

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, New York

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

DATE: April 15, 1949

During a recent conference with Assistant United States Attorney THOMAS F. MURPHY, Southern District of New York, relative to the prosecution of ALGER HISS on the Perjury indictment, Mr. MURPHY advised Agents of this office that he has been told informally by Mr. JAMES M. McINERNEY of the Tax Division, Department of Justice, that representatives of HISS have indicated in Washington an interest in examining the files of the Justice Department and the State Department with respect to the "AMERASIA" case (PHILIP JACOB JAFFE, was., ETAL - ESPIONAGE - X; New York file 65-14461).

Mr. McINERNEY apparently furnished no further details to Mr. MURPHY in this regard and it is not known if a formal request has been made by the defense for inspection of such files, and if so what action may have been taken over such request.

Mr. MURPHY also commented that this phase of instant matter has been mentioned very briefly by himself to Mr. RAYMOND P. WHEARTY of the Criminal Division and that the latter has indicated that the Department on its own is conducting some sort of an examination of the "AMERASIA" situation, apparently to determine whether or not the situation there was analogous to that in this case with respect to the abstraction of official Government files and the transmittal thereof of unauthorized persons outside the Government.

Mr. THOMAS J. DONEGAN, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, has advised that Mr. WHEARTY has informed him that two individuals in the Criminal Division checked on the "AMERASIA" situation and that "There was nothing to it". Mr. WHEARTY did not indicate to Mr. DONEGAN whether or not contact was had by him with the Bureau on this matter and although it is felt that the

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Bureau is probably aware of the interest manifested by the defense in the "AMERASIA" situation, it is being furnished herein in the event Mr. WHEARTY has not informed the Bureau.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
FROM : SAC, New York
SUBJECT: JAHAM

DATE: May 10, 1949

PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R

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It is respectfully requested that this matter receive expeditious attention inasmuch as the trial is presently set for May 23, 1949.

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Director, FBI

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SAC, New York

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SUBJECT: ESPIONAGE - R

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, San Diego

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

DATE: May 9, 1949

Re Washington Field Division letter to Bureau dated April 8, 1949.

For the information of the Washington Field Division, there is being enclosed herewith one copy of the report of SA NORMAN S. HIGSON dated March 25, 1949, at San Diego, California, which reflects the results of an interview of LEONARD HOWARD DE CAUX and his wife, CAROLINE, on March 2, 1949.

In a cover letter to the Bureau, which was forwarded with referenced report, it was pointed out that the attitude of both DE CAUX and his wife was one of hostile reticence and that during the course of the entire interview, they attempted to slant inquiries toward CIO matters and denounced investigations which "interfered with Constitutional rights and which are designed to smear the reputation of anyone, who has worked for the cause of labor".

Neither DE CAUX nor his wife would volunteer any information and in response to a direct final question, each categorically denied any knowledge of Espionage activities on behalf of any of their associates in Washington, D. C.

In view of the fact that DE CAUX and his wife have been interviewed and since their attitude at that time was highly uncooperative, a second interview at the present time would appear to serve no purpose. For this reason, the interview requested in the referenced letter by the Washington Field Division will not be conducted unless the San Diego Office is otherwise advised.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

To: SAC, Washington Field

May 10, 1949

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on April 8, 1949.

Re: JAHAM
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J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

YOUR FILE NO.
FBI FILE NO.
LAB. NO.

7-233-3063
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Examination requested by: Washington Field

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Reference: Letter dated April 8, 1949

Examination requested: Document

Specimens:

The following are originals of photostatic copies previously submitted:

- K549 Letterhead stationery of Department of State, Division of Trade Agreements, dated January 8, 1936, typewritten letter beginning "A-3 Mr. Seyre: I am returning the German ...".
- K550 Page two of typewritten letter beginning "Mr. Darlington points out ...", handwritten signature "HARRY C. HANKINS".
- K551 Letter typewritten on letterhead stationery of Department of State, Division of Trade Agreements, dated December 31, 1937, beginning "Mr. Hankins: I am returning the Aide Memoire ...".
- K552 Page number 2, beginning "critical of its commercial policy; ...".
- K553 Page number 3, beginning "field of general currency ...".
- K554 Page number 4, beginning "same words on another occasion ...".
- K555 Page number 5, beginning "have undergone an appreciable change ...".
- K556 Page number 6, beginning "of Party men have gained entrance, ...".
- K557 Page number 7, beginning "give a reply of negative nature ...".
- K558 Page number 8, beginning "method of carrying on trade ...".
- K559 Page number 9, beginning "an agreement upon Germany and ...".
- K560 Page number 10, beginning "German Imports of Cotton ...".
- K561 Page number 11, beginning "trade. That is needed now ...".

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- K562 Page number 12, beginning "An interim agreement should ...".
- K563 Page number 13, beginning "most-favored-nation treatment ...".
- K564 Page number 14, beginning "best politics of all, at any time, ...".
- K565 Page number 15, beginning "proof to the German people ...".
- K566 Page number 16, beginning "come from the one least ...".
- K567 One page dated December 31, 1937, beginning "MEMORANDUM The United States Government ...".
- K568 Page number 2, beginning "convinced that the interests ...".
- K569 Page number 3, beginning "The United States is not unaware ...".
- K569A Page number 4, beginning "Germany during the interim ...".
- K570 One page beginning "Aide - Memoire. I. Die Deutsche Regierung ...".
- K571 Page number 2, beginning "Wungen auch der Urheber des ...".
- K572 Page number 3, beginning "Generaten 'repräsentativen Periode' ...".
- K573 Page number 4, beginning "wesentliche Grundlagen seiner ...".
- K574 Page number 5, beginning "der Kompensation usw. sind ...".
- K575 Page number 6, beginning "finden, welche zu der ...".
- K576 Page number 7, beginning "Staaten gewahren gewissen anderen ...".
- K577 Page number 8, beginning "ten auf eine neue, die ...".
- K578 Page number 9, beginning "wird, das die Deutsche ...".
- K579 Page number 10, beginning "Zusammenwirken dieser beiden ...".
- K580 Page number 11, beginning "Die Ausfuhr der Vereinigten ...".
- K581 Page number 12, beginning "Vereinigten Staaten Automobile ...".
- K582 Page number 13, beginning "Beteiligung Deutschlands und der ...".
- K583 Page number 14, beginning "sollen nicht die Rede ...".
- K584 One page entitled "TELEGRAM RECEIVED", dated at Paris, January 13, 1938, to Secretary of State, Washington, beginning "Dr. Tsiang stated that on the other hand ...".
- K585 One page, message beginning "to Drumei in Sinkiang and ...".
- K586 One page entitled "TELEGRAM RECEIVED", dated at Paris, January 13, 1938, to Secretary of State, Washington, beginning "Dr. Tsiang stated that the whole ...".
- K587 One page entitled "TELEGRAM RECEIVED", dated at Paris, January 13, 1938, to Secretary of State, Washington, beginning "The road from that point ...", ending "BULLITT".
- K588 One page entitled "TELEGRAM RECEIVED", dated at Paris, January 13, 1938, to Secretary of State, Washington, beginning "Dr. Tingfu Tsiang recently resigned ...".
- K589 One page, message beginning "a reply. He stated that he had ...", ending "BULLITT".
- K590 One page entitled "TELEGRAM RECEIVED", dated January 13, 1938, to Secretary of State, Washington, beginning "Peiping and Hankow please transmit ...", ending "SOKOCHIN".
- K591 One page entitled "CORRECTED COPY", dated at Hankow, January 11, 1938, to Secretary of State, Washington, beginning "Following for War Department ...".

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- K592 Page number 2, beginning "suggest nothing better, but they ...".
 K593 Page number 3, beginning "results will be disappointing ...",
 ending "JOHNSON".
 K594 One page entitled "AIDE MEMOIRE", beginning "The German Ambassador ...".
 K595 Page number 2, beginning "not constitute a threat of ...".
 K596 Page number 3, beginning "this reply. The Ambassador ...".
 K597 Page number 4, beginning "tating bilateral trade agreements ...".
 K598 Page number 5, beginning "ertain reasonable and recognized ...".
 K599 Page number 6, beginning "tries, for whatever reasons they ...".
 K600 Page number 7, beginning "arrangement by German regulations ...".
 K601 Page number 8, beginning "competitors of non-German residences ...".
 K602 Page number 9, beginning "which is reputed to amount ...".
 K603 Page number 10, beginning "The problem which such ...".
 K604 Page number 11, beginning "the trade agreement between the ...".
 K605 Page number 12, beginning "financing the Brazilian Government ...".

RESULTS OF EXAMINATION:

It was concluded that the original of each of the photographs from the microfilm listed below in the left column and each of the State Department original documents listed opposite were made by one typing run. That is, the original of Qc74 and K549 were both typed at one time.

Qc74	K549
Qc75	K550
Qc77	K552
Qc78	K553
Qc79	K554
Qc80	K555
Qc81	K556
Qc82	K557
Qc83	K558
Qc84	K559
Qc85	K560
Qc86	K561
Qc87	K562
Qc88	K563
Qc89	K564
Qc90	K565
Qc91	K566

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It was concluded that the original documents depicted on the photographs made from the microfilms listed below on the left are different documents than the original documents of the State Department listed opposite. However, the wording in each photograph is verbatim with its corresponding State Department document. For example, the

typed wording on specimen Qc76 is verbatim with the typed wording on K551 although K551 is not the original of Qc76.

Qc76	K551
Qc92	K567
Qc93	K568
Qc94	K569
Qc95	K569A

With reference to specimens Qc96 through Qc109, Qc120 through Qc131, K570 through K583, K594 through K605, the following observations and conclusions were reached. There are certain marks appearing on most of the microfilm photographs that appear in the same relative positions on the corresponding State Department documents. This in itself indicates the possibility that such microfilm photographs are from the corresponding State Department documents. However, there are also marks appearing on these photographs which are not present on the corresponding documents and vice versa. This may be due to fine particles of dust or fibers that have fallen off the original documents from the time the microfilm photographs were made. These differences prevent a definite conclusion in this respect. However, it can be stated that either the above is true or that the originals of the microfilm photographs and their corresponding State Department documents listed below opposite each other came from common typing runs. That is, Qc96 originates photographically from the original document K570 or the original of Qc96 and K570 came from a common typing run.

Qc96	K570
Qc97	K571
Qc98	K572
Qc99	K573
Qc100	K574
Qc101	K575
Qc102	K576
Qc103	K577
Qc104	K578
Qc105	K579
Qc106	K580
Qc107	K581
Qc108	K582
Qc109	K583
Qc120	K594
Qc121	K595
Qc122	K596
Qc123	K597
Qc124	K598

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Qc125	K599
Qc126	K600
Qc127	K601
Qc128	K602
Qc129	K603
Qc130	K604
Qc131	K605

With reference to specimens Qc110 through Qc119, K584 through K593 the following conclusions were reached.

It was concluded that each of the originals of the microfilm photographs and each of the State Department documents listed below opposite each other originate from common stencils. That is, the original of Qc110 and K584, were made by one stencil.

Qc110	K584
Qc111	K585
Qc112	K586
Qc113	K587
Qc114	K588
Qc115	K589
Qc116	K590
Qc117	K591
Qc118	K592
Qc119	K593

There were also submitted 32 pages of State Department documents. Most of the pages were stapled to the evidence listed at the beginning of this report and were possibly submitted as part of the entire file. Inasmuch as the originals of State Department documents Kc549 through Kc569, Kc569A through Kc605 were submitted, no examination was made of the 32 pages also submitted and they were returned to the Washington Field Office along with the above listed State Department documents on May 6, 1949, photographic copies having been retained in the files of the Laboratory.

Attention is called to the fact that this report covers the examination and comparison of original State Department documents with the photographs representing the microfilm, Grand Jury exhibits #47 and #48, F.B.I. Laboratory numbers Qc74 through Qc131. Laboratory report D-94795 BU dated March 11, 1949 directed to the Washington Field Office, carbon copies of which were sent to all offices receiving copies of this report, set forth the results of a comparison of the microfilm Qc74 through Qc131 with photostatic copies of the State Department documents.

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It should be noted that the instant report differs from report D-94795 BU only in regard to specimens Qc110 through Qc119 and K584 through K593. It is now concluded that the originals of the microfilm photographs Qc110 through Qc119, and their corresponding State Department documents K584 through K593 were made by common stencils.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. R. T. Harbo *RD*

FROM : J. A. Sizoo *JAS*

SUBJECT: 0 JAHAM

DATE: April 20, 1949

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
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You will recall that sometime ago we made a comparison of photographic prints made from Grand Jury Exhibits #47 and #48 with photostatic copies of certain documents found in the State Department's records. Grand Jury Exhibits #47 and #48 are 35 mm microfilm negatives which have hretofore been referred to as "pumpkin film". Our report dated March 11, 1949, reflected that in our comparison between the photographic prints made from these negatives and the photostats of the State Department documents submitted by the Washington Field Office we determined that all photographic prints contained the same verbatim content as the corresponding State Department photostats. In some instances our conclusions went beyond that stating that the document shown in the photographic print and the corresponding State Department photostat were prepared as a result of a common typing run or came from a common stencil.

The question has since been raised as to whether or not it would be desirable that a comparison be made between the photographic prints prepared from Grand Jury Exhibits #47 and #48 and the now available State Department documents themselves in addition to the comparison previously made between the photographic prints and photostats of these State Department documents. A teletype was forwarded to the New York Office requesting that that Office discuss the matter with the officials handling the prosecution of this case. The teletype pointed out the possibility that the court might request such a comparison during the trial and that this would cause some delay in the trial. The Washington Field Office was requested to obtain the originals of these documents and forward them to the Laboratory, in the event such a comparison was requested. The attached teletype has now been received from the New York Office in which it is pointed out that AUSA MURPHY, who is apparently planning to handle this case in court, was not available for consultation. However, it was discussed with SAAG DONEGAN, who stated that he felt the original State Department documents should be examined.

Before we proceed with this examination, it is felt that the Bureau should be officially apprised of the amount of work involved to make the type of comparison which was previously made from the photostats. On the basis of the photostats of the State Department documents it would require at least one week, or possibly two weeks' time of Mr. FEEHAN, who is handling this case. There is some doubt in my mind whether the further examination will add anything materially to the case. FEEHAN is already in the position to testify that the documents depicted in Grand Jury Exhibits #47 and #48 contain identically the

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same information as that appearing on the corresponding photostats of the State Department documents. It would seem that the question of whether or not identically the same document is involved does not add materially to the case but that the contents of the document is the matter of real pertinence. Furthermore, from information furnished by the Washington Field Office, it is considered highly unlikely by representatives of the State Department who were contacted that the same original documents now available in the State Department would have been available to HISS or anyone else for photographing as was apparently done. The documents now available in the State Department are referred to as file copies and they feel that most of the documents photographed and now shown in Grand Jury Exhibits #47 and #48 were information copies which would have since been destroyed. This matter is not entirely clear as reflected by the letter of April 8, 1949, from the Washington Field Office which is attached.

It should be noted in this connection that, when the Bureau first instructed the Washington Field Office to obtain photostatic copies of the State Department documents which corresponded with the documents depicted in the Grand Jury Exhibits referred to herein, the Investigative Division did not contemplate a detailed Laboratory examination between each corresponding document in an effort to determine if the same identical document was involved, but only planned to show that the content of each was identical.

I understand the State Department has requested the return of the original documents as soon as possible.

I believe it would be desirable that this matter be discussed with New York by telephone in some detail in order that the problem will be fully understood and in order that we may avoid any work which will be unproductive.

RECOMMENDATION: That you discuss this entire problem with Mr. FLETCHER of the Security Investigative Division to determine the desires of that Division in the matter and give consideration to a further discussion of this problem with the New York Office in order that that office in turn may further discuss it with AUSA MURPHY and SAAG DONEGAN.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI Attn: FBI Laboratory

FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field

SUBJECT: 0 JAHAM

DATE: April 8, 1949

(Handwritten initials in a circle)

F. L. Jones
[Signature]

There are enclosed herewith original State Department file copies of State Department documents constituting Grand Jury Exhibits #47 and #48. Whereas this office has previously submitted photostatic copies of these documents to the Laboratory, the original documents are now being transmitted to aid in the examination.

The present problem is that of positively identifying the microfilm documents as being identical with those received from the State Department. Inasmuch as the actual papers from which the microfilm was made are no longer in existence, with the exception of the AIDE MEMOIRE dated July 21, 1937 (Grand Jury Exhibits #48-37 through #48-48), it will be impossible to produce these papers as evidence.

It is requested that the Laboratory make an examination of the documents to effect positive identification of the microfilm documents.

The Laboratory is requested to return the original documents to the Washington Field Office as expeditiously as possible in order that they may be returned to the State Department.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK**

FILE NO. **SD 65-1573**

REPORT MADE AT SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA	DATE WHEN MADE 5/9/49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 5/3,6/49	REPORT MADE BY NORMAN S. HIGSON, SA MJA
TITLE JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, Was., ET AL			CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R; INTERNAL SECURITY - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Neither the North Park Branch, Bank of America, or First National Trust and Savings Bank, the only other bank in the North Park area at San Diego, Calif., has any record of HISS' account or deposit on September 7, 1940.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau File Number **74-1333**

Report of SA J. BERNARD COOK (A) dated 3/14/49 at Washington, D. C.

DATE **7/22/87** BY **SP7 mac/jen**
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DETAILS:

AT SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA:

A photostatic copy of an analysis of a checking account in the names of ALGER and FRISCILLA HISS contains an entry dated September 7, 1940, reflecting deposits of two checks in the amount of \$65.13 each at the "Bank of America, North Pk. Br. San Diego". This entry is followed by a question mark contained in parenthesis.

W. C. OSBORN, Assistant Cashier, North Park Branch, Bank of America, examined the records of that bank and reported that such records contained no reference to an account in the names of ALGER and FRISCILLA HISS. Mr. OSBORN searched the signature cards, which reflect the names of all individuals who have had an account at that bank at any time. This file failed to reflect any record of

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ALGER or PRISCILLA HISS. OSBORN then searched the ledger sheets of that bank for the month of September, 1940 and reported that he was unable to locate any deposit to the credit of ALGER or PRISCILLA HISS on September 7th, or any other day of September, 1940.

Mr. OSBORN said that to his knowledge there is no other branch of the Bank of America designated as the North Park Branch. He said that the only other bank in the North Park area of San Diego is the 30th and University Branch of the First National Trust and Savings Bank.

Mr. S. W. TIRRELL, Assistant Cashier, 30th and University Branch, First National Trust and Savings Bank, searched his records and reported that that bank had never carried an account in the names of ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS. He reported that a search of the signature cards maintained by that branch failed to reveal any record of an account in the name of HISS. TIRRELL searched the Bankers' Guide and said that he was unable to locate any bank, which was known as the North Park Bank, aside from the Branch Bank of America bearing that designation.

Mr. O. C. JENSEN, Vice-President, Bank of America, San Diego, California, Main Branch, said that he was not aware of any Branch Bank of America known as the North Park Branch, other than that in which W. C. OSBORN is Assistant Cashier.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK

FILE NO.

65-1573

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THE SAN DIEGO DIVISION:

AT LA HABRA, CALIFORNIA:

Will report the results of recent investigation concerning
the activities of JOHN LOOMIS SHERMAN.

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0 JAHAM, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE R, INTERNAL SECURITY R. IN CONNECTION WITH THE PREPARATION OF THE TRIAL OF INSTANT CASE, AUSA MURPHY HAS REQUESTED THAT A REVIEW OF THE BALTIMORE NEWSPAPERS BE MADE FOR ANY INFORMATION THAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN PUBLISHED CONCERNING THE MARRIAGE OF ALGER AND PRISCILLA ^{CHISS} HISS ON DECEMBER ELEVENTH, TWENTY NINE IN BALTIMORE. IF ANY INFO IS OBTAINED IT IS SUGGESTED THAT IF POSSIBLE COPY OF THIS NEWS-PAPER CONTAINING THE PUBLICATION BE OBTAINED AND IF THIS IS NOT POSSIBLE THAT A PHOTOSTATIC COPY OF THE PERTINENT MATERIAL BE FORWARDED TO THIS OFFICE PRIOR TO THE TRIAL DATE.

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Reference is made to the report of Special Agent James L. Kirkland, Philadelphia, Pa., dated March 18, 1949 in the case entitled "Jay David Whittaker Chambers, with aliases; etal, Perjury; Espionage - R; Internal Security - R".

The information contained therein concerning subject beginning on page 8 should be re-submitted in a report under the above caption. New York is the office of origin.

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IMMEDIATE ATTN OF H. L. FLETCHER.

JAHAM. IN CONNECTION WITH PREPARATION TRIAL INSTANT CASE, SAAG
 DONEGAN AND AUSA MURPHY REQUEST THE PRESENCE IN NYC ON THE MORNING
OF MAY SIXTEENTH OF THE FBI LAB TECHNICIAN WHO MADE ALL THE TYPING
EXAMINATIONS IN INSTANT CASE. ALSO DESIRE ANY CHARTS TECHNICIAN
HAS MADE IN CONNECTION WITH EXAMINATIONS BE AVAILABLE IN NY ON
 SAME DAY FOR PRE-TRIAL CONFERENCE. THEY ALSO DESIRE TO BE ADVISED
 THE NAME OF THE FBI LAB TECHNICIAN WHO PREPARED PRINTS FROM THE
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cc: Mr. Fletcher
H. P. J.

Assistant Attorney General Alexander M. Campbell
Criminal Division
Attention: Mr. Raymond P. Whearty
Director, FBI

May 12, 1949

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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was. et al.
PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

During a recent conversation between agents of the New York Office of this Bureau and T. J. Donegan, Special Assistant to the Attorney General, and Assistant United States Attorney Thomas F. Murphy, Southern District of New York, who are handling the prosecution in this case, Messrs. Donegan and Murphy requested that a transcript of the testimony taken by the House Committee on Un-American Activities pertaining to the Tass-Chambers matter be made available to them in the immediate future.

The New York Office has in its possession a copy of the House Committee on Un-American Activities testimony taken through September 9, 1948 which has been made available to Mr. Donegan. However, they requested that a transcript of the testimony subsequent to September 9, 1948 be obtained and made available to them if possible.

No action is being taken by this Bureau to obtain the desired transcript in accordance with the procedure which has been followed in this matter. The request is being brought to your attention in the event you may wish to take appropriate steps to secure the transcript desired by Messrs. Donegan and Murphy.

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JAHAM. REURTEL MAY THIRTEEN LAST. WALTER H. ANDERSON, CHIEF, DIVISION OF COMMUNICATIONS AND RECORDS, ROOM ELEVEN SIXTYSIX NEW STATE DEPARTMENT BUILDING, WASHINGTON, D. C., TELEPHONE EXTENSION TWENTYTWO HUNDRED SIX, IS PROPER PERSON ON WHOM A SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM FOR THE PRODUCTION ~~OF~~ ^{AND} INTRODUCTION AT TRIAL OF THE ORIGINAL STATE DEPARTMENT DOCUMENTS INSTANT CASE SHOULD BE DIRECTED. MR. ANDERSON HAS BEEN ADVISED OF MR. DONEGAN'S REQUEST RE A CONFERENCE WITH HIM PRIOR TO MAY TWENTYTHREE NEXT, EXACT DATE AND TIME UNKNOWN, WHICH IS BEING LEFT TO DISCRETION OF MESSRS. DONEGAN AND MURPHY.

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JAHAM. SAAG T. J. DONEGAN REQUESTS THAT THE BUREAU DETERMINE FROM THE STATE DEPT. THE IDENTITY OF THE INDIVIDUAL IN THE STATE DEPT., AND HIS OFFICIAL CAPACITY, WHO WILL BE SERVED WITH SUBPOENA DUCES TECUM FOR THE PRODUCTION AND INTRODUCTION AT TRIAL OF THE ORIGINAL STATE DEPT. DOCUMENTS IN INSTANT CASE. DONEGAN FURTHER REQUESTS THAT THIS INDIVIDUAL BE ADVISED THAT BOTH HE AND AUSA T. F. MURPHY DESIRE TO CONFER WITH HIM PRIOR TO MAY TWENTY THIRD NEXT, TRIAL DATE, AND TO EXAMINE WITH HIM THESE DOCUMENTS.

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May 4, 1949

JAY DAVID LITTLETON GREEN, WAS; ET AL.
INTERNAL SECURITY - R.

For your confidential information, Jerry Green, of the Washington Times Herald, recently advised the Bureau that he lives at 3427 O Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C., a row house, and he understands that neighborhood inquiries by Bureau Agents have been conducted on O Street between 34th and 35th Streets to determine whether Alger Hiss has been going into one of the houses four doors removed from Green's house, where a woman resides whom Green considered to be politically unclean.

Green stated he wanted to advise the Bureau that the neighbors have been lying to Bureau Agents who have been exhibiting photographs of Hiss in that neighborhood since he, Green, claims that he knows on good authority that the neighbors, whom he described as a couple of individuals some ninety years of age, denied that they recognized the photographs when, as a matter of fact, they have seen Hiss going in and out of this house.

The above is being furnished to you for your information and no contact should be had by your office with Jerry Green.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: March 14, 1949

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT: ALGER HISS
WHITTAKER CHAMBERS

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Jerry Green phoned this afternoon stating that he lives at 3427 O Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., a row house, and that he understands from neighborhood inquiries that Bureau Agents have been conducting on O Street between 34th and 35th an investigation as to whether Alger Hiss has been going into one of the houses four doors removed from Green's place, where a woman resides whom Green considers politically unclean. Green stated he wanted to tip us off that the neighbors have been lying to the Bureau Agents who have been exhibiting photographs of Hiss in that neighborhood as he has it on good authority that the neighbors, whom he described as a couple of flannel-mouthed old babes 90 years old, denied they recognized the photographs, but that, as a matter of fact, they have seen Hiss going in and out of this house.

Green stated he had advice from a Navy Captain who lived in that neighborhood but who is now out of the picture, and understood from this person that the neighbors lied to Bureau Agents exhibiting photographs of Hiss. Green stated if we wanted to have any Agents talk about this angle he would be more than glad to talk to them.

It is recommended this information be furnished to the Security Division.

cc: Mr. Ladd

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