 describes this committee as follows:

"A 'branch' of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born found to be under the 'actual management, direction and supervision' of Communist Party members. The Los Angeles Committee was reorganized in October, 1950 and reported that it 'shall be affiliated to the national organization known as the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born \* \* \*'. The American Committee and the 'various area or local committees \* \* \* constitute \* \* \* one organization within the meaning of the \* \* \* statute (Internal Security Act) 'under which the Subversive Activities Control Board found the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born to be a 'Communist front organization' and ordered it to register as such with the Attorney General".

(Subversive Activities Control Board, Docket No. 109-53, Report and Order with respect to the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, June 27, 1960, pp. 41, 8, 12 and 51.)

"Cited as a 'regional' organization of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born and one of its 'most complex affiliates.' The Committee on Un-American Activities found that in early publications the local affiliates frankly identified themselves as chapters of the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born; their representation of themselves as independent groups came only after enactment of the Internal Security Act which would have required them, as affiliates, to register as Communist-front organizations."

"Control of the local organizations \* \* \* was made possible primarily by virtue of the fact that the leaders of the local groups were Communist Party members and therefore subject to the discipline of the Party. \* \* \* The local affiliates \* \* \* were actually little more than administrative staffs, whose purpose it was to implement the program of the Communist Party in their respective areas."

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LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE FOR PROTECTION OF FOREIGN BORN

"The 'Lamp' of January, 1950, reported that the Los Angeles Committee for Protection of Foreign Born had been established on November 29, 1949. Publicly identified Communist ROSE CHERNIN served as the 'operating head' since the time of its organization."

(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1182 on Communist Political Subversion, August 16, 1957, pp. 86, 87, 55, 33, 54, 58, and 59; also cited in Annual Report for 1957, House Report #53, Feb. 11, 1957, p. 5)

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SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER OF  
THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF THE ARTS,  
SCIENCES AND PROFESSIONS, aka.,  
Hollywood Arts, Sciences and  
Professions Council

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations" (revised January 2, 1957) page 132, stated this organization is cited as "one of the major Communist dominated propaganda media on the Pacific Coast" (California Committee on Un-American Activities, Report, 1955, pages 392 and 393).

An informant advised on January 4, 1956, that the Los Angeles Chapter was dissolved on January 3, 1956.

The National Council of Arts, Sciences and Professions has been cited as a "Communist front" by the United States Congressional Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report number 1954, dated April 26, 1950.



UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
 Los Angeles, California  
 March 17, 1965

In Reply, Please Refer to  
 File No. 100-41643

Title	COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL
Character	INTERNAL SECURITY - C; INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950
Reference	Report of SA [REDACTED] b7c dated as above at Los Angeles.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

3/18/65

SAC, WFO (100-25474) (RUC)

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
FOR MORTON SOBELL  
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ReWFOlet dated 9/10/64 and Bulet dated 9/15/64.

On 3/11/65, [redacted] advised that there has been no recent local activity by the Washington Sobell Committee. [redacted]

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Since there has been no activity on the part of the local Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell group since February, 1964, this case is being RUC'd by WFO.

If any pertinent information is developed concerning activity by this local group, it will be promptly furnished the Bureau and New York.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)

DATE: 3/24/65

FROM : SA [REDACTED] (1) *b7c*

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO FIGURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL  
IS-C

The following announcement appeared in the "Morning Freiheit" of March 14, 1965, on page 12, column 2:

The Sobell Store Committee needs clothing, drapes, lamps, kitchen articles and other products in order to keep operating. To arrange for the delivery of these things call: WA 8-9769, or bring it to 1557 St. Nicholas Avenue, between 187th and 188th Street. You can deliver them from Monday through Saturday, from 10:00 A.M. to 7:00 P.M. We no longer have room in our office for these things.

This above was translated from the Yiddish by [REDACTED] INTERPRETER.

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SAC, Chicago (100-25530)

2/24/68

Director, FBI (100-387835)

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE  
FOR MORTON SOBELL  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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Recep SA [redacted], dated 2/11/68, at  
Chicago in captioned matter.

Page three, paragraph two, contains a characterization of Morton Sobell stating that he is "currently serving his sentence in the U.S. Prison Medical Center, Springfield, Missouri." Sobell is presently confined to the U.S. Penitentiary, Lewisburg, Pennsylvania. In the future, it is felt that this characterization of Sobell should be changed to read that he is currently serving his sentence in the custody of the Attorney General. This will preclude having to change the characterization of Sobell in the event he is moved from one Federal institution to another in the future, it being noted that he has already been in four Federal institutions in connection with his current sentence.

Pages five through nine set forth information concerning the bank account of the Chicago Sobell Committee. It is felt that considerable space would be saved in the report if a schedule is prepared showing by dates the opening balance of the bank account at the beginning of each month, the amount of deposits to the account each month, the amount of withdrawals from the account each month and the closing balance of the account each month. Thereafter, any specific items of deposit or withdrawal which are pertinent to instant investigation should be set forth. In this regard you should make every attempt to determine the source of funds of the Committee and the source of funds being deposited to the bank account.

2 - New York (100-107111)

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE <b>ALBANY</b>	OFFICE OF ORIGIN <b>NEW YORK</b>	DATE <b>4/6/65</b>	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD <b>3/23-30/65</b>
TITLE OF CASE  <b>COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL</b>		REPORT MADE BY <b>SA [REDACTED] b7c</b>	TYPED BY <b>MEJ</b>
		CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>IS - C; ISA OF 1950</b>	

REFERENCE:

Report of SA [REDACTED] <sup>b7c</sup> at Albany dated 10/6/64.  
Bulet to Albany and New York dated 10/21/64.

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INFORMANT:

Identity of Source

File Where Located

AL T-1 [REDACTED] <sup>b7D</sup>

[REDACTED] <sup>b7D</sup>

The following confidential informants were contacted on the dates indicated concerning any current activities of captioned organization in Syracuse, New York:

APPROVED	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN SPACES BELOW	
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		[REDACTED] <sup>72</sup>	
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[REDACTED] contacted 3/23/65 by SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] contacted 3/24/65 by SA [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] contacted 3/30/65

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SA [REDACTED]

This report is classified "~~Confidential~~" since data reported by informant AL T-1 could reasonably result in the identification of this informant of continuing value and compromise his future effectiveness.

In view of the continued dormancy of captioned organization, since May, 1964, this matter is being placed in an RUC status as suggested by the Bureau in referenced letter. If in the course of continued liaison with security informants who are knowledgeable concerning this organization, it is learned that there is a revitalization of activities, appropriate action will be taken, of course, to promptly report pertinent activities.

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SA [REDACTED] b7C  
APRIL 6, 1965

Office: ALBANY

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Bureau File No.:

100-387835

Title:

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

Character:

INTERNAL SECURITY - C;  
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

Synopsis:

LILLIAN REINER, 1009 Cumberland Avenue, Syracuse, New York, continues as Chairman of the Syracuse Sobell Committee (SSC). Informants have reported no meetings of SSC during pertinent period and no future activities planned.

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DETAILS:

Syracuse Sobell Committee (SSC)

A characterization of the SSC appears in the Appendix to this report.

On March 25, 1965, Confidential Informant AL 1-1-1 related that LILLIAN REINER, 1009 Cumberland Avenue, Syracuse, New York, continues as Chairman of the SSC. Informant observed

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that the activities of the SSC, in the past, have operated out of the residence of REYNER and observed that there were no official headquarters of the SSC. Informant noted, however, that the organization has been in a state of dormancy since the last meeting held in May, 1964 and related that he knew of no activities being planned in the immediate future.

During March, 1965, other confidential informants who are familiar with some of the activities relating to the Syracuse Sobell Committee all observed that they knew of no past activities of the SSC in recent months and that they had received no information indicating that meeting plans had been formulated for the future.

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SYRACUSE SOBELL COMMITTEE (SSC)

On July 10, 1959, [REDACTED] b7D  
[REDACTED] Syracuse, New York, furnished information which reflected that the Syracuse Sobell Committee was affiliated with the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, 940 Broadway, New York 10, New York, and that the Syracuse Sobell Committee had been formed for five years.

A confidential source advised on May 31, 1963, that the Syracuse Sobell Committee was still in existence and that LILLIAN REINER was the titular head of this organization with ELSIE COHN continuing to function as Treasurer, and JANE ANDERSON and ELIZABETH ALLEN being Co-Secretaries of the Syracuse Sobell Committee.

Another confidential source advised on January 15, 1962, that the Syracuse, New York Chapter was one of the affiliates of the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the Eastern Region of the United States.

On May 25, 1964, another confidential source advised that the purposes and aims of the Syracuse Sobell Committee were, insofar as this source was concerned, the same as those of the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, namely, to continue to fight for the parole of Morton Sobell and to raise funds on his behalf to carry out this fight successfully.

Another confidential source advised as follows:

As of March 11, 1951, LILLIAN REINER was not known as a Communist Party member, but as Chairman of the American Labor Party at Syracuse, New York, she worked closely with Communist Party members.

(See Appendix for characterization of the American Labor Party.)

As of December 29, 1951, ELSIE COHN was a member of the Communist Party.

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SYRACUSE SOBELL COMMITTEE (Continued)

As of December 5, 1952, JANE ANDERSON and ELIZABETH ALLEN were long-time members of the Communist Party at Syracuse, New York.

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APPENDIX

AMERICAN LABOR PARTY

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"For years, the Communists have put forth the greatest efforts to capture the entire American Labor Party throughout New York State. They succeeded in capturing the Manhattan and Brooklyn Sections of the American Labor Party, but outside of the New York City area, they have been unable to win control." (Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1311 on the CIO Political Action Committee, March 29, 1944, p. 78.)

"Communist dissimulation extends into the field of political parties forming political front organizations such as the \*\*\* American Labor Party. The Communists are thus enabled to present their candidates for elective office under other than a straight Communist label." (Internal Security Subcommittee of the Senate Judiciary Committee, Handbook for Americans, S. Doc. 117, April 23, 1956, p. 91.)

On October 7, 1956, PETER HAWLEY, New York State Chairman, American Labor Party, publicly announced the American Labor Party State Committee unanimously approved a resolution dissolving the organization and ordering the liquidation of its assets.

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Albany, New York

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE  
JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

Character

INTERNAL SECURITY -C;  
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

Reference

Report of SA [REDACTED] b7c  
at Albany, dated and captioned  
as above.

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT  
MEMORANDUM

To: SAC, DETROIT (65-138)

Date: March 31, 1965

From: SA [REDACTED] b7c

Subject: [REDACTED]

Attachment - 1

- 3 - Atlanta (Info) (REGISTERED)
  - (1 - 100- STUDENT NONVIOLENT COORDINATING COMMITTEE, ATLANTA)
  - (1 - 100- ASHTON JONES DEFENSE FUND)
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- 1 - Buffalo (Info) (REGISTERED)
  - (1 - 100- MARIAN DAVIS SCHOLARSHIP FUND)
- 1 - Chicago (Info) (REGISTERED)
  - (1 - 100- NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO REPEAL THE MC CARRAN ACT)
- 1 - Denver (Info) (REGISTERED)
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- 1 - Knoxville (Info) (REGISTERED)
  - (1 - 100- HIGHLANDER CENTER)
- 1 - Louisville (Info) (REGISTERED)
  - (1 - 100- COMMITTEE FOR MINERS)
- 1 - Memphis (Info) (REGISTERED)
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- 1 - New Orleans (Info) (REGISTERED)
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- 9 - New York (Info) (REGISTERED)
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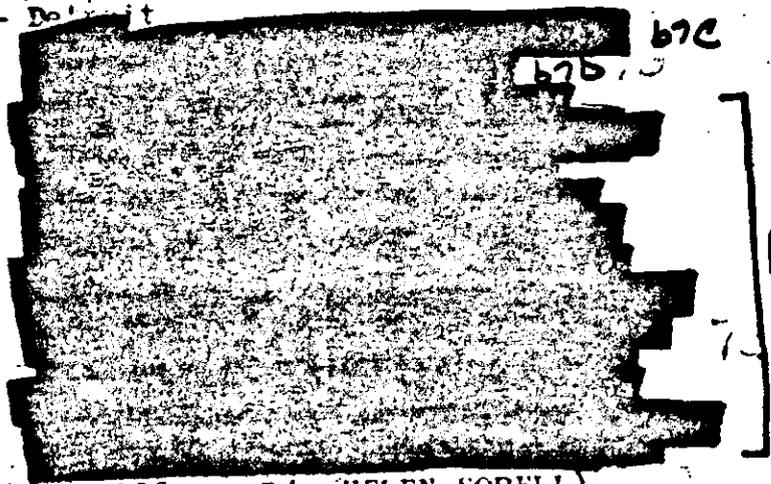
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Information on the attached FD-302 was received on  
March 19, 1965, from [redacted]  
National Bank of Detroit, Detroit, Michigan.

[redacted] has furnished reliable information in the  
past and his identity should be protected by a [redacted]. The  
original checks have been returned to the authors thereof.

On June 10, 1964, [redacted] identified CARL HAESSLER as <sup>7d</sup>  
Chairman of Global Books, also known as Global Books Forum.

A characterization of Global Books is contained  
in the appendix hereto.

On August 14, 1964, NY 4535-S\* identified CARL HAESSLER  
as one of the sponsors of the American Institute for Marxist  
Studies (AIMS).

A characterization of AIMS is contained in the  
appendix hereto.

On June 30, 1963, "The Worker", an east coast Communist  
newspaper, published an article naming LUCY HAESSLER, the wife of  
CARL HAESSLER, as one of a group of more than 50 from 21 cities  
of the United States who attended the World Congress of Women  
in Moscow, Russia.

No information has been reported which discloses LUCY  
HAESSLER to be a member of or to have engaged in subversive ac-  
tivities in connection with the Communist Party or its related  
groups.

Copies of this memorandum are being placed in all files  
where a master file number is located. All other names and or-  
ganizations will be indexed to this memorandum.

APPENDIX

AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR MARXIST STUDIES

A source advised on April 9, 1963, that on April 7, 1963, at a meeting of the District Committee of the Communist Party, United States of America (CP, USA) of New England, held in Boston, Massachusetts, HERBERT APTHEKER stated he was developing an organization called American Institute For Marxist Studies (AIMS), which would eventually legalize the CP. He states AIMS would publish literature on History, Science, Physics, Archeology, and other subjects which would be put out quarterly with various supplements.

A second source advised in December, 1959, that HERBERT APTHEKER was elected to the National Committee CP, USA, at the 17th National Convention of the CP, USA, held in December, 1959.

A third source advised on June 7, 1963, that on June 3, 1963, HERBERT APTHEKER spoke at the CP, USA, New York District Board meeting concerning AIMS. APTHEKER stated that AIMS would unite and strengthen the CP although the CP would not be connected with it. He stated AIMS was being formed to operate within the scope of the MC CARRAN and SMITH Acts and would legally bring Marxist material and opinions to the attention of the American scholars and the general public.

A fourth source advised on May 15, 1964, that, as of that date, AIMS was located on the fifth floor west at 20 East 30th Street, New York City, New York.

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A fifth source advised on May 25, 1964, that Global Books continues in operation at 201 Hayward Building, 4829 Woodward, Detroit, Michigan.

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APPENDIX

GLOBAL BOOKS, also known as  
Global Books and Publications,  
Global Books Forum, Global Forum

Global Books, a book store, was registered with the Assumed Name Section, City-County Building, Detroit, Michigan, Certificate Number 104092, September 3, 1958, by HELEN WINTER.

A source advised on March 20, 1963, that HELEN WINTER is Educational Director of The Communist Party, USA (CP), Michigan District (MD).

A second source advised on [REDACTED], that CARL WINTER had stated on that date that the CP had created Global Books. b7D

A third source advised on March 18, 1963, that CARL WINTER is Chairman of the CP, MD.

A fourth source advised during July, 1959, that Global Books contemplated sponsoring a lecture or forum series.

Global Books Forum was registered with the Assumed Name Section, City-County Building, Detroit, Certificate Number 134523, January 11, 1961, by CARL HAESSLER. Attached to this certificate was a letter from HELEN WINTER stating that she as owner of Global Books consented to the registration of Global Books Forum as an assumed name. She further stated that she is the Secretary and CARL HAESSLER is the Chairman-Treasurer of Global Books Forum.

[REDACTED] b7D  
[REDACTED] stated on February 19, 1945, that CARL HAESSLER was an old-time Communist. According to [REDACTED] HAESSLER was one of the more respected members of the CP, though not an open member.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date March 31, 1965

The following information is not to be made public except in the usual proceedings following the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum issued to [redacted] National Bank of Detroit, Detroit, Michigan. b7D

On March 19, 1965, a review of the records of the [redacted] Branch of the National Bank of Detroit disclosed the following information relative to the [redacted] checking account of [redacted] and to a [redacted] account maintained by [redacted]

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On 3/19/65 at Detroit, Michigan File # Detroit 65-138

by SA [redacted] /smb Date dictated 3/23/65

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

# Memorandum

TO : SAC, New York (100-107111)

DATE: 8/23/65

FROM : SA [REDACTED] b7c

SUBJECT: Committee To Secure Justice For  
Morton Sobell

J-C, I-A, 1950

In connection with the destruction of channelizing memoranda, the information contained on the serials listed below was incorporated in a report dated 8/19/65. The review for this report was made from serial 5750 through serial 5827.

In accordance with the above, the following serials are to be destroyed:

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