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Mr. John Young
251 West 89th Street
Suite 6E
New York, NY 10024

Dear Mr. Young:

The processing of your request for information pertaining to Soviet Intelligence Services Personalities, ZF400234W, which was forwarded to this office by the U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command, along with 39 pages of documents, has been completed. All releasable information is provided at enclosure (1), along with an explanation of exemptions taken under 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(C).

As the official responsible for the partial denial of your request, I am advising you of your right to appeal this determination. Your appeal must be postmarked within 60 calendar days from the date of this letter. An appeal should be addressed to the Secretary of the Navy's designee: Office of the Judge Advocate General, (Code 14), 1322 Patterson Avenue, S.E., Suite 3000, Washington Navy Yard, D.C. 20374-5066. The envelope and letter should bear the annotation "FOIA Appeal."

While processing the referred documents we located information proprietary to another government agency. Those documents, along with a copy of your request have been forwarded for review and direct response to you.

There are no assessable fees associated with the processing of your request.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Adam Smiley", is written over a large, stylized, handwritten "S" or "J" shape.

**ADAM SMILEY
LT, JAGC, USN
ASST. STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE**

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(1) Documents

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From: Chief of Naval Intelligence
To: Distribution List below
Subject: Alleged Russian Espionage Agents in China.
Enclosure: (1) Summary of Information, Secret, same
subject, dated 6 January 1948.

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Alleged Russian Espionage Agents in China.

The following information deals with individuals of Russian ancestry now or formerly in China who, by virtue of education, training or intelligence, are deemed to be potentially useful to the USSR for espionage work in the United States.

██████████ who in spring '45 appeared to be very active in Chicago for Soviet intelligence, specializing on American officers and men. In early '47 she claimed to be engaged (or married) to an American officer. Nothing has been heard of her since.

(T). Russian by birth, German by marriage. She worked in the executive department in Peking, where she was much sought after by American officials. It is uncertain whether she ever exploited her American contacts for the benefit of the Nazi and Soviet groups with whom she was friendly.

██████████ who throughout 1945 appeared to be maintaining close contact for Soviet intelligence in Shanghai. In 1945 she is believed (unconfirmed) to have joined the staff of the Shanghai Soviet Consulate-General. She was repatriated to the USSR in 1949. b7C

██████████ who throughout 1946 was active in ██████████ in the new families of BAKHA-LYCHENKOVA, GAIKORNOVA, and GAIKORINA (see below). Throughout 1946 Soviet intelligence apparently thought well of her, and supplied her liberally with funds. In early 47 she appeared to have no funds, and also appeared to have ceased to work for Soviet intelligence. ██████████ is a very handsome woman, approximately 30, and while this fact was useful during her period as an intelligence operative, it is possibly this fact which also led to her downfall, i.e., her registration by early 47 was very low indeed, perhaps so low that she could no longer attract a sufficiently high caliber of U.S. personnel.

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Subject: Alleged Russian Espionage Agents in China.

[redacted] who through 1946 and probably '47 worked for Soviet intelligence in Peiping. She is the young (19 or 20) daughter of the former head of the Association of Soviet Citizens, who worked for some months in Executive Headquarters, obviously reported to Soviet intelligence, had more money than her overt duties could supply her, and appeared to have been selected as worthy of development by Soviet intelligence.

[redacted] a genuine Soviet citizen from the USSR who throughout 1946 was, and perhaps still is, a co-worker in the Shanghai Soviet Consulate-General. She is believed to have had a good deal of experience in military espionage, and to have been assigned to that work in Shanghai in 1945-47. There is no evidence, however, that her targets were American; Soviet intelligence has professed to employ the honest and non-genuine citizens in the Soviet espionage network. Potentially dangerous, probably the most so on this list, if she is ever assigned to American or American.

[redacted] (aka [redacted] A.), who has recently been brought to Shanghai in Shanghai. She is nominally employed by the [redacted] but actually working on the work of [redacted]. She has been connected for years with Soviet intelligence; at present she is assigned to American affairs in [redacted] as potentially dangerous, because, if she were so assigned, she would be good at it.

[redacted] regarded in 1946 as possibly an exceptionally important Soviet operative in Shanghai, obviously assigned to American services. Whether the Soviet Consulate is developing her to the point where she could be regarded as genuinely dangerous is not known; nothing has been heard of her in the past year.

[redacted] a young (17) Russian girl in Shanghai who was reported to the USSR in late '46; information on her is exactly the same as on [redacted]

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From: Director of Naval Intelligence.
To: Distribution List.

Subj: Communist Agents in the U. S.

Ref: (a) DNI Secret ltr., serial 001664P32,
dated 26 June 1950, same subject.

Encl: (1) Copy Secret report received from
ALUSNA Buenos Aires, dated 24 June 1950.
(2) Copy Secret report received from
ALUSNA Buenos Aires, dated 27 June 1950
(3) Copy Secret report received from
ALUSNA Buenos Aires, dated 28 June 1950.

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15 JUL 1947

From: Chief of Naval Intelligence
To: Distribution List below

Subject: Persons believed to be Soviet Agents -
Information concerning.

Enclosures: (A) Copy of letter and enclosures thereto from CG 1st
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From: Commander Naval Forces Western Pacific.
To: Chief of Naval Operations
(Chief of Naval Intelligence)

Subject: Persons believed to be Soviet Agents -
information concerning.

Enclosure: (A) Copy of letter and enclosures thereto from
CG 1st MarDiv (Rein) to ComNavWesPac of 17 June 1947.

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2. Dossiers were prepared at Headquarters, First Marine
Division (Reinforced), Tientsin.
3. It is suggested that enclosure (A) may be of interest
to OP32-Y and also to 32-D, 32F-12, F-14, G-242 and to liaison with
CIG, MIS G-2 and FBI.
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FIRST MARINE DIVISION, (REINFORCED),
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17 June, 1947

Serial: 001A16847

From: The Commanding General,
To: The Commander Naval Forces Western Pacific.

Subject: Dossiers of Certain Persons Believed to be
Soviet Agents, transmittal of.

Enclosures:

- (A) Dossier of BOLOTOVA, Ludmila Ivanovna.
- (B) Dossier of [REDACTED]
- (C) Dossier of [REDACTED]
- (D) Dossier of [REDACTED]
- (E) Dossier of ISHANKIN, Victor
- (F) Dossier of LABERBYE, Edward Louis Antonio
- (G) Dossier of KANSDORFF, Elisabeth
- (H) Dossier of [REDACTED]
- (I) Dossier of [REDACTED]
- (J) Dossier of SERBIN, Eugenii Evgenilvich
- (K) Dossier of [REDACTED]
- (L) Dossier of TIENTSIN, Andrei
- (M) Dossier of VARFOLONEEV, Ivan Ivanovich
- (N) Dossier of [REDACTED]
- (O) Dossier of [REDACTED]
- (P) Dossier of YASAKOV, Andrei

1. Enclosures (A) to (P), dossiers of certain persons in the TIENTSIN area believed to be Soviet Agents, are forwarded herewith for your information. Where available photographs have been included.

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11 June, 1947

BOLOTOVA, Ludmila Ivanovna

**Subject born 1903 in Russia. Nationality: Russian;
Citizenship: USSR;**

Subject and her sister immigrated from Russia to Harbin in the early twenties. Subject has been living alone since the marriage of her sister about five years ago, she is classed as an "Old Maid" by her friends.

Subject became a Soviet citizen in Harbin about the year 1928-29, and then left for FIMTAIN in 1930. Subject has been trying very hard to get back to her native land, but as yet has not been granted permission by the local Soviet Consulate. Subject is very active in the local Soviet Citizens' Association and appears to be a trusted member. Subject finished a special school in Harbin sponsored by "WORKER" as an Intelligence and Propaganda agent and was later a candidate for membership in the Military Section of the Northern Manchurian Communist Committee. Whether she was admitted to this agency has not been determined. (This committee was dissolved in 1930).

At the present time subject is an active member of "ZHENOTDEL" (Women's Section) under the leadership of OSTROVSKAYA and also a member of the Military Operations Sub Section, a unit within ZHENOTDEL and headed by ERSHOVA.

Subject's inability to enter the USSR is believed to be only "WINDOW DRESSING" on the part of the Soviet Consulate.

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11 June 1944

Subject was born [redacted] in Harbin. Citizenship: USSR.
Religion: Orthodox, profession: musician, address: [redacted].
is married, his friends are: [redacted] and [redacted]. Father's name: Vladimir,
mother's, Anna.
Height: [redacted] meters, color eyes: [redacted] face shape: [redacted] color hair:
[redacted] color eyebrows: [redacted] nose shape: [redacted]

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ENCLOSURE (B)

11 June 1947

Subject was born [REDACTED]. Citizenship; USSR, religion; Orthodox,
profession; housewife, address; [REDACTED], married, one child, named
[REDACTED], age [REDACTED], born in Harbin. Mother; Ekaterina, father; Nikolai.
Height; [REDACTED] meters, color eyes; [REDACTED], face shape; [REDACTED], color hair;
brown, color eyebrows; [REDACTED], nose shape; [REDACTED].
Subject is actively engaged in disseminating propaganda amongst the
Chinese people.

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ENCLOSURE (C)

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11 June 1947

Subject was born [redacted] Harbin, Manchuria, Citizenship;
USSR, religion; Jewish, profession; employee, address; [redacted]
[redacted]
Height: [redacted] color eyes; [redacted] shape face; [redacted] color hair;
black, shape nose; [redacted]
Subject is married. Age [redacted] years; [redacted] and [redacted]
[redacted] Father, [redacted] [redacted]



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ENCLOSURE (D)

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11 June 1947

ISHANKIN, Victor

Subject was born 4 November 1895 in Leningrad. Citizenship; USSR,
Religion; Orthodox, profession; "tallyman," address; 3 Pao Shan Li. Cousins
Rd., Tientsin.

Subject's father name; Efim, mother; Pelagia.



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ENCLOSURE (E)

11 June, 1947

LABERDIS, Edward Louis Antonio

Subject was born 29 September, 1894, Corfu, Greece.
Citizenship: French; Profession: Teacher; Religion: Roman
Catholic; Address: 45 ex-Rue de France, Apt. 4, TIENTSIN.

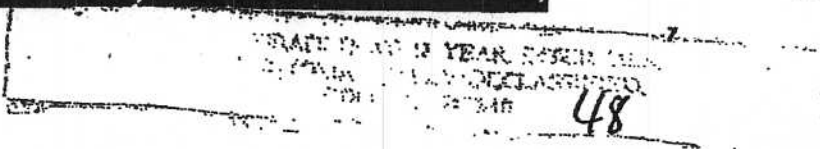
Height: 5'7"; Color eyes: Brown; Shape Face: Oblong;
Color Hair: Black Grey; Color Eyebrows: Black; Shape Nose:
Aquiline.

Subject is a teacher of English and History. Subject is
Master of Tientsin Jewish School. Subject is married, acquaint-
ances are: Mr. F. Murray (British), and Mr. W. S. Sima.
Father: Alfred; Mother: Charlotte. (Both deceased).



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ENCLOSURE (F)



11 June 1947

MAKSDORFF, Elisabeth
(alias "Miss Betty")

Subject was born in 1895. Nationality; Russian, citizenship; Soviet. Subject's maiden name was CHESNIDOVA. Her record begins in Shanghai where she was engaged in cabaret and prostitution activities. Subject speaks French, Russian, English and a smattering of Japanese.

Subject makes frequent visits to the Russian Consulate and is reported to be an active Soviet Agent. She operates in local cabarets such as the Little Club, Florida Bar, Casino and Santa Anna; where she enters into conversations with Marine personnel and argues with them about the advantages offered by Communism as it is known in Russia.

A very close acquaintance, a Mrs. Wanda Jealkofsky, (no record in G-2 files), is the Polish owner of the Warsaw restaurant.

Subject was seen frequently with 1st. Sgt. SHAW of the 1st. Recon. Company.

Subject was manager (unconfirmed) of the Casino cabaret which was put out of bounds in late January, 1947 because of unfair practices.

At present subject is believed to be working in the Russian Concession in a cabaret located in the home of Mrs. [redacted], (record in G-2 files), 34 Nicolai Rd. This cabaret is run by a Mr. [redacted] (no record).

Description of subject; height; 1.60 cm, color eyes; yellow, face shape; long, color hair; blond, color eyebrows; blond, shape nose; normal.



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11 June 1947

Subject, a Soviet Agent and a nurse by profession, came to Harbin from Moscow in 1927 as a member of a large theatrical group.

Subject, maiden name [REDACTED] married [REDACTED] in Harbin. Subject's husband is now dead.

About 1940-41, subject came to Shanghai where she resided for about 2½ years. In Shanghai she began to work as an agent for the Japanese and continued her affiliations with the Soviets.

In 1944 subject came to Tientsin where she became friendly with an Italian Marine and finally cohabited with him. Subject later was a common law wife of a Japanese Lawyer.

After the capitulation of Japan, subject was not seen for some time (probably in hiding) and appeared again with the landing of the United States Marines in North China.

When the U.S. Marines became firmly entrenched in Tientsin, subject began cohabiting with a U.S. Navy CPO [REDACTED] (Group 13 Tientsin). [REDACTED] made weekly visits to Tientsin and resided with subject at [REDACTED]

At the present time subject is believed to be in the Peiping Area (Pata Chu) working as a nurse.

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Subject is probably about 35-38 years of age, [redacted] height, [redacted] face slightly elongated, [redacted] hair, [redacted] cultured appearance and dresses very well. Very seldom wears a hat.

Subject and parents came to Hailar, Manchuria in 1926 from Kuznetsk, Siberia.

Subject's father was employed by the Chinese Eastern Railroad.

Subject received his high school education in the Hailar Immigrant "Gymnasium" and later matriculated in the University of Tartu in the Department of Oriental Studies. Subject while attending the University was elected as the secretary of the Soviet Student body.

Subject after graduation left for Shanghai and where he eventually became the secretary of the Shanghai Soviet Association. While serving in this capacity, subject was very "active politically" in the Russian Colony and was known to be in close contact with the Soviet Consulate.

At the present time, subject is the Director of the firm Asia Films in Tientsin. Subject is closely connected with the Tientsin Soviet Consulate and is believed to be engaged in some secret activity.

Subject lives on Wuchang Road and his office "Asia Films" is located in the same building as the Grand Theatre.

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ENCLOSURE (1)

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11 June 1947

SEKIDIN, Eugenii, Evgenievich

Subject was born 15 July 1899. Citizenship; USSR, religion; Orthodox, profession; Interpreter, address; 16 B Dickens Rd. 10th S.F.B. Father; Eugeni, Evgenovich, mother; Nadejda, Ivanovna.

Height; 5'4", color eyes; grey, color hair; black, color eyebrows; light, shape face; roman.

Prior to 1935, for a long period subject was in the service of the HARBIN "TORGPRED" & "DALBANK" in capacity of a Chinese Interpreter. Interpretation is his business. In 1935, subject came to Tientsin and opened up a Bureau of Interpretation. (Translated documents from Russian to Chinese and English and visa versa). However this activity served only as a cover for subject who was actually an NKVD agent for the Tientsin General Consulate. Subject continued in this "Activity" until 1939, when the Soviet Consulate was closed. In 1946, subject became a Chinese Interpreter for the Tientsin "Torgpred".

At the present time subject is believed to be also actively engaged in dissemination of Soviet propaganda.

Subject's wife, Eugenia, is short, rather pretty, and may be termed as being a coquette. Subject's wife is very active in disseminating Soviet propaganda among the United States Marines.

Subject has two sons and one daughter. Oldest son, [redacted] about [redacted] years of age, he is an active member of the Soviet Youth Group.

In 1946, he left for Harbin with an ultimate object of getting into the USSR and completing his education.

Other two children, [redacted] years of age, and [redacted] about [redacted] are attending the local Soviet School.



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[redacted] [redacted] [redacted]
[redacted] [redacted] [redacted]

ENCLOSURE (J)

11 June 1947

Subject came to China in the 1920's as a Director of the Soviet Telegraphic Agency (Tass). When the British Municipal Police arrested subject in Tientsin for Anti-British propaganda, the Agency (Tass) was permanently closed. From that time on subject was attached to the Soviet Consulate and became an Espionage Agent.

In 1938, subject established himself as a Broker.

At the present time, it is rumored that subject is still engaged in Espionage for the Soviets. It is interesting to note that subject operates among people that are completely ignorant of his activity and past history.

Subject has several aliases: [redacted] and sometimes uses the following first names: [redacted] and [redacted]

Subject is known by his headquarters and his acquaintances in Tientsin as [redacted]

Subject speaks fluent English, French, German, Polish, Ukrainian and Russian. Subject also has a fair knowledge of Chinese and Japanese.

Subject lived and studied medicine, engineering and chemistry in Kiev and Kharkov.

Subject has [redacted] hair, [redacted] face, [redacted] and [redacted] built body, and is always clean shaven.

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TRUSHIN, Andrey

Subject was born 30 November 1900, in Leningrad. Subject has USSR citizenship. Address; 133 Meadows Rd. Tientsin. Subject is single and his friends are; A.P. Gernosa and A.G. Kurlak. Father; Ivan, Mother; Alexandra. Profession; Spy-Beggar---sells newspapers.

Height; 1.69 meters, color eyes; brown, face shape; oval, color hair; grey, color eyebrows; black, nose shape; normal.



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ENCLOSURE (L)

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11 June 1947

VARPOLOMEEV, Ivan, Ivandovich

Subject was born 23 January 1907, Petrograd (Leningrad) Russia.
Nationality; Russian, citizenship; USSR, religion; Orthodox, profession;
Chinese Interpreter (speaks Chinese and English fluently) Add., 17 Chang Chow Rd.
Height; 1.56 meters, eyes; brown, protruding, face; oval, hair;
brown, nose; regular.

Subject is over medium height and wears glasses. (near sighted)
Before 1938 and during the Japanese occupation of Harbin, subject was a
teacher in the Russian-Chinese School and simultaneously worked as
an agent of the Japanese Military Mission and Japanese Security Police.

In 1938 subject came to Tientsin where he continued working as a
Japanese Agent.

In 1941-42, subject married [redacted] daughter of an old Russian
School Teacher.

After the capitulation of Japan, subject became a Soviet citizen
and was admitted to the USSR Citizens' Association in Tientsin. Subject
is the head of the Bakery Committee in the Association and also acts as
informant for the Soviet
Consulate. Subject's wife
is also very active in the
"ZHENOTDEL" of the USSR Citizens Association.

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Subject is about [redacted] years of age. Profession; teacher at St. Joseph's School. Nationality; Soviet. Subject is married, her husband was employed at one time by Soviet Consulate General, TIENTSIN, later at HKS for some years. Address; [redacted]

Subject and her father are believed to be very active Soviet agents. Subject's father is one of the Cadre members of the Tientsin Soviet Colony- believed to have been a Soviet Citizen since the year of 1932. Subject's father is presently employed by the local Soviet Daily Newspaper, "Novosti Svia" (News of the Day) and simultaneously works for the Soviet Consulate (in the evenings).

In a letter from Headquarters Marine Corps, Washington, D.C., dated 27 June 1946, subject was mentioned and referred to as "another Soviet agent". This letter was addressed to the Commanding General, First Marine Division, Reinforced.

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ENCLOSURE (1)

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(alias [redacted])

Subject was born in [redacted] Citizen of USSR. Religion, [redacted] address; [redacted] profession; merchant, subject is married and has two children, [redacted] old, and one recently born. Acquaintances are [redacted] and [redacted] Father's name; Alexandre, mother's name; Maria.

Height; [redacted] color eyes; [redacted] face shape; [redacted] color hair; [redacted] color eyebrows; [redacted] nose shape; [redacted]

Since subject's arrival in TIENTSIN he has made several trips to PEIPING in connection with his curio business. While on one of these trips he contacted a [redacted], a long time acquaintance. Subject appears very interested in [redacted] both as a woman and a possible business associate. [redacted] proposing to her that she take charge of some of his employees that are going to TSINGTAO to work in his curio shops. He has offered her U.S. \$150 per month.

[redacted] has come to TIENTSIN to continue her discussions with [redacted] She appears intelligent and well educated; is [redacted] and speaks with a decided German accent. It is rumored that she worked for the Gestapo during the war. [redacted] home is in PEIPING but she spends much time in TIENTSIN. In TIENTSIN she is often seen with Hugo BUELLHOFF, a German of shady reputation.

In TIENTSIN subject pays a daily visit to Salon Sylvia, ostensibly a women's apparel shop, at 1400. Salon Sylvia is located directly across the street from the OMEA Cafe (formerly the P.I. restaurant on Victoria.) Subject's activities here are unknown, however it is known that the proprietress of Salon Sylvia makes a weekly visit to PEIPING.

On the morning of 25 January subject went to PEIPING. It has been reported that [redacted] would join him there.



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1. It is reported by Seventh Fleet Headquarters that the subject is receiving cargo from TIENTSIN, via Marine planes.

2. It is further reported that the subject is interested in Naval Personnel, Fleet Movements, Ships complements and other activities.

3. The subject runs a curio counter at the Edgewater Mansions, is a Soviet Citizen, and is reported to be very active here.

4. Seventh Fleet Headquarters has requested that we make some effort to check this and see what the score is regarding his connections with the plane crews.

5. I know you have your hands full, but maybe G-2 and Colonel Boyd could help you check the planes departing daily for TSINGTAO and I will check on this end. However, if you should get the information requested please let me know as soon as possible.

6. From all indications I will need your cooperation on many of the requests from Seventh Fleet Headquarters.

Hoping that you will find time over a weekend to come down and have a look see. Best Regards, Eddie

This is a copy of the letter from [REDACTED] to [REDACTED]
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MEMORANDUM

To: BH-214
From: BH 1

4 November '46

Subject: [REDACTED], alias [REDACTED]

There is transmitted, herewith, a copy of an undated report (believed submitted) on 5 October, 1946, from the Fleet Intelligence Officer (Seventh Fleet, TSINGTAO) to the Chief of Staff, having the above subject.

You will note that subject is reported to have gone to TSINGTAO from TIENTSIN and that his father is the Manager of the USSR Bank in TIENTSIN.

BH 230 has been requested to initiate an investigation of the background and activities of subject. He was advised that you are being requested to forward to BH 230 and this office any information available to you concerning the background and activities of subject and his father in TIENTSIN.

The information contained in the report was evaluated B-2 by the source.

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MEMORANDUM

From: Fleet Intelligence Officer.
To: Chief of Staff.

Subject: [redacted] alias [redacted] Information on.

1. On about 5th August 2 U.S.N. officers, one Ensign and one Lieutenant appeared (names were obtained and subsequently misplaced) in the intelligence office and stated they were passing through TSINGTAO in an LST and had been ashore to the Edgewater Mansions on two different evenings. During the course of their visits they got into conversation with a [redacted] who had a concession at the Hotel. [redacted] showed an undue interest in naval matters had asked them a number of pointed questions. Specific questions were:

- (a) How large were the crews on LSTs now that the war was over.
 - (b) How many LSTs was the Navy going to maintain in China and the far east.
 - (c) How about the crew, were they veterans or all newly enlisted men.
 - (d) Are all other U.S.N. ships fully manned at present or are they running short handed and what was the efficiency of the ships now.
- [redacted] had heard from other officers that the efficiency of the new crews and ships operation in general was way down.

Comment:

The above questions when interspersed among general remarks could simply be a desire on the part of a merchant who deals with Navy personnel to show an intelligent interest and thereby make a favorable impression and also a merchant selling to U.S.N. personnel could be expected to have vital interest in the number of prospective customers he might expect during a forthcoming period. On the other hand these questions, particularly the ones on efficiency and percentage of manning of vessels are of distinct value to an intelligence agency preparing an order of battle. These items cannot be accurately obtained from public sources.

2. It has been ascertained that [redacted] had come to TSINGTAO from TIENTSIN. That his father is the manager of the USSR Bank in TIENTSIN and has a fairly lucrative business in the curio shop. He buys cheaply in TIENTSIN and has his cargo flown to TSINGTAO by navy plane.

Comment:

Inasmuch as it is well known that the USSR Bank officials are definitely party members and trained in intelligence it may be assumed that [redacted] passes information to his father and very probably receives directives from his father.

Whether for pay or for patriotism cannot be estimated at present.

3. Subsequently [redacted] stated that two officers had mentioned to him that [redacted] had asked them several questions on naval matters. These officers [redacted] and [redacted] on being interviewed reported that [redacted] appeared to show a more than normal interest in naval vessels movements and dispositions of units. At that time they could not remember the specific questions but considered the matter of sufficient importance to mention to the intelligence officer.

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4. [redacted] visited [redacted] at the Hotel and was invited to Doff's house for the evening. [redacted] reported that [redacted] appeared to be a very intelligent person. His appearance and manner is misleading in that superficially he may not make a serious impression but after talking to him at length in his native tongue [redacted] concluded that [redacted] was above the average in intelligence and may be described as a smart operator.

During [redacted] visit, [redacted] expounded at length on the Soviet system and showed a good knowledge of international politics and economics. He gave some impressive arguments for Communism. [redacted] showed much interest on the subjects for Radar and U.S. submarines and submarine operation in general.

CONCLUSIONS

From the above rather superficial investigation it is believed that Doff is either officially or unofficially acting as a Soviet agent. It may be concluded:

- (a) [redacted] is in a very favorable position to obtain specific and classified information from U.S. personnel.
- (b) That [redacted] does obtain specific information from U.S. personnel and that this information is passed on to accredited Soviet espionage agents.
- (c) That some of the information obtained by Doff is valuable to the Soviet government by definite information of the state of readiness of U.S. Navy units in the Far East, it is possible to make an accurate analysis of U.S. International political intentions.
- (d) That some of the information [redacted] is in a position to obtain is necessary to the USSR in preparing their OOB on US Forces VIE: it is known that the USSR intelligence does not rely on this information from open sources i.e. newspapers, radio, congress, etc. that their policy demands that OOB data be checked by direct method.

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27 March '47

From: The Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2.
To: The Commanding General.

Subject: [redacted] alias [redacted] report on.

1. It has come to the attention of this office that [redacted] alias [redacted] attempted unsuccessfully to see the Commanding General on 25 March, '47 in order to secure permission to ship some package (s) to TSINGTAO by Marine aircraft. The Commanding General was out at the time.

2. On 31 December 1946, a dispatch was received at this Headquarters from ComNavWestPac informing us that [redacted] was arriving in TIENTSIN via Marine aircraft on 1 Jan, '47, and requesting "tactical surveillance and report".

3. On 14 February, 1947, a dispatch, originated by this office, was sent to ComNavWestPac reporting that [redacted] had apparently been engaged in no activities other than his own personal affairs since his arrival in TIENTSIN. Continued surveillance was requested by ComNavWestPac.

4. On 7 March, 1947, a second dispatch, originated by this office, was sent to ComNavWestPac reporting that there were indications that [redacted] was associated with persons of questionable character in TIENTSIN and PEIPING.

5. Subsequent information indicated that [redacted] used Marine aircraft in the past to transport merchandise between TIENTSIN and TSINGTAO. On at least one known occasion he persuaded a Marine officer to take a package of money for him from TSINGTAO to TIENTSIN. Later he requested this same officer to run errands for him in TIENTSIN in his (officer's) jeep, as "Chinese police are apt to search my truck and merchandise". The request was refused.

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11 June 1947

YASAKOV, Andrei

Subject was born 16 August 1896. Subject is a USSR citizen. Religion; Orthodox. His friends are, Mr. Martashoff, A.V. and R.E. Vladimiroff. Father's name; Sergei Martashoff, Prokhorovka.

Height; 1.82 meters, color of eyes; gray, shape face; oval, color hair; brown, color eyebrows; brown, shape nose; normal.

YASAKOV (YASAKOFF), Andrei Sergievich is about 56 years old, tall, large nose, husky, normally stout, rather striking looking, has a small beard and moustache, rather intelligent face with large features and wears glasses.

Subject was graduated from the University of Tsuk (History and Philology). During World War I, he was drafted into the Imperial Russian Army and in which he served until January 1918. Highest rank attained by subject was 2nd. Lt. In 1919, subject was drafted into the White Army, by the directive issued by Admiral Kolchak. Subject served until sometime in 1920.

After terminating his activity with the White Army, subject arrived in Harbin where he obtained employment as a professor in the Polytechnic Institute (sponsored by Chinese Eastern RR) and also lectured in the local Chinese Government University. Subject served in this capacity until 1932. Subject took out a Soviet passport in 1923 from which time he became active Soviet Citizen.

In 1932, subject arrived in Peiping where he lectured on the History and Economic Geography of the USSR (lectured in Chinese). Simultaneously subject disseminated Soviet propaganda among the Chinese students.

At the present time subject (with several Chinese partners) has a Real Estate Office in the Ex-French concession where besides land and "Immobilis Equipment" transactions there are conducted espionage in the Economical field and dissemination of Soviet propaganda. Subject is also known to be selling paper.



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Ltr., from Headquarters Marine Corps, Washington, dated 27 June 1946.
From: Commandant of the Marine Corps.
To: Commanding General, First Marine Division, Reinforced.

Subject: Soviet Agent in Tientsin.

1. A report has been received in this office relative to the activities of a Russian named [redacted] (or [redacted]) resident of Tientsin.

2. The report states that after the arrival of the Marines in North China, [redacted] sister-in-law was employed by the Marines at the French Arsenal Compound, but left this employ after having worked only a short while. During this period she is said to have supplied [redacted] and through him [redacted] another Soviet agent, military information.

3. This is transmitted for your information.

4. Transmission by registered guard mail or U.S. registered mail is authorized in accordance with Article 76 (15) (e) and (f), U.S. Navy Regulations.

Signed by: [redacted] by direction.

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