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March 14, 1949

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was., et al
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Reference is made to New York teletype to the Bureau and the Washington Field Office dated February 24, and March 7, 1949, concerning the chronology in the handling of the original Chambers' documents. The Washington Field Office was requested to contact Mr. Vincent P. Russo of the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice as to the identity of the person or persons who handled these documents in the Department during the period November 30, 1948 to December 10, 1948.

This matter was referred to the Bureau for handling and on March 1, 1949, the matter was referred to Assistant Attorney General Alexander M. Campbell. To date, no reply has been received concerning the handling of these documents in the Department. As soon as this information is available, the Bureau will advise the New York Office.

cc-Washington Field (By Special Messenger)

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JAHAM. RE NY TEL TO BUREAU AND WFO FEB. TWENTYFOUR LAST, RE CHRONOLOGY IN THE HANDLING OF THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS. WFO REQUESTED TO IMMEDIATELY FORWARD INFORMATION RELATIVE TO THE CHRONOLOGY AS THE RESULT OF THEIR INTERVIEW OF VINCENT P. RUSSO, CRIMINAL DIVISION, DJ. THIS INFORMATION NEEDED IMMEDIATELY FOR A SUMMARY REPORT. IN THE EVENT THIS INFORMATION HAS NOT BEEN FORWARDED TO THIS OFFICE, WFO IS REQUESTED TO SUBMIT A TELETYPE WITH COMPLETE INFORMATION AS TO THE CHRONOLOGY.

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① JANAM RELET WASHINGTON FIELD MARCH FIFTEEN. SELECTIVE SERVICE SUPPLEMENTARY QUESTIONNAIRE FORM BOSS DASH TWO, LABORATORY K SEVEN THREE TWO, CONTAINING HANDWRITING ALGER HISS IDENTIFIED WITH Q ONE THROUGH Q FOUR, K THREE FORTY THROUGH K THREE FORTY TWO. NO CONCLUSION WITH HISS SIGNATURE K FORTY. LABORATORY HAS NO KNOWLEDGE AS TO WHETHER ^{THIS} KNOWN HANDWRITING OF HISS CAN BE AUTHENTICATED. HOWEVER IF SO AND USE OF THIS MATERIAL IN THE TRIAL IS CONTEMPLATED, THE LABORATORY SHOULD IMMEDIATELY BE ADVISED SO THAT PHOTOGRAPHIC ENLARGEMENTS CAN BE PREPARED. NEW YORK SHALL FURTHER ADVISE WHETHER OR NOT THE STATE DEPARTMENT PHOTOSTATS AND THE PHOTOGRAPHS MADE FROM THE MICROFILM NEGATIVES GRAND JURY KIRKBY'S FORTY SEVEN AND FORTY EIGHT, ARE TO BE THE SUBJECT OF COURT TESTIMONY IN ORDER THAT ~~THE~~ PHOTOGRAPHS MAY BE PREPARED FOR COURT USE.

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DIRECTOR, SACS MIAMI AND NEW YORK

URGENT

JAHAM, PERJURY, IS -R, ESPIONAGE -R. RE LETTER WFO TO DIRECTOR DATED FEBRUARY TWENTYFOURTH LAST, REQUESTING JOHN R. CARROLL, SIXTY NINE MASON DRIVE, BROOKLINE, MASS., BE INTERVIEWED. INDIVIDUAL BELIEVED TO BE IDENTICAL WITH CARROLL IS STAFF SERGEANT JOHN R. CARROLL, ASN ONE THREE ZERO FOUR NINE THREE ONE SIX. CARROLL PRESENTLY ASSIGNED TO THREE TWO HUNDRED PHOTO M AND A SQUADRON, ELGIN FIELD, FLORIDA. BOSTON IS FORWARDING AMSD FOLLOWING COMMUNICATIONS TO MIAMI- REFERENCED LETTER TO DIRECTOR FROM WFO DATED FEBRUARY TWENTY FOURTH, AND COPY OF REPORT OF SA JOSEPH E. KELLER AT WASHINGTON, D. C. DATED MARCH TEN LAST.

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0 JAHAM DASH PERJURY, ESPIONAGE DASH R; ALVIN BROWN FORMERLY EXECUTIVE OFFICER NATIONAL RECOVERY ADMINISTRATION. LAST KNOWN ADDRESS CARE OF JOHNS MANVILLE ASBESTOS COMPANY, NEW YORK CITY, NY MAY POSSIBLY FURNISH INFORMATION RE A.G. SILVERMAN'S ACTIVITIES NRA.

Mr. Fletcher
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JAHAM. RE ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN. RE WFO TEL MARCH TEN.
CIVILIAN WD PERSONNEL FILE LOCATED. SILVERMAN EMPLOYED HQS
AAF, WASH, DC, MARCH TWENTYFIVE, FORTYTWO AS CHIEF PRODUCTION
SPECIALIST, CAF FIFTEEN. RESIGNED AUG. EIGHTEEN, FORTYFIVE TO
ACCEPT PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT. EFFICIENCY RATING EXCELLENT. CLAIMS
NATURALIZATION JUNE TWENTYFOUR, TWENTYONE, USDC, BOSTON, CER-
TIFICATE NO. ONE FIVE NINE THREE FIVE NAUGHT SEVEN. WW ONE RECORDS
~~INDICATE~~ INDICATE SILVERMAN BORN IN RUSSIA. REPORTS AND PHOTO-
STATIC COPIES OF CIVILIAN PERSONNEL RECORD TO BE SUBMITTED MARCH
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JAHAN.

REWFOLET MARCH EIGHT. MISS MARY CATHERINE WOODWORTH, FORMER CLASSMATE OF PRISCILLA HISS, HAS ADVISED SHE WAS NEVER A CLOSE ASSOCIATE, THAT SHE NEVER VISITED THE HISS HOME AND NEVER MET ALGER HISS. STATES LAST TIME SHE SAW PRISCILLA WAS IN NINETEEN THIRTY SIX AT A SCHOOL REUNION. UNABLE TO IDENTIFY PHOTOS OF WHITTAKER AND MRS. CHAMBERS. KNOWS NOTHING OF ANY TYPEWRITERS AND NEVER CORRESPONDED WITH PRISCILLA. LIST CLOSEST ASSOCIATES OF PRISCILLA WHILE AT SCHOOL AS JUSTINE WISE POLIER, A JUDGE IN NYC CHILDREN'S COURT AND RESIDING ONE SEVEN FIVE EAST SIXTYFOURTH ST., ELIZABETH BRIGGS HARRISON, FOUR THREE EIGHT EAST FIFTYSIXTH ST. AND MISS KATHERINE NELSON NOW EMPLOYED AT ALRIGHT ART GALLERIES, BUFFALO, NY. MISS WOODWORTH STATES ABOVE NAMED PERSONS WOULD ALL BE SYMPATHETIC TO HISSES AND THAT SHE HERSELF DOES NOT BELIEVE HISS GUILTY. REWFOLET MARCH TEN. ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS DID NOT HAVE CREDIT ACCOUNT WITH GULF OIL CO. INQUIRY AT SUN OIL CO. NOT COMPLETE BUT ADVICE RECEIVED THAT RECORDS OF ACTUAL PURCHASES OF GASOLINE ARE DESTROYED AFTER SIX YEARS. REWFOLET MARCH TWO. LAURENCE BROWN HAS ADVISED HIS ACQUAINTANCE WITH HISS LIMITED TO PERIOD OF APPROXIMATELY FOUR MONTHS AT END OF NINETEEN THIRTYFIVE AND EARLY THIRTYSIX. NEVER VISITED HISS HOME AND HAS NO KNOWLEDGE OF HIS ASSOCIATES. CANNOT IDENTIFY PHOTOS OF CHAMBERS AND WIFE. NEVER CORRESPONDED WITH HISS. STATES HE HAD LIKEWISE BEEN QUESTIONED BY NYCA INVESTIGATORS AND PERSONS REPRESENTING HISS BUT WAS UNABLE TO SUPPLY ANY PERTINENT INFORMATION.

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WASHINGTON AND WFO FROM NEW YORK 32 11 10-35P

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JAHAM. REBULET FEB. TWENTYFIVE GRANTING AUTHORITY TO INTERVIEW RALPH TOLEDANO, HARRY LAVINE, AND EARL BROUDER IN CONNECTION WITH THE ALLEGATIONS OF CHAMBERS. LAVINE STATED THAT EARL BROUDER TOLD HIM SEVERAL WEEKS AGO THAT THE HISS CASE WAS A "FRAME-UP". EARL BROUDER DESCRIBED

CHAMBERS AS A NEUROTIC AND AN IRRESPONSIBLE TROTSKYIST. LAVINE STATED THAT BROUDER INDICATED THAT HE HAD MET HISS BUT HE REFUSED TO DISCUSS HISS ANY FURTHER. TOLEDANO STATED THAT GARDNER JACKSON SENT OUT PETITIONS IN NINETEEN FORTYSEVEN WHICH WAS THE TWENTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF SACCO AND VANZETTI AND THAT THESE PETITIONS WENT TO A NUMBER OF PERSONS INCLUDING ALGER HISS. JACKSON TOLD TOLEDANO THAT ONE OF THE PARAGRAPHS IN THIS PETITION WAS ANTI COMMUNIST AND HISS RETURNED THE PETITION WITH A LETTER ATTACHED INDICATING THAT HE REFUSED TO SIGN THIS PETITION. TOLEDANO FELT THAT HISS-S REFUSAL WAS DUE TO THIS ANTI COMMUNIST PARAGRAPH IN THIS PETITION. EARL BROUDER WAS INTERVIEWED BY AGENTS OF THIS OFFICE AND AT THE OUTSET OF THE INTERVIEW HE STATED HE DID NOT DESIRE TO ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS. HOWEVER, BROUDER STATED THAT HE NEVER PERSONALLY MET CHAMBERS BUT HE KNEW OF HIM DURING THE NINETEEN THIRTIES AS A WRITER. BROUDER DOUBTED THAT CHAMBERS WAS A CP MEMBER AND STATED THAT HE, BROUDER, HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF ANY ESPIONAGE ACTIVITY. BROUDER STATED HE

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NEVER KNEW HISS PERSONALLY AND THE FIRST TIME HE HEARD THE NAME HISS
MENTIONED WAS WHEN HE WAS INTERVIEWED BY AGENTS OF THIS OFFICE IN
FORTYSEVEN OR FORTYEIGHT. HE STATED HE KNEW NOTHING OF THE ACTIVI-
TIES OF HISS OR WHETHER HE WAS INVOLVED IN ESPIONAGE ACTIVITY. BROW-
DER STATED THAT HE WANTED IT KNOWN THAT HE WOULD BE UNCOOPERATIVE
IN ANY INTERVIEW DUE TO THE RECENT INSIDIOUS HYSTERIA CAMPAIGN CON-
DUCTED BY THE U.S. GOVERNMENT AND NEWSPAPERS AGAINST THE CP AND THE
SOVIET UNION. WFO IS REQUESTED TO REINTERVIEW GARDNER JACKSON
RELATIVE TO HIS CONTACT WITH ALGER HISS AS MENTIONED ABOVE.

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REPORT
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

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To: SAC, Boston

March 7, 1949

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on March 3, 1949.

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Re JARLAN
PERJURY; INTERNAL SECURITY - R
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J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

Examination requested by

Boston

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YOUR FILE NO

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Reference

Letter dated March 3, 1949

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Oliver W. ...
10-16-74 THB/...

Examination requested

Document

Specimens

163 Guest Registration book of the Blank House, Peterborough, New Hampshire, covering a period from July 22, 1937 until June 8, 1940.

RESULTS OF EXAMINATION:

The entries in the Blank House guest registration book for the month of August, 1937 have been compared with the known handwriting specimens of PRISCILLA HISS, ALGER HISS and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS but nothing of significance was noted.

There is returned to your office herewith specimen 163. The black leather bound guest registration book of the Knight Hamstead, previously submitted and which has been designated as 161 in the Laboratory is forwarded herewith to the Boston Office.

Photographic copies have not been made of either 161 or 163.

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TO : Director, FBI - Attention FBI Laboratory DATE: 3-3-49

FROM : SAC, Boston

SUBJECT: JAHAM
 PERJURY, INTERNAL SECURITY (R), ESPIONAGE (R)
 (Bureau file 74-1333)

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There is enclosed herewith the guest registration book of ~~Bleak House~~, Peterboro, New Hampshire, as obtained by agents of the Boston Office under date of March 3, 1949 from LUCY ELLIOTT DAVIS, Box 42, Hancock, New Hampshire. This guest registration book covers a period from July 22, 1937 until June 8, 1940.

The Laboratory is advised that on February 22, 1949 WHITTAKER CHAMBERS in a visit to Peterboro, New Hampshire, tentatively identified Bleak House as being the tourist home where he, Priscilla and Alger Hiss stopped overnight in 1937.

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The Laboratory is requested to conduct a handwriting examination to ascertain whether WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, PRISCILLA HISS or ALGER HISS signed this guest registration book. The period of time involved is August 10 through August 15, 1937 inclusive, as it has been determined by investigation that WHITTAKER CHAMBERS' alleged visit to Peterboro with ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS took place during this period of time.

Upon completion of the handwriting examination, the results should be made available to the Boston and New York Offices and the guest registration book is to be returned to Boston as Mrs. LUCY ELLIOTT DAVIS desires its return.

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JAHAM. PERJURY, ESPIONAGE R. IS DASH R. RE FRANKLIN V. RENO. REREP EL

PASO DATED TWO ELEVEN FORTY NINE BY SA J. A. JOHNS. ON PAGE FOUR PARA
THREE RENO DESCRIBED THE SKETCH FURNISHED TO WHITTAKER CHAMBERS AS A-S A
SCHEMATIC DRAWING OF THE RANGE TRAIL DIAGRAM WITH A BAR ACROSS THE TOP.

GO ~~XX~~ COL. LESLIE SIMON, DIRECTOR, BRL. ADVISES RENO PROBABLY NOT TELLING
THE TRUH IN THAT EVEN IN NINETEEN THIRTY SEVEN HE SHOULD HAVE KNOW
BETTER THAN TO EXPLAIN THE NORDEN BOMBSIGHT IN SUCH AN ELEMENTARY MANNER.

IN ADDITION RENO KNEW STANLEY BLUMBERG IN THE EARLY THIRTIES WHILE RENO
A STUDENT AT UNIV. OF ~~VA~~ VA. ACCORDING TO BLUMBERG. BLUMBERG IN
INTERVIEW ALSO ADMITTED KNOWING PADDY WHELAN AND PHIL RENO BUT CLAIMS
NO CONNECTION BETWEEN WHELAN AND EITHER RENO. RENO PLACED LONG DISTANCE
TELEPHONE CALL FOR BLUMBERG AROUND XMAS FORTY EIGHT ACCORDING TO MARY

~~X~~ KNETTLES WHO APPEARS COOPERATIVE. SHE LEARNED ABOUT CALL THRU AN IN-
ADVERTENT REMARK OF STANLEY BLUMBERGS MOTHER. BLUMBERG SUBSEQUENTLY
STATES HIS MOTHER IS NERVOUS AND THAT KNETTLES SHOULD PHONE ONLY WHEN HE
IS HOME. IN REREP INTERVIEW WITH RENO ON FEB. SEVEN LAST REFLECTS

RENO REFUSED TO DISCUSS BLUMBERG WITHOUT CONSULTING ~~SA~~ ATTORNEY. EL
PASO REPORT DATED FEB. TWENTY FIVE EAST REFLECTS RENO CLAIMED HE DE-
DIDED NOT TO CONSULT ATTORNEY BUT TELL WHAT HE KNEW RE BLUMBERG.

APPARENTLY RENO IS ADMITTING ONLY AS MUCH AS HE BELIEVES WE ALREADY KNOW.
BLUMBERG STATED HE BELIEVES HE MET RENO ON THE STREET BY CHANCE DURING
THE TIME RENO WAS WORKING IN WASH., D. C. HE BELIEVED HE SAW RENO ABOUT
THREE TIMES WHILE RENO LIVED IN ~~VA~~ VA.

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BLUMBERG ADVISED HE BEGAN TO SEE RENO AS OFTEN AS TWICE A WEEK BUT NOT THAT OFTEN WHEN BLUMBERG WAS ON DUTY IN THE ARMY TRANSPORTATION SERVICE. BLUMBERG DID NOT RECALL DISCUSSING THE PAN AMERICAN HIGHWAY WITH RENO BUT STATED HE HIMSELF HAD BEEN INTERESTED IN HAVING PRIVATE CAPITAL FINANCE A ROAD THRU MEXICO TO SOUTH AMERICA. MARY KNETTLES ADVISED BLUMBERG INQUIRED FROM HER WHETHER SHE HAD BEEN QUESTIONED BY THE FBI AND APPEARED VERY DISTURBED WHEN TOLD HIS NAME WAS MENTIONED. HE SEEMED CONSIDERABLY RELIEVED WHEN SHE SAID SHE INFORMED THE FBI SHE BELIEVED BLUMBERG WAS A ~~PHYSIC~~ BUILDING CONTRACTOR. THERE IS NO RECORD AT BRL ACCORDING TO R. H. KENT, ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR OF BLUMBERG'S OFFERING INVENTIONS TO THE ARMY. BLUMBERG STATED HE OFFERED ~~INVENTIONS~~ INVENTIONS TO RENO TO PERFECT BECAUSE HIS , BLUMBERG'S, KNOWLEDGE OF PHYSICS WAS VERY ELEMENTARY. COL. SIMON AND [REDACTED] b7D BOTH REPORTED RECEIVING LETTERS FROM RENO ADMITTING PARTICIPATION IN ESPIONAGE ~~MORE~~ MORE THAN TEN YEARS AGO. [REDACTED] REQUESTED HIS INFORMATION BE KEPT CONFIDENTIAL. DR. ALAN GALBRAITH, LOCATED AT BRL ALSO REPORTED TO HAVE RECEIVED LETTER ADMITTING RENOS MEMBERSHIP IN CP MORE THAN TEN YEARS AGO. IT IS POSSIBLE RENO IS DELIBERATELY ATTEMPTING TO MAKE IT APPEAR BY THESE ADMISSIONS THAT HE SEVERED RELATIONS WITH THE ESPIONAGE RINGS WHEN AS A MATTER OF FACT HE DID NOT. IT IS SUGGESTED RENO BE RE-INTERVIEWED BY THE EL PASO OFFICE REGARDING BLUMBERG'S. THE SKETCH HE FURNISHED CHAMBERS, AND ANY PARTICIPATION IN ESPIONAGE SUBSEQUENT TO NINETEEN THIRTY SEVEN OR EIGHT.

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M EL PASO AND DENVER ADVISED

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: March 11, 1949

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: JAHAM
PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R

Reference is made to Los Angeles teletype dated February 16, 1949, to the Bureau, Washington Field Office, New York, Baltimore and San Francisco, which requested photographs of all subjects in this case and various other individuals.

Enclosed herewith are two photographs of MAXIM LIEBER which appeared in the August 12, 1937, issue of the New York Post and Home News. These photographs were obtained through the cooperation of Mr. JACK BEACON, New York Times morgue.

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REPORT
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

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To: SAC, Washington Field

March 11, 1949

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on March 10, 1949.

Re JAHAM

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

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Examination requested by Washington Field

Reference Letter dated March 10, 1949

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Examination requested Document

Specimens

K730 A page of specimens from Woodstock typewriter with serial #162202.

RESULTS OF EXAMINATION:

The conclusion was reached that the machine which was used to type K730 was not used to type 45 or 46 through 49.

The submitted evidence is retained in the files of the Laboratory.

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TO : Director, FBI Attn: FBI Laboratory

DATE: March 10, 1949

FROM : *L. J. Lurn* GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

SUBJECT: OJAHAY

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Attached hereto is a typewriting specimen obtained by Special Agent WILLIAM H. ATKINSON on February 9, 1949, from Woodstock Typewriter #162202, presently owned by Mrs. SILVIA STEPHENS, 5014 Pierce Avenue, Lakeland, Florida, which should be examined and compared with questioned documents in instant case.

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This specimen may be destroyed by the FBI Laboratory upon completion of requested examination, if found to be not identical.

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TO : Director, FBI

FROM : *W. G. H. H. H.* GUY HOTTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD

SUBJECT: O JAHAM
PERJURY;
ESPIONAGE - R;
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

DATE: March 14, 1949

Re New York teletype dated February 24, 1949 which requested the Washington Field Office to check the records of the Department of Agriculture for the present whereabouts of ARTHUR C. BACHRACH.

The records at the Department of Agriculture reflect ARTHUR C. BACHRACH was born July 15, 1887 at Chicago, Illinois and received an LLB Degree in 1908 from the Chicago Kent College of Law. Just prior to October, 1932 Mr. BACHRACH was a member of the Law Firm of BACHRACH & ABT at Chicago, Illinois. The records reflect ARTHUR C. BACHRACH was appointed Special Assistant to Head Counsel JEROME N. FRANK, Legal Division, Agricultural Adjustment Administration, Department of Agriculture effective October, 1933. He resigned this position June 15, 1935 to accept a position with the Resettlement Administration. ~~DEFERRED FOR INFO~~ *B*

The personnel records, Resettlement Administration, reflect Mr. ARTHUR C. BACHRACH entered on duty in June, 1935 as Special Assistant to the Administrator. He resigned this position April 8, 1947 to practice law in Chicago.

For the information of the Chicago Office, Mr. ARTHUR C. BACHRACH was employed in the Legal Division, AAA during the same period in which ALGER HISS was attached to the AAA and he should be interviewed to determine his degree of relationship with ALGER HISS and whether he has ever received any typewritten correspondence from ALGER HISS. A specimen of any typewritten correspondence should be forwarded to the Bureau Laboratory. It is desired to determine any specific knowledge concerning ALGER HISS' un-American activities and all specific information concerning friends and close associates of ALGER HISS while employed in the AAA.

The Washington, D. C. Post Office and the Personnel Office for the Resettlement Administration have no forwarding address relative to Mr. ARTHUR C. BACHRACH. It is believed from personnel records that he is presently practicing law in Chicago, Illinois.

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TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: JAHAM
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DATE: March 14, 1949

Re Baltimore and New York teletypes dated March 11, and March 14, 1949, respectively, regarding CRANE.

There is being forwarded as an enclosure with this letter, Special Delivery to the Baltimore Office, one photograph containing two pictures of WILLIAM EDWARD CRANE.

One of these pictures was taken at Stanford University in 1926, and is a picture of CRANE wearing a sweater.

The other picture was taken in 1941.

This photograph is being forwarded to the Baltimore Office in order that that Office may display the same to JOHN J. BOLTON, to determine whether or not BOLTON recognizes instant CRANE as the person who resided, the summer of 1937, at 14 West Franklin Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : *[Handwritten initials]* GUY HOTTELL, SAC, Washington Field

SUBJECT: 0 JAFFARI

DATE: March 14, 1949

Re Charlotte teletype March 10, 1949, requesting that ~~DOUG~~ RUSSELL be interviewed by the Washington Field Office.

RUSSELL is not available for interview at this time, his secretary advising he is not in town, and that she believes him to be in Spartanburg, South Carolina. *[Handwritten mark]*

~~DEFERRED ACTION~~

Charlotte should interview RUSSELL immediately as requested in our previous letter.

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 cc - Charlotte (AMSD)
 cc - New York

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JAHAN. SAAG DONEGAN ADVISES THAT IT WAS MUTUALLY AGREED, TODAY, AT
CONFERENCE BETWEEN HIMSELF, AUSA THOMAS E. MURPHY AND EDWARD C.
MC LEAN, ATTORNEY FOR ALGER HISS, THAT DATE FOR TRIAL OF HISS SHOULD
BE POSTPONED TO APRIL ELEVEN NEXT. WAS ALSO AGREED THAT FOLLOWING
MATERIAL WOULD BE TURNED OVER TOMORROW TO MC LEAN FOR EXAMINATION.-

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/ONE/ DOCUMENTS REFERRED TO AS "BALTIMORE PAPERS", IDENTIFIED
AS Q ONE THROUGH Q SIXTY NINE, /TWO/ ONE SET OF PRINTS OF GJ EXHIBIT
NO. FORTY EIGHT, CONSISTING OF TWENTY TWO PRINTS AND FURTHER IDENTIFIED
AS ROLL C AND K ONE FIVE THREE, /THREE/ ONE SET OF PRINTS OF GJ
EXHIBIT NO. FORTYSEVEN, CONSISTING OF THIRTY SIX PRINTS, IDENTIFIED
AS ROLL D AND K ONE FIVE FOUR, /FOUR/ THREE PAGE TYPED SUMMARY ENTITLED
"DESCRIPTION OF PERSONAL CHARACTERISTICS OF TIMOTHY HOUSON", DATED
SEPT. NINETEEN, NINETEEN THIRTY SIX AND IDENTIFIED AS K THIRTY TWO,
/FIVE/ LETTER DATED DEC. SIX, NINETEEN THIRTY ONE, SIGNED "DAISY
FANSLER", IDENTIFIED AS K THIRTY FIVE, /SIX/ LETTER DATED FEB. SEVEN-
TEEN, NINETEEN THIRTY THREE, ADDRESSED TO WALTER G. SCHELKOF, SIGNED

ALGER HISS, IDENTIFIED AS K FORTY

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DONEGAN ALSO ADVISES GJ TO RESUME SESSIONS, MARCH TWENTY NINE NEXT, WITH ANNA LOUISE STRONG SCHEDULED TO TESTIFY THAT DATE. REFERENCE SUMMARY REPORT. THIS IS SUBSTANTIALLY COMPLETED EXCEPT FOR COMPLETION OF MINEOGRAPHING, BUT WILL NOT BE SUBMITTED UNTIL CERTAIN PHASES OF INQUIRY ARE COMPLETED AND INFO FURNISHED TO US BY WFO AS TO MATCHING OF DOCUMENTS FROM "PUMPKIN PAPERS" WITH ORIGINAL FILE COPIES IN THE STATE DEPT. AND/OR BUREAU OF STANDARDS AND ROUTING SLIPS ON THESE, IN EACH INSTANCE, AND COMPLETE DETAILS RE CHRONOLOGY OF HANDLING OF MICROFILM.

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JAHAM. AUTHORITY GRANTED FOR YOUR OFFICE TO INTERVIEW
CLIFTON FADMAN AS REQUESTED YOUR TELETYPE MARCH
FIFTEEN LAST.

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W. J. Fletcher
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JAHAM. REVIEW CHAMBERS BACKGROUND INDICATES HE WAS ACQUAINTED WITH CLIFTON FADIMAN WHOM HE MET WHILE BOTH ATTENDED COLUMBIA UNIV. FADIMAN MARRIED HOLLY RUSH WHOSE BROTHER, JACK, WAS WELL ACQUAINTED WITH CHAMBERS THEY HAVING BEEN FRIENDS AT COLUMBIA. IN ABOUT NINETEEN TWENTY FIVE CHAMBERS DID SOME TRANSLATING ON THE BOOK QUOTE BAMBI UNQUOTE FOR THE FIRM, SIMON AND SCHUSTER, THIS JOB HAVING BEEN OBTAINED FOR HIM BY FADIMAN. IN ABOUT NINETEEN THIRTY TWO, WHEN CHAMBERS WAS EDITOR FOR QUOTE NEW MASSES UNQUOTE, FADIMAN TOOK PART IN WRITING OF SYM- POSIUM, WHICH WAS PUBLISHED IN THIS MAGAZINE, AT FIRST BEING ENTITLED QUOTE HOW I BECAME A LEFTIST UNQUOTE, CHAMBERS AS EDITOR CHANGING IT TO READ QUOTE HOW I CAME TO COMMUNISM UNQUOTE. BUREAU AUTHORITY REQUESTED FOR INTERVIEW OF FADIMAN CONCERNING CHAMBERS BACKGROUND AND ACTIVITIES.

F.L.S. J.

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& R. B. Nichols
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Mr. *Witcher*
7742
WJ

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DIRECTOR AND SACS, NEW YORK AND SAN FRANCISCO URGENT

O JAHAM. RE SAN FRANCISCO TEL MARCH ELEVEN, LAST. CONTACT OLYMPIC HOTEL, SEATTLE, REFLECTS HELEN ^X RINGE HAS NO RESERVATIONS THERE FOR MARCH SEVENTEEN TO NINETEEN NEXT. SAN FRANCISCO ADVISE FURTHER INFORMATION CONCERNING WHERE HELEN WILL STAY WHILE IN SEATTLE, AND WHETHER HELEN HAS INDICATED SHE INTENDS TO MEET SALLY IN SEATTLE ON SEVENTEENTH. IF SO SEATTLE WILL CONSIDER REQUESTING COVERAGE BY CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES. ALSO ADVISE NATURE OF HELEN-S TRIP TO SEATTLE.

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JAHAM, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R; INTERNAL SECURITY - R. RELATEL FEBRUARY NINTH, LAST AND NEW YORK TELETYPE MARCH NINTH, LAST, RE EFFORTS BY CRANE IN NINETEEN THIRTY SIX OR THIRTY SEVEN TO DEVELOP MR. AND MRS. PEYTON KERR AND A FRIEND OF KERRS IN THE STATE DEPARTMENT. AUTHORITY GRANTED WFO TO INTERVIEW MR. AND MRS. PEYTON KERR RE THIS MATTER.

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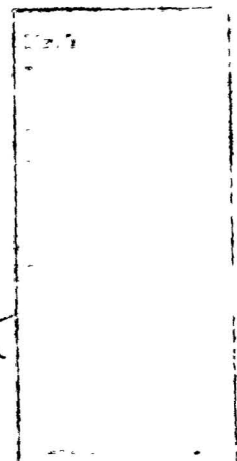
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JAHAM. RE LOS ANGELES TEL FEB. NINE INSTANT RE CRANE. REFERENCE
TEL REFLECTS INFORMATION FROM CRANE THAT PEYTON KERR WAS ECONOMIST
POSSIBLY EMPLOYED IN EITHER AGRICULTURAL OR LABOR DEPARTMENT, WASH.,
D.C. ABOUT NINETEEN THIRTYSIX OR THIRTYSEVEN AND THAT CRANE TRIED TO
DEVELOP MR. AND MRS. KERR AND A FRIEND OF KERR-S IN THE STATE DEPT.
WHOSE NAME CRANE DOES NOT RECALL. CRANE SAYS ATTEMPTS TO DEVELOP
THESE PERSONS AS SOURCE FOR APPARATUS WAS UNSUCCESSFUL. CHAMBERS DOES
NOT KNOW OF PEYTON KERR. NY INDICES NEGATIVE ON PEYTON KERR. WFO
WILL IDENTIFY AND LOCATE MR. AND MRS. PEYTON KERR AND BUREAU
AUTHORITY REQUESTED FOR INTERVIEW BY WFO OF MR. AND MRS. PEYTON KERR
RE INFO. IN REFERENCE TEL.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : *JGH* GUY HOTTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD
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SUBJECT: JAHAM
PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R;
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

DATE: March 15, 1949

This office has been instructed to locate persons who were associated departmentalwise with ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN and interview these persons concerning SILVERMAN's activities, associates, etc. *JGH*

ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN was employed by the Labor Advisory Board of the National Recovery Administration in Washington, D. C., from September 13, 1933, to July 12, 1934, when he was discharged without prejudice. SILVERMAN's supervisor has advised that SILVERMAN was discharged due to lack of efficiency. *Br*

ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN was mentioned by ELIZABETH TERRILL BENTLEY in recent HCUA Hearings as one of the persons who were supplying confidential information to unauthorized sources when he was employed by the War Department from 1943 to 1945. SILVERMAN was also mentioned by CHAMBERS concerning this same matter when he recently went before HCUA.

It has been alleged that DONALD R. RICHBERG, an attorney, with offices at 815 Fifteenth Street, N. W., was associated with NRA during the above period and that he may know of SILVERMAN's activities. Mr. RICHBERG's secretary advised that Mr. RICHBERG resides in Charlottesville, Virginia, and that he rarely visits his office. He is not expected to come to Washington, D. C., before March 27, 1949, and he may forego this visit.

The Washington Field Office indices reflects that DONALD R. RICHBERG, 815 Fifteenth Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., is listed in a mailing list, date unknown, of the USSR Information Bulletin that is published by the Soviet Embassy; that DONALD R. RICHBERG acted as defense attorney for SALICHA GORIN, an individual who it was alleged furnished information obtained in a U.S. Naval Intelligence file; that RICHBERG contacted employees of the Russian Embassy in regard to the GORIN case; that RICHBERG was listed as Treasurer in the letterhead of a letter from the Fight for Freedom Inc., Washington Chapter, an organization whose

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purpose was to have the United States enter the last World War; that RICHBERG's name appeared in the correspondence of the ~~Committee to Free EARL BROWDER~~ as an individual who was to be approached concerning his participation in this movement.

The Richmond Office should interview DONALD V. RICHBERG, Box 194, RFD #3, Charlottesville, Virginia, phone - Charlottesville 2395-J, concerning the activities of ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN. Determine SILVERMAN's close associates, his reasons for leaving NRA, and any indications SILVERMAN knew ALGER HISS or WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. Ascertain if there were any indications SILVERMAN was engaged in subversive activities.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, F.B.I.

DATE: 3/15/49

FROM : SAC, McFARLIN

SUBJECT: JAHAM
PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R;
INTERNAL SECURITY - R
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In an endeavor to develop investigative leads to prove continuous contact and association between HISS and CHAMBERS prior to January 1, 1937 and subsequently thereto until CHAMBERS broke with the Communist Party in the spring of 1938, Agents of the New York and Baltimore Offices interviewed Mr. and Mrs. JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS on February 10 and 11, 1949 at the CHAMBERS home, RD 2, Westminster and Baltimore, Maryland.

This interview developed information to the effect that the CHAMBERS family resided at 2124 Mount Royal Terrace, Baltimore, Maryland, from early December, 1937 to approximately April, 1938. While residing at this address, the CHAMBERS employed a Negro maid named EVELYN, whom Mrs. CHAMBERS described as having a clear, light complexion, with amber colored eyes - Caucasian features. She was 5' 7" in height, approximately 22 or 23 years of age, and married.

In an endeavor to locate EVELYN, Agents of the Baltimore Office interviewed on February 23, 1949 NEATON ESTEP, a colored maid who has been employed by Mr. and Mrs. FRANK V. WOALE, 2122 Mount Royal Terrace, for about twenty years. NEATON ESTEP recalled that Mr. and Mrs. CHAMBERS and their two children lived at 2124 Mount Royal Terrace a number of years ago. She advised that a colored maid named EVELYN worked for the CHAMBERS family while the CHAMBERS resided on Mount Royal Terrace, and that she saw EVELYN's picture in the Baltimore Afro-American Newspaper within the last six months.

NEATON ESTEP stated that she does not recall EVELYN's last name, but could possibly identify her if shown pictures from the Afro-American. She was shown pictures of Mr. and Mrs. CHAMBERS and Mr. and Mrs. HISS at that time and could not identify any of them.

A review of copies of the Baltimore Afro-American Newspaper for the period from June 1, 1948 to February 21, 1949, conducted by the Baltimore Office, disclosed pictures of three individuals named EVELYN who could possibly be the maid EVELYN employed by the CHAMBERS family, and one 3" by 2" picture captioned "At HISS Hearing" which appeared on page 1 of the Baltimore Afro-

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RE: JAHAM

PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R;
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

American on August 31, 1948. . The following paragraph appeared with the picture: "Trying without success to shield her face from photographers, a former maid (unidentified) in the home of Alger Hiss leaves the hearing being conducted by the House Un-American Activities Committee. Whittaker Chambers, senior editor of Time magazine, has told the committee that Mr. Hiss was a member of the Communist underground."

The four pictures referred to above, were shown to NEATON ESTEP by Agents of the Baltimore Office on March 3, 1949. She failed to identify pictures of the three individuals named EVELYN, but immediately identified the picture captioned "At Hiss Hearing" referred to above, as being a picture of the former CHAMBERS maid EVELYN, which she stated she had previously seen. Subsequent to identifying this picture, however, she read the write-up (set out above) appearing with the picture and decided from this that this picture could not have been a picture of the former CHAMBERS maid. Although NEATON ESTEP appeared to be reasonably sure that she had seen a picture of the former CHAMBERS maid EVELYN in the Baltimore Afro-American, no such picture appears in copies of the newspaper issued from June 1, 1948 to February 21, 1949.

Copies of the 3" by 2" picture captioned "At Hiss Hearing" are being forwarded herewith to the Bureau and the New York Office for information purposes, and a copy is being forwarded to the Washington Field Office as this office may recognize this picture as being a former HISS maid who has previously been interviewed. However, if no such recognition can be made, it is suggested that the House Un-American Activities Committee be contacted to ascertain whether or not this individual is a former HISS maid or a CHAMBERS maid so that she may subsequently be interviewed.

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WFO advised
this is photo
of Martha Pope,
one of Hiss maids
who has been
interviewed.
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At Hiss Hearing



Trying without success to shield her face from photographers, a former maid (unidentified) in the home of Alger Hiss leaves the hearing being conducted by the House Un-American Activities Committee. Whittaker Chambers, senior editor of Time magazine, has told the committee that Mr. Hiss was a member of the Communist underground.

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JAHAM. RE LOS ANGELES TEL FEB. ELEVEN, NY TEL FEB. ELEVEN AND REPORT OF SA MAURICE A. TAYLOR, MAR. FIRST AT WAS'., DC., ALL INSTANT. REFERENCE LOSA TEL SET OUT INFO FROM CRANE CONCERNING RUSSIAN NUMBER ONE AND RUSSIAN NUMBER TWO. RUSSIAN NUMBER TWO HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED BY CRANE AS VLADIMIR DE SVESHNIKOFF, BUT RUSSIAN NUMBER ONE HAS NOT AS YET BEEN IDENTIFIED. REF NY TEL POINTS OUT THAT RUSSIAN NUMBER ONE MIGHT BE JOHN J. MATWIN. REF REPORT REFLECTS THAT DE SVESHNIKOFF EXECUTED AFFIDAVIT IN SUPPORT OF APPLICATION FOR PASSPORT OF JOHN J. MATWIN, JUNE TWENTY FOUR, THIRTY FOUR. SAID HE HAD KNOWN MATWIN FOR FIFTEEN YEARS. ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO CASE ENTITLED "UNSUB OPERATOR THREE ONE EIGHT AND WIFE, ESP R", BUFILE SIXTY FIVE DASH FIVE SEVEN EIGHT EIGHT NINE. TODAY ROBERT GORDON SWITZ DEFINITELY IDENTIFIED PHOTO OF JOHN J. MATWIN AS SOVIET AGENT. HE KNEW IN THIRTY TWO DASH THIRTY THREE AS OPERATOR THREE ONE EIGHT. MATWIN PRESENTLY RESIDING GREENVILLE, S. C.

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AS PREVIOUSLY REQUESTED, LOSA WILL DISPLAY TO CRANE PHOTO OF MATWIN
WHEN RECEIVED FROM WFO, TO DETERMINE IF MATWIN IS RUSSIAN NUMBER ONE.
INFO SET OUT HAS BEEN FROM SUITZ SUBSTANTIATING THIS POSSIBILITY.

UNLESS ADVISED TO CONTRARY BY BUREAU, WFO WILL NOT QUESTION DE
SVESHNIKOFF CONCERNING JOHN J. MATWIN SINCE POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT
MATWIN MAY PRESENTLY BE ENGAGED IN ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES. AND DE SVES-
HNIKOFF, BEING QUESTIONED ABOUT MATWIN, MIGHT TRANSMIT THIS INFO TO
MATWIN.

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Mr. Ladd	
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Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
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Mr. Fletcher
J. J.

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① JAHAM, PERJURY, ESP. R.

REURTEL MARCH THREE LAST. NO PASSPORT RECORD FOUND OF IRENE PERLA GLAS, WAS.

H. J.

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JAHAM. RENTEL MARCH FIFTEEN, LAST. PHOTOGRAPHS OF ALGER HISS WERE EXHIBITED TO ~~DELAHUTT~~ FOR IDENTIFICATION PURPOSES. HE IS ABLE TO IDENTIFY ALGER HISS AS THE INDIVIDUAL WHOM HE ACTUALLY SAW SIGN HIS NAME TO THE REFERENCED POWER OF ATTORNEY.

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CHAMBERS, PERJURY, ESP R, IS C. INVESTIGATION AT FORT LEE, NJ NEGATIVE TO IDENTIFY CHAMBERS AS HAVING RESIDED AT QUOTE THE CASTLE UNQUOTE. INVESTIGATION REFLECTS THE CASTLE WAS OWNED IN NINETEEN THIRTYTHREE AND UNTIL ABOUT NINETEEN FORTYFIVE BY THE CASTLE CORPORATION WITH ADDRESS IN THIRTYTWO OF THREE EIGHT ONE FOURTH AVENUE, NYC, ROOM ONE NAUGHT TWO NAUGHT. FORT LEE TRUST COMPANY WAS TRUSTEE OF PROPERTY AND HAS CORRESPONDENCE IN NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT FROM EDWIN C. COLWELL, SECRETARY OF THE CASTLE CORPORATION, FORTYTHREE EAST FIFTIETH STREET, NYC. HE IS AN ATTORNEY AND BELIEVED TO RESIDE AT NYACK, NY ACCORDING TO OFFICER OF FORT LEE TRUST COMPANY. A MR. AND MRS. BISHOP OPERATED THE PROPERTY AS A ROOMING HOUSE OR APARTMENT HOUSE FOR SEVERAL YEARS PRIOR TO ABOUT NINETEEN THIRTYFOUR DURING WHICH TIME IT WAS OCCUPIED BY UNIVERSITY AND ART STUDENTS FROM NYC. BISHOPS WERE FROM NYC AND MRS. BISHOP OPERATED SIMILAR HOUSES ON ONE THIRTYSIX OR ONE THIRTYSEVEN STREET, NYC. MR. BISHOP DIED IN NYC ABOUT FORTYTHREE THIRTYFOUR AND MRS. BISHOP REMARRIED. IDENTITY OF HUSBAND AND LATER WHEREABOUTS UNKNOWN BUT BELIEVED TO HAVE OPENED SOME SOCIALIST COURTS NORTH OF NYC. DEAVOR TO LOCATE COLWELL FOR IDENTITY AND WHEREABOUTS OF MRS. BISHOP. FOR INFORMATION OF BUFFALO OFFICE, CHAMBERS HAS STATED

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THAT IN NINETEEN THIRTYTHREE HE MOVED FROM STATEN ISLAND TO A HOUSE
CALLED QUOTE THE CASTLE UNQUOTE IN FORT LEE, NJ OWNED BY ADAM IRON
BISHOP, MOVING OUT IN ABOUT DECEMBER THIRTYTHREE. NEW YORK HAS RE-
QUESTED VERIFICATION OF HIS RESIDENCE AND INVESTIGATION TO DETERMINE
HIS REPUTATION, ASSOCIATES AND ACTIVITIES. THE INVESTIGATION SHOULD
BE DISCREET SO AS NOT TO CAUSE HIM ANY EMBARRASSMENT AS HE IS PROSE-
CUTION WITNESS. MR. H. WILLARD ORTLIP AND HIS WIFE, ANNY ORTLIP, RE-
SIDED IN THE CASTLE FROM ABOUT NINETEEN TWENTYONE UNTIL ABOUT NINETEEN
TWENTYFOUR AND LATER MOVED TO THE NEAREST HOUSE TO THIS PROPERTY NOW
OCCUPIED BY THEIR CHILDREN. THEY BOTH RESIDE AT HOUGHTON, NY AND ARE
ART INSTRUCTORS AT HOUGHTON COLLEGE. EXPEDITE.

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BUFFALO HAS BEEN ADVISED

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JAHAM. RE BALTIMORE TEL MARCH THIRD INSTANT. RE INFO SECURED FROM
LENORE THOMAS STRAUS. WFO WILL EXPEDITE INTERVIEW OF CHARLES WAGNER
AS SUGGESTED IN REF TEL AND SUTEL RESULTS. DURING INTERVIEW WITH
CHARLES WAGNER HE WILL ALSO BE ASKED FOR ANY INFO HE MAY HAVE CONCERNING
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JAHAN, PERJURY, ESP-R, IS-R. REBALTIMORETEL MAR. FIFTEEN INSTANT
RE SPIER FARM, GLEN GARDNER, NJ. MRS. SPIER INTERVIEWED TODAY AT HER
RESIDENCE AND SUPPLIED FOLLOWING INFO.-- SHE STATES SHE HAS KNOWN MRS.
CHAMBERS SINCE EARLY NINETEEN TWENTIES., AND SOMETIME AROUND NINETEEN
THIRTY TWO THE CHAMBERS MOVED TO THEIR FARM IN GLEN GARDNER. BELIEVED
THEY STAYED THERE IN NINETEEN THIRTY TWO AND POSSIBLY NINETEEN THIRTY-
THREE, BUT IS NOT SURE. DURING THIS TIME, CHAMBERS HAD NO APPARENT
MEANS OF SUPPORT, BUT SHE ASSUMED THAT HE WAS A COMMUNIST. SHE BELIEVED
MRS. CHAMBERS WAS NOT A PARTY MEMBER BECAUSE SHE DID NOT HAVE ENOUGH
TIME TO DEVOTE TO ANY CAUSE. SHE HAS NO RECOLLECTION OF HAVING
ANY KNOWLEDGE AT ANY TIME OF CONCEALED PAPERS NOR DOES SHE REM-
EMBER BEING PRESENT WHEN INSTANT PAPERS WERE RECOVERED AS STATED BY
MRS. CHAMBERS IN REF TEL. SHE FURTHER ADDED THAT SHE HAS NO KNOWLEDGE

OF EVER RECEIVING ANY INFO VERBALLY FROM EITHER OF THE CHAMBERS OF
OF PASSING THIS INFO ON TO ~~HER HUSBAND~~ MR. SPIER REINTERVIEWED
AT PLACE OF BUSINESS DISCLAIMED ANY KNOWLEDGE

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OF BEING PRESENT WHEN DOCUMENTS RECOVERED BY MRS. CHAMBERS. REITERATED THAT HE BELIEVES HE HEARD FROM HIS WIFE THAT WHEN THE GERMAN-AMERICAN BUND MOVED INTO THE VICINITY OF GLEN GARDNER, CHAMBERS FEARED A COMING CHAOS WITH THIS RISE OF NAZI FASCISM COUPLED WITH THE ECONOMIC DEPRESSION THAT WAS GOING ON AT THAT TIME AND AS A RESULT, CHAMBERS BURIED SOME DOCUMENTS. SPIER SAID THAT THE METAL CONTAINER MENTIONED BY MRS. CHAMBERS "RANG A BELL" BUT HE COULD NOT RECALL FURTHER THAN THIS. IT WAS HIS BELIEF THAT THE DOCUMENTS WERE BURIED NOT NEAR THE BARN OR IN A GARDEN PLOT BUT THEY WERE "BURIED IN THE WOODS LOCATED BEHIND THE BARN AND ACROSS THE MARSHY GROUND ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE STREAM." BOTH MR. AND MRS. SPIER APPEAR COOPERATIVE BUT CANNOT RECALL ANY OF THE INCIDENTS MENTIONED BY MRS. CHAMBERS NOR THE EXACT DATES OF THE CHAMBERS STAY AT THEIR FARM. BALTIMORE IS REQUESTED TO IMMEDIATELY REINTERVIEW MR. AND MRS. CHAMBERS FOR ANY FURTHER INFO CONCERNING THESE CONCEALED DOCUMENTS. SUTEL.

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S.O., New York

March 3, 1949

Director, FBI

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SPECIAL DELIVERY

In connection with a summary brief presently being prepared at the Bureau on all subjects of this case, you are instructed to furnish the following information to the Bureau.

Advise whether Chambers has identified a photograph of Alexander Petrovich Ulanovski, was., as being identical with the individual known to him as Ulrich.

Advise whether Chambers has identified a photograph of Joseph Juletti, was., as being identical to the subject recalled by him as "an Italian Communist," whose name was believed by Chambers to be "Mariano".

In the event the above information has been forwarded to the Bureau, you are instructed to furnish the date and type of communication containing the information.

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JAY DAVID MITCHELL CHAMBERS, et al.
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Reference is made to Washington Field Office letter to the Bureau dated February 15, 1949, reflecting the results of an interview with Henry Julian Madleigh. Further reference is made to Chicago teletype to the Bureau dated February 2, 1949 reflecting the results of an interview with Mrs. Carroll Daugherty, the former wife of Madleigh, who resides at Evanston, Illinois.

The Washington Field Office should obtain and exhibit a photograph of Albert Blumberg to Henry Madleigh in order that he can definitely identify Albert Blumberg as the individual named Blumberg who was a Professor of Philosophy at Johns Hopkins University, who visited Madleigh's apartment in the company of Eleanor Nelson in 1934 or 1935.

The Washington Field Office should also furnish a photograph of Albert Blumberg to the Chicago Office. Upon receipt of this photograph the Chicago Office should exhibit it to Mrs. Carroll Daugherty for possible identification and for any information she may have concerning that individual.

The New York Office should re-interview Hittaker Chambers concerning the statement made by Madleigh that toward the end of his association with Chambers the latter insisted upon paying him at the rate of \$50 per month, and that Chambers at this time did pay him \$50. Chambers made a similar payment on another occasion, according to Madleigh. Madleigh claimed that he was reluctant to accept this money and that Chambers told him that his cooperation was not founded on a monetary return. Madleigh stated that Chambers pressed him to take the payment and that he did so with the greatest reluctance.

The results of these interviews should be included in the next investigative report submitted by your offices.

cc: Chicago
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : *[Handwritten initials]*
GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

SUBJECT: J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, et al
PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R;
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

DATE: February 15, 1949

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Re Chicago teletype dated February 2, 1949, reflecting results of interview with Mrs. CARROLL DAUGHERTY, former wife of HENRY JULIAN WADLEIGH, at Evanston, Illinois, and Bulet to Washington Field Office dated February 9, 1949, requesting WADLEIGH be re-interviewed in connection with the Turkish or Persian rug he received, the identity of the unknown Professor of Physics at Johns Hopkins University, and whether or not CHAMBERS threatened to expose WADLEIGH if WADLEIGH did not lend CHAMBERS money. Also re New York teletype to Washington Field Office dated February 3, 1949, in connection with the present location of and availability of WADLEIGH's Turkish rug.

Please be advised that on Friday, February 11, 1949, WADLEIGH was interviewed by agents of the Washington Field Office.

In connection with the identity of the unknown Professor of Physics at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, who according to Mrs. DAUGHERTY induced WADLEIGH to enter espionage activities, WADLEIGH recalled that this individual was one BLUMBERG, a Professor of Philosophy at Johns Hopkins University who visited WADLEIGH's apartment in the company of ELEANOR NELSON in 1934 or 1935. WADLEIGH stated that this was the only time he had seen BLUMBERG. WADLEIGH recalled that the conversation during BLUMBERG's visit naturally turned to "liberalism" and the Communist Party. In connection with the term "liberalism", WADLEIGH advised that during that period of his life he was interested in problems concerning foreign relations of the United States and the sociological aspects of the United States' foreign policy. WADLEIGH recalled that HAROLD WILSON, with aliases, later told him that BLUMBERG was not in WILSON's espionage organization and probably had no knowledge of this organization. WADLEIGH advised that he has not seen nor heard of BLUMBERG since that visit. He advised that BLUMBERG definitely had "Communist Party views" and asserted that BLUMBERG sounded as though he was probably a member of the Communist Party.

WADLEIGH described BLUMBERG as follows:

Age (at present):	40 to 50 years (probably about 45)
Height:	5' 7" to 9"
Complexion:	dark
Build:	slender
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Characteristics:	definitely Jewish

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February 15, 1949

It is noted that this description of BLUMBERG is not altogether dissimilar from the physical description of ALBERT BLUMBERG, long known to the Bureau and the New York Division as former Legislative Director of the Communist Party.

In connection with the \$20.00 which CHAMBERS borrowed from WADLEIGH, WADLEIGH recalls that arrangements were made for this loan by CHAMBERS by a telephone call to WADLEIGH at the latter's office. CHAMBERS told WADLEIGH that he needed some money and that he was in fact starving and requested that WADLEIGH meet him on the street and make a loan to him. WADLEIGH thereupon immediately met CHAMBERS on a street which he recalls was in the vicinity of East Capitol. CHAMBERS asked WADLEIGH for \$10.00 and WADLEIGH advised that the smallest thing he had was a \$20.00 bill, which he gave CHAMBERS. CHAMBERS made no offer to refund WADLEIGH \$10.00 at that time nor did he ever repay this loan to WADLEIGH. WADLEIGH advised that he never mentioned this incident to HAROLD WILSON, with aliases, but has the recollection of advising ELEANOR NELSON that he loaned this money to CHAMBERS. WADLEIGH advised that ELEANOR NELSON at this time was of the opinion that CHAMBERS had approached no-one else in connection with a loan. WADLEIGH advised that he was under the impression that ELEANOR NELSON regarded him with some suspicion after he told her of this incident and that he consequently did not mention it to anyone else.

WADLEIGH advised that the suspicion that CHAMBERS had attempted to blackmail him was entirely in his own mind and was pure conjecture. He recalled that there were no threats by CHAMBERS and no implications on the part of CHAMBERS that he would expose WADLEIGH if WADLEIGH did not grant him this loan. WADLEIGH recalls that once CHAMBERS advised him, WADLEIGH, that he, CHAMBERS, was turning "bourgeoise" and that he, WADLEIGH, would "have to do the same". WADLEIGH advised that this was the only statement which CHAMBERS ever made to him which he could conceivably construe as a threat and that in his own mind he did not connect this statement with the loan he had made CHAMBERS.

In connection with the Turkish or Persian rug delivered by HAROLD WILSON, with aliases, to WADLEIGH, WADLEIGH recalled that this rug was in fact delivered to him by WILSON in his, WADLEIGH's, automobile sometime between Christmas, 1936 and New Years Day, 1937. He recalls that prior to the delivery of this rug, WILSON advised him that he would receive his rug as a New Years present. This statement by WILSON was made only a few days before delivery. It is WADLEIGH's recollection that on the date WILSON delivered this rug to him, he, WADLEIGH, received a telephone call at his office from WILSON indicating that the rug was ready for delivery, whereupon he met WILSON at some forgotten pre-arranged street corner.

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February 15, 1949

At this point, WILSON took WADLEIGH's car, was gone for several minutes, and returned with the rug. It is WADLEIGH's recollection that they then drove to his, WADLEIGH's, home with the rug. WADLEIGH cannot recall the exact date of this delivery nor the time of day at which these events occurred but he does recall that the rug finally arrived at his home in the evening. He advised that the clearest recollection that he has of this incident is the fact that he first saw the rug in the back seat of his own automobile and that WILSON was with him at the time.

He further recalls that WILSON advised him that the rug was a present from the Russian Apparatus with which he was associated. WADLEIGH also remembers that several days after the delivery of the rug he facetiously inquired of CHAMBERS if the duty on the rug were paid. He stated that CHAMBERS did not take kindly to this remark. WADLEIGH said that he associates this rug in his own mind with CHAMBERS.

In further connection with this rug, WADLEIGH advised that it was now stored at the Hintlian Rug Company, 1128 Connecticut Avenue, N. W., Washington, D. C. He stated that he would be pleased to allow the rug to be shipped to New York if the F. B. I. deemed it necessary and asked only that appropriate safeguards be taken to assure its return to him. It is noted that on February 14, 1949, New York was advised by teletype that this rug was available. Unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau, no efforts will be made to store this rug at the Washington Field Office. It is pointed out that such storage would only necessitate another link in the chain of evidence surrounding this rug.

and Chambers

It is further noted that WADLEIGH recalled in this interview that towards the last of his association with CHAMBERS, CHAMBERS insisted upon paying him at the rate of \$50.00 per month and at the time of this insistence paid him \$50.00. CHAMBERS paid WADLEIGH the sum of \$50.00 on one other occasion. WADLEIGH states that he was very reluctant to take this money and told CHAMBERS that his cooperation was not founded upon a monetary return. He further stated that CHAMBERS pressed him to take the payment and that he did so with the greatest reluctance. WADLEIGH cannot recall the dates of these two payments.

At this same interview, WADLEIGH recalled that in about 1937, CHAMBERS told him as a casual remark that he, CHAMBERS, had recently met a "GPU Man" in the United States and that "the GPU had a rival" in this country. WADLEIGH was unable to elaborate on these statements and advised that they had been made to him by CHAMBERS in a moment of confidence and that CHAMBERS himself made no further remarks in this regard.

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① JAHAM. RE WILLIAM ROSEN. LATTER-S ATTORNEY EMANUEL BLOCH, BEGAN ARGUMENT ON APPLICATION TO CCA FOR BAIL TODAY BUT COURT INTERRUPTED AFTER TWO OR THREE MINUTES AND SUGGESTED MATTER BE ARGUED ON MERITS MARCH EIGHTEEN NEXT. BLOCH AND SAAG DENIED AND ROSEN CONTINUES ON PAROLE TO BLOCH UNTIL THAT DATE.

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J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ET AL, PERJURY, ESP. R. RE A. GEORGE SILVERMAN FORMER FELLOW EMPLOYEE OF SILVERMANS AT AIR CORPS STATE SILVERMAN WAS BROUGHT INTO AIR CORPS BY GENERAL BENNET MYERS AND SERVED AS A SORT OF ASSISTANT TO MYERS DURING HIS PERIOD OF EMPLOYMENT THERE. IT IS THOUGHT THE BUREAU MAY WISH TO GIVE CONSIDERATION TO HAVING MYERS INTERVIEWED IN THIS MATTER.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

No employment record or application for employment for FELIX INSLERMAN found at Chance Vought or Sikorsky Aircraft Co., Stratford, Conn. or at United Aircraft Corp., East Hartford, Conn.

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REFERENCE:

Teletype from New York dated 1/19/49.
Teletype to the Bureau and New York dated 1/20/49.

DETAILS:

Mr. H. C. OWENS, Investigator, Plant Protection Dept., Chance Vought Aircraft Corp., Stratford, Conn., advised he was unable to locate any employment application or record for FELIX INSLERMAN at either the Chance Vought Aircraft Corp. or at the Sikorsky Aircraft Company in Bridgeport, Conn.

SA EDWARD R. WHALTY ascertained through Mr. EDWARD WALLACE, Chief, Internal Security Section, United Aircraft Corp., East Hartford, Conn., that no employment application or record for FELIX INSLERMAN could be located at this plant, these records covering the Pratt and Whitney Aircraft Corp. and the Hamilton Standard Propeller Co., of Hartford, Conn.

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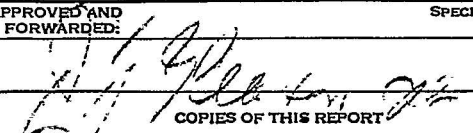
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IS - R. RE NY TEL JAN. FOURTEEN RE CHRONOLOGY OF THE HANDLING OF THE
ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS IN THIS CASE IDENTIFIED BY THE LABORATORY AS Q ONE
THRU Q SIXTYNINE. RICHARD F. CLEVELAND AND WILLIAM D. MACMILLAN,
BALTIMORE ATTORNEYS FOR CHAMBERS, TWENTYFIVE HUNDRED O-SULLIVAN BLDG.,
BALTO., FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING CHRONOLOGY ON JAN. SEVENTEEN INSTANT.
NOVEMBER FIFTEEN, NINETEEN FORTYEIGHT - CLEVELAND AND MACMILLAN WENT
WITH CHAMBERS TO CHAMBERS FARM AT WESTMINSTER, MD., WHERE CHAMBERS
FIRST EXHIBITED ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS. PUMPKIN FILM WAS NOT OBSERVED BY
CLEVELAND OR MACMILLAN ON THIS OCCASION. ALL THREE HANDLED DOCUMENTS
ON THIS OCCASION AND SUBSEQUENTLY DURING THIS CHRONOLOGY. CLEVELAND
AND MACMILLAN RETURNED TO BALTIMORE THAT NIGHT, AND CLEVELAND KEPT
ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS AT HIS HOME OVERNIGHT, WITHOUT SHOWING THEM TO ANYONE.
NOVEMBER SIXTEEN, LAST. CLEVELAND BROUGHT DOCUMENTS TO DOWNTOWN
BALTIMORE AND PLACED THEM IN HIS PERSONAL SAFE DEPOSIT BOX AT FIRST
NATIONAL BANK, BALTO. DURING MORNING OF THIS DAY, CLEVELAND REMOVED
ORIGINALS FROM SAFE DEPOSIT BOX AND HAD TWO PHOTOSTATIC COPIES MADE
BY ARTHUR E. EMERICK, CLERK IN CHARGE OF THE STOCKROOM AND PHOTOSTATING
DEPARTMENT AT THE BALTIMORE NATIONAL BANK, BALTO. Q FIVE THROUGH

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Q SIXTYNINE WERE OUT OF CLEVELANDS POSSESSION DURING SHORT PERIOD WHILE BEING PHOTOSTATED. ABOUT NOON OF THIS DATE, ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS AND TWO PHOTOSTATIC COPIES REPLACED BY CLEVELAND IN HIS SAFE DEPOSIT BOX AT FIRST NATIONAL BANK. DOCUMENTS OBSERVED OR HANDLED BY NO ADDL PERSONS ON THIS DATE EXCEPT EMERICK.

NOV. SEVENTEEN, LAST - ABOUT TWO PM, CLEVELAND REMOVED ORIGINALS AND TWO PHOTOSTATIC COPIES FROM HIS SAFE DEPOSIT BOX AND TOOK THEM TO THE PRETRIAL EXAMINATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE HISS-CHAMBERS LIBEL SUIT, BEING HELD IN THE OFFICE OF WILLIAM L. MARBURY, BALTIMORE ATTORNEY OF HISS, ONE THOUSAND MARYLAND TRUST BLDG., BALTIMORE. ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS WERE INTRODUCED AT PRETRIAL HEARING ON THE AFTERNOON OF THIS DATE BY CHAMBERS, AND WERE PROBABLY HANDLED AND REVIEWED IN A CURSORY MANNER BY ALL PERSONS PRESENT AT THE HEARING ON THAT DATE. CLEVELAND AND MARBURY STATED FOLLOWING PERSONS WERE PRESENT. CHARLES C. G. EVANS, MEMBER OF THE BALTIMORE LAW FIRM OF MARBURY, MILLER AND EVANS, WILLIAM L. MARBURY, HISS-S ATTORNEY, HAROLD ROSENWALD, ASSOCIATED AT THAT TIME WITH EDWARD C. MC LEAN AND BELIEVED AT THAT TIME TO BE EMPLOYED BY THE NEW YORK LAW FIRM OF DEBEVOISE, PLYMPTON AND MC LEAN, POSSIBLY FRANKLIN G. ALLEN, EMPLOYED BY THE MARBURY LAW FIRM, T. EDWARD MC DONALD, NOTARY PUBLIC AND COURT STENOGRAPHER OF BALTIMORE, TOGETHER WITH CLEVELAND AND MACMILLAN. ON THE AFTERNOON OF THIS DATE AT THE PRETRIAL HEARING, ORIGINALS WERE MARKED FOR IDENTIFICATION BY

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COURT STENOGRAPHER MC DONALD UNDER SUPERVISION OF CLEVELAND AND MACMILLAN. TWO PHOTOSTATIC COPIES THEN IN EXISTENCE WERE GIVEN SIMILAR MARKINGS AND ONE PHOTOSTATIC COPY WAS TURNED OVER AT THIS TIME TO MARBURY WHICH COPY WAS EVENTUALLY EXHIBITED TO ALGER HISS ON NOV. EIGHTEEN, LAST, AT NYC. ABOUT FOUR PM THIS DATE, ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS RETURNED BY CLEVELAND TO HIS PERSONAL SAFE DEPOSIT BOX AT FIRST NATIONAL BANK, BALTIMORE.

NOV. EIGHTEEN, LAST - DURING ENTIRE DAY ORIGINALS REMAINED IN CLEVELANDS SAFE DEPOSIT BOX AT FIRST NATIONAL BANK, BALTIMORE, AND WERE NOT HANDLED OR OBSERVED BY ANYONE.

NOV. NINETEEN, LAST - AT MIDAFTERNOON, ORIGINALS REMOVED FROM SAFE DEPOSIT BOX BY CLEVELAND AND BROUGHT TO HIS OFFICE IN THE OSULLIVAN BLDG., BALTO., WHERE CLEVELAND, MACMILLAN, CHAMBERS AND HAROLD R. MEDINA, JR., WERE PRESENT. MEDINA PROBABLY HANDLED AND EXAMINED ORIGINALS TO SOME EXTENT AT THIS TIME. MEDINA IS MEMBER OF LAW FIRM OF CRAVATH, SWAINE AND MOORE, FIFTEEN BROAD ST., NYC, WHICH CONCERN AT THAT TIME ^{Kisseloff-9289} REPRESENTED TIME, INC., IN CONNECTION WITH THE HISS-CHAMBERS LIBEL SUIT. ORIGINALS TURNED OVER TO MEDINA LATE AFTERNOON ON THIS DATE AND HE LEFT BALTIMORE BY TRAIN FOR NYC ABOUT SIX PM, WHERE IT IS UNDERSTOOD HE SUBSEQUENTLY TURNED ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS OVER TO A MAN BY THE NAME OF HILTON AT NYC FOR DOCUMENT EXAMINATION, MEDINA APPARENTLY HAVING MADE ARRANGEMENTS WITH HILTON FOR THIS EXAM PRIOR TO

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COMING TO BALTIMORE TO OBTAIN ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS. ORIGINALS REMAINED IN NYC IN POSSESSION OF MEDINA AND HILTON AND POSSIBLY OTHER UNKNOWN PERSONS FROM NOV. NINETEEN, LAST, TIL ABOUT TWO PM, NOV. TWENTYSIX, LAST, WHEN ORIGINALS WERE RETURNED TO CLEVELAND AT BALTIMORE BY AN ATTORNEY NAMED HILLING, EMPLOYED BY CRAVATH, SWAINE AND MOORE. HILLING UNDOUBTEDLY HANDLED AND OBSERVED ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS , BUT OTHER PERSONS WHO HANDLED AND OBSERVED THEM IN NYC UNKNOWN TO CLEVELAND OR MACMILLAN.

NOV. TWENTYSIX, LAST - ABOUT FOUR PM THIS DATE CLEVELAND PROCURED APPROPRIATE RECEIPT AND TURNED OVER ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS TO AGENTS DANIEL F. X. CALLAHAN AND FRANK G. JOHNSTONE, OF THIS OFFICE. ORIGINALS REMAINED IN THE SAFE IN THE BALTIMORE OFFICE UNTIL NOV. TWENTY NINE, LAST, WHEN THEY WERE TAKEN IN PERSON TO THE BUREAU BY SPECIAL EMPLOYEE GEORGE C. BRIGHT. FROM THE STANDPOINT OF LATENT FINGERPRINT EXAMINATION, AFTER ORIGINALS CAME INTO POSSESSION OF THE BALTIMORE OFFICE, ONLY PERSONS WHO POSSIBLY HANDLED SAME PRIOR TO REACHING THE BUREAU WERE SAS CALLAHAN AND JOHNSTONE. Kisseloff-9290

ON NOV. TWENTYTWO, LAST, CLEVELAND HAD TWO MORE PHOTOSTATIC COPIES OF DOCUMENTS MADE AT BALTIMORE NATIONAL BANK, BALTO., FROM THE ONE PHOTOSTATIC COPY THEN REMAINING IN HIS POSSESSION. ONE SUCH PHOTOSTATIC COPY SUBSEQUENTLY TURNED OVER BY CLEVELAND TO MEDINA, WHICH COPY EVENTUALLY WAS TURNED OVER TO H.C.U.A. BY MEDINA AT WASHINGTON, DC,

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ON DECEMBER FOUR, LAST, IN ANSWER TO A SUBPOENA SERVED ON CLEVELAND BY HCUA. SECOND PHOTOSTATIC COPY TURNED OVER BY CLEVELAND ON NOV. TWENTYFOUR, LAST, TO AGENTS CALLAHAN AND JOHNSTONE, OF THE BALTO. OFFICE, WHICH COPY WAS SUBSEQUENTLY FORWARDED TO THE BUREAU ON NOV. TWENTYSIX, LAST. CLEVELAND AND MACMILLAN CLAIM THERE WERE NEVER MORE THAN FOUR PHOTOSTATIC COPIES IN EXISTENCE AND ALL FOUR HAVE BEEN

ACCOUNTED FOR ABOVE. BOTH CLEVELAND AND MACMILLAN STATE THAT AT NO TIME, TO THEIR KNOWLEDGE, HAS EITHER ALGER OR PRISCILLA HISS HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXAMINE ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS AS NEITHER WAS EVER PRESENT WHEN, CLEVELAND AND MACMILLAN HAD ORIGINALS IN THEIR POSSESSION AND CONTROL.

SUGGEST THAT NEW YORK INTERVIEW HAROLD R. MEDINA, JR., FOR SIMILAR CHRONOLOGY OF THE HANDLING OF ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS WHILE THEY WERE IN HIS POSSESSION AND CONTROL, WHICH WILL PROBABLY INVOLVE INTERVIEWING HILTON, HILLING, AND POSSIBLY OTHER PERSONS WHO HAD ORIGINALS IN THEIR POSSESSION DURING THE WEEK THEY WERE IN NYC, FROM THE EVENING OF NOV. NINETEEN, UNTIL TWO PM, NOV. TWENTYSIX, LAST. BALTIMORE ENDEAVORING TO OBTAIN ADDL TYPEWRITTEN SPECIMENS EMANATING FROM ALGER OR PRISCILLA HISS THRU EDWARD WILLIAM CASE, REAL ESTATE DEALER, TWO ONE ONE EAST MAIN ST., WESTMINSTER, MD., WITH WHOM BOTH HISS AND CHAMBERS DEALT IN NINETEEN THIRTY SIX FOR THE SAME FARM LOCATED NEAR WESTMINSTER, MD. IN THIS REGARD, REFER REPORT OF SA H. EDGAR LENTZ, DATED

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SEPTEMBER TEN, LAST, AT BALTIMORE, MD., IN CASE ENTITLED "J. D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WA, JAY CHAMBERS, ALGER HISS, PERJURY" COPIES OF WHICH WERE FURNISHED TO NYC. PAGE FOUR OF THIS REPORT REFLECTS THAT ON AUGUST TWENTYSEVEN, LAST, CASE TURNED OVER ALL AVAILABLE ~~ALL AVAILABLE~~ CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN HIMSELF AND HISS OR BETWEEN HIMSELF AND CHAMBERS TO DONALD T. APPELL, INVESTIGATOR FOR HCUA, IN ANSWER TO THEIR SUBPOENA FOR SUCH RECORDS. CLEVELAND, CHAMBERS ATTORNEY AT BALTIMORE, NOW HAS ALL THIS CORRESPONDENCE IN HIS POSSESSION, SAME HAVING BEEN OBTAINED FROM HCUA BY NICK VEZZANA, A PRIVATE INVESTIGATOR FROM NEW YORK WHO WAS CONDUCTING INVESTIGATION IN THE FALL OF FORTY-EIGHT IN BEHALF OF CHAMBERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE HISS-CHAMBERS LIBEL SUIT, FOR CRAVATH, SWAINE AND MOORE. CLEVELAND NOW STATES THAT AMONG ABOVE CORRESPONDENCE OBTAINED BY VEZZANA FROM HCUA, THERE WAS ONE TYPEWRITTEN LETTER FROM HISS TO CASE, PROBABLY DATED IN NINETEEN THIRTYSIX, WHICH LETTER CLEVELAND STATES IS IN MEDINAS POSSESSION IN NYC OR AT LEAST THE WHEREABOUTS OF SAME KNOWN TO MEDINA. SUGGEST THAT NEW YORK OBTAIN THIS LETTER THROUGH MEDINA AND SUBMIT TO LABORATORY FOR COMPARISON WITH QUESTIONED DOCUMENTS. ALSO SUGGEST THAT NEW YORK INTERVIEW MEDINA AND VEZZANA TO ASCERTAIN IF THEY OBTAINED ANY ADDL TYPEWRITTEN SPECIMENS EMANATING FROM ALGER OR PRISCILLA HISS OR HAVE

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ANY KNOWLEDGE OF THE WHEREABOUTS OF ANY SUCH SPECIMENS WHICH WERE NOT AVAILABLE TO THEM AS PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS, BUT WHICH MIGHT BE ACCESSIBLE TO THE BUREAU. BALTIMORE CONTINUING INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE OTHER POSSIBLE TYPEWRITTEN LETTERS BETWEEN HISS AND CASE FOR SIMILAR EXAMINATION.

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Reference is made to the report of SA John J. O'Toole, Jr., dated February 24, 1949, at Albany, New York.

The last sentence in paragraph four, page two, should be changed to read as follows:

"She stated that she believed that Beatrice Heiman was a member of that organization, or had at least attended several meetings of the organization". The New York office should make this correction in Mr. T. J. Donegan's copy of this report.

The above correction is being made in the reports received at the Bureau.

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Reference is made to the report of Special Agent Ludwig W. E. Oberndorf, dated March 1, 1949, at Washington, D. C. Inasmuch as the following leads are suggested by the details of this report, which sets forth no undeveloped leads, it is requested that they be covered if not already handled:

On page five, Mr. Elliot H. Myer advised that he met Fritz Weiner at the home of Alger Hiss.

On page twelve, John E. Kane informed that he knew very little of Alger Hiss' close associates, but believed that one Telford Taylor worked rather closely with Alger Hiss.

Fritz Weiner and Telford Taylor should be interviewed for any pertinent information which they may have regarding this case.

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