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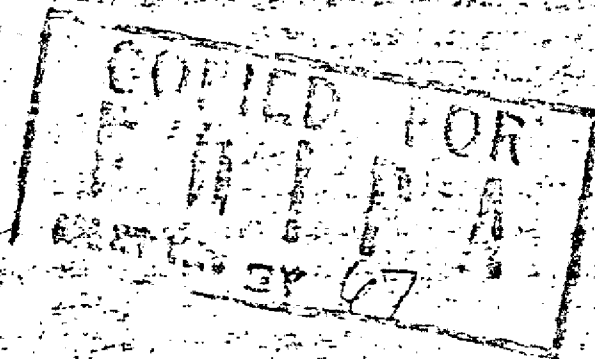
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1		HEC personal questionnaire HQ letter to CV slip	2 1/1	0 1/1	2 pages referred
18	12/16/47	Report AA letter + copy	2 2/2	2 2/2	2 dupo
NR	12/10/49	CV let to NY CV let to NF	1 1/1	1 1/1	
2	12/27/49	Bulet to NY	2	2	
3	12/27/49	Person Memo to J.C. Tolson	1	1	
4	1/9/50	Person Memo to Fletcher	1	1	
5	1/11/50	HQ letter to NY	1	1	
NR	1/27/50	NY teletype to Richmond	1	1	
NR	1/24/50	NY teletype to Richmond	1	1	
NR	1/23/50	NY teletype to CG NK SF	1	1	
6	2/1/50	NY teletype to NK	1	1	
7	12/19/49	NF Report to HQ	5	0	Referred
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9	12/20/49	CV - Form No. 1	1/4	4/4	4 dup
10	1/3/50	NY let to fig?	1	0	referred
11	1/3/50	NY - Form No 1	5/5	5/5	5 dup
12	1/5/50	WFO teletype	1	1	
13	1/13/50	Form No 1 - LA	5	5	
14	1/14/50	Form No 1 - WFO	3/1	3/1	1 dup
15	1/19/50	Form No. 1 - AL	1/1	1/1	1 dup
16	1/17/50	Form No. 1 - CV	4/4	4/4	4 dup
17	1/25/50	Form No 1 - SF	1/1	1/1	1 dup
18	1/26/50	Form No. 1 - CG	2/2	2/2	2 dup
19	1/30/50	Form No. 1 - NK	1/1	1/1	1 dup
20	1/30/50	Form No 1 - RH	1/1	1/1	1 dup

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22	2/13/50	NY teletype to HQ	1	1	
23	2/7/50	NY teletype to HQ	1	1	
24	2/10/50	Form No. 1 - NK	1/1	1/1	
25	2/16/50	Form No. 1 - NY	16	0	1 dup
26	3/1/50	Bulet to CSC	2	2	referred
27	3/14/50	Bulet to CG	1	1	
28	4/4/50	CG let to HQ	1	1	
29	4/11/50	CG let to HQ	1	1	
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32	5/16/50	NY teletype to NY	1	1	
33	2/21/50	" "	1	1	
34	7/29/50	Form No. 1 - NY	2	2	1 dup
35	6/6/50	Form No. 1 - NY	3	3	
36	9/22/50	Nat. Adv. Comm to Bureau	1	1	
36	6/16/50	NACA letter to HQ	1	0	referred
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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

12-1-49

AIR MAIL

SAC, CLEVELAND

RE: WILLIAM FEND—CH-5341

ATTN: WILLIAM FEND

ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT (✓)

EMPLOYEE ()

Dear Sir:

You are instructed to conduct an immediate, thorough, discreet investigation concerning the character, associations, and loyalty of the above-named individual in accordance with the provisions of the Atomic Energy Act of 1946. The original and four copies of the report are to be transmitted to the Bureau (original and two copies only of synopsisized reports) by air mail unless ordinary mail is equally speedy, so as to reach the Bureau not later than 12-21-49.

Present address: 16322 Marchwood Ave., Cleveland 11, Ohio

Birthdate and birthplace: Oct. 1, 1918, New York, N. Y.

Social Security Number: None

Firm to Employ and Position involved: National Advisory Co. Bureau of Aeronomics, Cleveland, Ohio, Theoretical analysis of physical problems in fields of solid state physics and aerodynamics.

Full investigation.

LOS ANGELES: Attended Calif. Inst. of Tech., Pasadena, Calif., 1941.

WASHINGTON FIELD: Air Corps Enl. Rec., 1944-1946, Serial No.—not given.

ST. LOUIS: Air Corps Enl. Rec., 1944-1946, Serial No.—not given.

NEW YORK CITY: Also verify birth data.

CC: NEW YORK CITY

NORFOLK

LOS ANGELES

WASHINGTON FIELD

ST. LOUIS

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

WTB:atp

Subj: Perly, William

Address: _____

Birthdate: _____ SUPV: _____

Misc: _____

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

BUREAU

FILE NO. 116-21299

REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 12/16/49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12/7, 8, 9, 12, 14, 16/49	REPORT MADE BY REX ELLIS <div style="text-align: right;">IGL—</div>
TITLE WILLIAM PERL, CH-5341 aka William Mutterperl			CHARACTER OF CASE ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

REFERENCE: Bureau letter to Cleveland dated December 1, 1949.

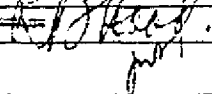
DETAILS: EDUCATION:

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CREDIT AND CRIMINAL:

No record of the applicant was located at the Pasadena Merchants Credit Association, Pasadena Police Department, Los Angeles Police Department, Los Angeles Sheriff's Office, or Retail Merchants Credit Association at Los Angeles.

- REFERRED UPON COMPLETION TO THE OFFICE OF ORIGIN -

APPROVED AND FORWARDED 	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES <div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">116-160113-1X</div>	
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ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

Investigation at Pasadena, California, was conducted by SA JOHN L. SHAW.

Records of the Retail Merchants Credit Association at Los Angeles were checked by Special Employee GENE L. BURGE.

Records of Los Angeles Police Department and Los Angeles Sheriff's Office were checked by Special Employee DONALD F. TACKITT.

Remainder was conducted by the writer.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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116-212

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Remainder was conducted by the writer.

SAC, New York

December 10, 1949

SAC, Cleveland

WILLIAM PERL, CH-5341
aka. William Mitterperl
ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

ReBulet to Cleveland dated December 1, 1949.

Employment records, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, Cleveland Airport, reflect that in 1939 applicant and his family resided at 834 Beck Street, Bronx, New York. Buded December 21, 1949.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

900 Standard Building
Cleveland 13, Ohio

December 10, 1949

SAC, Norfolk

AIR MAIL - SPECIAL DELIVERY

Re: WILLIAM PERL CH-5341
aka., William Mutterperl
ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

Dear Sir:

ReBulet to Cleveland dated December 1, 1949.

Attention is called to report of Special Agent JOSEPH P. CARRIG dated May 1, 1943, at Norfolk, Virginia, entitled "Communist Infiltration of American Association of Scientific Workers (AASW)," character, "Internal Security - C," in which report Confidential Informant [redacted] reported that applicant was a member of the A.A.S.W.

Referenced report indicated that a local chapter of the A.A.S.W. was organized November, 1942, by some employees of the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics (N.A.C.A) located at the Army Air Field, Langley Field, Virginia, and that at local meetings of the organization discussions were had which were in accord with principles of the Communist Party.

It is noted that the Bureau investigation in this matter was closed due to the fact that its activities were confined to the Government reservation at Langley Field, Virginia, and that Confidential Informant [redacted] was conducting an investigation into the organization's activities.

Accordingly, you are requested to contact Informant [redacted] for any pertinent information in this regard and to incorporate same into an appropriate report.

Yours very truly,

R. J. ABBATICCHIO JR.
Special Agent in Charge



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cc: Bureau

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Director, FBI

WILLIAM PERL - CE - 5341
aka William Hutterperl
ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

ReBulet dated 12-1-49 and reports of Special Agent Walter L. Hoyer dated at Norfolk 12-19-49, Special Agent Milton P. Harrit dated at Cleveland 12-20-49 and Special Agent Rex Ellis dated at Los Angeles 12-15-49.

A review of Bureau files reflects that William Hutterperl, 834 Beck Street, Bronx, New York, electrical engineer, was given as a reference in an application filed by Joel Barr for employment in the Signal Corps Laboratories at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. Joel Barr has been tentatively identified as a Soviet espionage agent who has operated in the United States. It is noted that applicant in January 1945 had his name changed by a court from William Hutterperl to William Perl. Although applicant's Personnel Security Questionnaire does not list the address of 834 Beck Street, Bronx, New York, referenced Norfolk report reflects that one of applicant's addresses was 834 Beck Street, New York City. Joel Barr attended City College of New York, New York City from February 1934 to June 1938, graduating with a B.S.E.E. degree. It is noted that applicant attended City College of New York from 1934 to 1938 and that he obtained a B.E.E. and M.E.E. degree. It would therefore appear probable that Barr and Hutterperl were classmates. (65-58236)

Bureau files further reflect that a William Hutterperl was a secretary of the Chapter of the American Association of Scientific Workers which was organized at Langley Field, Virginia in November 1943. This group was later formed into a Chapter of the AASW. It is noted that applicant failed to list his membership in the American Association of Scientific Workers on his Personnel Security Questionnaire. **RECORDED - 81 116-160 113-2 G.I.R.-7**

All Offices having investigative jurisdiction in this case are requested to give this case most careful attention, and to conduct a most careful and searching inquiry regarding applicant's activities and associates, bearing in mind that applicant may possibly have been connected with Barr in his Soviet espionage activities. All possible leads should be expeditiously handled.

It is noted in referenced Norfolk Report that information regarding William Hutterperl being a secretary to the Chapter of the American Association of Scientific Workers there is included on the Administrative page. This matter properly belongs in the details of the report and all efforts should be made to positively identify the William Hutterperl who was secretary of the Chapter of the American Association of Scientific Workers. If this individual is identical with applicant, his activities in connection with this matter, if possible, should be ascertained along with his associates.

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In connection with the referenced Los Angeles report, it is noted that no neighborhood investigation was conducted, nor was any attempt made to locate and interview any persons who might be acquainted with applicant. The Los Angeles Office is requested to ascertain if possible, applicant's residence and to conduct a full neighborhood investigation as well as attempt to locate professors and fellow students who might be in a position to furnish information regarding applicant's loyalty and associates and activities.

The New York Office is requested to conduct full and complete inquiries regarding applicant's activities and associates in New York and fellow students, professors and other persons who were acquainted with applicant during his attendance at the Universities there should be located and interviewed. An attempt should be made to ascertain the names of applicant's close friends and associates and these should be checked through the New York indices.

The Cleveland Office is requested to conduct additional inquiries among applicant's fellow workers and additional neighborhood inquiries should be conducted. An attempt should be made to ascertain applicant's close associates and these names should be searched through the Cleveland indices.

The Albany Office is requested to interview Doctor Arthur L. Santrowitz, Graduate School of Aeronautical Engineering, Cornell University, Ithaca, New York, who is given by applicant as a reference. Doctor Santrowitz is reported to have known applicant for ten years. In addition to the leads set out in the previous Bureau letter, the Washington Field Office is requested to interview Doctor Theodore von Karman, Headquarters USAF, Pentagon, Washington, D.C., who is given as a reference by applicant. Washington Field Office is also requested to run a agency check on applicant and his relatives who are listed as follows:

Abraham Mutterperl, father, 935 Tiffany St. New York, New York.
 Sarah Mutterperl, mother, 935 Tiffany Street, New York, New York.
 Anne Blum, sister, 7923 209 St. Flushing, New York.
 Sadie Mutterperl, sister 935 Tiffany Street, New York, New York.
 Henrietta Savidge, divorced wife, 104 E. 33 Street, New York, New York.
 Samuel Benjamin Perl, brother, Ecole Normale de Musique, Paris, France

Supplemental reports should be submitted in this case which reports should reach the Bureau no later than January 17, 1950.

116-16113
 cc - Cleveland
 New York
 Los Angeles
 Washington Field
 Albany

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Fletcher

FROM : Mr. Rosen

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL - CH - 5341
aka William Mutterperl
ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

DATE: December 27, 1949

Tolson _____

Ladd _____

Clegg _____

Glavin _____

Nichols _____

Rosen _____

Tracy _____

Harbo _____

Mohr _____

Tele. Room _____

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An Atomic Energy Act investigation request has been received from the Atomic Energy Commission on applicant in connection with his employment by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, Cleveland Airport, Cleveland, Ohio.

A review of Bureau files reflects that applicant was given as a reference by Joel Barr, who has been tentatively identified as a Soviet espionage agent who has been active in the United States. In this connection it is noted that both applicant and Barr attended City College of New York during the same period and both studied engineering there, and in all probably were classmates. Bureau's files further reflect that a William Mutterperl was a secretary of the Chapter of the American Association of Scientific Workers which was organized at Langley Field, Virginia in November 1942. This Chapter later became Chapter XV of the AASW.

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that this Atomic Energy Act case be called to the attention of the Espionage Section inasmuch as applicant, through his association with Barr, may also have been engaged in espionage activities for Barr.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. FLETCHER *WBF*

FROM : A. ROSEN *Rosen*

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL - CH - 5341
 William Putterperl
 ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

DATE: January 9, 1950

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Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Mohr	
Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Tele. Room	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

WBF
VBF

Reference is made to my memorandum of December 27, 1949, in which you were advised that an AEA investigation was being conducted at the request of the Atomic Energy Commission regarding the above-captioned individual in connection with his employment by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, Cleveland, Ohio.

You were also advised that a review of Bureau files reflected that the applicant was given as a reference by Joel Barr, the subject of a pending Bureau case (65-58236). It was noted that both the applicant and Barr attended City College of New York during the same period, both studied engineering there and were in all probability classmates.

In view of the derogatory information regarding Joel Barr, it is felt advisable to conduct additional inquiry in the present applicant case regarding Perl to ascertain the degree of association between Perl and Barr. The New York, Cleveland, Los Angeles, Albany and Washington Field Offices have been requested to conduct additional inquiry in this matter and submit supplemental reports to the Bureau. In this connection instructions are being forwarded the New York Field Division to prepare a summary of information appearing in their files regarding Joel Barr and to incorporate this summary in their supplemental report which will also include reporting of additional inquiry as to the degree of association between applicant and Barr. The New York Office is being further instructed to omit any information obtained regarding Barr through [REDACTED] and to make no reference to this source of information.

RECOMMENDATION:

A tickler copy of this memorandum and a tickler copy of the letter of instruction to the New York Office are attached hereto for the attention of Supervisor Van Loon.

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SAC, New York

January 11 1950

Director, FBI

WILLIAM PIERCE - CR - 5341

aka William Butterperl

ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

Reference is made to New York file 116-37072, report of Special Agent Glen D. Rankin dated January 3, 1950. Reference is also made to New York letter to the Bureau dated January 3, 1950. Further reference is made to Bureau letter to New York dated December 27, 1949.

The above referenced report fails to reflect any information regarding Joel Barr and the referenced New York letter of January 3, 1950, advises that such information regarding Joel Barr (Subject of New York file 65-14672) was omitted from the referenced report in view of the nature of the Joel Barr case.

No reference of Bureau letter dated December 27, 1949, is made in either the New York letter of January 3, 1950, or the report of Special Agent Rankin and it is, therefore, presumed that the mail may have crossed in travel.

The referenced Bureau letter of December 27, 1949, specifically requests that additional inquiry be made by your office regarding the applicant's activities and associates and that a supplemental report be submitted. In connection with the submission of this supplemental report, you are specifically requested to prepare an appropriate summary of information appearing in your files regarding Joel Barr and include such summary in your supplemental report. The information appearing in your summary should not contain information obtained from [redacted] nor should the summary make reference to this source. b1

In connection with the summary of information regarding Joel Barr it will, of course, be incumbent upon your office through your additional inquiries to ascertain and report the degree of association between applicant and Joel Barr.

As previously requested this supplemental report should be submitted to reach the Bureau not later than January 17, 1950.

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SAC, NEW YORK

WILLIAM PERL - CR - AKA WILLIAM MUTTERPERL, AKA. REURTEL JANUARY
TWENTYFOUR LAST. LESTER MORRIS BLUM, PRESENTLY EMPLOYED FT. BELVOIR,
VA., ADVISES THAT HE WAS A CLASSMATE OF MUTTERPERL AT CCNY BUT HAS
NOT SEEN OR HEARD OF HIM SINCE JANUARY NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT. HE
SUGGESTED THAT GEORGE KAPILIAN WHO WAS FORMERLY EMPLOYED NY NAVY YARD
AND WHO PRESENTLY RESIDES UNKNOWN ADDRESS IN BROOKLYN, AND MAX ELITCHER
WHO IS EMPLOYED AT BUREAU OF ORDINANCE, NAVY DEPT., WASHINGTON, D. C.,
UNKNOWN ADDRESS, MAY HAVE MAINTAINED THEIR ASSOCIATION WITH MUTTERPERL
SINCE THEY WERE CLASSMATES AND ASSOCIATES AT CCNY. BLUM SAID HE COULD
RECALL NO CLOSE ASSOCIATES OF MUTTERPERL.

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LESTER MORRIS BLUM, ONE SIX ONE TWO FORT HUNT ROAD, ALEXANDRIA, VA.,
TELEPHONE TWO SEVEN ONE THREE, POSSIBLY ASSOCIATE OF APPLICANT WHILE BOTH
AT CITY COLLEGE, NY. INTERVIEW BLUM AND SUTEL NAMES OF CLOSE ASSOCIATES
OF APPLICANT AT CCNY IF OBTAINED. APPLICANT ASSOCIATED AT CCNY WITH
JOEL BARR, TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED SOVIET ESPIONAGE AGENT WHO HAS OPERATED
IN US. NO MENTION OF JOEL BARR TO BE MADE IN INTERVIEW. APPLICANT BORN
OCTOBER ONE, EIGHTEEN, NYC. WHILE AT CCNY USED NAME MUTTERPERL. BUDED
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CHICAGO NEWARK SAN FRANCISCO - URGENT

WILLIAM PERL - CH - AKA WILLIAM MUTTERPERL; ACAA. REBUFILE ONE SIXTEEN DASH

ONE SIX NAUGHT ONE ONE THREE AND BUILT TO NY JANUARY ELEVEN LAST. APPLICANT

BORN OCTOBER ONE, NINETEEN EIGHTEEN. PRESENTLY EMPLOYED NATIONAL ADVISORY

COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS, CLEVELAND, OHIO. ATTENDED CC NY, THIRTY FOUR

TO THIRTY NINE; CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, FORTY SIX; COLUMBIA

UNIVERSITY, FORTY SIX TO FORTY EIGHT. ASSOCIATES AT COLUMBIA ARTHUR S.

NOWICH AND MURRAY SLOTNICK. CHICAGO INTERVIEW NOWICH AT INSTITUTE OF

METALS, CHICAGO. NEWARK INTERVIEW SLOTNICK AT INSTITUTE FOR THAT STUDY,

PRINCETON, NJ. ON APPLICATION FOR ADMITTANCE TO COLUMBIA, APPLICANT LISTED

R. T. JONES, AMES AERONAUTICAL LAB., MOFFETT FIELD, SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA,

AS REFERENCE. SAN FRANCISCO INTERVIEW JONES. WHILE AT CC NY, APPLICANT

ASSOCIATED WITH JOEL BARR TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED AS SOVIET ESPIONAGE AGENT

WHO OPERATED IN US. NAME OF JOEL BARR NOT TO BE MENTIONED IN INTERVIEW.

MAKE INQUIRIES CONCERNING APPLICANT'S ASSOCIATIONS. BUDED PAST.

SCHEIDT

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NEW YORK, NEW YORK
FEBRUARY 1, 1950

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FILE NO. **116-8807**

REPORT MADE AT CLEVELAND, OHIO	DATE WHEN MADE 12-20-49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 12-9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16-49	REPORT MADE BY MILTON P. LANDT mhf
TITLE WILLIAM PERL - CH - 5341 aka William Mutterperl			CHARACTER OF CASE ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

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TITLE WILLIAM PERL - CH - 5341 aka, William Mutterperl			CHARACTER OF CASE AAAA

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

REFERENCE: Bureau letter to Cleveland, 12/1/49

DETAILS: At New York City.

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SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

REFERENCE: Bureau File 116-160113
 Report of Special Agent REX ELLIS dated 12/16/49 at Los Angeles.
 Bureau letter to New York City dated 12/27/49
 Washington Field teletype to Los Angeles dated 1/5/50. ✓

DETAILS:

Investigation at Pasadena, California was conducted by Special Agent JOHN SHAW.

Education:

Mrs. LOUISE MAY, Registrar's Office, California Institute of Technology, 1201 East California Street, Pasadena, advised that her records reflected that applicant resided at 375 South San Rafael, South Pasadena. She advised that from her records there was no way of determining which students attended classes with the applicant at the California Institute of Technology.

Dr. WILLIAM A. FOWLER, Professor of Physics, C.I.T., advised that he recalled applicant as a student in one of his classes, but stated that applicant did not make any impression whatsoever on him and he could not comment upon applicant's loyalty, character, or associates.

Mr. ALEXANDER GOETZ, Associate Professor of Physics, C.I.T., Pasadena, advised that he also recalled applicant as a student in one of his classes in 1946. He stated that applicant did not make any impression on him and he did not feel qualified to comment concerning his character, loyalty, or associations.

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Mr. FRITZ SWICKY, Professor of Astrophysics, advised he recalled applicant as a student in one of his classes in 1946 and stated he did not know him outside the classroom and did not know him well enough to comment concerning him.

Professor LUTHER WEAR, Professor of Mathematics, advised that he also remembered applicant as a student in one of his classes in 1946 but did not feel qualified to comment concerning him. He did not know any of his associates and was not acquainted with him outside the classroom.

Reference:

Dr. THEODORE VON KARMAN, 1501 South Marengo Avenue, Pasadena, advised that he was closely associated with applicant in 1946 and 1947 when VON KARMAN was visiting professor at Columbia University, New York City, and applicant was assigned to VON KARMAN as an assistant. Prior to this time Dr. VON KARMAN knew of applicant by scientific reputation, and knew that he was employed by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, Langley Field, Virginia.

Dr. VON KARMAN advised that he did not know applicant at all during the time that applicant attended California Institute of Technology, Pasadena. He has considered applicant to be a person with a great scientific mind who is steady and reliable. He considers his loyalty to this country to be very fine. He has never heard anything which would cause anyone to question his loyalty or patriotism toward this country. He is not a revolutionist, extremist, and has not exhibited any Communistic ideas.

Dr. VON KARMAN explained that he believes scientists who are Communists could be divided into two classes: First, those seeking power and second those with confused minds who mixed their own liberal theories with the propaganda sent out by Moscow. He considers applicant to be neither of these types. Applicant does not seek or want power and his mind is too clear to be confused by Russian propaganda.

Dr. VON KARMAN advised that he does not know anything whatsoever concerning applicant's personal life, morals, or associations, but he does believe applicant to be a person of good character. He stated that he does not know anything concerning the American Association of Scientific Workers and does not know with whom applicant has associated.

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Neighborhood:

Mrs. JOHN B. McCANDLESS, 375 South San Rafael, South Pasadena, advised that in March, 1946, she advertised her garage apartment to be for rent and applicant answered this advertisement. With him was a woman he introduced as his wife. Applicant and this woman lived as man and wife in the garage apartment from March, 1946, until June, 1946, when applicant left and never returned. The woman then told Mrs. McCANDLESS that she and applicant were never legally married and were "common law man and wife". She continued to live in the apartment until February, 1947, when she moved to New York City. She is now known as HENRIETTA SAVIDGE, 104 East 38th, New York City.

Mrs. McCANDLESS advised that she did not know too much about the applicant himself; however, they invited them to dinner and an occasional evening of cards. She stated that applicant impressed her as having a brilliant scientific mind and science seemed to be his only interest.

Both applicant and his wife advised Mrs. McCANDLESS that they were raised in a state of poverty and have the attitude that the world was indebted to them because of the way they had been treated.

Mrs. McCANDLESS had more occasion to have discussions with the applicant's wife than she did with him. Applicant's wife advocated close cooperation between the United States and Russia. On one occasion when Mrs. McCANDLESS criticized Russian concentration camps, she said that Russia did not have any concentration camps and that such critical information about Russia was "capitalistic propaganda". Applicant's wife was very critical of the capitalistic system as practiced in this country and she believed in government ownership and control of business and industry. She stated that she thought the wealth should be equally shared by all. She does not think there should be any inheritance permitted, but that people should only receive what they earned and worked for. She frequently stated that she thought Russia was wonderful and thought it would be fine to live there.

On another occasion when it was a matter of public interest that American fliers were shot down and captured in Russia, informant's wife stated that if the fliers were flying over Russia, they deserved to be shot down and interned.

Mrs. McCANDLESS stated that neither applicant nor his wife attended meetings of any organizations of which she knew nor did they even entertain anyone in their apartment.

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Mrs. McCANDLESS does not know of any publications or periodicals that they read. Both applicant and his wife stated to her that they favored racial and religious equality. Both applicant and his wife were people of pleasing personality, friendly, and congenial. Mrs. McCANDLESS advised that she thought it reflected unfavorably upon their characters that they were living together without being married. Other than this she had nothing to offer concerning their characters. She stated that applicant and his wife did not associate with any of the neighbors in the vicinity and they were not known to any of them to her knowledge.

Mrs. ROBERT F. BEAUCHAMP, 355 South San Rafael, South Pasadena, advised she has lived in this neighborhood for many years but is not acquainted with applicant and his wife.

Mrs. AUGUST BERNARD, 400 South San Rafael, advised he has been living on this property for many years but stated he has never met applicant or his wife.

Mr. PAUL ATCHISON, 425 South San Rafael, advised that he has never met applicant or his wife.

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No leads are being set out by Los Angeles Office concerning HENRIETTA SAVIDGE inasmuch as this office does not know what has previously been done on the case concerning marriage and divorce records and a possible interview of HENRIETTA SAVIDGE.

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TITLE WILLIAM PERL - CH - 5341 aka, William Mutterperl			CHARACTER OF CASE AAAA

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

REFERENCE: Bureau letters to Cleveland dated December 1, 1949
Bureau letter to New York dated December 27, 1949.

DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

AIR CORPS SERVICE

Lieutenant Colonel R. C. RODGERS, Officer in Charge of Personnel Records Branch, Department of the Army, and Colonel THOMAS J. BROGAN, Officer in Charge of Personnel Records Branch, Department of the Air Force, have caused numerous searches to be made in order to locate the applicant's service record and have been unable to locate any record of his service.

MISCELLANEOUS

A search of the records of the House Committee on Un-American Activities and the Civil Service Commission Investigations Division, disclose no record of WILLIAM PERL, also known as WILLIAM MUTTERPERL, or the following relatives:

MR. ABRAHAM MUTTERPERL, father
936 Tiffany Street
New York, New York

SARAH MUTTERPERL, mother
936 Tiffany Street
New York, New York

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ANNE BLUM, sister
7923 209th Street
Flushing, New York

SADIE MUTTERPEL, sister
936 Tiffany Street
New York, New York

HENRIETTA SAVIDGE, divorced wife
104 East 36th Street
New York, New York

SAMUEL BENJAMIN PERL, brother
Ecole Normale de Musique
Paris, France.

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The Government agency record checks in this investigation were conducted by the following Special Employees:

Army and Air Force Service Records: SE JAMES LEO ELDER.

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CSC: SE JOSEPH CREEDEN.

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REPORT MADE AT ALBANY, NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 1-19-50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1-13, 14, 16-50	REPORT MADE BY RONALD PHILLIPS atn
TITLE WILLIAM PERL - CH-5341, aka William Mutterperl			CHARACTER OF CASE AEA A

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

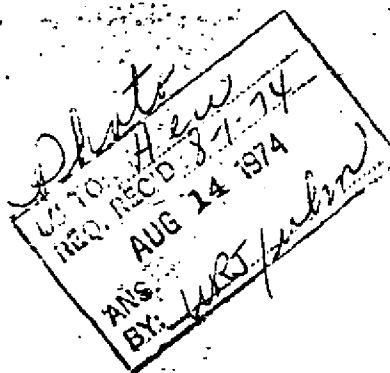
Reference: Bureau letter to New York 12-27-49.

Details:

AT ITHACA, NEW YORK:

Dr. ARTHUR R. KANTROWITZ, Associate Professor of Aeronautical Engineering, Cornell University Graduate School, 268 Aero Engineering Building, who resides at 1354 East State Street, a reference of the applicant, informed that he has known the applicant for more than ten years, and that he worked with him at Columbia University. Dr. KANTROWITZ recommended the applicant and furnished nothing derogatory concerning him as to character, reputation, loyalty and associations.

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REPORT MADE AT ALBANY, NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 1-19-50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1-13,14,16-50	REPORT MADE BY RONALD PHILLIPS atn
TITLE WILLIAM PERL - CH-5341, aka William Mutterperl			CHARACTER OF CASE AFA A

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Reference: Bureau letter to New York 12-27-49.

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REPORT MADE AT CLEVELAND, OHIO	DATE WHEN MADE 1-17-50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1-4, 12, 13, 15-50	REPORT MADE BY MILTON P. BLANDT
TITLE WILLIAM PERL - CR - 5341 aka William Mutterperl			CHARACTER OF CASE ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS

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REFERENCE:

Bureau File 116-160113.
Bureau letter to New York dated December 27, 1949.

DETAILS:

AT CLEVELAND, OHIO:

Employment:

Mr. WILLIS H. BRAUN, Aeronautical Research Scientist, National Advisory Committee For Aeronautics, Cleveland Airport, stated that he has worked under Mr. PERL since September 1948 in the Theoretical Analysis Panel Division. Mr. PERL is Chief of this Panel. BRAUN described PERL as intelligent, honest, a good supervisor, of good character, and a person who has devoted himself to scientific developments. BRAUN related that he has never had any reason to doubt PERL's loyalty. Commenting as to PERL's associates, BRAUN related that the only person he has noticed PERL associate with was Mr. MILTON M. KIRBY, who is also an aeronautical research scientist.

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Mr. W. G. GIBBONS, Employee-Relations Office, National Advisory Committee For Aeronautics, Cleveland Airport, stated that their file on MILTON K. KLEIN reflected that he was born on April 19, 1917 in the Bronx, New York, attended City College in New York from 1931 to 1938; employed by N.A.C.A. at Langley Field, Virginia in 1945 and later transferred to N.A.C.A. at Cleveland. KLEIN was given a leave of absence in 1946 (exact date unknown) to September 1947 to attend New York University, New York City. GIBBONS stated that their files contained no derogatory information concerning KLEIN.

T-1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7, all of known reliability, and who are familiar with Communist activities in the Cleveland area, were contacted and all stated that they did not know WILLIAM PERL or WILLIAM TATTERPERL.

Neighborhood:

Mrs. W. STEPHENS, 1253 Brockley Avenue, Mr. DONALD WINANS, 1252 Brockley Avenue, and Mrs. J. TELLOW, Brockley Avenue stated they did not know applicant.

Mrs. E. RUEBENSAL, 16808 Larchwood Avenue, stated that she has known applicant since December of 1948 when he rented a room next door to them. She described applicant as quiet, friendly and of good character. Mrs. RUEBENSAL stated that she has never seen anyone associate with applicant nor has she had any reason to doubt his loyalty.

Miss E. KELLOGG, 16724 Larchwood Avenue, stated she had met Mr. PERL and considered him a friendly, conscientious, quiet person of good character. Miss KELLOGG stated she has no reason to doubt his loyalty.

Miss W. WARNER, 16724 Larchwood Avenue, stated that she knew PERL only by sight since he had lived next door to her. She stated he had never done anything to make her doubt his character, loyalty or associates.

Miss S. VALENTINE, 16721 Larchwood Avenue and Mrs. C. L. AKER, 16801 Larchwood Avenue stated they did not know applicant.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent JOHN F. TUTTLE JR:

AT CLEVELAND, OHIO:

Mr. WARREN C. BURGESS, Aeronautical Research Scientist, Cleveland Airport, advised that he has known WILLIAM PERL since June of 1941.

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during that time he has found him to be of excellent character and reputation and had no reason to doubt his loyalty or associates. He stated that a close association of Mr. PERL was Mr. ABE SILVERSTEIN, Chief of Research at N.A.C.A.

It is noted that an investigation was previously conducted under the Atomic Energy Program pertaining to this individual and results set forth in the report of Special Agent G. D. ROSE dated July 16, 1948 at Cleveland, Ohio and captioned ABE SILVERSTEIN - WA - 517, ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT.

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TITLE WILLIAM PERL - CH - 5341 aka William Mutterperl			CHARACTER OF CASE ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

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REFERENCE:

Bureau File 116-160113.
Bureau letter to New York dated December 27, 1949.

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Mr. WARREN C. BURGESS, Aeronautical Research Scientist, Cleveland Airport, advised that he has known WILLIAM PERL since June of 1944.

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during that time he has found him to be of excellent character and reputation and had no reason to doubt his loyalty or associates. He stated that a close association of Mr. PERL was Mr. ABE SILVERSTEIN, Chief of Research at N.A.C.A.

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FILE NO. **116-15849**

REPORT MADE AT SAN FRANCISCO	DATE WHEN MADE 1/25/50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/24/50	REPORT MADE BY LOUIS D. WINE fmm
TITLE WILLIAM PERL, CH, aka William Mutterperl			CHARACTER OF CASE AAAA

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

REFERENCE:

Bureau file 116-160113
Teletype from New York January 23, 1950

DETAILS:

AT MOFFETT FIELD, CALIFORNIA:

ROBERT T. JONES, Aeronautical Engineer, Ames Laboratory, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, stated that he first met applicant at Langley Field, Virginia about 1937, when applicant had charge of the "Full Scale Tunnel". Mr. JONES said he was friendly with applicant and worked with him for several years at Langley Field. Mr. JONES said that about 1939 or 1940, applicant obtained a leave of absence for the purpose of going to Columbia University, in New York City, in order to take a series of courses under Dr. VON KARMAN, one of the outstanding authorities on aeronautics in the United States. Mr. JONES said he regarded applicant highly and considers him loyal. He said applicant is a man of excellent character, and JONES never questioned any of applicant's associates at Langley Field. Mr. JONES advised that he has seen applicant only once since he left Langley Field. Mr. JONES said that he knew applicant as WILLIAM MUTTERPERL which was apparently his true name. He recalled that after applicant left Langley Field he changed his name to WILLIAM PERL. Mr. JONES stated that he did not know any of applicant's associates at Columbia University.

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REPORT MADE AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	DATE WHEN MADE 1/26/50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/25/50	REPORT MADE BY PHILIP E. KUEHLMAN PEK:hmb
TITLE WILLIAM PERL CH Aka., William Mutterperl			CHARACTER OF CASE AAAA

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

REFERENCE:

New York teletype dated 1/23/50.

DETAILS:

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

ARTHUR S. NOWICK, Instructor, Institute for the Study of Metals, University of Chicago, advised that he first became acquainted with the applicant during the war in 1944 when both he and the applicant were associates with the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics at Cleveland, Ohio. After that time, according to NOWICK, he renewed his acquaintanceship with the applicant at Columbia University in New York during 1947. NOWICK stated that he was never acquainted with the applicant socially although he visited his home in Cleveland, Ohio on one occasion. NOWICK advised that the applicant, to the best of his knowledge, was always well respected and highly regarded by all of their mutual acquaintances. PERL, according to NOWICK, is a quiet, close-mouthed individual who possessed a pleasing personality. NOWICK further added that he feels absolutely certain that the applicant could be trusted with confidential information. Along this line NOWICK remarked that the applicant was entrusted with vital and confidential information when he was affiliated with the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics where he held the position of section head, a rather important position. After leaving Columbia University, according to NOWICK, the applicant

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returned to the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics where he is presently employed.

NOWICK stated he at no time had any reason to question the applicant's associations, either individuals or organizations. He further remarked that he does not believe that PERL was too well known at Columbia University because of his short period of attendance at that school. In conclusion NOWICK remarked that from his observation and association with the applicant he would recommend him as a man of good character, reputation and associations and one who is unquestionably loyal to the United States Government.

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REPORT MADE AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS	DATE WHEN MADE 1/26/50	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/25/50	REPORT MADE BY PHILIP E. KUHLMAN
TITLE WILLIAM PERL - CH Aka., William Mutterperl			CHARACTER OF CASE AAAA

~~SYNOPSIS OF FACTS~~

REFERENCE:

New York teletype dated 1/23/50.

DETAILS:

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

ARTHUR S. NOWICK, Instructor, Institute for the Study of Metals, University of Chicago, advised that he first became acquainted with the applicant during the war in 1944 when both he and the applicant were associates with the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics at Cleveland, Ohio. After that time, according to NOWICK, he renewed his acquaintanceship with the applicant at Columbia University in New York during 1947. NOWICK stated that he was never acquainted with the applicant socially although he visited his home in Cleveland, Ohio on one occasion. NOWICK advised that the applicant, to the best of his knowledge, was always well respected and highly regarded by all of their mutual acquaintances. PERL, according to NOWICK, is a quiet, close-mouthed individual who possessed a pleasing personality. NOWICK further added that he feels absolutely certain that the applicant could be trusted with confidential information. Along this line NOWICK remarked that the applicant was entrusted with vital and confidential information when he was affiliated with the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics where he held the position of section head, a rather important position. After leaving Columbia University, according to NOWICK, the applicant

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returned to the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics where he is presently employed.

NOWICK stated he at no time had any reason to question the applicant's associations, either individuals or organizations. He further remarked that he does not believe that PERL was too well known at Columbia University because of his short period of attendance at that school. In conclusion NOWICK remarked that from his observation and association with the applicant he would recommend him as a man of good character, reputation and associations and one who is unquestionably loyal to the United States Government.

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NK FILE NO. **116-1187** ets

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TITLE WILLIAM PERL - CH, aka William Mutterperl			CHARACTER OF CASE AFSA

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

REFERENCE: Bureau File 116-160113.
New York teletype to Newark 1/23/50.

DETAILS: ASSOCIATIONS

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SLOTNICK said he believed PERL to be loyal to this country and that insofar as he was a judge of people he would recommend him for a position of trust and confidence. He said PERL was an exceptional sort of person and that one could instinctively see in him a mature and responsible person much more than the average graduate student at Columbia.

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TITLE WILLIAM PERL - CH aka William Mutterperl			CHARACTER OF CASE ATOMIC ENERGY ACT-APPLICANT

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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REFERENCE:

Teletype from New York to Richmond dated 1/24/50. ✓

DETAILS:

Mr. LESTER MORRIS BLUM, 1612 Fort Hunt Road, Alexandria, Virginia, who is employed at the Engineering Research and Development Laboratory, Fort Belvoir, Virginia, advised that he was graduated from City College, New York, in January 1938, and that the applicant was one of his classmates in the Engineering School. Mr. BLUM said that his contact with the applicant was only during school and he was not a social acquaintance or close friend. He said that he considered WILLIAM MUTTERPERL to be one of the average students as far as his character, loyalty, and associations were concerned. Mr. BLUM stated that most of the class at that time were advocates of the New Deal Program, but he did not recall specifically what Mr. MUTTERPERL'S philosophy was. Mr. BLUM stated that he knew of no disloyal or derogatory information concerning the applicant. He said that he has not seen or heard of him since he was graduated from City College, New York, in January 1938, and he knew nothing of his associations since that time. Mr. BLUM remarked that he did not recall anyone in particular that Mr. MUTTERPERL associated with at City College.

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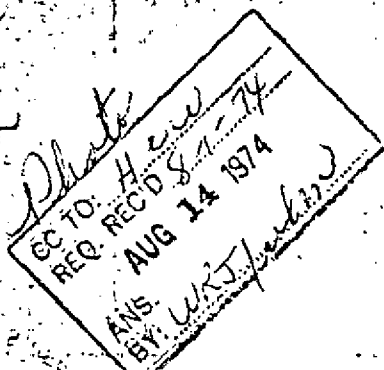
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REFERENCE: Bureau File 116-160113.
Report of SA ROYAL A. MC CRAW at Newark dated 1/30/50.
New York teletype to Newark dated 2/1/50. ✓

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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

Mr. James E. Hatcher
Chief, Investigations Division
U. S. Civil Service Commission
Washington 25, D. C.

WILLIAM PEARL, aka William Matterperl,
Analyst, National Supervisory Committee
for Aeronautics, Cleveland, Ohio

Transmitted herewith for consideration under Executive Order 9835 are copies of reports of an investigation conducted by this Bureau in discharging its responsibilities under the Atomic Energy Act of 1946. It will be noted that these reports, in order to comply with the above public act, necessarily contain information concerning character and reputation, a type of information not ordinarily included in reports of investigation conducted pursuant to Executive Order 9835. No additional investigation will be conducted under the Loyalty Program unless specifically requested by you.

Report of Special Agent William H. McLaughlin,
dated February 10, 1950 at Newark, New Jersey

Report of Special Agent Royal A. McGraw,
dated January 30, 1950 at Newark, New Jersey

Report of Special Agent Ronald Phillips,
dated January 19, 1950 at Albany, New York

Report of Special Agent Leonard E. Webster,
dated January 16, 1950 at Washington, D. C.

Report of Special Agent G. B. Norris,
dated December 19, 1949 at St. Louis, Missouri

Report of Special Agent Rex Ellis,
dated January 13, 1950 at Los Angeles, California

Report of Special Agent Rex Ellis,
dated December 16, 1949 at Los Angeles, California

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Report of Special Agent Philip C. Kuhlman,
dated January 26, 1950 at Chicago, Illinois

Report of Special Agent Milton P. Mandt,
dated January 17, 1950 at Cleveland, Ohio

Report of Special Agent Milton P. Mandt,
dated December 20, 1949 at Cleveland, Ohio

Report of Special Agent Louis D. Wino,
dated January 25, 1950 at San Francisco, California

Report of Special Agent Walter L. Meyer,
dated December 19, 1949 at Norfolk, Virginia

Report of Special Agent Francis T. Davis,
dated January 30, 1950 at Richmond, Virginia

Report of Special Agent Glen D. Rankin,
dated January 3, 1950 at New York, New York

Report of Special Agent Glen D. Rankin,
dated February 16, 1950 at New York, New York

Please advise this Bureau of the ultimate disposition
which is made of this case.

SAC, CHICAGO

March 14, 1950

DIRECTOR, FBI

WILLIAM PERL, aka.

William Butterperl

CH-8341

ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT

SECURITY MATTER - C

Bureau File 116-160113

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Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Philip E. Fuhman, dated 1-26-50, Chicago, Illinois, your file 116-16777. There are attached copies of the following reports:

Report of Special Agent Glen D. Rankin, dated 2-16-50, New York City;

Report of Special Agent Rex Ellis, dated 1-13-50, Los Angeles, California;

Report of Special Agent Walter L. Hoyer, dated 12-19-49, Norfolk, Virginia.

In view of the derogatory information contained in the above reports, you are requested to maintain contact with the local AEC Security Office, and advise the Bureau in the event this individual is granted access to restricted data.

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TO : Director, FBI
FROM : SAC, Chicago
SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL
aka William Witterperl, CH-5341
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(Bufile 116-160113)

DATE: April 4, 1950

Rebulet March 14, 1950.

WALTER J. KOWALSKI, Assistant Director, Security Division, USAEC, Chicago, advised on March 30, 1950, that the case of the Applicant is still in a pending status in the Chicago operations office of USAEC.

The Bureau will be promptly advised when AEC reaches a determination as to granting of clearance for access to restricted data for this person.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
FROM : SAC, Chicago
SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL - CH-5341
~~AKA William Mutterperl~~
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DATE: April 11, 1950

Rebulet March 14, 1950 and Chicago letter to the Bureau April 4, 1950.

Mr. A. W. BERG, Chief, Personnel, Security Branch, Division of Security, Chicago Operations Office, U. S. Atomic Energy Commission, advised on April 5, 1950 that the request for clearance for the applicant had been withdrawn by the applicant's employer, the National Advisory Committee on Aeronautics. RUC.

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CONFIDENTIAL
BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

Date: May 16, 1950

To: Atomic Energy Commission
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Mr. Francis R. Hammack
Acting Director
Division of Security

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: WILLIAM PERL CH-5341
ATOMIC ENERGY ACT - APPLICANT
SECURITY MATTER - C

An informant of the New York Office of this Bureau, who advised he would not testify before a Loyalty Hearing Board, furnished the following information concerning the above applicant.

The informant stated that the applicant and his brother, Samuel, had once stated, "In Russia people do not get rich. The poor are not so destitute and things there are on a more equal basis. That is the way it should be here."

The informant further advised that Perl and his brother showed by their statements a definite sympathy toward Communism. The informant advised that although it was not definitely known from Perl's and his brother's statements, there was a strong impression that they were members of the Communist Party.

The informant further reported that the applicant was a close associate of Samuel Sachs, who is referred to in the report of Special Agent Glen D. Rankin, dated February 16, 1950, at New York City, which has been previously furnished to your Commission.

Mr. A. W. Berg, Security Office, Atomic Energy Commission, Chicago, Illinois, has advised the Chicago Office of this Bureau that

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the request for the clearance of the above applicant had been withdrawn—
by the applicant's employer, the National Advisory Committee on Aeronautics.

The above information is furnished for your confidential use
only and should receive a minimum of dissemination within your Commission.

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WILLIAM PERL DASH CH DASH AEAA. RE YOUR FILE ONE SIXTEEN DASH THREE SEVEN NAUGHT NINE SEVEN. A REQUEST HAS BEEN RECEIVED FROM THE LOYALTY BOARD OF THE NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR AERONAUTICS TO SECURE THE DETAILS REGARDING THE MARRIAGE OF APPLICANT TO HENRIETTA SAVIDGE IN NEW YORK CITY IN ONE NINE FOUR FOUR. INTERVIEW HENRIETTA SAVIDGE, ONE NAUGHT FOUR EAST THIRTY EIGHTH STREET AND OBTAIN FROM HER THE DATE AND LOCATION OF HER MARRIAGE TO APPLICANT. REVIEW THE RECORD VERIFYING THIS MARRIAGE AND SUBMIT YOUR SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT REFLECTING SAME. SUPPLEMENTAL REPORTING TO BE HANDLED EXPEDITIOUSLY.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: MAY 24, 1950

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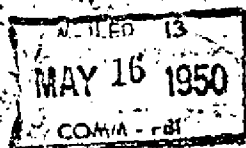
You should immediately advise if your letter should have been
dated April 13, 1950. You should also advise if the information furnished by
the informant was received on March 2 or April 2, 1950.

The Chicago Office advised in a communication dated April 11,
1950, that the request for clearance of the above applicant had been withdrawn
by his employer, the National Advisory Committee on Aeronautics.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: March 13, 1950

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: WILLIAM PERL CH-5341
 Aka William Mutterperl;
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 (Bufile 116-160113)

Rerep of SA GLEN D. RANKIN, February 16, 1950 at
 New York City.

On March 2, 1950

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GORDON desired to furnish information regarding him. She was thereafter interviewed on two occasions by SA PATRICK E. THORPE at her home at which time she advised of the following:

It should be noted that at the outset [redacted] stated that she desired her name to be kept absolutely confidential and that she would not testify before a Loyalty Hearing Board.

has not seen applicant in recent years

During that time it was common knowledge both to [redacted] family and to applicant's family that applicant and his brother were Communists, often spoke of it, and showed by their statements a definite sympathy towards it. [redacted] explained that by stating that they were Communists, she did not mean that she knew they were members of the Communist Party, but that it was a strong impression she gathered from their statements and from their family openly saying that applicant and SAMUEL were Communists.

[redacted] was at first unable to recall any specific statements made by applicant and SAMUEL which gave her this impression [redacted]

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10 [redacted] She later recalled that applicant and SAMUEL had said, "In Russia, people do not get too rich. The poor are not so destitute and things there are on a more equal basis. That's the way it should be here".

10 [redacted] said that her knowledge of applicant's Communist sympathies seemed unimportant to her until she learned about two months ago that applicant was employed on Atomic Energy Projects and was expecting to be transferred in the near future to Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

[redacted] also said to [redacted] "Willie (applicant) has to be careful; you know he is a you know what". [redacted] asked her, "You mean a Communist?" [redacted] answered, "Yes". 10

10 [redacted] advised that the only associate of applicant she could recall was one SAMUEL SACHS whom she described as a very close friend of applicant and his family.

In this regard, it should be noted that referenced report reflects that SAMUEL SACHS was a close friend and associate of JOEL BARR; they have shared an apartment together, and that SACHS was affiliated with the Communist Party, having registered as a Communist in 1935, 1936 and 1937 elections in New York City and signed Communist Party petitions in New York City for CACCHIONE under date of August 1, 1939.

Bureau letter of December 27, 1949 on captioned matter advised that applicant was given as a reference in an application filed by JOEL BARR for employment in the Signal Corps Laboratories at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. JOEL BARR has been tentatively identified as a Soviet espionage agent who has operated in the United States. It should also be noted that referenced report reflects that MISS HENRIETTA SAVIDGE, 104 East 38th Street, former wife of applicant advised that although she did not know the extent of the association between BARR and applicant, BARR visited applicant at the PERLS' former home and she believed BARR to have been a friend and associate of applicant while applicant was at City College of New York.

10 [redacted] continued that SAMUEL MUTTERPERL, whom she likewise had not seen in a number of years, has for the past

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three months been studying "Musicology" and Piano at the Sorbonne in Paris under the GI Bill of Rights. He is not expected to return to the United States in the near future. He served in the United States Army and later was employed as a draftsman but gave up this employment because of his eyesight.

Regarding applicant's sister, ANN BLUM, [redacted] said she had an impression that ANN and her husband, JOSEPH, are also Communist sympathizers. [redacted] can not recall any specific statements which led her to this impression except that both ANN and her husband defended applicant's and his brother, SAMUEL'S, Communist sympathies. JOSEPH BLUM is employed as a draftsman for a Plumbing and Heating Company in New York City, but [redacted] was unable to state the name of this company. 7D

Regarding SADIE MUTTERPERL, applicant's sister [redacted] advised that she had been in a mental institution in Long Island, New York, for several years. [redacted] did not know the name of this institution but stated that SADIE was discharged about three years ago. She did not know the nature of SADIE'S mental illness, although [redacted] stated that it stemmed from a sexual perversion. SADIE'S conversations appear rational and logical at times, but after a few days of association with her it becomes apparent, according to [redacted] that she is not of sound mind. 7D

Prior to her illness, SADIE MUTTERPERL was employed in a clerical capacity for the United States Government, believed by [redacted] to have been in Washington, D. C. After she was discharged from the mental institution she was employed in many different companies in the New York area as a typist and clerk, for periods of short duration. Recently SADIE took a United States Civil Service examination which she passed and obtained a position as typist with the United States Government in Washington, D. C. with the Bureau of Ships. However, she failed to pass the training period in Washington and was released. She returned to New York where she is again residing with her parents. 7D

[redacted] said she formed no opinion of SADIE with respect to her loyalty to the United States Government but had never heard of any Communist sympathies. She added, however, that SADIE is not of sufficient mental stability to handle a position of 7D

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trust and responsibility with the United States Government.

Regarding applicant's mother and father, [redacted] stated they are simple ignorant people who have always lived in poverty and unhappiness. They have absolutely no Communist leanings and there is no question in [redacted] mind as to their loyalty. Applicant's father, ABRAHAM MUTTERPERL, is employed in a bakery as a baker in the New York area.

[redacted]

[redacted] stated she never met applicant's divorced wife, HENRIETTA, who is of a different faith from applicant. They were divorced because she wanted children and he did not. He wanted to put all his time and effort into his studies to secure a Ph.D Degree and this led to incompatibility. In this respect [redacted] stated that applicant is a very brilliant individual, is a jet engineer, has conferred with top scientists in this line and has aspiration of becoming another EINSTEIN. 7D

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No further investigation is being conducted by the New York Office and above is being submitted for the Bureau's consideration.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION MAY 31, 1950

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Transmit the following message to SAC, NEW YORK

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Bureau teletype, 5/21/50

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The following is a copy of the signed statement furnished by Miss SAVIDGE to WILLIAM PERL:

" 104 East 38th Street
" New York 16, New York
" June 2, 1950

" I hereby deny that, in 1946, or at any other time, I praised the Russian Communistic system of government and was critical of the Capitalistic system of government in the United States. I have always been, by work, thought, and deed, loyal to the system of government in the United States.

" I am deeply disturbed that an allegation has been made casting doubt on my loyalty to this country. To the best of my knowledge there is only one person in Pasadena, California with whom I discussed political and social questions. I only wish to say that my ideas which I expressed have either been misunderstood or willfully misconstrued. I differ with many Americans about political policy in the United States but I have never compared our system of government to the Russian system in any way that was unfavorable to the United States.

" I also wish to vouch for the integrity of WILLIAM PERL. I know that he expressed a strong antipathy not only against the stifling of public opinion through the barring of all newspapers save those controlled by the Communist party in Russia, but also against the censorship and condemnation of free research and expression in the sciences and in the arts.

" HENRIETTA SAVIDGE

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The statement set out above is quoted from an unsigned copy of the original statement which Miss SAVIDGE advised she gave to WILLIAM PERL. This unsigned copy was personally typewritten by Miss SAVIDGE and is being retained in the files of the New York Office.

Miss HENRIETTA SAVIDGE informed that she would be willing to appear and testify before a Loyalty Board.

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CC: Mr. Callan
Mr. Mudd

June 16, 1950

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The National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics
1724 F Street, Northwest
Washington 25, D. C.

Attention: Mr. James J. Kelly, Jr.
Chairman
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Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your letter of May 22, 1950,
requesting additional investigation regarding William Perl
(formerly Mutterberl).

Transmitted herewith are copies of reports reflecting
the results of this supplemental investigation. The reports are
as follows:

Report of Special Agent James P. Hallgren, dated
May 29, 1950, at New York

Report of Special Agent James P. Hallgren, dated
June 6, 1950, at New York

One copy of each of the above reports is being forwarded
to Mr. James E. Hatcher.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Enclosure

CC: Mr. James E. Hatcher, with enclosure
Chief, Investigations Division
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The information furnished by [REDACTED] to SA James E. Gordon was correctly stated as having been furnished on March 2, 1950.

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The above-captioned is an employee of the National Aeronautics Board at Cleveland, Ohio. In about December of 1949, clearance was requested for him to handle atomic energy classified information. On the basis of this, an Atomic Energy Act - Applicant case was instituted and the results thereof were subsequently turned over for consideration of the employee under the Loyalty Program. Mr. Kelly, who is the Security Officer for the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, contacted Mr. Stanley today and informed him that Perl was to be given a loyalty hearing on July 27 next. Kelly indicated that he had received information that Bureau Agents were still conducting discreet inquiries concerning the subject. Kelly obviously was referring to the current inquiries which are being conducted concerning Perl as an espionage subject suspected of affiliation with the espionage apparatus operated by Julius Rosenberg.

In this connection, it is noted that during the Atomic Energy investigation Perl was identified as an associate of Alfred Sarant, Max Elitcher, and Joel Barr, all of whom are known to be part of Rosenberg's apparatus.

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**JULIUS ROSENBERG, ESPIONAGE - R. RE NEW YORK TEL JULY EIGHTEEN
LAST. WILLIAM PERL INTERVIEWED TODAY AT CLEVELAND OFFICE. DENIES
ANY KNOWLEDGE OF SUBJECT AND ON LOOKING AT PHOTOGRAPH OF SUBJECT,
STATED HE DID NOT KNOW THIS PERSON. ADVISED HE MET MAX ELITCHER
AND JOEL BARR AT CCNY AND KNEW THEM ONLY CASUALLY AS STUDENTS. COULD
NOT IDENTIFY ANY CLOSE ASSOCIATES AT CCNY. STATED HE HAD NOT HEARD
FROM ELITCHER SINCE CCNY AND DID NOT HEAR FROM OR SEE BARR BETWEEN
NINETEEN THIRTYNINE AND FORTYSIX. IN THE SUMMER OF FORTYSIX, WHEN
HE RETURNED TO COLUMBIA FOR ADVANCED STUDY, HE MET BARR ON THE CAMPUS
AND OCCASIONALLY ASSOCIATED WITH HIM. IN THE FALL OF FORTYSIX, BARR
INTRODUCED HIM TO ALFRED SARANT WHO HAD AN APARTMENT AT SIXTYFIVE
MORTON STREET, GREENWICH VILLAGE. MET SARANT ONLY ONCE OR TWICE AND
ON LAST MEETING WAS GIVEN KEY TO APARTMENT AT SIXTYFIVE MORTON STREET.
HE USED THIS APARTMENT APPROXIMATELY ONE QUARTER OF THE TIME BETWEEN
FALL OF FORTYSIX TO JANUARY, FORTYEIGHT FOR STUDYING AND ENTERTAINING
DATES. HE PAID NO RENT TO SARANT UNTIL EARLY PART OF FORTYEIGHT,
ALTHOUGH SARANT HAD LEFT TOWN BUT CONTINUED TO PAY FORTY OR FIFTY
DOLLARS MONTHLY RENT. HE DID PAY RENT TO SARANT AT UNKNOWN ADDRESS
IN ITHACA, NEW YORK FOR LAST THREE OR FOUR MONTHS ENDING JUNE, FORTY-
EIGHT. STATES HE HAS NOT SEEN NOR HEARD FROM BARR SINCE JUNE OF FORTY-
EIGHT, PROBABLY SINCE DECEMBER, FORTYSEVEN. AT FIRST STATED HE DID
NOT KNOW WHERE BARR WAS NOR HAD HE HEARD OF HIM SINCE THAT TIME BUT
WHEN CONFRONTED WITH LETTER FROM HIS BROTHER, SAMUEL PERL, PRESENTLY
STUDYING IN PARIS, FRANCE, WHICH STATED QUOTE I RAN INTO JOEL BARR
AT A STUDENTS RESTAURANT WHERE WE BOTH EAT OCCASIONALLY AND QUESTIONED
HIM ABOUT THIS DEVELOPMENT. HE CLAIMS THAT HE NEVER WAS A COMMUNIST
AND HE DOES NOT KNOW THE WHEREABOUTS OF ALFRED SARANT. UNQUOTE, HE
RECALLED THE LETTER AND THAT BARR WAS LAST KNOWN TO HIM TO BE IN PARIS.**

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IN RE DEVELOPMENT MENTIONED ABOVE, PERL STATES THIS REFERS TO ACAA INVESTIGATION AND ADVISED THREE OR FOUR MONTHS AGO HE WAS INTERVIEWED BY TWO MEN IDENTIFYING THEMSELVES AS FBI AGENTS WHO DID NOT SHOW CREDENTIALS BUT FURNISHED BADGE DISSIMILAR TO FBI BADGE. HE RECALLED NAME OF ONE WAS FRU O-NEILL. THERE IS NO O-NEILL IN CLEVELAND OFFICE AND NO RECORD OF LGE INVESTIGATION, ALTHOUGH PERL STATES HE IS TO HAVE LOYALTY HEARING SHORTLY. ONE MONTH AFTER INTERVIEW, RECEIVED QUESTIONNAIRE FROM JAMES KELLY, MACA HEADQUARTERS, WASHINGTON, WHICH REQUIRED HIS MAKING AFFIDAVIT ANSWERING CHARGES OF HIS ASSOCIATION WITH SARANT AND BARR, AS WELL AS ALLEGED PRO COMMUNIST STATEMENTS MADE BY FORMER WIFE, HENRIETTA SAVIDGE. HE BELIEVES THERE IS A CONNECTION BETWEEN INTERVIEW AND AFFIDAVIT. HE DENIED ANY KNOWLEDGE OF HARRY STEINGART AND HARRY GOLD, DAVID OR RUTH GREENGLASS OR ETHEL GREENGLASS ROSENBERG. DENIED KNOWING ANYONE NAMED QUOTE ANNE OR MIKE UNQUOTE, ANN OR MIKE SIDOROVICH AND ON VIEWING PHOTOGRAPH OF MIKE SIDOROVICH, STATED HE HAD NEVER SEEN THIS INDIVIDUAL BEFORE. WHILE RESIDING AT SIXTYFIVE MORTON STREET, HE GENERALLY ATE AT SOUTHERN CAFETERIA, FOURTEENTH STREET AT SEVENTH AVENUE OR THE BLUE HILL, APPARENTLY NEAR SIXTH AVENUE IN VICINITY OF MORTON STREET. HE STATED HE DID NOT KNOW THE NAMES OF ANY OTHER TENANTS, COULD NOT RECALL SUPERINTENDENTS NAME AND WHEN QUESTIONED AS TO DATES BROUGHT TO APARTMENT, HE STATED THIS WAS LIMITED TO HETTI SAVIDGE, HIS COMMON LAW WIFE AND ONE DORA, LAST NAME UNKNOWN QUOTE A CASUAL PICKUP UNQUOTE. IN REGARD HETTI SAVIDGE, HE STATED THEIR MARRIAGE WAS COMMON LAW, EFFECTIVE FALL OF FORTYFOUR, AND THAT THEY WERE SEPARATED AND CONSIDERED THEMSELVES DIVORCED COMMON LAW IN THE SPRING OF FORTYSIX. NOTED HE RESIDED WITH HETTI IN SOUTH SAN RAFAEL, CALIFORNIA AT THE HOME OF RUTH MC CANDLESS FROM FEBRUARY, FORTYSIX TO JUNE OF FORTYSIX. DUE TO CLASH OF PERSONALITIES, HE LEFT HETTI IN CALIFORNIA WHEN HE RETURNED TO COLUMBIA AND IT WAS THEN THEY CONSIDERED THEMSELVES DIVORCED. HOWEVER, SHE RETURNED TO NEW YORK IN EARLY FALL OF FORTYSEVEN. SHE STAZED AT THE MORTON STREET APARTMENT FOR A MONTH OR TWO AND HE VISITED HER OCCASIONALLY. LAST KNOWN TO RESIDE AT ONE NAUGHT FOUR EAST THIRTYEIGHTH STREET, NEW YORK. DESCRIBED FURNISHINGS OF APARTMENT AT SIXTYFIVE MORTON AS ARM CHAIR WITH WOODEN ARMS IN LIVING ROOM AND ONE OR TWO SECTIONAL BOOKCASES. NO SOFA.

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CHEAP BRIDGLAMP, ONE LAMP IN LIVING ROOM. A KITCHEN CHAIR LOCATED BETWEEN KITCHEN AND LIVING ROOM AND KITCHEN HAD STOVE, REFRIGERATOR AND WHITE PORCELAIN TOP TABLE. BEDROOM CONTAINED BED AND ONE DRESSER, POSSIBLY ONE CHAIR. DOES NOT RECALL ANY RUGS OR CARPETING AND STATES THERE WAS NO PHOTO EQUIPMENT IN THIS APARTMENT. STATED HE HAS NOT BEEN TO BORTON STREET ADDRESS SINCE JUNE, FORTYEIGHT AND SPECIFICALLY DENIES BEING THERE IN FORTYNINE, ALTHOUGH HE VISITED NEW YORK IN FORTYNINE. PERL PRESENTLY RESIDES SIX SIX SIX EAST ONE HUNDRED THREE STREET, SUBLEASING APARTMENT FROM SIDNEY HARMON, EMPLOYEE OF NACA ON LEAVE FOR APPROXIMATELY THREE MORE WEEKS. HE STATED HARMON IS OR WAS A MEMBER OF FAECT AND PROBABLY AMERICAN ASSOCIATION SCIENTIFIC WORKERS. PERL DENIED MEMBERSHIP IN AASW AND STATED HE DID NOT KNOW AN ORGANIZATION BY THIS NAME, BUT BELIEVES THERE WAS SUCH AN ORGANIZATION AT LANGLEY FIELD. PERL GRANTED AUTHORITY TO SEARCH APARTMENT WHICH PRODUCED LETTER MENTIONED ABOVE AND ADDITIONAL MATERIAL NOT YET EVALUATED. REVEALED HE MAINTAINS SAVINGS ACCOUNT AND HAS ACCOUNT NO. ONE FOUR EIGHT NINE EIGHT FIVE, WEST SIDE SAVINGS BANK, SIXTH AVE. AT NINTH STREET, NEW YORK. ACCOUNT OPENED SEPTEMBER TWO, FORTYSEVEN WITH DEPOSIT OF FOUR HUNDRED SIXTYTHREE DOLLARS AND THIRTYCENTS. ON SEPT. THIRTY, FORTYSEVEN, DEPOSIT WAS MADE OF TWO THOUSAND THIRTYTWO DOLLARS AND EIGHTYTWO CENTS. PRESENT BALANCE TWO THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED FIFTY-NINE DOLLARS AND THIRTYONE CENTS. IT IS NOTED PERL WAS ATTENDING COLUMBIA DURING FORTYSEVEN AND WAS NOT GAINFULLY EMPLOYED EXCEPT AS ASSISTANT TO DR. THEODORE VON KARMAN, WHO IS PRESENTLY BELIEVED TO BE IN FRANCE. KARMAN WAS HIS PROFESSOR AT COLUMBIA. PERL RECEIVED UNDATED LETTER SEVERAL MONTHS AGO FROM FORMER WIFE, HETTI, WHICH INDICATES SHE WAS INTERVIEWED BY QUOTE FBI UNQUOTE AGENTS, APPARENTLY IN CONNECTION WITH INVESTIGATION PERL REFERS TO ABOVE. LETTER INDICATES ANTI COMMUNIST SENTIMENT ON HER PART AND EXPRESSED BELIEF IN HIS ANTI COMMUNIST VIEWS, BUT IS SOMEWHAT DEROGATORY OF FBI. SHE STATES IN LETTER SHE MET SARANT ONLY ONCE BUT DID NOT MENTION THIS TO ANYONE BECAUSE HIS NAME WAS NEVER BROUGHT UP. SHE FURTHER STATED THAT J. BARR CALLED HER AND ASKED IF RENT TRANSACTION WAS GOING O.K. AND MENTIONED SARANTS WERE IN NEW YORK AND HETTI TOLD BARR SHE WANTED TO TALK SARANT

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PERSONALLY FOR SENDING CHECK TO LANDLORD AND THAT SHE DID SO IN COMPANY OF BARR. BEFORE CONFRONTED WITH THIS LETTER, PERL PREVIOUSLY STATED THAT HE DID NOT BELIEVE HETTI HAD MET SARANT OR BARR. WHEN ASKED IF BROTHER SAM HAD BEEN INTRODUCED TO BARR BY HIM, HE STATED NO AND DID NOT THINK SAM HAD EVER MET HIM AND WAS VAGUE AS TO HOW SAM AND BARR MADE CONTACT IN PARIS. RE LIKELIHOOD OF BEING [REDACTED] b1
 PERL STATED HE FIRST ACQUIRED KNOWLEDGE OF JET AIRCRAFT AND WORKED ON PROBLEMS OF SUPERSONIC SPEED IN THE BEGINNING OF FORTYFOUR. AS TO TRIPS TO NEW YORK AREA FORTYFOUR, PERL STATED THAT HE MET HETTI SAVIDGE AND VACATIONED IN NEW JERSEY WITH HER SPRING OF FORTYFOUR BUT DID NOT RETURN TO NEW YORK THROUGH REST OF FORTYFOUR. ADMITS DISCUSSING GENERAL AERONAUTICAL WORK AT NACA WITH BARR AND SARANT BUT STATED THEY DID NOT TRY TO ELICIT ANY DETAILED OR CONFIDENTIAL DATA FROM HIM. MATERIAL PROCURED FROM HIS APARTMENT WILL BE PROCESSED AND REINTERVIEW CONTEMPLATED UPON COMPLETION THEREOF. NEW YORK SHOULD CHECK BANK ACCOUNT MENTIONED ABOVE AND SUGGEST INTERVIEW WITH HENRIETTA SAVIDGE. NORFOLK WILL FURNISH ANY INFORMATION INDICES RE SID HARMON. PERL STATES HARMON EMPLOYED BY NACA AT LEAST FIVE YEARS. PRIOR EMPLOYMENT POST OFFICE, PLACE UNKNOWN. LOS ANGELES SHOULD INTERVIEW RUTH MC CANDLESS SINCE HETTI IN LETTER INDICATED THAT MC CANDLESS WAS ONLY ONE TO WHOM HETTI EXPRESSED POLITICAL VIEWS AND INDICATED ONE WOULD NOT FURNISH MC CANDLESS NAME IF EVER QUESTIONED, FOR ANY INFORMATION CONCERNING WILLIAM PERL AND HENRIETTA SAVIDGE, HIS COMMON LAW WIFE. IT IS POINTED OUT PERL KNEW NOTHING CONCERNING BACKGROUND, EMPLOYMENT OR PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF SARANT OR ELITCHER AND ONLY KNOWLEDGE RE BARR IS SET FORTH ABOVE. ALBANY AND SAN FRANCISCO FURNISHED COPY FOR INFORMATION.

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JULIUS ROSENBERG, ESPIONAGE - R. REWYTEL TODAY. WILLIAM PEARL RE-
INTERVIEWED THIS AFTERNOON. PEARL REPEATED SUBSTANTIALLY SAME VERSION
OF HIS KNOWLEDGE AND USE OF APARTMENT, SIXTY FIVE MORTON ST, CREEKVIEW
VILLAGE. DENIES MEETING SARANT PRIOR TO LATE SUMMER OF FALL OF
FORTYSIX AND STATES HE BELIEVES SARANT PAID RENT FROM FALL FORTYSIX
UNTIL JANUARY FORTYEIGHT ON MORTON ST. ADDRESS. CLAIMS HE MAILED
CHECKS TO SARANT IN ITHACA FOR RENT FROM APPROXIMATELY JANUARY TO
JUNE, FORTYEIGHT, HAVING NO FURTHER CORRESPONDENCE OR CONTACT WITH
SARANT AFTER JUNE, FORTYEIGHT. STATES HE EITHER LEFT KEY TO
APARTMENT WITH SUPERINTENDENT OR IN APARTMENT ITSELF UPON LEAVING
IN JUNE, FORTYEIGHT, AND HAS NEVER RETURNED TO APARTMENT SINCE THAT
TIME. DID NOT DISCONTINUE UTILITIES OF APARTMENT BUT DID NOT MAKE
PAYMENTS AFTER JUNE, FORTYEIGHT ALTHOUGH STATES HE PAID FOR UTILITIES
BETWEEN FALL FORTYSIX AND JUNE, FORTYEIGHT. PEARL DOES NOT KNOW WHO PAID
UTILITIES ON APARTMENT AFTER JUNE, FORTYEIGHT. PEARL STATED HE HAD NO
OTHER INCOME OTHER THEN THAT RECEIVED FROM COLUMBIA RECORDED IN THE
AMOUNT OF APPROXIMATELY TWELVE HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR INSTRUCTING DURING
PERIOD OF FORTYSEVEN. STATES HE CASHED WAR BONDS AT ONE TIME IN FORTY-
SEVEN WHICH WOULD ACCOUNT FOR DEPOSIT OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS AT WEST
SIDE SAVINGS BANK, NYC. ADVISES HE ALSO HAD CHECKING ACCOUNT AT SWERDLOW
SQUARE BRANCH OF CORN EXCHANGE BANK, NYC, WHICH WAS CLOSED SOMETIME AFTER
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JUNE, FORTY EIGHT. PERL RETURNED TO NYC AT THANKSGIVING TIME, FORTYNINE FOR EXAMINATIONS AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, STAYING NYC FOUR DAYS. PERL REPEATED THAT HE DID NOT SEE BARR BETWEEN CCNY DAYS AND FORTYSIX AND MET BARR ON COLUMBIA CAMPUS SUMMER FORTYSIX WHEN BARR WAS DOING GRADUATE WORK AT COLUMBIA. NY, IF NOT ALREADY HAVING DONE SO, REQUESTED TO CHECK RECORDS COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY TO ASCERTAIN IF BARR WAS GRADUATE STUDENT THERE SUMMER FORTYSIX. IF DEEMED ADVISABLE WILL ALSO CHECK RECORDS CCNY, INCLUDING YEAR BOOKS WHICH MIGHT SHOW ORGANIZATIONS OR CLASSES IN WHICH BOTH ROSENBERG AND PERL MAY HAVE AT SAME TIME BEEN IN CLOSE ASSOCIATION IN EFFORT TO ESTABLISH THAT PERL MUST HAVE KNOWN ROSENBERG AT CCNY. NY WILL ALSO FURNISH ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFO ON JOEL BARR AND MAX ELITCHER. NY WILL ALSO CHECK PERLS BANK ACCOUNT AT CORN EXCHANGE BANK AND ATTEMPT TO DETERMINE NATURE OF DEPOSIT TO ACCOUNT AT WEST SIDE SAVING IN AMOUNT OF TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS MENTIONED NYTEL THIS DATE IN EFFORT TO DETERMINE IF DEPOSIT COULD HAVE BEEN RESULT OF CONVERSION OF WAR BONDS. NY WILL FURNISH ANY INFO AVAILABLE FROM UTILITY RECORDS ON SIXTYFIVE MORTON ST, WHICH WOULD SHOW TO WHOM UTILITIES LISTED OR BY WHOM PAYMENTS MADE DURING PERTINENT PERIODS. ALBANY WILL FURNISH ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFO ON ALFRED SARANT. PHOTOS REPRESENTING BETTER LIKENESS OF PERL HAVE BEEN FORWARDED AMSD TO INTERESTED OFFICES FOR EXHIBITING AND INTERVIEWS.

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Reference is made to my memorandum dated November 2, 1954, concerning captioned matter.

There is enclosed herewith one Photostat of a document made available to this Bureau by the employing agency. This document contains the results of an interview with Jack Norman Nielsen on January 14, 1955, by the Security Officer at the Ames Aeronautical Laboratory.

The foregoing is furnished for your additional information, further consideration, and the completion of your file.

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There is attached herewith one Photostat each for New York and San Francisco offices of a document made available to the Bureau by the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics. This document sets out the results of an interview of Jack Norman Nielson, Ames Aeronautical Laboratory, National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, Moffett Field, California, regarding his association with the subject. It is noted on page 2 of this document Nielson tells of visiting Perl while both were employed at Langley Field, Virginia, and at this visit Perl had two men visiting with him. Nielson states Perl did not introduce him to these visitors and made it plain that he (Nielson) was not welcome. It is noted the report of Special Agent Wayne K. Welch made in the instant case at San Francisco March 21, 1951, reports an interview of Nielson conducted March 17, 1951, at which time Nielson did not mention this incident.

San Francisco should reinterview Nielson concerning this incident and obtain from him all information regarding Perl's visitors. If possible, an attempt should be made to fix the approximate date of this visit. Complete descriptions of the visitors should be obtained as well as all other information which Nielson can recall. New York should furnish to San Francisco photographs of Julius Rosenberg and all members of his espionage network in order that such photographs may be displayed to Nielson in an attempt to identify the persons who visited Perl.

Attachment - 1

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NOTE: Perl was a member of the Rosenberg espionage ring and is now serving a five-year term for perjury in connection with his denials before a Federal Grand Jury that he knew Rosenberg and Morton Sobell, convicted espionage agents.

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