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MR. JOHN R GREENEWALD **SUITE 1203** 27305 WEST LIVE OAK ROAD CASTAIC, CA 91384

> FOIPA Request No.: 1505654-001 Subject: GRAY, OSCAR SOUTH

#### Dear Mr. Greenewald:

The enclosed 22 pages of records were determined to be responsive to your subject and were previously processed and released pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Please see the selected paragraphs below for relevant information specific to your request as well as the enclosed FBI FOIPA Addendum for standard responses applicable to all requests.

✓ In an effort to provide you with responsive records as expeditiously as possible, we are releasing documents from previous requests regarding your subject. We consider your request fulfilled. Since we relied on previous results, additional records potentially responsive to your subject may exist. If this release of previously processed material does not satisfy your request, you may request an additional search for records. Submit your request by mail to Initial Processing Operations Unit, 200 Constitution Drive, Winchester, VA 22602, or by fax to (540) 868-4997. Please cite the FOIPA Request Number in your correspondence. Please be advised that additional records responsive to your subject exist. If this release of previously processed material does not satisfy your request, you must advise us that you want the additional records processed. Please submit your response within thirty (30) days by mail to Initial Processing Operations Unit, 200 Constitution Drive, Winchester, VA 22602, or by fax to (540) 868-4997.. Please cite the FOIPA Request Number in your correspondence. If we do not receive your decision within thirty (30) days of the date of this notification, your request will be closed. One or more of the enclosed records were transferred to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). Although we retained a version of the records previously processed pursuant to the FOIA, the original records are no longer in our possession. If this release of the previously processed material does not satisfy your request, you may file a FOIPA request with NARA at the following address: National Archives and Records Administration Special Access and FOIA 8601 Adelphi Road, Room 5500

College Park, MD 20740-6001

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Records potentially responsive to your request were transferred to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), and they were not previously processed pursuant to the FOIA. You may file a request with NARA using the address above. Please reference file numbers 100-HQ-385050 and 61-HQ-9743 in your correspondence.

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<b>V</b>	Records potentially responsive to your request were destroyed. Since this material could not be reviewed, it is not known if it was responsive to your request. Record retention and disposal is carried out under supervision of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) according to Title 44 United States Code Section 3301, Title 36 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Chapter 12 Sub-chapter B Part 1228, and 36 CFR 1229.10.
	Documents or information referred to other Government agencies were not included in this release.

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Please refer to the enclosed FBI FOIPA Addendum for additional standard responses applicable to your request. "Part 1" of the Addendum includes standard responses that apply to all requests. "Part 2" includes additional standard responses that apply to all requests for records about yourself or any third party individuals. "Part 3" includes general information about FBI records that you may find useful. Also enclosed is our Explanation of Exemptions.

For questions regarding our determinations, visit the <a href="www.fbi.gov/foia">www.fbi.gov/foia</a> website under "Contact Us." The FOIPA Request Number listed above has been assigned to your request. Please use this number in all correspondence concerning your request.

Please be advised that if you are seeking a new search for records, you may wish to narrow the scope of your request based on material that you have already received, e.g., timeframe or locality. Additionally, be advised that "unusual circumstances" may apply. See 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(6)(B)(iii). These "unusual circumstances" will delay our ability to make a determination on your request within 20 days. See 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(6)(B). Additionally, the payment of pertinent fees may apply to your request. See 5 U.S.C. § 552 (a)(4)(A)(viii). The application of "unusual circumstances" is not a determination of how the FBI will respond to your substantive request.

If you are not satisfied with the Federal Bureau of Investigation's determination in response to this request, you may administratively appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, 441 G Street, NW, 6th Floor, Washington, D.C. 20530, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA STAR portal by creating an account following the instructions on OIP's website: <a href="https://www.justice.gov/oip/submit-and-track-request-or-appeal">https://www.justice.gov/oip/submit-and-track-request-or-appeal</a>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within ninety (90) days of the date of my response to your request. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified.

You may seek dispute resolution services by contacting the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). The contact information for OGIS is as follows: Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, 8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS, College Park, Maryland 20740-6001, e-mail at <a href="mailto:ogis@nara.gov">ogis@nara.gov</a>; telephone at 202-741-5770; toll free at 1-877-684-6448; or facsimile at 202-741-5769. Alternatively, you may contact the FBI's FOIA Public Liaison by emailing <a href="mailto:foipaquestions@fbi.gov">foipaquestions@fbi.gov</a>. If you submit your dispute resolution correspondence by email, the subject heading should clearly state "Dispute Resolution Services." Please also cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified.

Sincerely,

Michael G. Seidel Section Chief Record/Information Dissemination Section

Information Management Division

Enclosure(s)

#### **FBI FOIPA Addendum**

As referenced in our letter responding to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request, the FBI FOIPA Addendum provides information applicable to your request. Part 1 of the Addendum includes standard responses that apply to all requests. Part 2 includes standard responses that apply to requests for records about individuals to the extent your request seeks the listed information. Part 3 includes general information about FBI records, searches, and programs.

## Part 1: The standard responses below apply to all requests:

- (i) **5 U.S.C. § 552(c).** Congress excluded three categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIPA [5 U.S.C. § 552(c)]. FBI responses are limited to those records subject to the requirements of the FOIPA. Additional information about the FBI and the FOIPA can be found on the <a href="https://www.fbi.gov/foia.website">www.fbi.gov/foia.website</a>.
- (ii) Intelligence Records. To the extent your request seeks records of intelligence sources, methods, or activities, the FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of records pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(1), (b)(3), and as applicable to requests for records about individuals, PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(1), (b)(3), and (j)(2)]. The mere acknowledgment of the existence or nonexistence of such records is itself a classified fact protected by FOIA exemption (b)(1) and/or would reveal intelligence sources, methods, or activities protected by exemption (b)(3) [50 USC § 3024(i)(1)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that any such records do or do not exist.

## Part 2: The standard responses below apply to all requests for records on individuals:

- (i) Requests for Records about any Individual—Watch Lists. The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of any individual's name on a watch list pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(7)(E) and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(7)(E), (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that watch list records do or do not exist.
- (ii) Requests for Records about any Individual—Witness Security Program Records. The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of records which could identify any participant in the Witness Security Program pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(3) and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(3), 18 U.S.C. 3521, and (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that such records do or do not exist.
- (iii) Requests for Records for Incarcerated Individuals. The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of records which could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any incarcerated individual pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(7)(E), (b)(7)(F), and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(7)(E), (b)(7)(F), and (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that such records do or do not exist.

## Part 3: General Information:

- (i) Record Searches. The Record/Information Dissemination Section (RIDS) searches for reasonably described records by searching systems or locations where responsive records would reasonably be found. A standard search normally consists of a search for main files in the Central Records System (CRS), an extensive system of records consisting of applicant, investigative, intelligence, personnel, administrative, and general files compiled by the FBI per its law enforcement, intelligence, and administrative functions. The CRS spans the entire FBI organization, comprising records of FBI Headquarters, FBI Field Offices, and FBI Legal Attaché Offices (Legats) worldwide; Electronic Surveillance (ELSUR) records are included in the CRS. Unless specifically requested, a standard search does not include references, administrative records of previous FOIPA requests, or civil litigation files. For additional information about our record searches, visit www.fbi.gov/services/information-management/foipa/requesting-fbi-records.
- (ii) **FBI Records.** Founded in 1908, the FBI carries out a dual law enforcement and national security mission. As part of this dual mission, the FBI creates and maintains records on various subjects; however, the FBI does not maintain records on every person, subject, or entity.
- (iii) Requests for Criminal History Records or Rap Sheets. The Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division provides Identity History Summary Checks often referred to as a criminal history record or rap sheet. These criminal history records are not the same as material in an investigative "FBI file." An Identity History Summary Check is a listing of information taken from fingerprint cards and documents submitted to the FBI in connection with arrests, federal employment, naturalization, or military service. For a fee, individuals can request a copy of their Identity History Summary Check. Forms and directions can be accessed at <a href="https://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/identity-history-summary-checks">www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/identity-history-summary-checks</a>. Additionally, requests can be submitted electronically at <a href="https://www.edo.cjis.gov">www.edo.cjis.gov</a>. For additional information, please contact CJIS directly at (304) 625-5590.
- (iv) **National Name Check Program (NNCP).** The mission of NNCP is to analyze and report information in response to name check requests received from federal agencies, for the purpose of protecting the United States from foreign and domestic threats to national security. Please be advised that this is a service provided to other federal agencies. Private Citizens cannot request a name check.

#### **EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS**

## SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

- (b)(1) (A) specifically authorized under criteria established by an Executive order to be kept secret in the interest of national defense or foreign policy and (B) are in fact properly classified to such Executive order;
- (b)(2) related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency;
- (b)(3) specifically exempted from disclosure by statute (other than section 552b of this title), provided that such statute (A) requires that the matters be withheld from the public in such a manner as to leave no discretion on issue, or (B) establishes particular criteria for withholding or refers to particular types of matters to be withheld;
- (b)(4) trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person and privileged or confidential;
- (b)(5) inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency;
- (b)(6) personnel and medical files and similar files the disclosure of which would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy;
- (b)(7) records or information compiled for law enforcement purposes, but only to the extent that the production of such law enforcement records or information (A) could reasonably be expected to interfere with enforcement proceedings, (B) would deprive a person of a right to a fair trial or an impartial adjudication, (C) could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of personal privacy, (D) could reasonably be expected to disclose the identity of confidential source, including a State, local, or foreign agency or authority or any private institution which furnished information on a confidential basis, and, in the case of record or information compiled by a criminal law enforcement authority in the course of a criminal investigation, or by an agency conducting a lawful national security intelligence investigation, information furnished by a confidential source, (E) would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law, or (F) could reasonably be expected to endanger the life or physical safety of any individual;
- (b)(8) contained in or related to examination, operating, or condition reports prepared by, on behalf of, or for the use of an agency responsible for the regulation or supervision of financial institutions; or
- (b)(9) geological and geophysical information and data, including maps, concerning wells.

## SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552a

- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence:
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
- (k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

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## UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania January 16, 1969



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Investigation in this matter was instituted in connection with Lowenthal's contacts with Dr. Zalman Mordecai Shapiro, a Pittsburgh resident who is President of Nuclear Materials and Equipment Corporation (NUMEC), of Apollo, Pa., and a close friend of Lowenthal. (Investigation regarding Shapiro was instituted at the request of the Attorney General to establish the nature and extent of Shapiro's relationship with the Government of Israel. Investigation to date has established that Shapiro, with others, met with Dr. Avraham Hermoni, Scientific Counselor, Israeli Embassy, Washington, D. C., on November 3, 1968, at Shapiro's home; Pittsburgh, Pa. Shapiro also attended a dinner at the Israeli Embassy, Washington, D. C., on November 26, 1968, and was in Israel from November 28, 1968, to December 21, 1968.

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PG Tw2, who has furnished reliable information in the past.	

On June 5, 1968, PG T-3, a source with whom contact has been insufficient to judge his reliability at this time but who is a businessman in a position to furnish information concerning the activities of Lowenthal, advised that David L. Lowenthal, a long-time personal friend of Dr. Zalman Mordecai Shapiro, is President of Raychord Corporation, which is located immediately adjacent to the (NUMEC plant at -Apollo, Pa. This source pointed out that (Raychord Corporation) , a steel fabricating company, occupied the same building at Apollo, Pa., with (NUMEC) prior to the time (NUMEC) moved to its new location on the outskirts of Apollo. This source also advised that Lowenthal is also an officer of (Apollo Industries) whose mailing address is Pittsburgh, Pa., and this company was instrumental in establishing (NUMEC) through investing a substantial amount of money in NUMEC/stock when the NUMEC, company was formed. This source also pointed out that Lowenthal and Shapiro lived near each other, both residing On Bartlett Street, Pittsburgh, Pa.

PG T=3 also advised that David Lowenthal is closely associated with high-ranking officials of the Israeli Government and recently he observed photographs of Lowenthal with David Ben-Gurion and Moishe Dayan in Israel. This source reported that Lowenthal allegedly fought for Israel as a freedom fighter in 1956, and he pointed out that Lowenthal travels to Israel on an average of once a month.

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PG T=3 said he is not aware of the purpose of these trips to Israel and whether or not Lowenthal is accompanied by anyone.

PG T=3 pointed out that one of Lowenthal's employees advised recently that Lowenthal receives regular reports on Israeli activities; including military activities.

PG T=3 advised on July 3, 1968, that on or about July 2, 1968, Lowenthal left Pittsburgh en route to Europe and Israel and would be out of the country for at least one week.

PG T-3 advised on January 13, 1969, that Lowenthal went to New York City on January 12, 1969, en route to Israel, where he is expected to remain for several days. The purpose of said trip was unknown to PG T-3.

On June 10, 1968, PG T-4, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that David Lowenthal is Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Raychord Corporation, Post Office Box 307, Apollo, Pas According to this source, Raychord Corporation) is a fabricator of structural steel and manufacturer of roof decking, which was founded in 1962. As of 1968, PG T-4 advised, Raychord was a company in debt from losses sustained in previous years but an effort was being made to clear up this condition. Some of this indebtedness, according to PG T-4, is through Apollo Industries, Inc., from which company loans and advances in excess of two million dollars have been obtained.

PG T-4 also pointed out that Apollo Industries is the owner of 45 per cent of Raychord stock.

PG T-4 also related that Lowenthal is chief operating officer of the (Raychord company and was formerly employed as Vice President of the Columbus Pipe and Equipment Co.,) Columbus, Ohio. After leaving (Columbus, )PG T-4 advised, Lowenthal acquired the Apollo Steel Company plant at Apollo, Pa., and was an officer in that firm prior to the time it merged with (Raychord.) PG T-4 also advised that Lowenthal

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is Vice President of the Holden Fence and Steel Company, Charleston, W. Va.; he was Secretary-Treasurer of the Mount Vernon Sales Corporation, Mount Vernon, Ohio, and principal-at-interest in Minute Parking, Inc., both Pittsburgh; firms, the last named firm being inactive for the past couple of years. PG T-4 added that Lowenthal was born in 1921, is married, and is believed to have served in the U. S. Armed Forces during World War II.

On June 24, 1968, PG T-3 advised that news reports which Lowenthal receives regarding Israeli activities are mailed to him from New York City. PG T-3 advised that Lowenthal, in all probability, received the data regarding Israeli activities from the United Jewish Appeal (UJA), an agency with which he is very active. PG T-3 said he has not been able to substantiate whether or not Lowenthal fought in Israel for that country in 1956.

PG T-5; who has furnished reliable information in the past; advised

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On June 7, 1968, Mrs. Jean Rodriguez, Receptionist, Credit Bureau, Inc., Pittsburgh, Pa., advised that records indicate that David Lowenthal and his wife, Rita, reside at 5721. Bartlett Street, Pittsburgh, Pa., and that Lowenthal has been employed as President of (Apollo Industries,)



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Frick Building, Pittsburgh, since 1955. She advised that records further indicate Lowenthal maintains a satisfactory credit rating.

Inquiry was made of the elevator starter at the Frick Building, Grant Street, Pittsburgh, on January 13, 1969, and he advised that the Apollo Industries is no longer in that building but is now located at Apollo, Pa.

Records of the Voters Registration Commission, County Office Building; Pittsburgh; as checked on June 7, 1968, disclosed that David Lowenthal has resided at 5721 Bartlett Street, Pittsburgh, since April, 1958; that he formerly resided at 5517 Kamin Street, Pittsburgh, in September, 1950, at 6223 Nicholson Street, Pittsburgh. These records indicate Lowenthal is a white male, born September 14, 1921, in Poland; employed as a salesman, height 5'9", brown eyes, and brown hair. These records indicated that he was naturalized on July 27, 1945, in the U. S. District Court, Pittsburgh, under Certificate Number 143042.

With regard to the Raychord Corporation, PG T=4 advised on June 10, 1968, that Raychord was incorporated in Pennsylvania on May 17, 1962, and occupies 420,000 square foot of a plant in Apollo, Pa. The business has 14 overhead cranes, plus other equipment necessary for fabricating opensteel hoists and other structural steel which accounts for the majority of its volume. According to this source, Raychord, to a lesser extent, manufactures sheet metal roof decks. This source also advised that Apollo Industries, Inc., Pittsburgh, holds 45 per cent minority interest in Raychord and a large portion of the balance of stock, although not necessarily a controlling interest, is held by Phillip Zweig and Sons, Gary, Indiana. This source pointed out that the May 31, 1967, annual fiscal report of Apollo Industries indicated that Apollo has made loans and advances

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to Raychord in the amount of \$2,640,304 and that Apollo Industries held \$25,000 of outstanding common stock and \$350,000 of the preferred stock of Raychord;

 PG T-4 advised that officers of Raychord include Irvin Follevitt, Treasurer, who was born at Pittsburgh, Pa,, Levitt was President of the Union Screw-and Manufacturing Company, which was acquired in October, 1959, by Apollo Industries; Inc. Levitt is also President of the Capitol Investment Corporation, Pittsburgh, and is Board Chairman of Allegheny Cold. Storage Company, Pittsburgh.

The files of the Passport Office, U. S. Department of State, Washington, D. C., were reviewed concerning Lowenthal on August 1, 1968, by a Special Agent of the FBI, and the following information was contained therein:

A Passport Application on the basis of which Passport No. 966485 was issued on September 24, 1965, at Washington, D. C., contained the following information:

Name David Lowenthal Birth Data

Born September 14, 1921,

Poland

Residence 5721 Bartlett Street,

Pittsburgh, Pac Travel Plans To leave New York City,

October 7, 1965, on one week business trip to France and

Israel,

Parents Markus Lowenthal,

born Poland

Sarah' Lowenthal,

born Poland .

Marital Status

Married, December 21, 1951, to RitaYFrankel who was born

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Height Eyes Hair Occupation

519" Brown Brown Businessman

On October 8, 1963, Lowenthal filed a Passport Renewal Application for "A two-week business trip to Peru."

On September 21, 1960, Lowenthal was issued Passport No. 2465084. According to the application for that passport, Lowenthal's trip included a three-week trip to Italy, France and Israel for a UJA Study Mission.

On an Application for Passport in 1956, Lowenthal indicated that he was born at Dobramil, Poland, and that he came to the United States in 1934. On this application he indicated that he would travel by air from New York City to France, and Israel and would remain in the latter named country as a delegate to the World Zionist Congress for one month.

Lowenthal filed an Application for Passport at Marseilles, France, on March 1, 1948, indicating that he had become stranded in that country in early 1947. He indicated that he was a seaman at the time and that he had lived in Brooklyn, New York, from 1934 to 1947, and also in Pittsburgh, Pa., during that period at 6223 Nicholson Street, Pittsburgh. He indicated that his father died in 1947, and his mother died in 1925, and that he was naturalized through his father's naturalization in the U. S. District Court at Brooklyn, New York, in July, 1929, while they were residing at 684 New Lots Avenue, Brooklyn, New York, He gave as references on this application Maurice Mazer, 6223 Nicholson Street, Pittsburgh, and (Max Lowenthal, 1730 Carroll Street, Brooklyn, New York). He indicated that he served as a seaman aboard the "SS President Warfield."

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The files of the Central Office; Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Washington, D. C., were reviewed July 31, 1968, and disclosed that David Lowenthal, under File Number A143042, had filed an Application for Certificate of Derivative Citizenship at Pittsburgh; Pa., on July 17, 1945. On this application, he indicated that he was born David Luzer Lowenthal, September 7, 1941, in Dobramil, Poland. He indicated that he arrived in the United States on August 2, 1934, aboard the "SS Pulaski." He listed his parents as Markus Lowenthal, born Dobramil, March 18, 1889, and Sarah Latke, born Dobramil, date not listed. According to these files, Markus Lowenthal, who was naturalized November 10, 1931, in U.S. District Court, Brooklyn, New York, Certificate Number 3425185, then resided at 974 East 179th Street, Bronx, New York City, This file also contained an examination report which indicated that David Lowenthal derived citizenship on August 2, 1939, on the basis of the naturalization of his father. Markus 💉 Lowenthal.

Records of the Allegheny County Marriage Bureau,
City County Building, Pittsburgh, as reviewed August 27, 1968,
disclosed that an Application for Marriage dated December 17,
1951, was filed by David Lowenthal, born September 14, 1921,
Poland of 6223 Nicholson Street, Pittsburgh, and Rita Frankel,
born of 5629 Beacon Street,
Pittsburgh, Pa. The application indicated that David
Lowenthal had no previous marriage; that his father, Markus
Lowenthal, was born in Poland, was deceased; and that his
mother, Sarah Latke, also born in Poland, was also deceased.
David Lowenthal's occupation was shown as manager. The
application indicated that Rita Frankel had no previous
marriage; that her father Trving Frankel, was born in
Pittsburgh, was employed in sales; and that her mother,
Rose Schwartz, was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, was a housewife,
and all were residing at 5629 Beacon Street, Pittsburgh, PA.
Marriage Certificate Number 3257 indicates David Lowenthal

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and Rita Frankel were married on December 23, 1951, by Rabbi Dr. Joseph Shapiro, of 5855 Phillips Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa., at Pittsburgh:

Pittsburgh City Directories indicate that Lowenthal lived at the following addresses:

6223 Nicholson Street (1946 - 1950)

5710 Woodmont Avenue (1954, 1955; and 1956)

5517 Kamin Street (1954)\*

5721 Bartlett Street (1958 to present)

These same directories indicate that he was employed by the (Federal Paper Company) in 1950; (Mount Vernon Bridge V Company) in 1954; (Apollo Steel Company in 1955; 1958 to present, Apollo Industries, Apollo, Pa.

Records of the Bureau of Motor Vehicles, Harrisburg, Pa., as checked December 12, 1968, failed to reflect any motor vehicle registered to Lowenthal or his family. PG T-3 advised in July, 1958, that he had observed Lowenthal driving a late model Pontiac automobile in and around Apollo and Pittsburgh, but he did not recall the license number or the year of the car. DA ROOM SILLY 3, 1915 LERAODE

With regard to Irvin F Levitt, Treasurer of the Raychord company, it is pointed but that in 1962 Irvin Francis Levitt, who was then Chairman of the Board of Directors of Apollo Industries, Inc., was investigated by the FBI in connection with the Atomic Energy Act. Levitt,

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according to information furnished by him; was born July 3, 1915, at Braddock, Pa., educated at Pittsburgh, and was a University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1936 graduate. Investigation produced the information that Levitt was an extremely active real estate entrepreneur in the Pittsburgh area who holds directorship in several Pittsburgh business firms and is active in obtaining funds talifinance various construction projects. Persons contacted during investigation in 1962 regarding Levitt, for the most part, recommended Levitt highly as a loyal citizen of excellent character and associates.

With regard to Levitt, it is pointed out that David L. Feiganbaum, William D. Arnold and Roy Arnold, all officers of the Allegheny Cold Storage Company, Pittsburgh, said they considered Levitt, who was also a member of the Board of this same firm, to be a ruthless businessman who would place his own personal financial welfare before that of any organizations or institutions. They said Levitt handled a business deal for the Allegheny Cold Storage Company which was owned by the Arnolds and Feiganbaum, which deal, due to Levitt's machinations, very nearly caused Allegheny to face severe financial losses and possible eventual dissolution and/or take-over by Levitt. As heavily encumbered by debto due to Levitt. these men said that Allegheny was able to struggle back to a stable position after severe financial losses.

Levitt named as references Dr. Edward H. Litchfield, now deceased, then Chancellor, University of Pittsburgh, and Solomon B. Freehof, Rabbi, Rodef Shalom Temple, Pittsburgh. Both of these references when interviewed in 1962 recommended Levitt highly as a loyal citizen of excellent reputation.

On August 25, 1961, PG T=6 advised that a letter dated July 22, 1961, and signed by H. Kransdorf, was in

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possession of the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberty (CCFCL) in New York. This letter enclosed a list of leading Pittsburgh individuals to whom Kransdorf believed literature of the CCFCL would be of great interest. Among the names listed was that of Edward Litchfield; Chancellor; University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, Pa. It is noted that the above list contained the names of a number of other prominent individuals in the Pittsburgh area, including Congressmen, ministers, editors of newspapers, university officials and union officials.

On January 12, 1962, PG T-7 advised that during a Communist Party meeting held in Baltimore, Maryland, on January 7, 1962, it was stated that Herbert Kransdorf was Communist Party Chairman and Organizer at Pittsburgh, Pa.

The CCFCL is characterized in the Appendix hereto.

In August, 1946, PG T-8 furnished a letterhead of the Pittsburgh Council of the American-Soviet Friendship which listed the name of Dr. Solomon B. Freehof as a sponsor of the organization at that time. It is noted that the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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It is noted the City Directory for the City of Pittsburgh throughout the past several years has listed only one Dr. Solomon B. Freehof as a resident, and he is employed at the Rodef Shalom Temple, Pittsburgh; Pa.

On November 16, 1940, PG T-9 advised that the name of Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof was in possession of a Communist Party member at that time. This source did not know the significance of this information.

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The April 4, 1958, issue of the "Pittsburgh Press," daily Pittsburgh newspaper, contained an article which, in part, stated that Rabbi Solomon B. Freehof, Rodef Shalom Temple, was one of the members of the Pittsburgh Branch of the National Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy. Characterization of the National Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy appears in the Appendix hereto.

On October 31, 1968, PG T-10 advised that Lowenthal attempted to get in touch with Dr. Zalman Mordecai Shapiro at Shapiro's home. Shapiro was not available at the time and the reason for this contact was unknown to PG T-10.

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Records of the Pittsburgh Police Department and Allegheny County Detective Bureau, as checked in December, 1968, contained no information identifiable with Lowenthal.

APPENDIX 1

# CITIZENS COMMITTEE FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES (NEW YORK CITY)

The "Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications," prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, U. S. House of Representatives, Washington, D. C., under date of December 1, 1961, sets forth the following concerning the above organization on page 42:

- 1. "On the basis of its investigations and hearings to date, the committee concludes that the National Assembly for Democratic Rights and a coordinating and organizing group in support thereof, titled the 'Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties,' are Communist fronts. Created, dominated, and controlled by members and officials of the Communist Party, the National Assembly for Democratic Rights and the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties were organized as propaganda devices for the conduct of 'mass activity' in support of the avowed objective of 'reversal or nonapplication' of the Supreme Court decisions of June 5, 1961, which upheld the constitutionality of the registration and disclosure provisions of the Internal Security Act of 1950 as applied to the Communist Party and the Smith Act membership clause making punishable active and purposive membership in the Communist Party."
  - "\* \* The long-range objective of the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties is to serve as the vehicle for concealed Communist participation in, and direction of, propaganda and agitational activities aimed to nullify the Internal Security and Smith Acts."
  - "\* \* \* Committee investigation disclosed that the Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties was formed on or about June 12, 1961 \* \* \*." (Committee on Un-American Activities, Report and Hearings on Manipulation of Public Opinion by Organizations Under Concealed Control of the Communist Party (National Assembly for Democratic Rights and Citizens Committee for Constitutional Liberties), House Report 1282, Part 1, October 2 and 3, 1961, pp. 137, 143 and 144.)



APPENDIX I

## NATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR A SANE NUCLEAR POLICY-

A source advised on May 1, 1959, that Trevor Thomas, Executive Secretary of the National Committee for a Sane Nuclear Policy, stated that he was well aware that the Communist Party (CP) favored many of the purposes of his committee. Thomas was reported to have stated that the National Committee would object to any attempt by the CP to take over the National Committee or any of its local groups; however, the would have no objection to any individual communist, be here Party member or not, if he came in to work for the Committee on an individual basis. Thomas stated they would fight any organized effort by the CP to take over any of its groups.

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Lowenthal, a Pittsburgh resident, has come to the attention of this Bureau as a result of his contacts with Dr. Zalman Mordecaiy Shapiro, President of the Nuclear Materials and Equipment Corporation (NUMEC), Apollo, Pa., also a Pitts-burgh resident. Shapiro is being investigated at the request of the Attorney General of the United States to determine his relationship with the Government of Israel?

Lowenthal is the Chief Executive of Raychord Corporation, Apollo, Pa., and Irving Francis Levitt was Treasurer of Raychord as of 1965.

An Atomic Energy Act-applicant investigation conducted by the FBI in 1962 regarding Irving Francis Levitt at Pittsburgh, Pa., and other locations produced information that Levitt, as a member of the Board of Directors of NUMBC. Apollo, Pa., would have access to restricted materials and areas. NUMEC, of which Dr. Shapiro was and is President, is a company engaged in the manufacture and processing of various nuclear materials.

In connection with the investigation of Levitt in 1962, Shapiro was interviewed and he advised a CSC investigator that he had known Levitt several years as a stockholder in Apollo Industries, Inc., which held a portion of NUMEC stock. Shapiro commented favorably regarding Levitt's character, loyalty and associates.

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Oscar Shalom Gray, Vice President of NUMEC, when contacted in 1962, related that Apollo Industries, Inc., held about 20% of NUMEC voting stock and Levitt, as head of Apollo, would be a member of the NUMEC Board of Directors. Gray also commented favorably regarding Levitt's character, loyalty and associates.

Investigation produced the information that Levitt was born July 13, 1915 at nearby Braddock, Pa., the son of Charles and Fanny bevitt, who were both born in Russia. His father was naturalized a United States citizen at Pittsburgh, Pa., April 13, 1921.

Investigation in 1962 produced the information that Levitt obtained a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Journalism from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, in 1936.

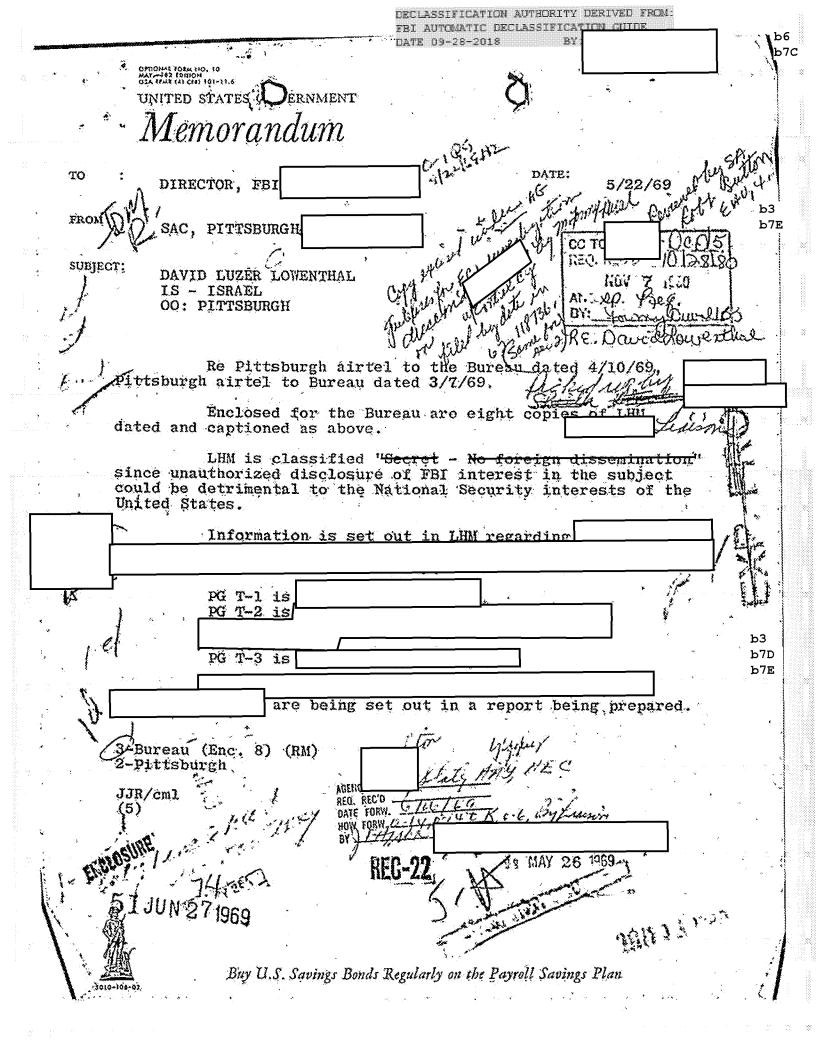
After college, Levitt worked at the family-owned Leviture store with his father and brother, George, at nearby Vandergrift, Pa. He also engaged in various real estate and financial dealings thereafter in Pittsburgh and vicinity.

According to some business associates, Levitt was known as a sharp businessman who would drive a hard bargain to further his own business interests. No information of a substantial nature was obtained which would reflect unfavorably on Levitt's loyalty to this country.

Current Pittsburgh Telephone Directory lists Irving Francis Levitt was a resident of Gateway Towers, an apartment - office building, located in Gateway Center and Downtown Pittsburgh, and his office is also listed as being in the same building. 1968 Pittsburgh City Directory reflects that Levitt, resident of Apartment 16C, Gateway Towers, is Chairman of the Board of Directors of Apollo Industries, Inc.

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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

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## DAVID LUZER LOWENTHAL

Lowenthal, a Pittsburgh resident, has come to the attention of this Bureau as a result of his contacts and friendship with Dr. Zalman Mordecai Shapiro, President, Nuclear Materials and Equipment Corporation (NUMEC), Apollo, Pa. Shapiro is also a resident of Pittsburgh and a close neighbor of Lowenthal. Shapiro is being investigated at the request of the Attorney General of the United States to determine his relationship with the Government of Israel.

On April 15, 1969, PG T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised

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PG T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on January 13, 1969, that Lowenthal went to New York City on January 12, 1969, enroute Israel, where he was expected to remain for several days. The purpose of this trip by Lowenthal was not known to PG T-3. PG T-3 has advised in 1968 and 1969 that Lowenthal has been to Israel several times in the past 18 months.