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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111) (#7-2) DATE: 2/9/56

FROM : ARTHUR P. HEALY, SA (#7-4)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
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SOURCE:

[REDACTED] (Protect by b7D
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RELIABILITY:

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information in the past.

Written ref. dated [REDACTED]

DATE OF ACTIVITY:

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SA ARTHUR P. HEALY

LOCATION:

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The information contained in this report should
not be disseminated outside of the Bureau unless it is
paraphrased.

The informant reported on the current fund
raising activities of the above captioned committee.

It is to be noted that MORTON SOBELL is now serving
a 30 year sentence in Alcatraz on conviction of conspiracy
to commit espionage on behalf of the Soviet Union.

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1 - NY [REDACTED] b7C
1 - NY 100-127175 (COMMITTEE TO DEFEND STEVE NELSON) (#7-2)
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TO : SAC, NEW YORK(100-) (7-2) DATE: 2/9/56

FROM : SA EVERETT K. DEANE

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBEL

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CSNY 43-S, who has furnished reliable information in the past, made available to the New York Office information concerning the above captioned subject, obtained from the building located at 23 West 26th Street, New York City. This building is occupied by the American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee, and Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, all of which have been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450. In addition, other Communist Party front groups and individual CP members or sympathizers occupy offices at this address. Prior to 2/1/53 the State and National Offices of the Civil Rights Congress, which has been designated by the Attorney General of the US pursuant to Executive Order 10450 were located at this address. Subsequent to that date space in the building has been occupied by SRT Publications, Inc., publishers of "New World Review" formerly known as "Soviet Russia Today" which has been cited as a Communist front by the Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House of Representatives, 6/25/42 and 3/29/44.

Strict care must be exercised so that the existence of this important source of evidence will not become known to any outside agency. It is also to be noted that because of the nature of this source of information it will be impossible to recontact the source regarding information furnished.

Date information received

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Identity of employee who can testify as to the receipt of the exhibit:

SA EVERETT K. DEANE & SE FRANCIS W. MILLER

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL

940 Broadway, New York 10, N. Y.

From the desk of: Ted Jacobs

CANADIAN CONTROVERSY DEVELOPS IN SOBELL CASE

AS PREMIER OF SASKATCHEWAN DEFENDS RIGHT OF GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS TO SUGGEST NEW SOBELL TRIAL

Defends Right of Mrs. Sobell to Speak

NEW YORK, Dec. 23—Mrs. Morton Sobell today expressed satisfaction that prominent Canadians have upheld her right and that of interested Canadians to appeal for a new trial for her husband, Morton Sobell, imprisoned in Alcatraz on a 30 year sentence for "conspiracy to commit espionage."

Premier T. C. Douglas of Saskatchewan was among those who defended the right of government officials to suggest a new Sobell trial as a controversy developed between political parties following an appearance by Mrs. Sobell in Regina, Canada. "There will be no McCarthyism in Saskatchewan as long as I am able to prevent it," Premier Douglas asserted.

The controversy started when Alex Cameron, an opposition member of the legislative assembly of the province of Saskatchewan, demanded the firing of H. S. Elkin, deputy minister of labor, and Dr. Murray S. Acker, assistant deputy minister of health, for participating in the Sobell meeting. The gathering sent a resolution to the U. S. Consulate in Ottawa and to the Canadian Ambassador in Washington urging that steps be taken to give Sobell a new trial and to remove him from Alcatraz. Sobell was convicted in 1951 in the trial with Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

Premier Douglas, stating that Mr. Cameron's demands were based on McCarthyism, said: "I am not familiar with the merits of the plea of Mrs. Sobell (who is said to have spoken at the Regina meeting) on behalf of her husband, but it seems to me she has a perfect right to ask for a retrial if she feels conscientiously that her husband was unjustly imprisoned."

"Those who agree with Mrs. Sobell also have a right to take such steps as are legal and proper to see that the case is given a re-hearing. I notice an American Senator, Bill Langer, Republican from North Dakota, is going to raise the case of Mr. Sobell in the U.S. Senate on the grounds that he feels the man was condemned unjustly. Senator Langer could hardly be classified as a Communist. However, apparently in Mr. Cameron's opinion anyone who doesn't agree with him and the Liberal Party should be dismissed forthwith."

"It would be a sad day for Saskatchewan," Premier Douglas continued, "if government employees or any other citizens are to be punished merely because they ask for a retrial of a person who has been convicted, which is, after all, the democratic right of any citizen."

Statements by Dr. Acker, assistant deputy minister of health, and Mr. Elkin, deputy minister of Labor, also refuting the charge against them, were published in the Regina Leader. Dr. Acker said:

"Thousands of people in Canada, Great Britain, France and the United States have serious doubts as to whether justice was done in the Sobell trial. Among persons who have publicly expressed grave doubts about this case are Dr. Harold C. Urey, noted atom scientist in the United States; Republican Senator William Jenner of the Senate Judiciary Committee; Waldo Frank, well-known author; Judge Patrick O'Brien of Detroit, Elmer Davis, radio commentator, and Carr McFillisms, editor of the Nation..."

"Obviously Mr. Cameron's statement is a crude attempt to smear individuals who are concerned with injustice anywhere in the world. This is a typical McCarthy technique and the people of this city and province have shown that they will have no truck with it."

Mr. Elkin said in his comment: "I joined with other interested citizens to arrange for a meeting to hear what Mrs. Sobell had to say. After hearing her story it was much clearer to me that a new trial for her husband would serve the best interests of everyone in both the U. S. and Canada..."

"It would appear to me that he (Cameron), at least, and undoubtedly others, were prepared to drag the red herring around in the interests of party politics. If our civil liberties go down the drain in the process, it appears to be no concern to him, as indeed it was

no concern to McCarthy and his crowd in the U.S. Even if these were not intentions, certainly they are the results."

Mrs. Sobell, in her statement issued in New York today, commented: "It is gladdening to me, particularly at this season, that my right as a wife and mother to speak for my innocent husband's freedom should be upheld by so many eminent citizens of Canada. Neither distances nor differences can for long obscure the fact of my husband's innocence. People, both humble and eminent, from every part of the world have reached out to help--from Japan, Great Britain, France, Italy, Denmark, Sweden, South Africa, Australia, and most naturally, of course, from our own United States in ever-growing numbers.

"All attempts by our Attorney General's office to silence the truth notwithstanding, people throughout the entire world are beginning to see in the imprisonment of my husband at Alcatraz an act that defies all principles of justice, fairness, and decency. Our country is fast leaving the days when the words of false witnesses and unscrupulous prosecutors could send men and women to prison and even death. We are moving toward that rightful place of ours, as a country that offers all its citizens true liberty and justice. My husband's freedom is necessary to the unfolding of these times. Through me and with me, my husband gives thanks to those who are working for justice for him and for all."

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

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REPORT MADE AT BOSTON	DATE WHEN MADE FEB 17 1956	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/30; 11/22/55 1/17, 22, 25, 26/56	REPORT MADE BY X JOHN F. NOONAN
TITLE NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, was.	CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950		

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Mimeographed letter, dated August 18, 1955, urging Congress be petitioned to investigate role of U. S. Attorney General's Office in the Rosenberg Case and urging circulation of JOHN LEWIS's "Judgement of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg," was circulated through the Boston area by "Boston Committee to Secure a New Trial for Morton Sobell." Informants advise of reactivation of this Committee and indicate the Communist Party is backing this reactivation on a national level.

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DETAILS:

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On October 13, 1953 [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee was

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formed on October 11, 1953 as a successor to the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

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The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case was formed on January 2, 1953, according to information furnished by [redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past. [redacted] advised on January 2, 1953 that this Committee was formed on this date for the purpose of securing a new trial or clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg who were convicted of conspiracy to commit espionage and were executed on June 19, 1953. NORTON SOBELL was convicted with the Rosenbergs and received a 30-year sentence. b7D

[redacted] b7C who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in December, 1953 that the Rosenberg-Sobell Committee, during December, 1953, took the name of the National Committee to Secure Justice for NORTON SOBELL in the Rosenberg Case.

[redacted] b7C who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in June, 1954 that the above Committee is basically composed of Communist Party members and sympathizers. b7D

I. SCOPE AND GENERAL ACTIVITY

Transcripts of public testimony taken by the House Committee on Un-American Activities in Washington, D. C., on August 2, 1955, show that on that date HERMAN TAMSKY and PHILIP KORITZ appeared before that Committee under subpoena as witnesses. Both TAMSKY and KORITZ pled the Fifth Amendment of the Constitution of the United States in refusing to answer questions concerning their membership in the Communist Party or questions concerning Communist associations.

[redacted] former member of the Communist Party, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised [redacted] that HERMAN TAMSKY was a Communist Party member. b7D

Miss ANN MATHEWS, in testimony before the House Committee on Un-American Activities in 1947 concerning Communist activities in the Winston-Salem, North Carolina area, stated that PHILIP KORITZ was active in Communist Party activities in the Winston-Salem area in 1947.

On August 30, 1955, Mr. JAMES A. SHANNON, Attorney at Law, with offices at 27 Temple Street, Quincy, Mass., furnished the Boston Division with a mimeographed letter and a pamphlet which he received in the mails. The mimeographed letter is dated August 18, 1955 at Boston, Mass., and bears the signature of REED

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TAMSKY for the "Boston Committee to Secure a New Trial for MORTON SOBELL." The letter refers to the fact that approximately 30 persons were subpoenaed by the House Committee on Un-American Activities in Washington, D. C., during August, 1955 in connection with that Committee's inquiry into the activities of persons seeking clemency and justice in the Rosenberg-Sobell Case. The letter points out that it would appear that the subpoenas were issued in reaction to a request made to the Judiciary Committee of the United States Senate to investigate the conduct of the Attorney General's Office in the Rosenberg-Sobell Case since such a petition was submitted to the Committee on July 18, 1955, the precise date on which the subpoenas mentioned before were issued.

In addition, the letter points out that these subpoenas followed the recent acquittal of one STIG, a defendant in a trial in Dayton, Ohio. According to the letter, STIG was acquitted because the testimony of one HARRY GOLD, whom the letter identifies as a chief prosecution witness against the Rosenbergs, was proved incredible to the Jury through reference to JOHN WESLEY's book, "Judgment of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg."

The letter suggests that it is possible to effect a new trial for MORTON SOBELL and, in working toward that end, the Boston Committee to Secure a New Trial for Morton Sobell believes that two things would be an aid:

1. An investigation of the role of the Attorney General's Office in the Rosenberg Case and in "an effort to obtain such an investigation" the reader is requested to write to Senator JENNINGS, Senate Sub-Committee on Constitutional Liberties, Washington, D. C., and urge him to consider the petition presented on July 18, 1955.
2. The second suggestion is to purchase and circulate "WESLEY's book "Judgment of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg." The letter concluded by requesting contributions from the reader to aid the above work.

The pamphlet furnished by Mr. SHANNON is entitled "Judgment of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg" and described the work briefly. The pamphlet was published by the Sobell Committee, Room 2, 1050, Sixth Avenue, New York, New York.

On the same date, an identical letter and pamphlet were received by the Boston Office of Attorney HENRY H. CHIELINSKI, JR., 1359 Hancock Street, Quincy, Mass. In furnishing the Boston Division with the letter and pamphlet, Mr. CHIELINSKI, JR., advised that he had received them through the mails.

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

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advised on November 13, 1955 that on that date ROSE SOBELL, the mother of MORTON SOBELL, spoke to approximately 60 persons at the Morton Plaza, Dorchester, Mass. According to [REDACTED] ROSE SOBELL urged that communications be sent to P. BENNETT, Federal Bureau of Prisons, Department of Justice and also to the Evaluation Committee, Alcatraz Prison, San Francisco, California, agitating for Morton Sobell's transfer from Alcatraz to a Federal Penitentiary in the Eastern United States. b7D

According to [REDACTED] Mrs. SOBELL collected \$105 on a personal plea to the audience and, in doing so, stated that this appeal was not made by the National Committee to Free Morton Sobell. ROSE SOBELL stated that the above statement was "for the benefit of FBI agents present." She also requested that petitions be sent to the Jennings Committee, Sub-Committee on Civil Liberties of the U. S. Senate Judiciary Committee. These petitions were to seek an investigation into the arrest and trial of MORTON SOBELL. Mrs. SOBELL claimed that MORTON SOBELL had been illegally ejected from Mexico into the "hands of arresting officers." b7D

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The Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

The Communist Party, USA, has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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II. COMMUNIST PARTY AFFILIATIONS OF OFFICERS AND MEMBERS

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The August 3, 1955 edition of the "Boston Daily Globe," a newspaper published in Boston, Mass., carried an article reporting on the testimony furnished by JAMES W. GLATIS, supra, in testifying before the House Committee on Un-American Activities on August 2, 1955 in Washington, D. C. In his testimony, GLATIS identified the Boston Committee for the Rosenbergs as a Communist front and expressed his belief that the national organization was also a Communist front.

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GLATIS named as active members of the Boston Committee the following persons:

HERMAN TASHY
FLORENCE TASHY
EDITH ABER
SID RAVDEN
HERBERT ZIMMERMAN

OTIS A. HOOD
ALICE BURLAK
PHILIP KORITZ
SUE KORITZ

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The "Daily Worker" is an East Coast Communist daily publication.

"The Worker" is the Sunday edition of the "Daily Worker."

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advised
that he knew SID RAVDEN to be a Communist Party member.

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Administrative Data

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[REDACTED] all of whom have furnished reliable information in the past,
were contacted on [REDACTED] respectively.
and all advised that they were unaware of any re-activation of the Sobell
Committee. b7D

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed and T symbols were
utilized in the report only in those instances where the identities of the sources
must be concealed.

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T-1 CG 5923-S	Thumbnail of National Roscnberg-Sobell Committee	10/13/53	[REDACTED]	b7D
T-2	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	b7D
T-3 CSN 126-5	Thumbnail of National Committee to Secure Justice for Norton Sobell in the Roscnberg Case.	12/53	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
T-4	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	b7D
T-5	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	RICHARD T. CLANCY [REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	RICHARD T. CLANCY 100-27290-6
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	RICHARD T. CLANCY 100-27290-65
T-6	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	BRYTON S. GORDON 100-18455-2

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KENNETH P. WEST Instant report

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THE BOSTON DIVISION

At Boston, Mass.

Will follow and report the activities in connection with the re-activation of the Sobell Committee.

Will conduct investigation to establish the connection, if any, between the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell and the Boston Committee to Secure a New Trial for Morton Sobell.

REFERENCE: Report of SA JOHN F. NOONAN, dated April 5, 1955, at Boston.

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SAC, New Haven (100-18522)

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SA LLOYD S. GOODMAN

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Meeting of National Guardian Club
1-27-56
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Home of PAULA MAC LEICK, 53 Prospect Street,
Bridgeport, Connecticut

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SA LLOYD S. GOODMAN

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FRANK TAYLOR gave a report on the National Guardian Action Committee's last meeting. He said that JOHN CONFER distributed 300 leaflets in the F. T. Barnum Apartment area. Food which had been previously collected was stored in the garage at the home of GILL STEWART, 666 Barnaford Avenue, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

TAYLOR said that JOHN CONFER did not get much cooperation from union officials at the Bryant Electric Company, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

The food was to have been distributed to the striking union members of the Bryant Electric Company. [redacted] at the time he was interviewed on February 8, 1956, said that he did not know if the Citizens Committee had yet distributed the food. b7D

PAULINE MAC LEICK said that the strikers were getting help from the International Union and also local unions. At the present time they

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may not be interested in canned goods foods.

CARL BAYLEY reported on the planned campaign of the Committee to Secure Justice for NORTON SOBELL.

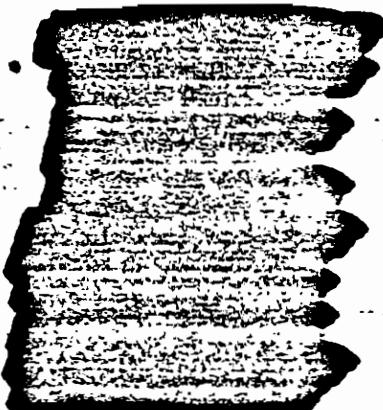
In the month of December 1955, the first of a series of full page ads in the Nation magazine made its appearance.

The Committee to Secure Justice for NORTON SOBELL wanted to take similar ads in a number of other papers over a period of six months so that they could bring the cause into the open - into the area of public discussion. They want to distribute free of charge another thousand of the Bayley books (Judgment of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg). These books are to be judiciously distributed to all Senators, Congressmen, Federal Judges, top newspaper men and other national leaders.

Attorneys for NORTON SOBELL are planning to file a motion for a new trial in the coming weeks. The motion will be based on new documentary evidence proving knowing the use of perjured testimony by the prosecution. A lot of money is required to keep the campaign going. The money collected at the Guardian meeting of 1-27-56 will be forwarded to the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, Room 5, 940 Broadway, New York 10, New York.

FRANK BROWN suggested that the National Guardian readers have an educational program along with other subjects. He said all members should join the Liberty Book Club of New York. He also said that all members should buy the book "Judgment of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg" by BAYLEY. PAULA MAC LERON said that she now has several of the BAYLEY books on hand but that she will order more.

[redacted] noted the following individuals in attendance at the captioned meeting: 67D



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Informant's original report is attached to the copy of this memorandum designated for the informant's sub-file.

Separate memoranda are being written for the case files of individuals listed in attendance at this meeting whose file did not receive a copy of this master memorandum.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, New York

DATE: 2-20-56

FROM : *gff* SAC, New Haven (100-new)SUBJECT: ~~COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR
MORTON SOBELL
INTERNAL SECURITY - C~~

There is being transmitted herewith one copy of the report of [redacted] covering a meeting of the National Guardian Club, held at 53 Prospect Street, Bridgeport, Connecticut, on January 27, 1956. b7D

You will note that a portion of this report contains information concerning the activities of the COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL.

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
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On October 6, 1955, Former [REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past but whose original sources are unknown, advised that the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case was as of October 6, 1955 inactive in the Detroit area and that the last known meeting was held in Detroit in [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] Source of Information who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be protected, orally advised SA JAMES C. HOLMES that she received by way of mail an invitation to hear WILLIAM A. HEUBEL speak on his book "The Atom Spy Hoax" at a meeting to be held on November 13, 1955 in Detroit and which was sponsored by "The Detroit Sobell Committee." b7D

On December 21, 1955, [REDACTED] furnished SA JAMES C. HOLMES with the above mentioned invitation which was signed "The Detroit Sobell Committee" and which had a return address of Box 2854, Main Post Office Building, Detroit. Included with the invitation was an order blank to be sent to "Sobell Committee", Room 2, 1050 Sixth Avenue, New York City, New York, and indicated that checks were to be made payable to "Sobell Committee" or SARAH LICHTENBERG b7C

On February 13, 1956, [REDACTED] whose name should be protected and who is [REDACTED] office of the Postal Inspectors, Detroit Post Office, advised that Box 2854 is presently registered to the "Detroit Committee for Rosenberg-Sobell." b7D

On February 14, 1956 a search of the Assumed Name Section, County Clerk's Office, Detroit, Michigan, by SA ROBERT C. DENZ failed to reveal information concerning captioned group.

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Letter to Director, FBI

RE: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE KUOSMIDING CASE

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In view of the above this case has been
reopened in Detroit and investigation has been instituted.
The Bureau and Office of Origin will be kept currently
advised of same.

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St. Louis

Director, FBI

ST. LOUIS COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
FOR MORTON SOBELL IN THE ROSENBERG CASE

IS - C

Daylet

[REDACTED] furnished [REDACTED] a one page mimeographed leaflet issued by the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, 940 Broadway, New York City.

[REDACTED] This leaflet contains reprints of book reviews of the book "The Judgment of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg" which appeared in the Akron Beacon Journal of Sunday, January 29, 1956, article captioned "Book Shelf", Rosenberg Story Wrenches Mind, by Margot Jackson, Beacon Journal Book Reviewer which states in conclusion of the article, "The chain of events knotted here is as taut as any clock-and-dagger story. But this one wrenches the mind. For the whole question remains: How was justice served?" **67D**

The other reprint of a book review contained on this leaflet is that which appeared in Rochester Democrat and Chronicle dated Sunday, January 8, 1956, article captioned, "Books In Review, Conducted by W. DeWitt Manning. Conduct of Rosenberg Trial Told" which states, "Inevitably, as time passes, discussion is heard concerning the possibility that in the trial and execution of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, the net result has been to create two martyrs."

"In his monumental work, 'The Judgment of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg', John Foxley, author of a number of outstanding books, presents detailed findings concerning the conduct of the trial and numerous comments on the character of witnesses whose testimony was presented. He also suggests disturbing implications with regard to the cold war and national hysteria."

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This leaflet also contains a footnote at the bottom which states, "Morton Sobell, the third defendant in the case, is imprisoned in Alcatraz on a 30-year sentence. He maintains his innocence and is seeking a new trial."

MILNES

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

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SAC, BALTIMORE (100-15241)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, aka.
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(OO: NEW YORK)

Re report of SA DONALD L. MILLER dated January 26, 1955
at Baltimore, Maryland, captioned as above and Baltimore letter
to Bureau dated August 19, 1955.

Since the submission of referenced letter, there have
been no meetings of the Baltimore Sobell Committee.

Baltimore Informants have advised that no one has
succeeded the late PAULINE BOYER, Chairman of the Baltimore
Sobell Committee. They have been unable to determine if the
Committee is presently in existence.

Post Office Box 7043, Baltimore, Maryland, is still
rented by PHILIP BOYER for the use of the Baltimore Sobell
Committee. This Post Office Box has been used only as the
return address for a one page pamphlet reviewing the Sobell
Case, which was enclosed with an abridged text of a speech
made by U. S. Senator WILLIAM LANGER in New York City on
September 29, 1955.

In view of the lack of activity of this organization
during the past year, there is no pertinent information to
report.

The Baltimore Office will continue to follow the
activities of this organization and the next Baltimore report
will be submitted during August, 1956, unless sufficient
information is developed to warrant a report prior to that
time.

This case is being placed in a pending inactive
status.

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DIRECTOR, FBI

February 24, 1956

SAC, NEW ORLEANS

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO
SECURE JUSTICE IN THE
ROSENBERG CASE, aka.
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

[REDACTED]

nished the following information to SA's HENRY F. COOPER, Jr. and
MILTON R. KAACK on 2/17/56: b7D

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

leaflets entitled, "U. S. Senator
WILLIAM LANGER Asks Justice for MORTON SOBELL." These indicate on
the face of them that they have been printed as a public service by
"Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL, 940 Broadway, New
York City, New York." b7D

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DIRECTOR, FBI
February 24, 1956

[REDACTED] is a Security Index subject and a Key Figure
in the New Orleans Division. L7D

The foregoing is furnished for the information of the Bu-
reau and the office of origin.

2-23-56

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AIR MAIL

St. Louis

Director, FBI

ST. LOUIS COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR
MORTON SOBELL IN THE ROSENBERG CASE

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Daylet

[REDACTED] furnished a mimeographed flier captioned "A Pulpit Review of John Wexley's 'The Judgment of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg' delivered Sunday, Sept. 25, 1955, at the First Unitarian Church of Los Angeles by Rev. STEPHEN H. FRICHTMAN". It quotes him as having said regarding MORTON SOBELL, "I am pleading for continued agitation for the release of a man separated from wife and children by the same hatred and fear which, compounded with hysteria, killed the Rosenbergs. He has served five years but he need not serve thirty. You have every right to differ with Mr. WEXLEY or myself, but not until you have made a serious effort to advance beyond the passion and the distortion that marked this infamous trial and execution". . . **b7D**

Rev. RICHTMAN is also quoted as asking that "hundreds of letters" be sent to U. S. Director of Prisons, JAMES V. BENNETT, requesting SOBELL's transfer from Alcatraz.

LA advised by separate communication.

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SUBJECT ROSENBERG/SOBELL COMMITTEE

SERIAL 1932 DATE 2-28-56

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office ST. LOUIS	Office of Origin NEW YORK	Date	Investigative Period 2-16,17,18-56
TITLE OF CASE NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, Aka.		Report made by WALTER C. JOHNSON	Type of Case PCP
		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - C; INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950	

Synopsis:

Aims and purposes are to secure new trial for MORTON SOBELL and to effect his transfer from Alcatraz to another federal penitentiary. Subversive ramifications set forth.

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DETAILS: AT ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

All informants utilized in this report have furnished reliable information in the past, unless otherwise indicated.

I. ORIGIN, SCOPE AND GENERAL ACTIVITIES

Approved	Special Agent in Charge	Do not write in spaces below		
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The Communist Party is an organization designated by the Attorney General pursuant to Executive Order #10450.

THOMAS A. YOUNGLOVE and JOSEPH SCHOEMEHL, [REDACTED] who testified as government witnesses in the St. Louis Smith Act trial in 1954, have identified CLARA MAE PERKINS as a Communist Party member. These individuals testified in the trial that CLARA MAE PERKINS was an instructor at the Basic Training Institute, the official Communist Party training school in St. Louis in 1946. b7D

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The Civil Rights Congress is no longer active in St. Louis.

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[REDACTED] advised that OLIVE HEFFNER was an active member of the Communist Party. b7D

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[REDACTED] years has concentrated her activities in Communist Party front groups. b7D

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ALMAN began his talk by giving a brief and facetious view of the Rosenberg Case intimating that the Greenglass testimony was fabricated by the Attorney General's Office and that it was impossible for Greenglass to transmit secret data because of the limitations of his intelligence and the unimportance of his position. He accused witness ELITCHER of being a willing tool of the government and sending SOBELL to prison.

The Government was then taken to task for removing SOBELL to Alcatraz. This was allegedly done to remove SOBELL from his friends and attorneys. He charged that Government agents were constantly trying to get SOBELL to confess so that they could start another series of espionage trials. He intimated that SOBELL was now being offered all kinds of deals to confess that at least the Rosenbergs were guilty because the Attorney General's Office had made an error and was trying desperately to cover it up.

He called for a turn to justice and law in this country and spoke of "phony" evidence and guilt by insinuation. He cited examples of where the Government had lied to the Supreme Court and to members of Congress. He accused the Government of a nine months propaganda campaign before the trial began so that it was impossible to secure an impartial jury; especially since the country was involved in the Korean conflict.

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II. STATED AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

On August 5, 1955 [REDACTED] advised that the aims and purposes of the SL CSJMSRC were to secure a new trial for MORTON SOBELL and to effect his transfer from Alcatraz to another federal penitentiary. b7D

III. SUBVERSIVE RAMIFICATIONS

A. Communist Party Connections

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B. Implementation of Communist Party Line

Communist Party Line

"The Rosenbergs were innocent. MORTON SOBELL is innocent. The names of the Rosenbergs must be vindicated officially, the Government which caused their deaths should apologize to its citizens and to outraged world opinion and that Government should try to make some restitution to the family of the martyrs... ."

HERBERT APTHEKER, "new light on the Rosenberg-Sobell Case," masses and mainstream, June, 1955, Page 42.

"This attack on the Rosenberg-Sobell Committee should bring about new support for the campaign to secure vindication for ETHEL and JULIUS ROSENBERG and a new trial for MORTON SOBELL, now serving 30 years in Alcatraz."

Editorial, Daily Worker, August 5, 1955, Page 5.

SL CSJMSRC Line

"The facts in the case of MORTON SOBELL." It states in part, "We believe that justice can be done in this case only by SOBELL's removal from Alcatraz and by a new trial -- that will examine recent evidence of perjured testimony against the defendant. Supreme Court Justice BLACK has pointed out that the Supreme Court has never reviewed the case . . . Will you join the thousands who are writing letters urging that Mr. SOBELL be removed from Alcatraz to a regular federal penitentiary? Pamphlet issued by "The National Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL, 1950 Sixth Avenue, New York 10, New York. Distributed in St. Louis by the SI CSJMSRC, 9-22-55 [REDACTED] b7d

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Careful consideration has been given to the use of "T" symbols in this report and those symbols utilized are deemed necessary.

INFORMANTS

IDENTITY OF INFORMANT	DATE AND/OR DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY	DATE RECEIVED	AGENT TO WHOM FURNISHED	LOCATION
T-1 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SA CLARK S. SMITH	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
T-2 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
T-3 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
T-4 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SA DAVID W. VATES	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SA CLAY M. BRADY	[REDACTED]
T-5 is [REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SA DAVID W. VATES	[REDACTED]

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	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SA CLAY M. BRADY	[REDACTED]
T-6 is	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SA EDMUND J. BIRCH	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SA WALTER C. JOHNSON	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
T-7 is	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SA CARL R. O'CONNOR	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SA CLARK S. SMITH	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SA CARL R. O'CONNOR	[REDACTED]

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	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
T-8 is	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SA EDMUND J. BIRCH	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SA HARRY C. JUNG "	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
T-9 is	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SA CLARK S. SMITH "	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	"	[REDACTED]
T-10 is	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	SA CARL R. O'CONNOR SA CLARK S. SMITH SA CARL R. O'CONNOR "	[REDACTED]
	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]		[REDACTED]
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T-11 is [REDACTED]

SA WALTER A.
HILGENDORF [REDACTED]

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LEADS

ST. LOUIS DIVISION

At St. Louis, Missouri

Will follow and report further activities
of the SL CSJMSRC and Communist infiltration therein.

REFERENCE: Report of SA HARRY C. JUNG dated 8-15-55 at
St. Louis.

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MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, BA [REDACTED] b7D DATE: 2/29/56

FROM : SA PAUL A. TURNER

SUBJECT : INFORMATION FURNISHED BY [REDACTED] b7D

The documentation for this information is as follows:

Identity of Source	Date of Activity and/or Description of Information	Date Furnished	Agent	Location
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	PAUL A. TURNER	[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	Orally	[REDACTED]

CARE SHOULD BE USED IN REPORTING THIS INFORMATION IN ORDER THAT THE IDENTITY OF THE INFORMANT MAY BE FULLY PROTECTED

[REDACTED] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised as follows: b7D

Re: MORTON SOBELL Committee

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PAT:ah
ccs:

- (2) - New York (Regis.)
(NATIONAL LAWYERS GUILD; SOBELL COMMITTEE)
3 - Phila. (Regis.)
(COMMITTEE TO DEFEND ALBERT BLUMBERG, ELIZABETH FRAZIER,
MARY GROSSMAN)

100-15241 SOBELL COMM.
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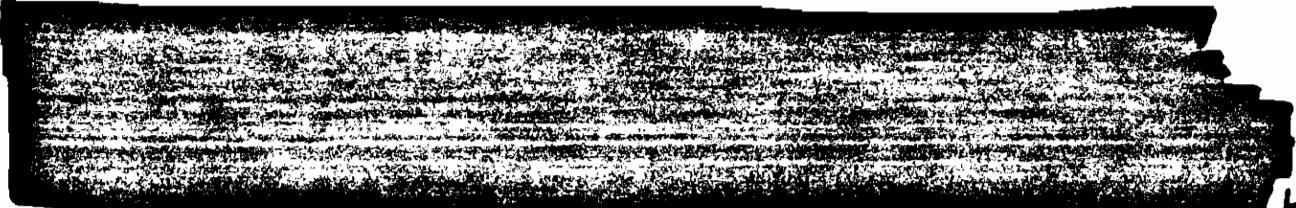
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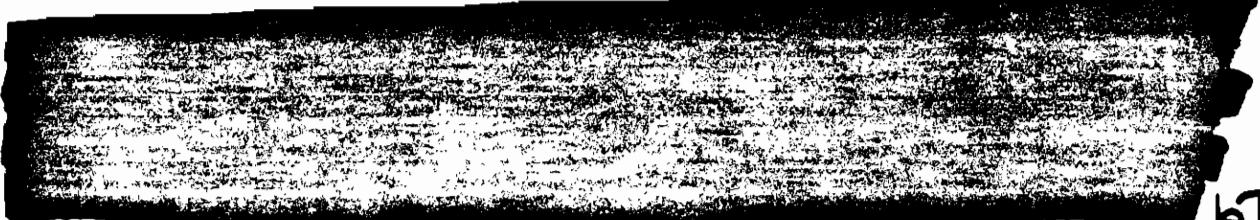
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Re: Committee to Defend ALBERT BLUMBERG



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Re: National Lawyers Guild



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[redacted] who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that HAROLD BUCHMAN was a member of the CP [redacted]

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The information contained in this memorandum does not change the Security Index status of any of the subjects mentioned therein nor does it warrant the opening of any new cases.

CONSOLIDATION OF FILES

DATE 3/5/56

FILE NUMBER 105-16924

SUBJECT *Levant Room P, 940 Broadway NYC is-Po*

AND

FILE NUMBER 100-10711

SUBJECT *Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell*

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REQUESTED BY AGENT *John L. Ewing Jr. 18-1*

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TO : SAC, New York (100-107111)

DATE: March 1, 1956

FROM : Director, FBI (100-387835)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, et al
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

Enclosed is a copy of a communication from Assistant Attorney General William F. Tompkins dated February 21, 1956, which is self-explanatory.

In your investigation you should make certain that all available evidence is developed relative to the provisions of the Internal Security Act of 1950.

Enclosure

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Director, FBI (100-387835)

March 5, 1956

SAC, Boston (100-27290)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, was.
IS - C; ISA OF 1950

ReBulet 2/29/56 and report of SA JOHN F. NOONAN,
dated 2/17/56 at Boston.

The Bureau and New York are requested to make
the following changes in rerep:

Page 2, paragraph 2 should be corrected to show the
organization was formed Jan. 2, 1952.

In the administrative section. page 7, 1st line
should read: [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] On page 8, column 1, line 3, [REDACTED] should be substi-
tuted for [REDACTED] also on page 8, next to last line in column 1
[REDACTED] should be substituted for [REDACTED] b7P

Boston copies have been corrected and interested
local agencies have been advised in accordance with Bureau
instructions.

Errors have been noted in personnel folders of
responsible personnel at Boston.

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL
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[REDACTED] A check of the building at 940 Broadway, NYC, on 2/29/56, revealed Room D, is occupied by the Sobell Committee.

[REDACTED] advised SA John L. EWING, Jr., on 2/29/56, that the Sobell Committee has occupied Room D, 940 Broadway, NYC, for about two months. He said he understands it is a Communist controlled organization and collects funds for convicted atom spy MORTON or MARTIN SOBELL. b7D

NY files reflect the Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL occupies Room D, 940 Broadway, NYC (NY file 100-107111, Bureau file 100-327835).

In view of this NY 105-16924 (Unsub) is being closed and will be consolidated into NY 100-107111.

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3-Bureau (RM)

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK

FROM : ASAC WILLIAM G. SIMON

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
ESP. R.

DATE: 3/7/56

At 5:10 P.M., 3/7/56, Inspector Carl E. Hennrich called with reference to his conversation of 3/6/56 regarding [REDACTED]

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Further details of the above are covered in a separate memorandum previously prepared by me. Mr. Hennrich instructed that we interview ELITCHER as promptly as possible and, if it can be done, on this date. He pointed out ELITCHER should not be informed of the information in our possession, but that he should be drawn out to determine whether or not he has been approached concerning any such activity [REDACTED] or whether he has made any comments which would give rise to such statements as allegedly were made [REDACTED] b7D

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I informed Supervisor Edgar C. Forest of the above and efforts will be made to interview ELITCHER on this date. Supervisor Forest is to advise me of the status of our efforts to [REDACTED] so that the Bureau may be informed. b7D

*SAs V. J. C. Hill & J. A. C.
SAs furnished a
interview*

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK

FROM : ASAC WILLIAM G. SIMON

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE

DATE: 3/7/56

At 5:12 P.M., 3/6/56, Inspector Carl E. Hennrich, Bu[rea]u,
called and stated an informant of the [REDACTED]

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Mr. Hennrich stated it is felt the person referred to
is MAX ELITCHER, who was the key witness in the SOBELL case.

He inquired as to whether or not NYO had any information
concerning this matter and, if not, could we find out.

I subsequently informed Mr. Hennrich NYO feels MAX ELITCHER
is the man in question inasmuch as he was the main witness to get
SOBELL. He is being handled by SA Vincent J. Cahill. He is carried
by NYO as a Source of Information. SA Cahill contacts ELITCHER on
an average of once every two or three weeks.

ELITCHER has never been a paid informant.

ELITCHER was a subject and one of the individuals involved
in the ROSENBERG case. Both SOBELL and ROSENBERG were in contact
with ELITCHER for a number of years and they both tried in concert
and individually to get ELITCHER to secure information from Navy
files. ELITCHER, at that time, worked in the Bureau of Ordnance,
Washington, D. C. ELITCHER denies having given them any information
but has admitted being aware of the ROSENBERG conspiracy.

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b7d At 5:50 P.M., Mr. Hennrich stated he would indicate NY concurs ELITCHER is the logical man who was being referred to [REDACTED] and that it is being proposed that NYO interview ELITCHER. He stated, however, no action should be taken until specific authority is received from the Bureau.

Supervisor Edgar E. Forest; SAs Edward J. Cahill; Vincent J. Cahill; and Richard T. Hradsky are aware of the above and have been requested to conduct any research necessary and give thought to this matter in order that we will be in position to promptly follow the Bureau's instructions in this matter.

Director, FBI (100-387835)

3/7/56

SAC, Dallas (65-1897) ✓

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG
CASE, aka: National Rosenberg-Sobell Committee, National
Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell in the
Rosenberg Case

INTERNAL SECURITY - C

OO: New York

Re: My telephone call to the Bureau of 3/6/56.

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No additional information was obtained concerning this matter by [redacted] at that time; however, this informant has been alerted to contact this office immediately, in the event the informant obtains additional information concerning this matter. b7D

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
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The following item appeared in the "Morning Freiheit" of February 12, 1956, on page 12, columns 4-5:

The "East Side Sobell Committee", which was formed recently, is conducting a campaign for members. The Committee meets twice a month. A number of civic activities in conjunction with the liberation campaign for Sobell have already been carried out. Friends who want to join the Committee, or are interested in the campaign to free the young scientist, Sobell, from Alcatraz, where he is incarcerated for 30 years on the testimony of false proof, are asked to apply to the L.A. Sobell Committee, 468 North Western Avenue. Telephone: Hollywood 4-4725.

The above was translated by [REDACTED] (Translator) in the NYO, for your information.

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2-Los Angeles (RM)
1-NY 100-107111

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK

DATE: 3/8/56

FROM : ASAC WILLIAM G. SIMON

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE

With reference to telephone call of Inspector Carl E. Hennrich, Bureau, 3/6/56, in above captioned matter, Supervisor Edgar C. Forest advised that, with respect to [redacted]

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At 7:30 P.M., 3/7/56, the above information was furnished to Supervisor Larry Martin, Bureau.

At 9:00 A. M., 3/8/56, I spoke with Inspector Hennrich concerning this matter and he requested that the Newark Office be advised what has transpired. I pointed out to him we had received no communication from either the Bureau or Dallas and he indicated that the information furnished in his telephone call of 3/6/56 was all the data available. I told him we would reference his telephone call and prepare a teletype to Newark and the Bureau. Mr. Hennrich stated NYO should work closely with Newark Office in this matter.

I told him we would maintain close contact with Newark. These instructions were furnished to Supervisor Forest.

A teletype should be forwarded to the Bureau and Newark, setting forth data furnished by Mr. Hennrich on 3/6/56, the results of research done in NY files on AARON DAVID SCHNEIDER and the results of interview of MAX ELIOTHER which was handled on the evening of 3/7/56.

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Done
Newark also
advised
telephonically
etc

3-8-56

SAC, DALLAS

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE

AKA, NATIONAL ROSENBERG-SOBELL COMMITTEE, INTERNAL SECURITY

DASH C. RE TELEPHONE CALL SAC MURPHY TO BUREAU THREE

SLI FIVE SLI GIVING INFORMATION FROM [REDACTED]

THIS PROBABLY REFERS TO MAX ELITCHER, GOVERNMENT WITNESS IN SOBELL TRIAL. ESSENTIAL THAT SENDER BE IDENTIFIED IMMEDIATELY.

DISCREETLY ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE HIS IDENTITY AND SUTEL BUREAU AND NEW YORK OFFICE PROMPTLY OF ANY INFORMATION DEVELOPED. b7D

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, AKA
NATIONAL ROSENBERG - SOBELL COMMITTEE, IS - C. REBUTEL TO DL MARCH
EIGHT. [REDACTED] ADVISED YESTERDAY NOW BELIEVES NAME OF PERSON
MENTIONED IS AARON SCHNEIDER, INSTEAD OF ALLEN SCHNEIDER.

TODAY

POINTED OUT THAT TODAYS "DALLAS MORNING NEWS" CARRIED ITEM

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ENTITLED "SOVIET CARPETBAGGERS OPEN FRONT IN SOUTH," BY VICTOR RIESEL, COPYRIGHT HALL SYNDICATE, CONCERNING AARON SCHNEIDER. THIS ARTICLE STATED SCHNEIDER HAD BEEN TO CITIES IN SOUTH FOR SOBEL CAUSE, AND MENTIONED NCSJMS ORGANIZATIONS IN EXISTENCE VARIOUS CITIES, INCLUDING DL. RUC.

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NEW YORK, N.Y.
MARCH 9, 1956

BUREAU

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, INC.
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Re NY teletype of 3/9/56, in captioned case.

Enclosed for Bureau is one copy of the column of VICTOR RIESEL from the New York "Daily Mirror" page 4, of the issue of 3/9/56, dealing with the captioned committee.

One copy is also enclosed for the Newark Office.

KELLY

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SUBJECT ROSENBERG/SOBECK COMMITTEE

SERIAL 1948 DATE 3/9/54

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK

FROM : ASAC WILLIAM G. SIMON

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE

DATE: 3/9/56

At 9:47 A.M., 3/9/56, I spoke with Inspector Carl E. Hennrich, Bureau, and read to him portions of the column by VICTOR RIESEL, p. 4, Daily Mirror, 3/9/56. This data refers to activities of AARON SCHNEIDER in connection with his travels throughout the South, trying to set up headquarters for "National Committee to Secure Justice For Morton Sobell." The news article states headquarters have been set up in Miami, Orlando, New Orleans, Houston, Austin, Dallas, Atlanta, and Winston Salem.

It was agreed with Mr. Hennrich that NYO would send out a teletype to the Bureau; Newark, which covers AARON SCHNEIDER; and to the offices covering the above-mentioned headquarters, giving them the full background of this matter, starting with the data secured from an informant of the Dallas Office in connection with [REDACTED]

The teletype should instruct these offices to determine through informants and other established sources the activities of AARON SCHNEIDER in their area and any comments made in connection with the setup of these headquarters. The specific data relating to having a witness, presumably MAXELITCHER, [REDACTED] should not be disclosed by these offices to any of their informants, but they should be aware of this information so that they can be particularly alert to develop in full detail any comments made by SCHNEIDER or any other persons along these lines. b7D

These offices are requested to report to the Bureau and Newark, which office, they should be informed covers SCHNEIDER; and NY Office promptly of facts developed in this matter.

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for 100-4139
(Aaron Schneider) 7-6

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Mr. Hennrich pointed out NYO should maintain close contact with MAX ELITCHER and it was agreed that, now that the news article has appeared, it would be proper to interview ELITCHER, pointing out the contents of the article and inquiring whether ELITCHER knows SCHNEIDER, whether he has been contacted by SCHNEIDER, or by any other persons on behalf of SCHNEIDER or on behalf of the Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL. It is to be noted, in an interview conducted 3/7/56 ELITCHER stated he had not bee contacted in any regard, but at that time, it was not deemed desirable to disclose to ELITCHER the comments allegedly made by SCHNEIDER in Dallas. Now that data appears in the newspapers concerning activities of AARON SCHNEIDER, there appears to be no reason why he should not be directly questioned in this regard.

MARCH 12, 1956

Memo:

re: National Committee to Secure Justice
in the Rosenberg Case
LS-C, LSA 1950

The New Haven Office by letter dated 2/28/56 advised that [REDACTED] who has b7D furnished reliable information in the past, made available on 2/1/56, to SA GLENN D. ROSENQUIST, [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] b7D

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The Above have been made exhibits in the case entitled, "Morton Sobell, et al., Espionage-A," under which caption the New Haven office submitted them.

cc [REDACTED]

b7C

SA RICHARD T. HANLEY

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

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SAC, WFO (100-25474)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, aka.
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OO New York

Re mylet January 26, 1956, reporting that no information had been received regarding the reactivation of the D. C. chapter of subject organization.

The last report in connection with this case was submitted on September 28, 1955. A current report is due at the Bureau by March 26, 1956.

A review of instant file reveals that since late September, 1955, the local chapter of this organization has [REDACTED]

Although WF 822-S* on November 8, 1955, reported that attempts were being made to reactivate the D. C. chapter of this organization, it appears that no success has been had in this connection. WFO informants have been alerted to report any information regarding the reactivation of the D. C. group. Informants have reported that the D. C. group is inactive and has no membership. b7D

In view of the above, no report will be submitted at this time. This case will be closely followed and when information is received regarding the reactivation of the D. C. group, the Bureau will be promptly advised and a report submitted.

This case is being placed in a pending inactive status by the WFO. P.*

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SUBJECT ROSENBERG/SOBEll COMMITTEE

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SUBJECT ROSENBERG/SOBELL COMMITTEE

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information which would disclose an intelligence
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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

MARCH 13, 1956

SAC, CLEVELAND (100-20243)

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

Rerep of SA ROBERT P. KIEFFER dated February 7, 1956,
at Cleveland, and Bureau letter to Cleveland dated
February 24, 1956.

This is to advise the Bureau and New York that Page 3,
second paragraph of referenced report should be changed
from [REDACTED] as the corroborating source of the
[REDACTED] The Cleveland
copy of this report has been changed as above, and
appropriate agencies have been requested to make this
change. b7D

The Bureau and New York are requested to change Page 15
of referenced report to reflect that [REDACTED] was "Used for
identification of [REDACTED]" and that [REDACTED]
was "Used for identification of [REDACTED]" These
changes have been made on the Cleveland copy of referenced
report. b7D

No administrative action recommended.

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SUBJECT ROSENBERG/SOBELL COMMITTEE

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DIRECTOR (100-387835)

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN
THE ROSENBERG CASE, aka

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It is noted that the "Daily Worker", in its edition of Oct. 4, 1955, page 7, columns 4-5, identified DAVID BENAK, as the Novelist and Essayist, who spoke at "rally for justice for the S. BELL, last Thursday night," at Carnegie Hall and that at this meeting J. H. STANTON SOBELL was "cruelly and outrageously sentenced."

The "Daily Worker," in its edition of Oct. 10, 1955, page 6, col. 5, contained an article announcing the release of a book, "The Judgment of JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG," by JOHN WHALEY, published by CROWN and NEWMAN, 100 W. 23rd St., NYC, on June 20, 1955.

It is noted that SYLVIA HERNSTEIN is the principal figure of the DC group of subject organization who was identified [REDACTED] as a current CP member.

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as a CP member

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DIRECTOR, FBI

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, aka
National Rosenberg--Sobell Committee
IS-C; ISA, 1950

Re New York teletype 3/9/56 advising that New York Daily Mirror for 3/9/56 carried column of VICTOR RIESMAN devoted to date concerning activities of one AARON SCHNEIDER who allegedly has set up headquarters for the NCSJ for MORTON SOBELL in Miami, Orlando, New Orleans, Houston, Austin, Dallas, Atlanta and Winston-Salem, N.C., in an attempt by the Committee to launch a new drive for the freedom of SOBELL.

[REDACTED] stated to SA CARROLL J. STUART that he had no information whatever indicating that anyone had attempted to set up any headquarters or conduct any activity in Winston-Salem on behalf of the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case or the National Rosenberg--Sobell Committee. b7D

As a matter of additional information, it is noted that a subcommittee of the House Committee on Un-American Activities held public hearings in Charlotte, N.C., on 3/12, 13 and 14/56. Witnesses before these hearings included [REDACTED] a number of individuals who had previously been identified as members of the CP. b7D

Transcript of the proceedings is not yet available; however, information appearing in the Charlotte daily newspapers indicates that committee counsel asked witnesses que-

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tions to elicit any information they might have indicating recent activity on the part of the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case and that the witness had no such information.

It is unknown whether these questions by the committee counsel were prompted by the VICTOR RIESEL column previously mentioned.

The Charlotte Office will remain alert to obtain and immediately report any information received indicating any activity on the part of the NCJRC or its representatives in Winston-Salem, N.C.

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AIR MAIL

St. Louis

Director, FBI

ST. LOUIS COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR
MORTON SOBELL IN THE ROSENBERG CASE

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Re St. Louis Daylet 3-14-56 concerning projected speech by ABBA ELAN, Israeli Ambassador to U.S. at YMHA, St. Louis, 3-25-56.

[REDACTED]

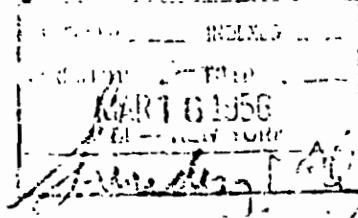
The Western Political Quarterly", Dec., 1955 is, according to statement on its cover, "published quarterly by the Institute of Government, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah". Instant reprint is review of "The Judgment of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg" by JOHN WEXLEY by FRANCIS D. WORMUTH. The review summarizes "the gist of the story as Mr. WEXLEY tells it". The review concludes, "unless it (Department of Justice) answers Mr. WEXLEY's (criticisms) we must conclude that the Rosenberg Case is our Dreyfus Case, outdoing the first in sordidness, cruelty and terror". b7D

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1-New York (RM)
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, N.Y. (100-107111)

DATE: 3/15/56

FROM : SA Eugene F. Cable (G-2)

SUBJECT: Committee to Secure Justice
for Morton Sobell.

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Source:

[REDACTED] who has

been contacted on several occasions in the past but
has not furnished sufficient information to establish
his reliability. (conceal) b7D

Date contacted: [REDACTED] b7D

by : writer + S.A. F.W. Kuhneau

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[REDACTED] alleged that an exhibition sale of b7D

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paintings was announced in the 12/15/56 "D.I.I.
Worker" which was organized by Sarah
Gottlieb, 176 W. 87th St. This sale was a benefit
for Captained Committee according to [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] further advised that the sale was
called off due to pressure from artists whose paintings
were exhibited without authority. On 3/10, 11/56
another sale was held to keep up money effected
in organizing the first sale. The latter sale had
no sponsor according to [REDACTED] from [REDACTED]. b7D

[REDACTED]

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SUBJECT ROSENBERG/SOBELL COMMITTEE

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SAC, NEWARK

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, aka.
NATIONAL ROSENBERG - SOBELL COMMITTEE
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INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

New York teletype to Atlanta, Charlotte, Dallas, Houston,
Miami, New Orleans and San Antonio dated 3/9/56 indicated that
AARON DAVID SCHNEIDER, Newark key figure, has probably been
active in setting up chapter of subject organization at New
Orleans among other places.

Newark please furnish photograph and physical description
of SCHNEIDER.

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1cc - New Orleans (100-14871)
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Transmit the following message via AIRTEL

From SAC, Atlanta (100-4953)

To: Director, FBI (100-387835) (RM)

RE: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN
THE ROSENBERG CASE, AKA, NATIONAL ROSENBERG-
SOBELL COMMITTEE
IS - C; ISA - 1950

Re New York tel 3/9/56 to Atlanta, Charlotte, Dallas,
Houston, Miami, New Orleans, and San Antonio.

The following individuals, all of whom are sources of
information of the Atlanta office, were checked with
negative results concerning the above-captioned committee's
alleged establishment in Atlanta, Ga.:

[REDACTED]

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AT 100-4953

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In addition to the above-captioned sources of information, [REDACTED] was contacted concerning the above-captioned organization, with negative results on 3/14/56.

[REDACTED] advised on 3/16/56 he had not received any information concerning the above captioned organization.

[REDACTED] contacted 3/15/56 failed to furnish any information concerning above organization.

[REDACTED] advised on 3/15/56 he had no information concerning above-captioned organization.

All of the above-captioned individuals were contacted by SA CHARLES PAUL ROSE with the exception of [REDACTED] who were contacted by SA ALDEN F. FULLER.

The identity of the above-captioned individuals should be concealed in any investigative type report with the exception of [REDACTED]

All individuals mentioned above whose identities should not be revealed should be described as having furnished reliable information in the past. The information furnished by the above individuals is located in instant ~~intel~~ with the exception of that furnished by [REDACTED]

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AT 100-4953

The "Daily Worker" of 3/6/56 carried an article, which reflects that SOBELL Committees now are functioning in Miami, Orlando, New Orleans, Houston, Austin, Dallas, Atlanta, and Winston Salem. This article fails to reflect any individuals interviewed by AARON SCHNEIDER while in the Atlanta area.

[REDACTED] had seen an ad in "The Nation" [REDACTED] which appealed for help for MORTON SOBELL. Contributions were asked to be sent to JACOBS, Room D, 940 Broadway, New York, New York.

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3/20/56

FBI, LOS ANGELES

DIRECTOR, FBI

RE: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE

FOR MORTIMER SABELL

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[REDACTED] Loyalty Citizen [REDACTED]
News, has furnished material received from Mr. [REDACTED] Committee
in New York. This material concerns the book "The Judgment
of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg" by JOHN WEXLEY, published by
CAMMEN and KAHN. Included was a reprint of a review of
WEXLEY's book appearing in the December, 1955 issue of
"The Western Political Quarterly," a publication of the
Institute of Government, University of Utah, Salt Lake
City. The review was signed by one FRANCIS D. WORMUTH of
the University of Utah. WORMUTH goes into various facets
of the Rosenberg case as well as representations by others
concerning the case, and the review concludes "...This
means that the Government had no case against the Rosenbergs.
Obviously the Department of Justice cannot answer all
criticisms, but unless it answers Mr. WEXLEY's we must
conclude that the Rosenberg case is our Dreyfus, outgoing [REDACTED]
first in cordialness, cruelty and terror."

Photostatic copies of this material being forwarded
the Bureau and New York by separate communication.

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Source [REDACTED]
Citizens News, 3/12/56 to SA C. SABELL

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-64660)

DATE: 3/22/56

FROM :

SAC, NEWARK (100-39175)

SUBJECT:

AARON SCHNEIDER
IS - C

Reference New York teletype to Bureau dated 3/8/56 and Newark Air-Tel to Bureau dated 3/9/56, both entitled NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE.

Referenced teletype reflects that one ALLEN SCHNEIDER (ph.) later identified as the subject during a trip through the Southern states [REDACTED]

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The following information is being submitted to the Bureau to point out what has been done to determine the subject's activities since receipt of the abovementioned teletype.

The Newark Office by means of a surveillance placed the subject in New York on 3/12/56 and 3/15/56. On both occasions, the New York Office reported that the subject was at the New York Office of the NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE SOBELL CASE.

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 2 - Bureau (REGISTERED MAIL)
 2 - New York (REGISTERED MAIL)

(1 - [REDACTED] b7C
 (1 - COMMITEE NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE SOBELL CASE)

2 - Newark (100-39175)

(1 - [REDACTED] b7D
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Newark will continue to alert [redacted] for any
and all information he may have concerning the subject. b7D

Newark is continuing to spot check the subject's
activities and to advise the New York Office when he leaves
Lakewood, N. J.

A report covering the activities of the subject
will be submitted in the near future.

DIRECTOR, FBI

3/22/56

SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-41648)

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

Remyairtel 3/20/56 concerning material issued by subject committee which included a review of the book "The Judgment of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg."

Two photostatic copies of this material are enclosed for the Bureau and one for New York.

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Committee To Secure Justice From Morton

770 Broadway, New York City

Dear Sir:

We have enclosed herewith a copy of our book which we believe to be one of the best books ever written on this country--a review which the editors of the New York Quarterly published of the book appears in the New York Times, the Post and the Sunday News. The book presents a vigorous challenge to the present administration of justice. We enclose a summandum which is being held by the U.S. Marshals Service. This book is being distributed throughout the country.

After you have read the book, we hope you will express your views on it. We would like to know whether you have any knowledge of the case concerning Morton or if you have read the New York Times book. At your earliest convenience.

As a complimentary copy of the book and the papers for publication, we enclose a copy of the book obtained from your committee. The book, which is 300 pages long, is entitled "The Case of Morton".

At your earliest convenience, we hope you will let us know your opinion of the book. We are anxious to have it published in a new edition.

THE JUDGEMENT OF JUSTICE IN THE U.S.

BY JOHN DAVIS

ELMER DAVIS had a conviction of murder in 1913. He was given a life sentence. He has been serving his sentence at the State Prison at Greeneville, Tennessee, since that time.

JAMES H. DODD, former Sheriff of Greene County, Tennessee, stands as a witness for the defense. He says he has known Elmer Davis for many years.

INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA, October 13, 1933.—The defense has filed a motion for a new trial for Elmer Davis, who was convicted of the murder of his wife, Anna, in 1913.

The new trial motion is based upon the record of the trial, which was held in 1913, and upon the defense's contention that the defendant was denied his constitutional rights in the trial. The defense's motion for a new trial was filed on October 13, 1933.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, October 13, 1933.—The defense has filed a motion for a new trial for Elmer Davis, who was convicted of the murder of his wife, Anna, in 1913. The defense's motion for a new trial was filed on October 13, 1933.

ALBION, NEW YORK, October 13, 1933.—The defense has filed a motion for a new trial for Elmer Davis, who was convicted of the murder of his wife, Anna, in 1913. The defense's motion for a new trial was filed on October 13, 1933.

THE WOODBURY, CONNECTICUT, October 13, 1933.—The defense has filed a motion for a new trial for Elmer Davis, who was convicted of the murder of his wife, Anna, in 1913. The defense's motion for a new trial was filed on October 13, 1933.

BROOKLYN, NEW YORK, October 13, 1933.—The defense has filed a motion for a new trial for Elmer Davis, who was convicted of the murder of his wife, Anna, in 1913. The defense's motion for a new trial was filed on October 13, 1933.

WALTER T. COOKE, editor of the Rochester Democrat and Chronicle, editor-in-chief of the New York State Journal of American History, on which Morton Soper has contributed several articles, believes it were legally possible for the court to have been lenient with its members while it may have been harsh with the defense, and disapproving of the gravity of the crime, states that he had a "good deal of trouble" in getting his article published.

MARGOT JACKSON, of the Beacon Journal, believes the people of New York are free men and executed none in 1924. She says that the "brutal and brazening persons" who commit the crimes "are not taught to buy clubs and dagger to do away with their victims." In her mind, "for the whole question remains, how can we stop them?"

W. DEWEY SWANNING, Rochester Democrat and Chronicle, has a six-time passed resolution to the effect that the state should have a national memorial to the trial and execution of Soper. He believes that the new trial has been no credit to the state. John Hersey, author of a number of detailed and interesting books, has made numerous comments on the character of Soper. A copy of his book was presented to the defense suggesting that the defense's claim regarding the cold weather of January 1924 was not true.

FRANK HAINS, of the Chicago Daily News, believes that "This exhaustively and often tedious record and the corroborative evidence show that there was more than a possibility of a conviction, but the law demands it, and the record does not give the evidence against him. You will have to take my word for it or not. That question cannot be answered."

PROFESSOR FRANCIS D. WILMOTH, of Western Michigan University, author of "The Trial of Soper," believes that the only way to get out of the 1924 trial is to have the case dismissed. He says that the defense has not been able to prove that Soper was guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

BROOKLYN, N.Y. — **WALTER T. COOKE**, editor of the Brooklyn Eagle, which has engaged Frank J. Murphy, attorney for the defense, for a year, to represent Soper, has been re-elected to the office of editor of the Brooklyn Eagle.

described with a mass of detail, from the fascinating and significant trials of the 1950s to the more recent ones of the 1970s. The author's own involvement in the controversial case of the Cuban missile crisis is described in detail, as is his involvement in the 1971 trial of the Chicago Seven. The book also covers the author's involvement in the 1973 Watergate trial, the 1974 trial of the Chicago Seven, and the 1975 trial of the Chicago Eight. The author's personal experiences and insights into the legal system are also included.

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that Mr. Wiley was a good lawyer, but that his instruments had been put aside in laborious preparation for the trial. In the Golden Age of the Bar, when the espionage organization would do nothing but say nothing of its own importance, it was a story well told that Wiley, all his high school friends being collected by disclosure by scientist and his family, had been the only man not to be swayed by the incredible and improbable stories he had been told and witness to make him present his reward to the police in no uncertain terms. It seems unlikely that he would have been afraid of prosecution for his conduct, but he did not appear to be afraid of the law either. He was a man of side-by-side, very much a man of the people, and he was a good lawyer.

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HORNIA GLASER

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226-06 73rd Ave., Bayside, NY 100-

Queens Post newspaper,
Forest Hills, NY
NO. 5 1500

8/22/58
3:50 PM

[REDACTED] telephonically advised that the subject submitted material for the Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell to be use in advertisement published in this paper within the next two weeks. She said these ads would solicit money for the committee, and urge the reader to write to the Atty. Gen. of U.S. to lessen the jail term of Sobell. She desired to know if this committee was on the AG's list. The writer advised her that FBI could not furnish such info, and gave her the address of AG, Attn. Subv. Org. Sect., 18 Div., W.A., B.C.

1. Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell (100-107111-Sub A)

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CHARLES W. COOK #44

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-64660)

3/26/56

SAC, NEW YORK (100-4139)

AARON DAVID SCHNEIDER, wa
IS-C
OO Newark

Rerep of SA JAMES A. MARLEY at Newark, 2/15/56.

On 3/12/56, at 12:04 PM, the subject arrived at the Port Authority Bus Terminal, NYC aboard Bus # 91.

The subject was seen entering the 22nd St. entrance of 940-8 Broadway by the surveilling agents where he remained, except for a short break for lunch, until 3:45 PM at which time he returned to the Port Authority Bus Terminal. The subject boarded Lincoln Transit Co. Bus # 89 which left the terminal at 4:31 PM.

The subject utilized the subway for transportation and was not observed with, or talking to, anyone. For the information of Newark, the following New York agents participated in this surveillance:

MERRIFIELD B. REES
HENRY P. LATINI
THOMAS C. HEINAUER
THOMAS L. BECKWITH

The address at 940 Broadway, NYC, also houses the Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL. A handprinted card was observed at the 22nd St. entrance to this address, which listed the SOBELL Committee, 2nd floor, room 2D.

A log of this surveillance is being maintained in the 1A exhibit of the case file.

The following is a description of the subject obtained by observation:

Height	5' 10"
Weight	190 lbs.
Hair	gray
Characteristics	glasses
Appearance	Wearing covert gray tocost, may hat, blue suit, and was carrying a Manila envelope. P

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was in close contact with members of these
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his identity.

Office Memorandum - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO:
SAC, New York (100-10741)(7-2)

FROM:

SUBJECT:

DATE: 3-29-56

SA ROBERT O'MURPHY

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELE

The below described item was obtained
by SA Damon W. PITCHER at a meeting
of the Emergency Civil Liberties Committee
on 3-28-56 in Carnegie Hall. The item
was in the hands of the Sec. of the Com.
being made a part of a printed file.

1. Throwaway caption "Innocent"
from Comm. To Secure Justice
for Morton SOBELE

cc
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P.H. Sheridan

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)(7-2) DATE: 3/29/56

FROM: SA EDWARD M. ANCIN (12-14)

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN
THE ROSENBERG CASE

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Source: [REDACTED] b1

Reliability: Has furnished reliable information
in the past.

Date of Activity: [REDACTED]

Date Received: 3/12/56.

Received by: SA EDWARD M. ANCIN

Location: [REDACTED]

~~ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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The informant furnished the attached verbatim report.

Care should be taken to protect the informant's
identity in case any of this information is utilized in a report.

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The Manhattan Address Telephone directory dated 2/9/56 contains a listing for an ELAINE KASHIIS at 324 W. 20th St., NYC. Her phone number is Chelsea 3-7991 and the code '55 indicates it was installed in 1955.

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[REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] b7S

The Manhattan Address Telephone directory dated 2/9/56 lists over 100 occupants at 601 W. 113th St. There were two LUCILLES at this address, Mrs. LUCILE BANTA, code '52 telephone Monument 2-8261 and LUCILLE A. RANDLE. Accts 1st telephones Monument 6-8102.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~FORM NO. 1
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

[REDACTED]

Miami News,
Miami, Fla., reflects reporters covered meeting at which
HELEN SOBELL was guest of honor on 2/19/56. **b7D**

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DETAILS: AT MIAMI, FLORIDA

[REDACTED]

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The owner of the apartments at 7610 Byron Avenue, Miami Beach, Florida, is SAMUEL MARANAR. It is to be noted that a surveillance conducted by Special Agents of the Miami Office, on October 22, 23 and 24, 1955, showed that SAMUEL MARANAR was in company with CLARA LESTER, aka Eileen Liston, who is Communist Party Organizer for the State of Florida, according to Confidential Informant [redacted] who has reported reliable information in the past, and who is acquainted with certain Communist Party activities in the Miami area. b-2

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Confidential Informant T-9, who has reported reliable information in the past, and who is aware of certain Communist Party activities in the New York area, advised on April 7, 1946, that ERWIN STANDER contacted ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN and stated that the Communist Party is being shown to the masses below the Mason-Dixon Line and "they are coming forward to examine intelligently, and ultimately administer the programme being presented to them." 4/25/57
1947
Correction
See Serial 2015

According to the "New York Mirror", a New York daily newspaper, on January 22, 1953, ELIZABETH GURLEY FLYNN was Chairman of the Communist Party Women's Division, and was among those defendants found guilty of Smith Act violations on January 21, 1953, in the United States District Court, Southern District of New York.

On August 20, 1947, Confidential Informant T-5, who has furnished reliable information in the past, and who was acquainted with various Communist Party activities in the Miami area, advised that JOSEPH SOLAION was a member of the Town Club Communist Party, Miami, Florida.

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In September, 1947, Confidential Informant T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, and who is aware of various Communist Party activities in the Miami, Florida, area, advised that LEAH SELTMAN was a member of the Town Club Communist Party, Miami, Florida.

[REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] advised on February 20, 1956, that HELEN SOBELL attended a meeting which was sponsored by the Greater Miami Foundation for Civic Education, Inc., held on February 10, 1956, at which approximately eighty persons were present. The informant did not know with whom HELEN SOBELL conversed, but knew that she had mixed with some of the persons in attendance. b7D

[REDACTED] stated at this time that HELEN SOBELL had been to Radio Station WAHR in Miami and she had left the book written by WEXLEY, and other literature concerning the Sobell case b7D

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Concerning this publicity, the "Miami News", Miami, Florida, carried the following column by DALEON RUNYON, JR. and BELLA KELLY, on February 20, 1956. The column was captioned "Secret Confab Here Plugs Release of A-Spy Sobell". The article continued that Mrs. MORTON SOBELL, wife of convicted A-Bomb Spy, was presented to a select group of Miamians at a meeting held last night on Palm Island to raise funds and sympathy for her husband. Her appearance at the home of Mr. and Mrs. ARNOLD M. GREENFIELD, 180 Palm Drive, was described as a "social affair", but the names of those present and other details were refused for publication.

Although Mrs. SOBELL posed for photographers, a News photographer was assaulted by GREENFIELD for taking photographs of departing guests.

The article continued that despite the announced purpose of Mrs. SOBELL's appearing in Miami, neither she nor the tracts handed out offered any new evidence on behalf of her husband.

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One copy of this report is being furnished the Newark Office in that Newark has conducted previous investigating concerning this case.

- INFORMANTS -

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T-1	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	C. W. EDMISTON Orally	[REDACTED]
T-2	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	LEON O. PRIOR In writing	[REDACTED]
T-3	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	K. A. THOMPSON In writing	[REDACTED]
T-4	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	J. R. BUTTS In writing	[REDACTED]

T-5 is
Anonymous*

T-6 is
Anonymous*

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T-8

GEORGE E. DAVIS,
JR.

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T-9

SA A. R.
MADIGAN

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Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed in this report, and T symbols have been utilized only in those instances where identity must be concealed.

REFERENCE

Miami airtel to Bureau dated 1/26/56
Bureau teletype dated 3/9/56

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It is noted that [REDACTED] who has supplied reliable information in the past, [REDACTED] identified AARON SCHNEIDER as the National Secretary of the NCSJAC. b7D

It is noted that SYLVIA BERNSTEIN is the principal figure of the D. C. group of subject organization who was identified [REDACTED] as a current CP member. [REDACTED]

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SAC, SAN ANTONIO (100-8811)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN
THE ROSENBERG CASE, AKA NATIONAL
ROSENBERG-SOBEll COMMITTEE
IS - C; ISA - 1950

Re New York teletype March 9, 1956, to Atlanta, Charlotte,
Dallas, Houston, Miami, New Orleans, and San Antonio.

[REDACTED] ADVISED THAT HE HAS
OBsERVED no visitors at HILES' home recently. b7D

On March 26, 1956, [REDACTED] Texas Department of Public Safety, Austin, Texas, made available copy of Daily Worker dated March 6, 1956, which contained article on page 4 entitled "Sobell Committee Organizer Finds New Spirit in South." This article set forth information that AARON SCHNEIDER, an organizer with the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, had just completed a three week stay in five southern states. This article pointed out that in Austin, Texas, SCHNEIDER had interviews with many professors at the State University, that he saw one ARTHUR D. WITTY (should be ARTHUR DeWITTY), Rev. BERNARD A. MILLER, a writer with the liberal weekly Texas Observer, and J. F. HART, ex-Supreme Court Judge and ex-University Chancellor. b7D

[REDACTED] stated that [REDACTED] Texas Department of Public Safety, had received no information indicating that any committee had been organized in Austin, Texas, and that investigation had failed to develop any pertinent information to date. b7D

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)

DATE: 4/3/56

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (100-36202)

SUBJECT: THE COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE FOR ROBERT SCOBEL
IS - C
ISA, 1950

[REDACTED] By letter dated 3/2/56, [REDACTED]
 of "The Dover Advance," a Dover, N.J. semi-weekly
 newspaper, furnished this office with the following
 material, which [REDACTED] had received in an envelope bearing
 the return address: **b7D**

Room D, 940 Broadway, NYC

- Revised 4/3/56*
- See su 1 b7D/4 (b7H)
1. Mimeo graphed letter on the letchance of Judge PATRICK H. O'BRIEN, Detroit, Michigan, requesting the recipient to review "The Judgment of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg," by JOHN MELBY.
 2. A reprint of a review of "The Judgment of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg" by FRANCIS P. WORMUTH, which originally appeared in "The Western Political Quarterly," Issue of December, 1955, published by the University of Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah. This item reflects that it was reprinted by the Committee to Secure Justice for ROBERT SCOBEL, 940 Broadway, NYC.
 3. A mimeo graphed two page document entitled, "Some comments on 'The Judgment of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg'". by J. F. MELBY.

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Letter to SAC, NEW YORK

THE COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE FOR NORTON SORELL
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ISA, 1950

Item 1 is forwarded herewith as an enclosure to
a copy of this letter to the Detroit Office for informational
purposes.

Items 2 and 3 and the transmittal envelope are
enclosed herewith for the information of the New York Office.

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-392390)

4/5/56

SAC, NEW YORK (100-86623)

ARTISTS' EQUITY ASSOCIATION

IS-C

Re NY airtel, 3/15/56, and Bulet, 3/26/56.

On 3/29/56, NYO received a March 1956 "National Newsletter
Artists Equity Association", by mail from [REDACTED] L7D

This Newsletter contained an article captioned "Retraction." The article states that paintings were collected in NYC for an exhibition at Barbizon Plaza Hotel. Subsequently, the "National Guardian" and the "Daily Worker" announced that the exhibition was partly a benefit for the Morton Sobell Defense Committee, and listed the names contributing to and sponsoring the exhibition. The article stated the artists had not authorized the use of their pictures nor had they been informed of the auspices of the exhibition. According to this article, the exhibition was called off largely as a result of Equity's intervention at the request of members whose names were included.

The article sets forth a letter sent from the National Office, over the signature of EMILE ETTING, President to the two publications. The letter states that AEA wants the record straight; discusses the case involved; and that the artists were not apprised of the exhibition purposes nor had they granted permission to use their works or names in connection with MORTON SORELL. The letter concludes that the artists caused cancellation of the exhibition.

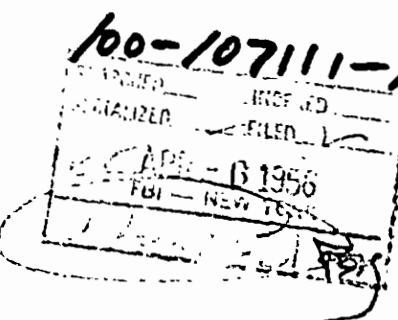
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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TOP SECRET - NEW YORK

DATE 11/17/50

FROM SAC - RICHMOND (100)

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For the information of the New York Office, on 3/29/56,
this office received an envelope addressed "Federal Bureau of
Inspection, Richmond, Va.", postmarked Richmond, Virginia,
March 28, 1956, containing a carbon copy of a brief memorandum

The memorandum related that [REDACTED] was attaching a copy of his memorandum of 3/8/56 to [REDACTED]

The 3/28/56 memo was checked off for delivery to SA M. HERSHEL CAVER of this office.

JOHN COOKE, MERSHFIELD, of this office, as
RECEIVED JULY 12, 1871.

Stated in part, "I never met Aaron Schneider of the Sobell Committee contrary to what you read in the paper." It continues, "Several weeks ago, D. H. White, publisher of the Jewish Herald-Voice in Houston, informed me that Aaron Schneider called him indicating that he had just finished visiting New Orleans and that he was calling upon White at the suggestion of Label Katz." Continuing, "Schneider discussed with White the need for funds to bring the Sobell case out before the public." Another paragraph of the memorandum states, "It is interesting to note from the Daily Worker article that one can become an expert on the problems of integration after three weeks of Southern exposure."

OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT

**ISAAC GAYER, of this
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is a**

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1 San Antonio (Registered Mail)
1 New Orleans (Registered Mail)
1 Atlanta (Registered Mail)
1 Houston (Registered Mail)
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LETTER FROM SCHNEIDER
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displayed a photostatic copy of an article appearing in the "Daily Worker" on March 6, 1956, page 45, captioned "Sobell Committee Organizes Finds New Spirit in South" by VIRGINIA GARDNER. This entire article is not being quoted, but pertinent portions therefrom are set out as follows: 670

"As a result of a recent three-week stay in five Southern states by Aaron Schneider, an organizer with the National Committee to Secure Justice for Morton Sobell, the Sobell Committee now has offices in Miami, Orlando, Fla., New Orleans, Houston, Austin, Dallas, Atlanta and Winston-Salem." AARON SCHNEIDER is quoted as claiming: "Everywhere I went, people were talking of integration. I talked to ministers, Catholic lay leaders, leaders of Jewish communities, skilled foundation officials, rabbis, Negro professors, Negro trade unionists, Chambers of Commerce publicists and newspapermen." Those persons specifically named as having been contacted by SCHNEIDER were "publisher of the leading Negro newspaper in Louisiana, C. C. DeJeter Jr.", Arthur D. Witty, "leader of the Negro community" in Austin, Texas, "Rev. Bertram A. Miller, executive secretary of the Council of Churches" (presumably Austin, Texas), and also had been in contact with J. P. HART (presumably at Austin, Texas), described as "the liberal candidate for governor" and commented that "He is bound Hart open minded wishing more information on the Sobell case."

In comments concerning his visit to New Orleans, SCHNEIDER was quoted as stating that he had attended a meeting called by the Committee of Integration, including both Catholic and

To: SAC, New York

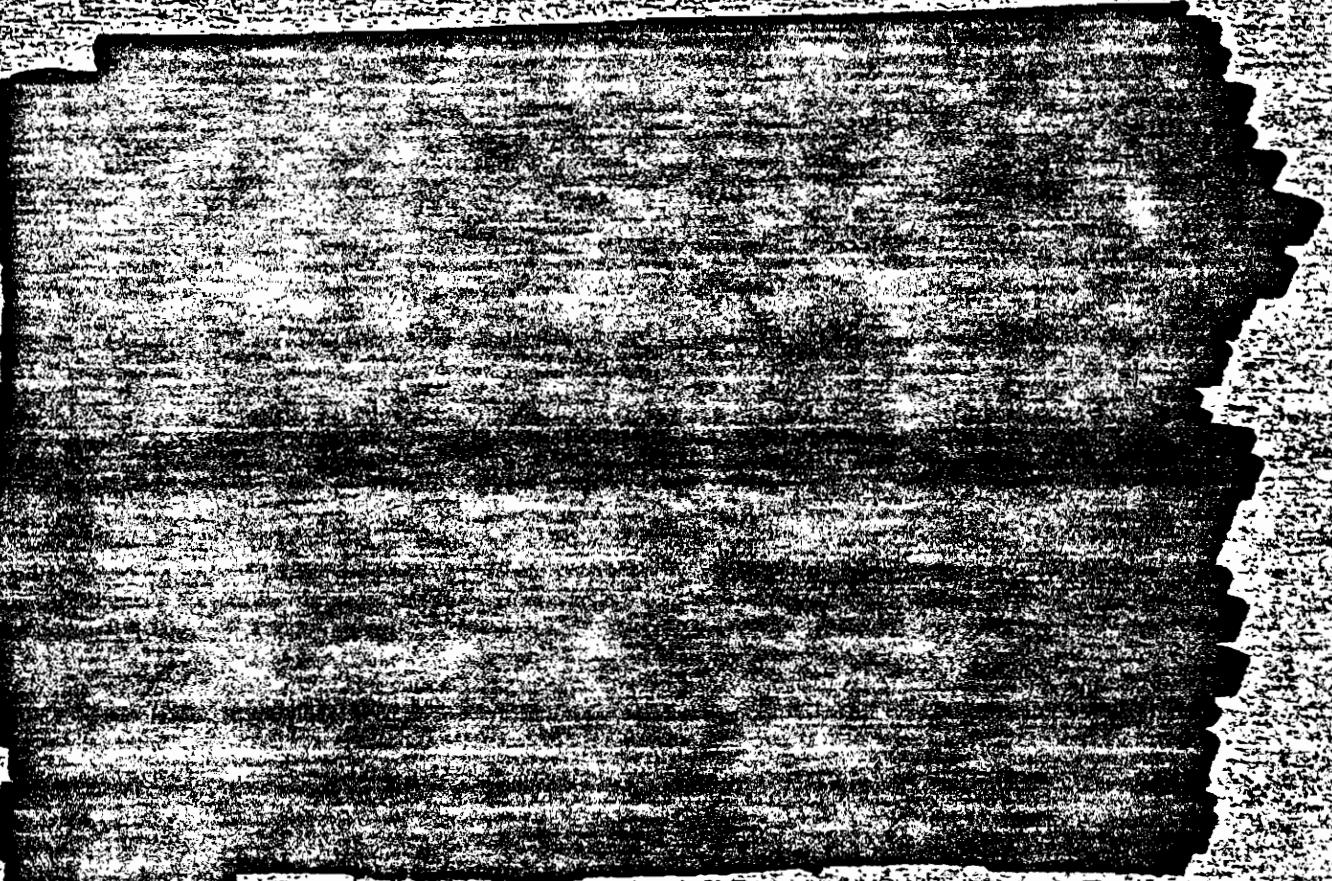
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Re: AARON SCHNEIDER

SAC

Protestants, at a meeting where 500 met, an integrated meeting, addressed by Negro and white, the audience both Negro and white." Also, the article said, "The Sobell committee set up while he was there (presumably New Orleans) includes Edward Shankin, sub-regional director of the Packinghouse Workers

Another paragraph in the article said "In Houston he met with the executive secretary of the Anti-Defamation League, and the president of the Jewish Community Council, publisher of two Anglo-Jewish publications."



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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: SAC, NEW YORK

DATE: 4/6/56

FROM: ARTHUR P. HEALY, SA (100-26693-C40)(20-10)

SUBJECT: CP, USA DISTRICT #2, BRONX COUNTY
IS-C.

Source: [REDACTED] (protect by T symbol) b7D

Reliability: Who has furnished reliable information in the past.

Date of Activity: 2/13/56

Date Received: [REDACTED] b7D

Received by: SA ARTHUR P. HEALY

Location: [REDACTED] b7D

The information contained in this report should not be disseminated outside of the Bureau unless it is paraphrased.

The informant reported on a meeting of Bronx County CP functionaries held at the Hungarian Hall, Bronx, NY, on 2/13/56.

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Report

Communist Party USA
Activities

Feb. 20, 1956
New York

A meeting of Bronx County Communist Party functionaries took place on Feb. 13th, 1956 at the Hungarian Hall, Southern Blvd. & 181 St., Bronx, NY.

Among the 53 Communists present I saw:

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Don Lester, organizer of the Bronx County CP opened the meeting. He introduced the speaker: "Leon Nelson, secretary of the Jewish Commission of the NY State Committee of the Communist Party."

Leon Nelson's subject was the "Arab-Israel crisis." Before going into his talk he urged everyone to read "the highly important Marxist monthly, Jewish Life. Jewish Life reflects the Communist party's view point on Jewish questions, in general and on the present burning issue of the Arab-Israel Crisis. Jewish Life will be of special interest to those comrades who work in the Jewish mass organizations."

Leon Nelson's one hour talk on the "Arab-Israel crisis" consisted of the adopted Communist (National and international) line on this question.

He spoke of "American imperialism which is trying to establish military bases in the Middle East. Dulles is protecting the oil interest of American oil companies... Dulles is ready to sacrifice not only the 1½ million Jews of Israel, but also the 40 million Arabs for the oil of the middle East.. Ben Gurion is a flunky of American-English imperialism... The Israeli government is following the dictates of the American Zionists demanding a pact with Washington,-a pact aimed against the Soviet Union. There is no reason for the Soviet Union and the countries of the people's democracies to be friendly to Israel... Is there? But Israel, as any other nation, has a right to exist and to build its economy, its culture, Israel, as any other non socialist nation, has

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its capitalist class and its working class, Israel has its reactionaries and progressives. It is up to us, to the progressives to take away Israel from the reactionary-imperialist forces and lead the country into the camp of the peace-loving socialist world... The Soviet Union sees Israel as Israel is today, but the Soviet Union is seeking peace in the Middle East... This is the policy of the Soviet Union. Peace in the Middle East... The sale of arms to Egypt by Chechoslokaia can not be interpreted as an act aimed at the ~~disturbing~~ of peace in the Middle East... It is not an arms race... It is an act for peace... We must give aid and comfort to Egypt because Egypt is a neutralist country... Egypt is actively engaged in disrupting the Bagdad pact is another devise of Dulles aimed against the Soviet Union... Egypt deserves the friendly attitude shown to it by the Soviet Union..."

But what Leon Nelson and the Communist Party is worried about is:

"The arming of Israel is an important issue, as far as the masses are concerned... It is not the central issue... From one point of view it is the least important issue... But we must have an answer to it for the masses... Communists who work with the Jewish masses should lead in the demand of restricted arms for Israel... We are joining in demanding the sale of arms for Israel by the American government. This demand must be supplemented with the following 4 points:

1. Big 4 or UN negotiations on the Middle East crisis.
2. Long-range economic aid to Arabs and Jews.
3. Defensive arms for Israel and to make every effort for disarmament.
4. Arab-Israeli negotiations on the refugee and other questions but no dismemberment of Israel."

Don Lester, Chorover, Gene Pearlstein, Bernard Addis and a few others participated in the discussion on "the report of Comrade Nelson." All of the participants in the discussion agreed that "we badly needed a definite program...most of us, who work among the Jewish masses, just didn't have the answer to the many questions which are troubling the Jewish masses... Comrade Nelson's talk clarifies this important issue..." Only one- a woman- Communist expressed a doubt: "I work in a Hadassah organization and I doubt very much if my explanation to Hadassah members that the sale of arms to Egypt by Chechoslovakia was meant to bring peace in that area will make an impression. I still don't know the right answer to the question why did Chekoslovakia sell arms to Egypt?"

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Gene Pearlstein brought to the meeting 10,000 leaflets announcing a concert by the Bronx Sickle Committee which will take place on March 10th, 1956 at Hunts Point Palace, Bronx, NY. Gene distributed the leaflets among the CP functionaries for distribution among the CP Clubs and in the Jewish communities.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, NEW YORK
FROM : ~~SAC, NEW HAVEN~~ (100-16408)
SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR MORTON SOBELL
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: April 10, 1956

There is being transmitted herewith, one letter from the "Committee To Secure Justice For Morton Sobell", which was transmitted in an envelope addressed to, "Chairman, Peoples Center, 37 Howe Street, New Haven, Connecticut". This envelope bore New York postmark of March 21, 1956.

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SAC, NEWARK (100-39175)

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-4139)

AARON DAVID SCHNEIDER, wa
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(OO: Newark)

Rerep of SA JAMES A. MARLEY at Newark, 2/15/56.

On 3/15/56 at 12:02 PM, the subject arrived at the Port Authority Bus Terminal, NYC on a Lincoln Line bus, arriving from Lakewood and Freehold, NJ.

Subject was surveilled to 940-8 Broadway, which houses the Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SORELL.

At 1:44 PM, the subject left this building and boarded a northbound transit bus at 22nd St. and 5th Ave., which he took to 36th St. and 5th Ave. He then entered the building at 392 5th Ave., and went into an office located on the first floor. At 2:01 PM, the subject left the building and met an unidentified woman at the corner of 36th St. and 5th Ave. The woman was approximately 5' 9" tall (with heels), 40 - 45 years of age, 185 pounds, large build, medium complexion, coarse facial features, large straight nose and wore black horn rim glasses. The woman, after a brief conversation with the subject, entered the building at 392 5th Ave., and was observed entering the elevator. The subject returned, on foot, to 940-8 Broadway.

At 4:29 PM, the subject and an unidentified male left the 22nd St. entrance to 940-8 Broadway and entered a luncheonette located on the corner of 22nd and Broadway.

The unidentified male is described as follows: white, 35 - 40 years old, 160 pounds, 5' 9" to 5' 10" tall, clive complexion, heavy beard, black, bushy, short (not crew cut) hair combed straight up, large hook nose, dark eyes, medium-heavy eyebrows, wore dark brown tweed sport coat.

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Letter to SAC, NEWARK
NY 100-4139

Both left the luncheonette and entered the 22nd St. entrance to 940-8 Broadway.

Apparently, the unidentified male is a co-worker on the Sobell Committee with subject, as both were dressed in suit coats, when they went to the luncheonette for coffee; and both immediately returned to the building housing the Sobell Committee when they had finished.

The surveillance was continued until 6:30 PM, but the subject and the unidentified male were not observed again.

The following NY Agents participated in this surveillance:

SA JOHN H. SHEAHAN
SA T. L. STITLER, Jr.
SA THOMAS L. BECKWITH
SA HENRY T. GILHOOPER
SA HENRY P. LATINI

A log of this surveillance is being maintained in the exhibit section of the case file.

A subsequent check made at 392 5th Ave., revealed a sign on the door on the ground floor, where the subject entered, indicating the space was occupied by Movie Star, Inc. A directory in the lobby reflected that Movie Star, Inc., was located on the 2nd floor.

The indices of the NYO contained no references on this firm.

The following Confidential Informants of the NYC were contacted but could furnish no information on the extent of the subjects employment with the Sobell Committee:

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-1072)

4/22/56

SA DONALD E. FARNETT

EMERGENCY CIVIL
LIBERTIES COMMITTEE

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Source

Characterization

Date furnished

Agent to whom furnished

Location of information

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Furnished reliable informa-
tion in the past.

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SA DONALD E. FARNETT

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Captioned source furnished the following written
report on a meeting of the ECLC held 3/28/56, at Carnegie
Hall, NYC.

March 29, 1956

"The Emergency Civil Liberties Committee sponsored a rally at Carnegie Hall, March 28, 1956. There were several speakers, Dr. Corliss Lamont, philosopher and author, Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois, historian and Negro leader, James Lomax, one of the founders of ECLC and retired Wall Street broker, Leonard B. Soudin, general counsel for Committee and Raymond Walsh, economist, presided.

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NY 100-107419

"I don't remember distinctly what each speaker said but all of their speeches were based around the Smith Act. All of the speakers blasted the government and especially the T-Man. Incidentally, several telegrams were read from various Communist Leaders. One, from Gates, editor of the DW, stated 'the raid was to eliminate political competition.' Dr. Lemont accused the government of breaking more laws than any other organization in America over a period of the last 10 years.

"I didn't get a chance to talk to or meet anyone.

"There were an estimated 2500 present. About \$8,000 or \$10,000 was solicited.

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In addition he furnished a pamphlet entitled, "Innocent" pertaining to the fight to release MARTIN SOREL which was issued by the Committee to Secure Justice for MARTIN SOREL. He also furnished a card requesting solicitations for the ECIC and/or volunteers for the work of the ECIC. Both of these documents were distributed at the above meeting. Both documents are being submitted for the SA file of the Committee to Secure Justice for MARTIN SOREL, respectively.

cc: GALE

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-387835)

THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN
THE ROSENBERG CASE, aka
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ISA-1950 DAYLET

[REDACTED] made available
a letter dated 4/9/56 issued by Committee To Secure
Justice For Morton Sobell, 940 Broadway, NYC,
announcing a meeting, sponsored by this Committee,
to be held on Tuesday, 5/15/56, 8:00 PM at Carnegie
Hall, NYC. b7D

The letter states the attorneys for SOBELL
have informed the Committee that they will enter the
courts before the end of this month to seek a new
trial for SOBELL.

The letter further states that the court
action takes place after extensive investigation into
the case and that new, sensational disclosures will be
made. The meeting at Carnegie Hall is for the purpose
of discussing and disclosing the new evidence, according
to the letter and important authorities on the case
will analyze and comment on the evidence of subordination
of perjury by the prosecution.

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1-Supervisor A.R. WARE

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SAC, NEW YORK (100-

4/13/56

SA JOHN E. MOONE (#20-13)

NORMAN GLASER

SM-C

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Furnished the letter sent by GLASER to
the "Post".

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The advertisement reads as follows:

"Ad MORTON SOBELL is in Alcatraz for 30 days on no evidence
"pix" etc. coupon:

"Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL Room
D, 940 Broadway, NYC AL 4-9983. Please send me additional
information on this case. Enclosed find \$..."

"Name, Address, City, Zone, State Checks may be made
payable to Mrs. MORTON SOBELL or to SOBELL Committee."

GLASER also submitted a line drawing,

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GLASER'S address is given in the letter as 216-05
73rd Avenue, Bayside, NY, his telephone number is Malrose
5-6757 (day) and BA 9-3773 (nights)

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(1) NY 100- (Committee to Secure Justice for MORTON SOBELL)

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
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Rebuairtel dated 5/10/56 which advised that by memorandum dated 5/7/56, the Department requested to be advised concerning the current availability of informants to testify in SACB or Departmental proceedings. Information furnished by the informants was utilized in the prosecutive summary report of SA JOHN A. HARRINGTON dated 4/28/53.

Rebuairtel directed that background data, furnished in memorandum form suitable for dissemination to the Department, be furnished regarding each informant willing to testify, which data should contain personal history, such as date and place of birth, etc., dates of informant activity, whether the individual was ever a CP member and if so dates of such membership, dates individual was connected with the Communist movement, residence, telephone number, and in case of discontinued informants the individual's name. Each memorandum should contain all known derogatory information relating to the individual, which would be of value to the Department in determining the individual's credibility.

The following offices will submit expeditiously information concerning T symbolled informants in their territory to the Bureau, with a copy to NYO, in order to reach the Bureau no later than June 1, 1956:

- 3 - Bureau (100-387335) (RM)
- 2 - Baltimore (100-15241) (RM)
- 2 - Chicago (100-25330) (RAF)
- 2 - Los Angeles (100-41648) (RM)
- 2 - Philadelphia (100-37667) (RM)
- 1 - NY (100-107111)

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Baltimore Office:

Chicago Office:

Los Angeles Office:

Philadelphia Office.

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Concerning requested reappraisal of informants
in report of SA JOHN A. HARRAGHTON dated 4/29/53 at NY.
the Bureau is advised concerning FYO informants: [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] both of whom are still
not available to testify. b7D

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MANCHESTER GUARDIA

MONDAY MARCH 26 1956

Letters to the Editor

THE SOBELL CASE.

To The Editor of the Washington Evening Star

Sir,—I am writing to enlist your support in the case of Morton Sobell, an innocent man condemned as a result of political hysteria to thirty years in gaol and at present incarcerated in Alcatraz, the most prison in the United States. He was sentenced as an example of the Rosenberg espionage. I am ashamed to say that at the time of the Rosenbergs' trial I did not look into the evidence. I have now done so. I am almost certain that the Rosenbergs were innocent. Sir, I believe that the evidence against them would not have been considered adequate if prejudice had not been involved. The Rosenbergs are dead and nothing can be done for them now except to

hold up their official mandates to obliquity. Bobell, however, is alive and it is not too late for the United States Government to make some general re-
sponse to him.

The facts in his case are briefly as follows: He had a friend named Ellerher, who had been his best man. Ellerher had stated on oath that he had never been a Communist. He did not discover that in making this statement he had committed perjury. Then let him know that he could escape punishment if he would denounce other people as "accomplished" in treasonable activities. He decided to save his own skin by denouncing his best friend, Bobell. While negotiations in this sense were going on between him and the F.B.I., Bobell and his wife gave

their two small children, Mrs. Mervin Robert Lovett and his wife, were returning to the United States, and arrived in San Francisco to take permanent residence in the U.S. The determined government has a difficult few months, as there is no way to prevent them from doing what they believe they must do, but if the unscrupulous husband and his wife and their two children can be stopped from leaving the country, it will be a victory for the United States.

Although the views of
not been privy to the developing and
and expressed no
disputing them.

In her affidavit of 12th January, 1919, Mrs. M. C. Wren, who was the mother of the deceased, said that prior to the time of his disappearance, her son would often mention the name of a man whom she described as "a dandy" and as being a person of high social position. She further stated that she had heard that the deceased had been seen in company with this man, and that they were engaged in gambling. She also stated that the deceased had been seen in company with a man whom she described as being a "rake" and as being a person of high social position. She further stated that she had heard that the deceased had been seen in company with this man, and that they were engaged in gambling.

...and the next year he was born.
- Nellie Alcott died at 1887.

The quite unusual methods I have used in the field in the course of the last decade have been developed by myself and my colleagues at the University of California at Berkeley. The techniques we have used are similar to those used by other police officers in the United States and Britain. But they have been developed to meet the particular needs of the police force here. They are designed to help us to identify and apprehend offenders who are likely to commit further crimes. They are also designed to help us to protect the public from harm.

...and in the last
part of his speech he said:
"We must remember that
we have enemies and in the
battle against world communism
we must accept as good
what is right and as bad
what is wrong."
I do not suppose for a moment
President Eisenhower is even
an established pacifist. If he is
not, he should not only be
reminded that all decent people
will hold weaker than ever
that which becomes known as
United States arms hundreds of
thousands of people. What this Committee
is doing is towards neutralism and
lessening the policy of NATO. In
the making of public policy, as
in true warfares of humanistic
justice, it is to be hoped that
there will be those to curb the
overbearing might be made by
a volume of 30,000 shells or at
least 100,000 tons of bombs.
—Evergreen Bros.

— Dr. D. R. T. H. —

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-51729) / DATE: 4/16/56

FROM : SA ALBERT H. CARBLON

SUBJECT: DOWNTOWN CLUB
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who has furnished reliable information in the past and whose identity should be concealed.

3/27/56

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100-41643 (SOBELL COMMITTEE)
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For the information of the New York Office [REDACTED] a current source, advised SA WILLIAM JOHN NOLAN [REDACTED] that the Downtown Club is a former Independent Progressive Party Club which became an autonomous organization during the Spring of 1955 after the IPP had lost its place on the ballot. Its principal activity is to sponsor a weekly forum which frequently features CP members and it follows the program set up by the IPP. 67D

The California Committee on Un-American Activities report, 1948, pages 40, 41, reflects that the IPP is "among typical mass organizations that are victims of Communist domination".

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