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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: April 18, 1949

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: JAHAM; PERJURY
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Rerpt, April 11, 1949 at Washington Field by SA CARL N. DE TEMPLE.

~~X~~RETICKER, former associate, Labor Advisory Board, NRA, now employed as Chief of Legislative Reference Unit, Bureau of Employment Security, Social Security Administration.

~~DEFERRED TO JUNE~~

It has been ascertained that RUTH RETICKER is located at the Federal Security Building, Washington, D. C., telephone Executive 6300, extension 4447, room 2524. The Washington Field Division will interview RETICKER concerning A. GEORGE SILVERMAN and his relations with HENRY HILL COLLINS while at the Labor Advisory Board, NRA.

2 cc: Washington Field

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JAHAM. RE NY TEL APRIL TWENTY, INSTANT. VLADIMIR DE SVESHNIKOFF
TESTIFIED BEFORE GRAND JURY, SDNY, APRIL TWENTY SIX, INSTANT. SPECIAL
ASSISTANT TO ATTORNEY GENERAL ISAIAH MATLACK ADVISED [REDACTED]

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RE

MAJOR HUNT MENTIONED IN REF TEL, SVESHNIKOFF ADVISES THIS PERSON-S FULL
NAME IS JOHN HUNT. SVESHNIKOFF ADVISES HE HAS INFORMED WFO OF ALL INFO
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JAHAM, PERJURY, ESP. R, IS -R. RENEY PHONE CALL TO BUREAU THIS DATE. PRESENTMENT RETURNED BY SPECIAL FEDERAL GRAND JURY SDNY AND FILED TODAY. FINDINGS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND LANGUAGE IN PRESENTMENT ARE ESSENTIALLY SIMILAR WITH EXCEPTION OF MINOR CHANGES, TO THOSE CONTAINED IN PROPOSED DRAFT OF PRESENTMENT PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED TO BUREAU BY NY LETTER ENTITLED, "ACTIVITIES OF FEDERAL GRAND JURY HEARING ESPIONAGE MATTERS, SDNY." COPIES OF FINAL DRAFT WILL BE FORWARDED BY LETTER FOR INFO.

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TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
 (Attention: Mr. Reynolds, Liaison Officer)

FROM : Operations Br, Security & Training Gp, ID, GSUSA
 (Lt Col McIntyre / 73917/WKB) *Turn*

SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS, ETAL
 PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R
 INTERNAL SECURITY - R
 (Colonel Dean Ivan Lamb)

DATE: 22 April 1949

*Whittaker
Chambers*

1. Reference is made to your communication dated 15 April 1949, subject as above.
2. A check of the Record Section, Intelligence Division, General Staff, United States Army, fails to reveal any information to the effect that Dean Ivan LAMB contacted Colonel THIELE of G-2, Washington, D. C., during March 1934 or at any other time.
3. Brigadier General Claude Martin THIELE (Ret) listed his mailing address as of 15 April 1949 as follows:

c/o Washington Loan and Trust Company
 West End Office
 17th and "G" Streets, N.W.
 Washington, D. C.

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JAHAM. REBUTEL APR TWENTYFIVE LAST INDICATING JOHN HERRMANN
WILL BE INTERVIEWED MEXICO CITY. IT IS SUGGESTED HE BE QUESTIONED
AS TO WHETHER HE WROTE THE NOTE TO CHAMBERS DATED MARCH FOUR, THIRTY
EIGHT, READING QUOTE KARL - IF YOU HAVE GIVEN UP PLAYING AROUND WITH
MY GIRL FRIEND, ETC. UNQUOTE. COPIES OF THIS NOTE WERE TRANSMITTED
TO THE NYO BY BUREAU LETTER APR FIFTEEN LAST. IT IS NOTED HCUA
MEMO, DEC TWO, FORTYEIGHT, ATTACHED TO THIS NOTE HAD WRITTEN THEREON

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GET JOHN HERRMANN UNQUOTE. BUREAU REQUESTED TO DETERMINE WHETHER
HCUA QUESTIONED HERRMANN ABOUT THIS NOTE.

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JAHAM. BALTIMORE OFFICE IS REQUESTED TO TELEPHONICALLY COMMUNICATE WITH CHAMBERS AND ADVISE HIM THAT IT WILL BE NECESSARY FOR HIM TO BE IN THE FBI OFFICE IN NYC ON MAY SECOND AND POSSIBLY MAY THIRD.

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JAHAM. RENVTEL TO BUREAU FEB SEVENTEEN, FORTYNINE RE JOHN HERRMANN.
MRS FLORENCE TATE, BROOKLYN, NY, MOTHER IN LAW OF HERRMANN REINTER-
VIEWED YESTERDAY AND STATES HERRMANN AND HIS WIFE STILL IN MEXICO
CITY AND CAN BE REACHED IN CARE OF WELLS FARGO EXPRESS CO., MEXICO
CITY. THEY ARE STUDYING SPANISH, INTEND TO ENTER UNIVERSITY THERE
AND PLAN TO LIVE THERE INDEFINITELY DUE TO CHEAPER LIVING CONDITIONS
IN THAT COUNTRY. MRS HERRMANN, IN LETTER TO TATE, HAS INDICATED SHE
KNOWS BUREAU DESIRES TO INTERVIEW HER HUSBAND AND HAS SUGGESTED THAT
IF INTERVIEW IS TO BE CONDUCTED IN NEAR FUTURE IT WILL HAVE TO
BE IN MEXICO SINCE THEY DO NOT INTEND TO RETURN TO US IN NEAR FUTURE.
REFERENCE TELETYPE REQUESTS BUREAU ADVICE AS TO WHETHER IT WOULD BE
POSSIBLE TO HAVE HERRMANN INTERVIEWED IN MEXICO CITY. NY FILES DO
NOT REFLECT A BUREAU REPLY. BUREAU REQUESTED TO ADVISE WHETHER HERR-
MANN WILL BE INTERVIEWED IN MEXICO OR INTERVIEW WILL BE HELD IN ABEY-
ANCE UNTIL HE RETURNS TO US.

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JAHAM. AUSA THOMAS F. MURPHY, WHO WITH SAAG DONEGAN, IS HANDLING PROSECUTION OF HISS INDICTMENT, ADVISED AGENTS TODAY THAT HE WILL PROBABLY RETURN FROM SICK LEAVE MAY THIRD NEXT AND THAT HE HAS INSTRUCTED AUSA EE RIGNEY TO REQUEST ADJOURNMENT OF THREE WEEKS WHEN CASE CALLED MAY SECOND.

cc - F.L. J. J.

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JAHAM. RENVTEL FEBRUARY FOURTEEN, LAST, REFLECTING INTERVIEW WITH CHAMBERS IN WHICH HE RECALLS THAT APPROXIMATELY EARLY ~~AS~~ NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT, HE WAS PREPARING FOR BREAK WITH CP AND ASKED ~~BYKOV~~ FOR FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS IN ORDER TO PURCHASE NEW CAR. BYKOV DID NOT HAVE FUNDS AND CHAMBERS STATED HE COULD BORROW SAME FROM HISS. BYKOV APPROVED TRANSACTION. THEREAFTER, CHAMBERS SECURED FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS FROM HISS AND HE RECALLS THAT PRISCILLA HISS COMMENTED SHE HAD TO CLOSE OUT SAVINGS ACCOUNT IN ORDER TO FURNISH HIM WITH THIS MONEY. EXAMINATION OF SAVINGS ACCOUNT, RIGGS NATIONAL BANK, WASHINGTON, REFLECTS ACCOUNT IN NAME OF ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS WAS OPENED NOVEMBER FOUR, NINETEEN THIRTYSIX WITH INITIAL DEPOSIT OF THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS. ACCOUNT WAS BUILT UP BY TWO SMALL DEPOSITS AND ONE OTHER OF ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS PLUS INTEREST, WHICH TOTALED ON OCTOBER ONE, NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN, FOUR HUNDRED FORTY DOLLARS AND FORTYSIX CENTS. A WITHDRAWAL SLIP SIGNED PRISCILLA HISS REFLECTS FOUR HUNDRED DOLLARS WAS WITHDRAWN ON NOVEMBER NINETEEN, NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN, LEAVING BALANCE OF FORTY DOLLARS AND FORTYSIX CENTS. BALTIMORE TELETYPE OF FEBRUARY TWENTY-THREE, LAST, REFLECTS RECORDS OF SCHMIDT MOTOR COMPANY, RANDALLSTOWN, MARYLAND, SHOW SALE OF NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN FORD TO ESTHER CHAMBERS, NOVEMBER TWENTYTHREE, NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN. A NINETEEN THIRTYFOUR MODEL FORD WAS TRADED IN AND FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTYSIX DOLLARS AND SEVENTYFIVE CENTS WERE PAID FOR THE ~~SALE~~ EXAMINATION OF CALENDAR FOR NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN REFLECTS THAT NOVEMBER NINETEEN, DATE OF WITHDRAWAL OF FUNDS, FELL ON FRIDAY. ~~THE~~ WAS PURCHASED ON FOLLOWING TUESDAY. SAVINGS ACCOUNT OF ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS IS STILL OPEN. PRESENT BALANCE THREE THOUSAND, FOUR HUNDRED

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FORTYONE DOLLARS AND EIGHTYTWO CENTS. DETAILED REPORT REFLECTING ANALYSIS OF ALL BANKING OF ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS AT RIGGS NATIONAL BANK BEING PREPARED AND WILL BE SUBMITTED IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE.

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JAHAM, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R, IS- R. RE DOCUMENT Q ONE, SLIP OF PAPER BEARING HANDWRITTEN NOTATION QUOTE (M TWENTY EIGHT TELG. MARY MARTIN WIDOW OF HUGH MARTIN FORMERLY EMPLOYED FOR SPECIAL WORK BY LEGATION AT RIGA. REMEMBER WELL RUBENS WHILE WORKING FOR HUGH, BE STRICT IF NEED WRITE LIB. CONG., LAW DIV.) UNQUOTE. REVIEW OF RUBENS - ROBINSON PASSPORT CASE BUFILE FOUR ZERO DASH THREE NINE TWO THREE, NYC STATE DEPT. INVESTIGATIVE FILE CONTAINS FOLLOWING CABLEGRAM, QUOTE (MOSCOW JANUARY TWENTY EIGHT NINETEEN THIRTY EIGHT. SECRETARY OF STATE, WASHINGTON DC, THIRTY JANUARY TWENTY EIGHT, ELEVEN AM HAVE RECEIVED FOLLOWING TELEGRAM FROM MARY MARTIN WIDOW OF HUGH MARTIN FORMERLY EMPLOYED FOR SPECIAL WORK BY LEGATION AT RIGA PARENTHESIS GRAY PARENTHESIS QUOTE REMEMBER WELL RUBENS WHILE WORKING FOR HUGH, BE STRICT IF NEEDED, WRITE LIBRARY CONGRESS LAW DIVISION SIGNED MARY MARTIN UNQUOTE PARENTHESIS END GRAY PARENTHESIS. SIGNED HENDERSON END QUOTE. ON JANUARY THIRTYONE, NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT, R.C. BANNERMAN, STATE DEPARTMENT, WROTE A LETTER TO MRS. MARY MARTIN, ONE FOUR TWO TWO N STREET, N.W., APARTMENT SEVEN B, WASHINGTON, D.C. REQUESTING AN INTERVIEW IN CONNECTION WITH HER WIFE HENDERSON. MRS. MARTIN ANSWERED THIS FEBRUARY THREE, NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT LETTER STATING

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SHE WAS ILL AND WOULD SEE BANNERMAN AS SOON AS SHE WAS FEELING BETTER. THE FOLLOWING IS A CARBON COPY OF WHAT APPEARS TO BE A STATE DEPT. MEMO, QUOTE MARCH SEVENTEEN, NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT. EU- MOFFAT - MRS. MARY MARTIN CALLED AT THIS OFFICE MARCH EIGHTEEN, NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT, AND IN EXPLANATION OF HER TELEGRAM TO MR. HENDERSON, MOSCOW, STATED IN FEBRUARY NINETEEN THIRTYTHREE, WHILE EMPLOYED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AS AN UNDERCOVER INVESTIGATOR OF COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES IN THE UNITED STATES, SHE WAS IN PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA, AND WAS TEMPORARILY EMPLOYED IN A BIG MANUFACTURING ESTABLISHMENT THERE. SHE BECAME A MEMBER OF ONE OF THE CELLS OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY AND ATTENDED TWO SECRET MEETINGS OF CELL MEMBERS OF VARIOUS ESTABLISHMENTS IN THAT DISTRICT OF PITTSBURGH. BOTH MEETINGS WERE ADDRESSED BY A COMRADE RUBENS WHOM SHE WAS IMMEDIATELY ABLE TO IDENTIFY AS THE RUBENS NOW UNDER ARREST IN MOSCOW. HER IDENTIFICATION RESTS ENTIRELY ON THE NAME AND THE PICTURE, BUT SHE DESCRIBES RUBENS AS A MAN OF SLIGHT BUILD, WHEREAS THE RUBENS UNDER ARREST IN MOSCOW WOULD WEIGH OVER ONE HUNDRED NINETY POUNDS. COMRADE RUBENS WAS EVIDENTLY A LATVIAN BUT HIS SPEECH INDICATED THAT HE HAD BEEN IN THIS COUNTRY FOR SEVERAL YEARS. HE WAS NOT THE PRINCIPAL SPEAKER
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LAST WRD ~~SHE WAS~~ FIFTEENTH LINE SHLD BE ARREST
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AT EITHER MEETING AND MRS. MARTIN CANNOT RECALL EXACTLY WHAT SUBJECTS WERE DISCUSSED AT THE TWO MEETINGS REFERRED TO. AFTER TALKING WITH MRS. MARTIN, I AM INCLINED TO BELIEVE HER IDENTIFICATION OF RUBENS AS THE MAN SHE SAW IN PITTSBURGH IN NINETEEN THIRTYTHREE CANNOT BE GIVEN MUCH CONFIDENCE. SO FAR WE ARE NOT AWARE THAT THE PARTY UNDER ARREST IN MOSCOW USED THE NAME OF RUBENS PRIOR TO NINETEEN THIRTYFIVE UNQUOTE. WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE SHOULD REVIEW STATE DEPARTMENT FILE FOR ORIGINAL FILE COPY OF MOSCOW CABLEGRAM NUMBER THIRTY OF JANUARY TWENTYEIGHT, NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT, AS SET FORTH ABOVE, ALSO REVIEW STATE DEPT. FILES FOR ALL BACKGROUND INFORMATION RE HUGH MARTIN, PARTICULARLY NATURE OF HUGH MARTIN-S DUTIES AT RIGA, LATVIA, WHETHER MARY MARTIN EMPLOYED BY STATE DEPARTMENT IN LATVIA, AND IF SO, NATURE OF DUTIES. EFFORTS SHOULD BE MADE TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER RUBENS WAS IN ANY WAY ATTACHED TO LEGATION AT RIGA, OR IF HE WAS AN INFORMANT OR ACTIVE IN SOME OTHER CAPACITY IN ASSISTING HUGH OR MARY MARTIN WHILE BOTH WERE ALLEGEDLY EMPLOYED ON SPECIAL MISSION AT RIGA. IT IS NOTED THAT INTERVIEW OF MARY MARTIN SET FORTH IN STATE DEPT. MEMO DOES NOT CLEARLY EXPLAIN REASON FOR MARY MARTIN-S TELEGRAM TO HENDERSON AT MOSCOW. EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE TO ASCERTAIN PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF MARY MARTIN, WHERE UPON SHE SHOULD BE IMMEDIATELY INTERVIEWED FOR ALL KNOWLEDGE OF RUBENS AND REASON FOR SENDING TELEGRAM TO MOSCOW RE HIM. DETAILED EXPLANATION SHOULD BE

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OBTAINED FROM HER FOR USE OF LANGUAGE IN HER TELEGRAM. STATE DEPT. FILES AT WASHINGTON, D.C., RE RUBENS- ROBINSON PASSPORT FRAUD CASE SHOULD BE REVIEWED FOR ANY INFORMATION OF ASSISTANCE IN CLARIFYING THIS MATTER. IF MOSCOW TELEGRAM DATED JANUARY TWENTYEIGHT, NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT, ^{CHT} NUMBER THIRTY, IS LOCATED IN ORIGINAL STATE DEPT. FILE, DISTRIBUTION SLIP FOR THIS TELEGRAM SHOULD LIKEWISE BE LOCATED. ATTENTION OF WASHINGTON FIELD IS CALLED TO THE FACT THAT ALGER HISS DENIES THAT HANDWRITING ON DOCUMENT Q ONE IS HIS, WHEREAS FBI LABORATORY HAS IDENTIFIED HANDWRITING ON THIS DOCUMENT AS BEING THAT OF HISS. STRONG POSSIB^FLITY EXISTS THAT HISS IN ATTEMPTING TO FORWARD CONTENTS OF MOSCOW CABLEGRAM NUMBER THIRTY TO RUSSIANS WAS ENDEAVORING TO WARN THEM OF POSSIBILITY THAT RUBENS HAD ACTED AS A DOUBLE AGENT, POSSIBLY AS INFORMANT OF HUGH MARTIN. AVAILABLE INFORMATION STRONGLY INDICATES THAT ADOLPH ARNOLD RUBENS WAS A NATIVE OF LATVIA, FURTHER THAT HE AND HIS WIFE VISITED EUROPE FOR A PERIOD OF SEVERAL MONTHS IN NINETEEN THIRTY SIX AND WHILE THERE MAY HAVE BEEN OPERATING FOR HUGH MARTIN.

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JAHAM, PERJURY, ESP DASH R, IS-R. RE NYTEL MARCH TWENTY EIGHT LAST RE
 MARY AND HUGH MARTIN. ONE ORIGINAL COPY MOSCOW CABLEGRAM NUMBER THIRTY
 IN STATE DEPT., PASSPORT DIV. RUBENS DASH ROBINSON MATTER. ACTION
 DISTRIBUTION ONLY MARKED THEREON, DOES NOT INCLUDE OFFICE OF SAYRE OR
 HISS AND INITIALS HISS NOT THEREON. PRESERVED ONLY ON MICROFILM IS
 INFORMATION COPY SAME CABLEGRAM WITH DISTRIBUTION RUBBER-STAMPED ON LEFT
 HAND SIDE INDICATING WAS ROUTED TO SAYRE'S OFFICE. NO INITIALS APPEAR
 ON THIS COPY. TWO. HUGH STREET MARTIN APPOINTED CLERK PETROGRAD
 EMBASSY SIX THIRTY SIXTEEN. RESIGNED TO ACCEPT COMMISSION CAPTAIN, USA
 NOVEMBER FIFTEEN, NINETEEN EIGHTEEN, SERVED ARCHANGEL. REAPPOINTED
 CLERK RIGA LEGATION FOUR FIVE TWENTY-TWO SERVED UNTIL TWO SEVEN TWENTY-NINE
 WHEN TRANSFERRED STATESIDE DUTY EASTERN EUROPEAN AFFAIRS DIV., WASH., D. C.
 DIED FEBRUARY NINETEEN, NINETEEN THIRTY ONE. AT RIGA QUOTE MAINTAINS
 CONTACT WITH CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION SOURCES. PREPARES REPORTS AND DISPATCHES.
 ASSISTS CONSULATE IN INVESTIGATIONS OF VISA CASES PAREN RUSSIAN PAREN END QUOTE.
 DESCRIBED AS QUOTE PARTICULARLY VALUABLE AS AN INVESTIGATOR END QUOTE. THREE.
 MARY APIN MARTIN, WIDOW HUGH APPLIED FOR POSITION US RUSSIAN EMBASSY JANUARY
 EIGHT, NINETEEN THIRTY FOUR, BORN SEVEN SEVEN, NINETEEN ZERO THREE RIGA
 APPLICATION REFLECTS FOLLOWING EMPLOYMENT QUOTE NINETEEN EIGHTEEN TO NINETEEN
 TWENTY UNDERCOVER WOMAN FOR HUNGARIAN AND BRITISH GOVERNMENTS MILITARY INTELLI-
 GENCE. NINETEEN TWENTY FOUR TO NINETEEN TWENTYEIGHT UNDERCOVER WOMAN DASH

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AGENT ON COMMUNISON TO CAPT. HUGH STREET MARTIN AMERICAN LEGATION, RIGA, LATVIA.
NINETEEN THIRTY THREE DASH SPECIAL IN ESTIGATOR ON COMMUNISM FOR U.S. DEPT. OF
LABOR. END QUOTE. FOUR. INVESTIGATION THUS FAR FAILS TO CONNECT RUBENS WITH
RIGA LEGATION BUT POSSIBILITY EXISTS HE WAS CI FOR MARTIN. MARY NOT EMPLOYED
FOREIGN SERVICE STATE DEPT. FIVE. WHEREABOUTS ~~MARY MARTIN~~ UNKNOWN BUT EFFORT
TO LOCATE CONTINUES. NYC SHOULD INTERVIEW D. I. ~~HOUGH~~, FOUNDATION CO, TWENTY
LIBERTY ST., NYC, WHO, FEBRUARY SEVEN, NINETEEN TWENTY TWO WROTE LETTER BEHALF
HUGH MARTIN. HOUGH RESIDED USSR SEVEN YEARS PRIOR TO AUGUST TWENTY, NINETEEN
SEVENTEEN. CLAIMS LONG TIME FRIENDSHIP AND MILITARY SERVICE HUGH MARTIN.
ENDEAVOR ASCERTAIN FROM HOUGH WHEREABOUTS MARY. SIX. MEMO R. C. BANNERMAN IN
RETEL REVIEWED, ADDS NOTHING. BANNERMAN ADVISES DOES NOT KNOW WHEREABOUTS MARY,
AND CAN ADD NO FURTHER DETAILS. SEVEN. NOTE MARTIN DEAD NINETEEN THIRTY SIX
WHEN RUBENS AND WIFE VISITED EUROPE SO COULD NOT HAVE BEEN AGENT FOR HUGH
MARTIN, AT THIS TIME AS RETEL SUGGESTS. EIGHT. SISTER HUGH MARTIN PRESUMABLY
LOCATED MERIDIAN, MISS. TELETYPE DIRECTED TO NEW ORLEANS TO QUESTION HER RE
WHEREABOUTS MARY MARTIN. NINE. STATE DEPT. PASSPORT FILE RUBENS DASH
ROBINSON EXTREMELY VOLUMINOUS AND CLOSE REVIEW WILL TAKE SEVERAL DAYS. REP.
WILL FOLLOW.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. D. M. LADD *DL*

FROM : H. B. FLETCHER *HBF*

SUBJECT: JAHAM, WAS, ET AL
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DATE: May 3, 1949

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Reference is made to New York teletype of April 27, 1949, which is attached.

F. L. Jones

I phoned ASAC Belmont, New York, at 9:30 a.m. on May 2, 1949, and advised that the Bureau had no objection to not having Chambers sign his statement at this time; however, it was desired that after the trial of this case that the statement be signed by Chambers.

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JAHAM. SAAG T. J. DONEGAN ADVISED TODAY THAT IN SEVERAL CONFERENCES HE HAS HAD WITH AUSA TOM MURPHY IN CONNECTION WITH INSTANT CASE, THE DESIRABILITY OF HAVING CHAMBERS SIGN THE LENGTHY STATEMENT WHICH HAS BEEN IN PREPARATION FOR SOME MONTHS WAS DISCUSSED. DONEGAN STATES THAT BOTH MURPHY AND HIMSELF ARE OF THE OPINION THAT THIS STATEMENT SHOULD NOT BE SIGNED. DONEGAN POINTED OUT THAT SINCE CHAMBERS WOULD BE A GOVT. WITNESS AND A FRIENDLY ONE, NO MATERIAL BENEFIT COULD BE GAINED BY HIS SIGNING THIS STATEMENT. HE FURTHER POINTED OUT THAT IF CHAMBERS DID SIGN IT, THE FACT OF THE SIGNED STATEMENTS EXISTENCE MIGHT BE BROUGHT OUT DURING THE COURSE OF THE TRIAL, AND ALTHOUGH THE STATEMENT IN ALL PROBABILITY WOULD NOT BE PRESENTED TO THE JURY, THERE WAS A POSSIBILITY THAT THE JUDGE MIGHT ALLOW THE DEFENSE ATTYS TO READ THIS STATEMENT. DONEGAN CLAIMS THAT THIS WOULD PROBABLY RESULT IN SOME COMPLICATIONS. IT WAS POINTED OUT TO DONEGAN THAT CHAMBERS HAS ALREADY SIGNED THREE RATHER BRIEF STATEMENTS, BUT HE INDICATED THAT HE DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT THESE STATEMENTS WILL CAUSE ANY COMPLICATION EVEN IF THEY WERE INTRODUCED IN VIEW OF THE

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FACT THAT THEY ARE BRIEF AND ARE CONCERNED WITH SPECIFIC MATTERS. HE POINTED OUT THAT THE STATEMENT IN QUESTION IS VERY LENGTHY AND IF THE DEFENSE ATTYS GOT THEIR HANDS ON IT THEY MIGHT USE SOME OF THE MATERIAL THEREIN TO AT LEAST CLOUD THE ISSUE. DONEGAN STATED THAT ALTHOUGH HE WAS AWARE THAT THIS PROCEDURE IS IN CONFLICT WITH GENERAL BUREAU CUSTOM, HE FELT THAT IF THE BUREAU DESIRED THE STATEMENT TO BE SIGNED THIS COULD BE ARRANGED SUBSEQUENT TO THE TRIAL. THIS OFFICE WILL COMPLY WITH THE REQUESTS OF DONEGAN AND MURPHY. HOWEVER THE BUREAU SHOULD SUTEL IN THE EVENT THAT THEIR OPINION IS TO THE CONTRARY. IN CONNECTION WITH REPORTING THE INFO RELATED BY CHAMBERS, IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT THE FIRST PARAGRAPH OF THIS STATEMENT WILL BE OMITTED AND IN ITS STEAD A BRIEF PARAGRAPH POINTING OUT THE FACT THAT CHAMBERS WAS INTERVIEWED WILL BE INSERTED. IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THIS REPORT, WHICH WILL CONTAIN THE STATEMENT OF CHAMBERS AS WELL AS HIS BACKGROUND AND INFO CONCERNING BACKGROUND AND OTHER INFO SUPPLIED BY MRS. CHAMBERS, WILL RUN APPROXIMATELY THREE HUNDRED PAGES, COPIES ARE BEING SUPPLIED ONLY TO WFO, BALTIMORE, LOSA, SAN FRAN, DENVER, NEW HAVEN, BOSTON, AND PHILA, AS WELL AS SAAG T. J. DONEGAN.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

DATE: April 15, 1949

SUBJECT: JAHAM
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By letter dated March 10, 1949, the Boston Office advised San Francisco in the case entitled "JOY CLARK, WAS. ETAL, SECURITY MATTER - C", that a highly confidential source had advised SA WILLIAM H. CARPENTER of the Boston Office that JOY CLARK of New Bedford, Massachusetts, had received a letter from her sister, Mrs. JEAN FELDMAN of San Francisco, California, on or about March 6, 1949, wherein Mrs. FELDMAN wrote as follows:

"Apparently, Mother didn't tell you about the F.B.I. visiting me some three weeks ago. This is very remiss of her since it is very possible that they will question the rest of the family since I am the only one who is corresponding with MARGOT. I wish you would tell her, too.

"They made some absurd allegations about things I had done in Europe in 1936. Naturally, I denied their claims but, unfortunately, I did not realize until afterwards that the best way to treat them is to refuse to answer any questions whatsoever.

"Please tell Mama to tell Bud and Barbara if she has not already."

The author of this letter is undoubtedly JEAN CLARK FIELD LIEBERMAN who was interviewed by Agents of the San Francisco Office concerning her activities in Switzerland during the 1930's. The results of this interview have been previously reported to the Bureau in the report of SA DAVID E. TODD dated February 10, 1949, at San Francisco.

The above is being furnished for the information of the interested offices.

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 cc New York City
 cc Boston

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Assistant Attorney General Alexander M. Campbell
Criminal Division
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JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, with aliases
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There are transmitted herewith the following additional reports in connection with instant investigation.

Report of:

- Special Agent Hubert F. Small dated at St. Louis, Missouri, April 6, 1949.
- Special Agent Dean M. Hosen dated at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, April 7, 1949.
- Special Agent Hugo P. Blandori dated at New Haven, Connecticut, April 7, 1949.
- Special Agent Paul G. Taylor dated at New Orleans, Louisiana, April 7, 1949.
- Special Agent Lemuel W. Kerr dated at Norfolk, Virginia, April 8, 1949.
- Special Agent Ludwig W. R. Oberndorf dated at Washington, D. C., April 8, 1949.
- Special Agent Carl N. DeTemple dated at Washington, D. C., April 11, 1949.
- Special Agent Mahlon F. Collier dated at Detroit, Michigan, April 11, 1949.
- Special Agent Moss L. Innes dated at Omaha, Nebraska, April 12, 1949.
- Special Agent Robert G. Aulenbacher dated at Buffalo, New York, April 13, 1949.
- Special Agent Elliot S. Blakesley dated at Charlotte, North Carolina, April 14, 1949.
- Special Agent Maurice A. Taylor dated at Washington, D. C., April 18, 1949.
- Special Agent Donald D. Connors dated at Washington, D. C., April 19, 1949.

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As other reports are received, they will be made available to you promptly.

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TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Charlotte

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

DATE: April 20, 1949

Reference is made to Washington Field memorandum to the Bureau dated April 13, 1949, requesting that the Charlotte Division furnish the results of the interview with DONALD RUSSELL, particularly wherein the identity of JOSEPH PANUCH is involved.

For the information of the Washington Field Office, the results of instant interview were set forth in the report of SA ELLIOT S. BLAKESLEY at Charlotte dated April 14, 1949. The last paragraph of the interview with Mr. RUSSELL is herewith quoted: "Mr. RUSSELL advised that JOSEPH ANTHONY PANUCH, Deputy Administrator under Mr. RUSSELL, was probably present at the meetings of the office of Special Political Affairs. Mr. PANUCH is now Special Advisor to the Commander-in-Chief, General LUCIUS CLAY, Office of Military Government for Germany, Berlin, Germany."

In the event the Washington Field Office desires further interview with Mr. RUSSELL the Charlotte Division should be advised.

cc: Washington Field (74-94)
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD
SUBJECT: JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, etal
PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

DATE: April 19, 1949

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In connection with the report of Special Agent DONALD D. CONNORS, enclosed herewith, it is thought that the Bureau may wish to make inquiries of EARL PACKER, Consul General at Tunis, with reference to his knowledge of MARY MARTIN and Captain HUGH MARTIN, consequently his address is set out.

It is also noted that Mr. ~~HOWARD W.~~ ^{LOY} HENDERSON, recipient of MARY MARTIN's cablegram, mentioned in referenced report, is now U. S. Ambassador at New Delhi, India.

It is pointed out that even if RUBENS did work as a confidential informant for HUGH MARTIN in Riga, as is indicated by New York teletype dated March 28, 1949, MARY MARTIN, now Mrs. OLKOWSKA, would be unable to so testify. Further, it is thought that a review of HUGH MARTIN's dispatches or a review of the RUBENS-ROBINSON passport file, while such a review might show an individual named RUBENS in the employee of Captain HUGH MARTIN, would by no means establish conclusively that this individual is identical with ADOLF ARNOLD RUBENS.

It is thought that the investigation which proves that HISS had or should have had access to Moscow cablegram No. 30 is sufficient to satisfy the requirements of New York teletype dated March 28, 1949 and no further investigation along these lines will be conducted by the Washington Field Office unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, New York

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

DATE: March 7, 1949

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During the course of the interview presently being conducted with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, he has provided information concerning one PAUL WILLERT. This information is being set forth herewith, for your consideration, and for whatever disposition you may desire. It will of course be included in the statement being prepared by CHAMBERS.

Mr. CHAMBERS stated that subsequent to his break with the Communist Party in April, 1938, he attempted to secure work in the translation field, which type of endeavor he had engaged in some years previously. In this connection he was sent by a friend of his, MEYER SCHAPIRO, to one PAUL WILLERT. It was CHAMBERS' recollection that WILLERT was then the treasurer or one of the vice-presidents of the Oxford Press in New York City. Through WILLERT, CHAMBERS stated he secured a translation assignment, the exact nature of which he could not now definitely recall.

Continuing, Mr. CHAMBERS said that after seeing PAUL WILLERT several times, he received a telephone call in Baltimore, Maryland, from PAUL WILLERT in New York City. The latter requested CHAMBERS to come to New York as soon as possible as he desired to talk to him. CHAMBERS said that he complied with this request and upon his arrival in WILLERT'S office, the latter, who was sitting at his desk, looked up and said, "ULRICH wants to see you."

At this point it might be stated for information purposes, that "ULRICH" was CHAMBERS' Russian superior in the United States from approximately 1932 to sometime in late 1933 or early 1934. At that time, "ULRICH" disappeared and CHAMBERS presumed that he returned to Moscow.

CHAMBERS said that he was amazed by WILLERT'S remark, but he inquired of the latter, "Who is ULRICH." WILLERT in replying said, "You know, ULRICH from Berlin." CHAMBERS then asked of WILLERT, "How do you know ULRICH." WILLERT then explained to CHAMBERS that he, WILLERT, was once attached to the British Embassy in Berlin, and while there, he joined the Communist Party. He implied to CHAMBERS that he knew "ULRICH" somehow from this source. Mr. CHAMBERS stated that he then asked WILLERT, "Why then are you warning me." In answer, WILLERT said that he admired what CHAMBERS had done, in breaking from the Communist Party, because he ~~had~~ ^{had} the nerve to do it himself.

WILLERT also told CHAMBERS that he had had dinner with "ULRICH", and the latter had told WILLERT that he wanted to see CHAMBERS. WILLERT then opened his desk drawer and took therefrom some dummy books, which he showed to

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CHAMBERS, and which the latter stated were filled with Communist Party "throw-aways" in the German language. He told CHAMBERS that these were being sent into Germany. He also indicated that in this particular operation, he was working with V. J. JEROME, who CHAMBERS believes was then Agit-Prop of the American Communist Party.

CHAMBERS stated that he saw WILLERT several times thereafter, and on one occasion, they had dinner together. However, WILLERT never mentioned "ULRICH" again. WILLERT, CHAMBERS related, returned to England sometime in 1939. CHAMBERS said that he later heard that WILLERT was in Warsaw, Poland, when the Germans were close to that City; that he fled through Roumania to England. Sometime in this period, he reportedly broke with the Communist Party, and in England joined the "lowest Navy Regiment in London" as a private. CHAMBERS explained that it was his understanding that "Navy" referred to a stevedore. Still later, from what CHAMBERS heard, WILLERT went into intelligence work for the British, and ultimately became a fighter pilot in the British Air Force. CHAMBERS had no basis for this latter information concerning WILLERT, other than that it had been told him by various individuals at "Time, Inc."

CHAMBERS said that he did not know just how long WILLERT was associated with the Oxford Press prior to the time he, CHAMBERS, first met him, but he did not believe that it was for long. He stated that WILLERT was a good friend of CLAUDE COCKBRUN, a British journalist, who was at one time editor of the "English Daily Worker".

With further reference to WILLERT, CHAMBERS speculated that he was a "close fellow traveler", who had been gradually drawn into the Communist Party and espionage, through a love of adventure and "general ineffectiveness". He conjectured that WILLERT, after joining the Communist Party, had probably carried out special missions for them, but was never an "apparatus man" or a paid agent. Continuing, CHAMBERS stated WILLERT would have had no reason to accept money for his work, as he had an ample income of his own.

WILLERT'S father, he related, was Sir ARTHUR WILLERT, who according to CHAMBERS, was the leader of a "left of center group", which centered around a publication known as "The Week" or "This Week". CLAUDE COCKBRUN, mentioned heretofore, was also in this group, and it was CHAMBERS' impression that Sir ARTHUR WILLERT financed this publication. The latter was also a candidate for the position of British Ambassador to the United States at the time LORD HALIFAX received this post.

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: April 21, 1949

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: JAHAM
PERJURY
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Reference is made to the New York letter of March 7, 1949, wherein you were furnished with information provided by JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS concerning one PAUL WILLERT. In connection with this individual, Mr. CHAMBERS has now provided the additional information set forth hereinafter.

Mr. CHAMBERS states that he recalls that PAUL WILLERT told him that he had made two trips into Germany for the Communist Party underground. On the occasion of the first trip WILLERT was supposedly carrying a message or material of some kind. It was CHAMBERS' impression that this trip would have occurred sometime subsequent to the Nazis having come to power in Germany.

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According to WILLERT, in Belgium an emissary of the Communist Party warned him, while he was on the train, not to take any material into Germany since he would be stopped at the frontier. CHAMBERS thought that WILLERT stated he either gave the material he was carrying to this agent who warned him or disposed of it in some other way. At Aachen the German authority stopped WILLERT and gave him a stripped search. Finding nothing the German permitted WILLERT to proceed into Germany.

The second trip, CHAMBERS understood, was ostensibly made to complete the transfer of the "Phaidon Press" to the Oxford University Press, which had purchased the former company. According to Mr. CHAMBERS, "Phaidon Press" was probably the most famous of the German art publishing companies.

CHAMBERS related that according to WILLERT the latter had a double purpose in this mission to Germany; the first, a mission for the Communist Party to contact ERNST TORGLER, a former member of the Central Committee of the German Communist Party and co-defendant in the Reichstag Fire Trial. However, the more important purpose for this trip was that WILLERT was to contact a Communist who was in the top circle of the Gestapo. According to CHAMBERS, WILLERT never mentioned this man's name, but did tell him that on the day he, WILLERT, arrived in Berlin there were red placards posted on the wall announcing that the secret Communist who WILLERT was to have contacted, had been beheaded. WILLERT ~~was~~ CHAMBERS

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that he experienced such a feeling of shock of fear that he went to a little restaurant on one of the lakes near Berlin and sat all day in a " kind of numbed state". WILLEBT was not able to contact TOEGLER but did get close enough to the concentration camp in which TOEGLER was confined to observe him walking around.

Mr. CHAMBERS expressed the opinion that both of these incidents had occurred prior to 1938.

This information is being provided the Bureau for whatever disposition it may desire.

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SAC, Washington Field

April 26, 1949

Director, FBI

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WAS. ET AL
PERJURY, ESPIONAGE - R; INTERNAL SECURITY - R

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ReNYlet to the Bureau dated April 13, 1949.

It was suggested by the New York Office that former Senator Gerald P. Nye be reinterviewed by the Washington Field Office in connection with Colonel Dean Ivan Lamb after Bureau permission was received.

It is noted that former Senator Nye has previously been interviewed by the Washington Field Office on February 3, 1949, as reflected in the report of Special Agent John B. Van Etten dated March 23, 1949, at which time he appeared extremely cooperative with the Bureau. The Washington Field Office is, therefore, granted authority to reinterview him in connection with Colonel Lamb.

cc-New York

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: April 13, 1949

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: JAHAM
PERJURY
ESPIONAGE - R
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

During recent interview with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS re details concerning Colonel DEAN IVAN LAMB, he gave the following information:

CHAMBERS advised that while he was stating his relationship with Colonel LAMB during the pre-trial deposition in Baltimore he may have been somewhat in error as to how LAMB was originally brought into the picture. CHAMBERS states that it is now his recollection that LAMB had gone to the Nye Committee at the time ALGER HISS was employed on this committee and offered his services. This particular point is denied by Colonel LAMB because he insists HISS originally contacted him at 2 West 45 Street, New York City, in offices of Sunsteadt Aviation Company.

CHAMBERS further pointed out, however, that he believes that Colonel LAMB's name may have been mentioned in a conversation between Senator NYE and HISS and the latter suggested to CHAMBERS that LAMB might be used as a source of information in the apparatus. It was subsequent to this, in CHAMBERS' opinion, that HISS contacted LAMB in New York City.

Ex-Senator NYE has previously been interviewed by Washington Field Office in the instant investigation. In view of CHAMBERS' observation concerning LAMB being mentioned in a conversation between NYE and HISS, it is suggested that MR. NYE be reinterviewed by Washington Field on this matter after Bureau permission is received.

Photographs of Colonel LAMB are being forwarded to Washington Field to assist in this inquiry. It is felt that they may also be displayed to STEPHEN RAUSCHENBUSH for his observation if deemed necessary. Approximate dates of the four photos of Colonel LAMB are noted on reverse side.

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JAY DAVID WHITAKER CHAMBERS,
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The New York Office advised by teletype dated April 1, 1949, that Dean Ivan Lamb has claimed that he related his story of his associations with Alger Hiss to one Colonel Theile of G-3 in March, 1934. New York suggested that the Bureau contact G-3 and ascertain if any information is available in their files relative to Lamb's story to Colonel Theile. It was further suggested that the present whereabouts of Colonel Theile be ascertained in order that he may be interviewed in this matter.

The Intelligence Division of the Army has advised that a check of the Record Section fails to reveal any information to the effect that Dean Ivan Lamb contacted Colonel Theile during March, 1934, or at any other time. IDA advised that as of April 15, 1949, Brigadier General Claude Martin Theile (retired) listed his mailing address as c/o Washington Loan and Trust Company, West End Office, 17th and G Streets, Northwest, Washington, D. C.

The Washington Field Office is requested to locate and interview General Theile in connection with this matter.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

FROM : D. M. LADD *DL*

SUBJECT: HISS-CHAMBERS CASE *DL*

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ASAC Belmont advised me that Mr. Donegan called him and requested that the Bureau be advised in the strictest confidence that the Attorney General had called him and asked him as to the status of the Hiss-Chambers case; that he, Donegan, had advised the Attorney General that Mr. Murphy was sick and probably would not be able to go to trial on Tuesday with the case. The Attorney General asked him to check with Murphy and find out when he would be able to handle it. After checking with Murphy, Murphy indicated that he would be back on Monday but that it would be two or three weeks before he could reach this case for trial.

Donegan advised that the Attorney General was very perturbed and wanted to know why he had not been advised of Murphy's illness. Mr. Donegan stated he advised the Attorney General that he presumed he knew about it inasmuch as he, the Attorney General, had designated Murphy to try the case. The Attorney General indicated to Donegan that he was of the opinion that Donegan had picked Murphy. Donegan advised this was not true, that he, Donegan, had received a memorandum in the Attorney General's handwriting indicating Murphy was designated.

The Attorney General referred to the publicity in the Washington papers today which was critical of the continuation of this case.

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cc - Mr. Fletcher

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JAHAM. THE TRIAL OF ALGER HISS WAS POSTPONED TODAY IN THE FEDERAL DISTRICT COURT, BEFORE JUDGE KAUFMAN, SDNY, UNTIL MAY TWENTYTHREE NEXT, DUE TO ILLNESS OF AUSA THOMAS MURPHY.

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AAG ALEXANDER M. CAMPBELL
CRIMINAL DIV.

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER
CHAMBERS
with aliases
ALGER HISS; ETAL
PERJURY, ESPIONAGE

Transmitting herewith listed additional reports
in connection with instant invest.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO
SUBJECT: JAHAM
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During an interview with Mrs. ELIZABETH TESLUK, 467 - 28th Avenue, San Francisco, on other matters, Mrs. TESLUK advised that in approximately the fall of 1941 she met an old acquaintance named Mrs. ANNA KAPLAN, maiden name MASLIANIKOFF. She stated she met Mrs. KAPLAN by accident on Lexington Avenue and advised Mrs. KAPLAN that she was unemployed. Mrs. KAPLAN then suggested that in view of her knowledge of the Russian language she should go to some trading corporation, address unrecalled, which she believed sounded like "Round The World Trading Corporation", and should speak to Mr. JACOB GOLOS. Mrs. TESLUK stated she went there and was interviewed by ELIZABETH BENTLEY. BENTLEY then took her to a small office which she referred to as "The inner sanctum", where she was interviewed by an individual who stated his name was JACOB GOLOS. She described GOLOS as approximately 5' 5" tall, red hair, medium build, approximately 50 years old. She said this was the only occasion that she met JACOB GOLOS. *u*

This office is not in possession of a photograph or description of JACOB GOLOS. In view of the similarity of the description of JACOB GOLOS to that of BORIS BYKOV, it is suggested that if such has not already been done, the photograph of JACOB GOLOS should be displayed to CHAMBERS and CRANE to determine if he might be identical with BORIS BYKOV. *u*

It is also suggested that despite the fact that JACOB GOLOS is now deceased, his photograph and description should be placed in the Soviet Intelligence Album.

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SAC, Washington Field

May 6, 1949

Director, FBI

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Reference is made to your memorandum dated April 8, 1949 in which you request the return of the original State Department file copies of State Department documents constituting Grand Jury Exhibits #47 and #48. In accordance with this request, the original documents are returned herewith, photographic copies having been made for the Bureau's files.

A report on these documents will be forwarded to your office within the next several days.

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(Enclosure)

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- Mr. Clegg _____
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JAHAM. BALTIMORE REQUESTED TO TELEPHONICALLY ADVISE WHITTAKER CHAMBERS TO BE PRESENT TEN AM, MAY TENTH NEXT, FOR GJ APPEARANCE AND FOR CONFERENCE WITH ASST. USA TOM MURPHY AND SAAG T. J. DONEGAN ON AFTERNOON OF MAY TENTH AND ON MAY ELEVENTH.

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JAHAM, PERJURY, IS -R, ESPIONAGE -R. MRS. LUCY ELLIOT DAVIS UNABLE TO IDENTIFY PHOTOGRAPHS OF HISS AND CHAMBERS. STATES POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT IN NINETEEN THIRTY SEVEN SUMMER SEASON A HANDYMAN, HENRY SAVAGE, PRESENTLY DECEASED, MIGHT HAVE TAKEN IN GUESTS DURING HER ABSENCE AND SAID GUESTS MAY NOT HAVE REGISTERED. FURTHER STATES THAT WENDELL KEENEY, A MUSIC TEACHER AT FURMEN UNIVERSITY, SOUTH CAROLINA, WHOM SHE DESCRIBES AS AN INDIVIDUAL WITH AN EXCELLENT MEMORY WAS GUEST DURING THE ENTIRE NINETEEN THIRTY SEVEN SUMMER SEASON AT BLEAK HOUSE, PETERBORO, NEW HAMPSHIRE. PHOTOGRAPHS OF ALGER AND PRISCILLA HISS AND WHITTAKER CHAMBERS TOGETHER WITH APPROPRIATE BACKGROUND INFORMATION CONCERNING INVESTIGATION AT PETERBORO, N. H., BEING FORWARDED AMSD TO CHARLOTTE FOR THE PURPOSE OF HAVING WENDELL KEENEY VIEW THESE PHOTOGRAPHS.

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CHARLOTTE TO BE ADVISED

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, Baltimore

SUBJECT: JAHAM
PERJURY
ESPIONAGE - R
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

DATE: 5/6/49

Reference is made to report of SA MAURICE A. TAYLOR, at Washington, D.C., dated April 18, 1949, in the above captioned matter. This report requests the Baltimore Office to furnish descriptive data regarding VLADIMIR A. NEKRASSOFF and a photograph to the New York Office. Complete descriptive data regarding NEKRASSOFF is set forth in the report of SA HAROLD A. BONEY, at Baltimore, dated 3/23/49, entitled "LUDMILA VICTOR NEKRASSOFF, was.; ESPIONAGE - R." The descriptive data regarding NEKRASSOFF is found on pages 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8. A photograph of NEKRASSOFF will be enclosed herewith.

Reference is made to teletype from Los Angeles to the Director, a copy of which was furnished to this office. This teletype was dated February 11, 1949, and entitled, "JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was, et al; PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R; INTERNAL SECURITY - R." The teletype reflected that WILLIAM EDWARD CRANE upon reinterview on February 10 described Russian #1 as 45 years old, 6'1" or 2", and weighing 215 pounds, etc. The descriptive data regarding VLADIMIR ALEXIS NEKRASSOFF as set forth in the aforementioned report varies considerably than that in the teletype and, therefore, it is not believed possible that Russian #1 and NEKRASSOFF are identical.

A copy of this letter is being sent to the Los Angeles Office for their information regarding NEKRASSOFF.

It is to be noted NEKRASSOFF when interviewed during April, 1949, made casual reference to a Russian whom he knew was at one time living in Washington, D.C., and posed as a Russian nobleman. NEKRASSOFF commented that this individual was a gambler and had been arrested by the Washington Police Department. Inasmuch as NEKRASSOFF did not connect this individual with any of the individuals under investigation and the matter seemed to have no pertinence at the time, NEKRASSOFF's complete knowledge of this Russian was not obtained. NEKRASSOFF will be reinterviewed in the near future and an effort will be made to ascertain whether this individual meets the description of Russian #1, previously referred to.

A copy of this letter is being submitted to the Washington Field Office for its information in view of NEKRASSOFF's mention of a Russian gambler who lived in Washington.

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cc: New York (encl)
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JAHAM, PERJURY, ESP R, IS R. DURING INTERVIEW MAY SIX LAST, JON-

ATHAN MITCHELL AND WIFE DORIS STEVENS, CLOSE PERSONAL FRIENDS OF COL-
UMNIST WESTBROOK PEGLER, REMARKED THAT SEVERAL WEEKS AGO PEGLER
STATED THAT HE INTENDED TO CALL UPON THE DIRECTOR IN WASHINGTON AND

ASK WHY THE DIRECTOR DID NOT CIRCUMVENT DEPARTMENTAL REGULATIONS

AND MAKE A PUBLIC EXPOSE OF COMMUNISTS IN GOVT. PEGLER STATED THE

DIRECTOR QUOTE KNEW OF THEIR HOLD ON THE GOVT., WAS GETTING NO COOPER-
ATION FROM ANY OTHERS IN DRIVING THEM FROM THE GOVT., AND HAD A
PATRIOTIC DUTY ABOVE AND BEYOND ANY DEPARTMENTAL RULES, TO MAKE

THESE TERRIBLE CONDITIONS KNOWN TO THE AMERICAN PUBLIC UNQUOTE.

MITCHELL AND STEVENS STATE PEGLER HAS NOT MENTIONED THE PROPOSED

INTERVIEW SINCE COMPLETING HIS VACATION LAST WEEK AND MAY HAVE

DROPPED THE MATTER OR POSTPONED IT. FOR INFO.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, WASHINGTON FIELD

DATE: May 10, 1949

SUBJECT: JAHAM
 Perjury, Espionage-R
 Internal Security - R
 ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN
 (Fellow employees - Railroad Retirement Board)

Reference is made to Bulet of February 3, 1949 and Chicago letter to the Director dated March 23, 1949. The latter reflected that according to RUSSELL BRAINARD, employee of the Railroad Retirement Board, JOHN C. DAVIDSON was employed by the Board, December 1, 1938 to April 12, 1942 at Washington, D.C. and might be in a position to furnish information concerning SILVERMAN.

DAVIDSON reportedly left the Washington, D.C. area during June, 1946 and moved to 253 Washington Ave., Pleasantville, New York. It is requested that the New York Office attempt to locate DAVIDSON and that he be interviewed along usual lines for information pertinent to this investigation.

cc-New York

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Mr. Fletcher
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JAHAN. PERJURY, ESP-R. AUSA T. F. MURPHY AND SA T. G. SPENCER WILL ARRIVE BALTIMORE AIRPORT NINE THIRTY ONE DST ABOARD EASTERN AIRLINES FLIGHT NO. FOUR FIFTYTHREE, ON MAY ELEVEN FORTYNINE FOR INTERVIEW OF MR. AND MRS. CHAMBERS AT THEIR FARM IN WESTMINSTER, MD. ON THAT DATE. ARRANGEMENTS PREVIOUSLY MADE WITH CHAMBERS FOR THIS INTERVIEW. REQUESTED THAT SA FRANK JOHNSTONE OR OTHER BALTIMORE AGENT FAMILIAR WITH DISCLOSURES OF CHAMBERS AND HIS WIFE MEET MURPHY AND SA SPENCER AT AIRPORT SO THAT THEY CAN PROCEED DIRECTLY TO CHAMBERS FARM. IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT MURPHY AND SPENCER WILL REMAIN IN BALTIMORE THE NIGHT OF MAY ELEVEN AND PROCEED DIRECTLY TO WASHINGTON, D.C. MAY TWELVE NEXT.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
 FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field
 SUBJECT: JAHAM

DATE: May 10, 1949

Rebulet to Washington Field dated February 3, 1949.

Information in Washington, D.C., reflects that WALTER J. COUPER, former associate of A. G. SILVERMAN while at Railroad Retirement, is presently living on Harriman Road, Irvington, New York. No house number was available.

New York will interview COUPER regarding any information he may have of SILVERMAN and his activities in the Underground Group of the Communist Party in Washington, D. C.

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 cc: New York

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO:
FROM:
SUBJECT:

Director, FBI
GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field
JAHAM

DATE: May 10, 1949

Re: ABRAHAM GEORGE SILVERMAN

Rebulet February 3, 1949.

Report of Special Agent ROBERT F. X. O'KEEFE, dated February 21, 1949, at New York, New York, in the above captioned matter, reflects on page 103 an interview of WALTER J. COUPER, Staff Member, Industrial Relations Counselors, Inc., 1270 Sixth Avenue, New York City, with regard to his previous association with PHILIP RENO.

Chicago letter to the Bureau dated March 22, 1949, in instant matter, set forth the name of COUPER as a fellow employee of SILVERMAN at the Railroad Retirement Board. It was indicated that COUPER was employed as a Temporary Economic Statistician from June 10, 1936 to June 30, 1942, at the Railroad Retirement Board.

The New York Office is requested to re-interview COUPER regarding his knowledge of the activities and associates of SILVERMAN.

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JAMAN. PERJURY, ESP-R. IN CONNECTION WITH PROSECUTION OF INSTANT CASE SAAG T. J. DONNEGAN EXPECTS TO BE AT THE DEPT. IN WASHINGTON ON MAY TWELVE NEXT AND AUSA T. F. MURPHY AND SA T. G. SPENCER WILL ALSO BE IN WASHINGTON IN CONNECTION WITH INSTANT CASE. MURPHY AND DONNEGAN DESIRE TO SPEAK BRIEFLY TO LAB TECHNICIAN WHO EXAMINED HANDWRITING AND TYPEWRITING DOCUMENTS IN INSTANT CASE AS WELL AS TECHNICIAN WHO MADE EXAMINATION OF LEICA CAMERA OWNED BY FELIX ENSLERMAN. DONNEGAN AND MURPHY ALSO DESIRIOUS OF INTERVIEWING THE FOLLOWING PERSONS WHO SHOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEW AT THE WFO, NINE THIRTY AM, MAY TWELVE NEXT, REBECCA TRUSTY, MRS. KATHLEEN GOOSEY, JAMES E. ANDERSON, MRS. CORA MC COLLUM, MRS. ELIZA GREEN, MRS. ROBERT BOWIE, CHARLES E. FRIZZELL, CLAUDIE CATLETT, FLORENCE TOMPKINS. DONNEGAN AND MURPHY ALSO INDICATE POSSIBLE DESIRE TO INTERVIEW IF POSSIBLE, EUNICE A. LINCOLN IF TIME PERMITS. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT WFO DETERMINE IF SHE WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE STATE DEPT. ON MAY TWELVE NEXT. MURPHY AND DONNEGAN INDICATE THEY WILL RETURN TO NYC LATE AFTERNOON OF MAY TWELVE NINETEEN FORTY NINE.

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M. J. ...

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

(Handwritten initials)

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: 5-6-49

FROM : SAC, Boston

SUBJECT: JAHAM
PERJURY, INTERNAL SECURITY (R), ESPIONAGE (R)

Bureau file 74-1333
New York file 65-14920

The Bureau is advised that pictures of HISS and CHAMBERS were exhibited to MARSHALL PARKS, the owner of Brackett House, Peterboro, New Hampshire, and EARLE BISHOP, real estate dealer, also of Peterboro, New Hampshire. Neither individual could identify these photographs.

Under date of May 5, 1949 Mrs. LUCY ELLIOT DAVIS of Hancock, New Hampshire, who was the lessee of the Bleak House, Peterboro, New Hampshire, in the summer of 1937, viewed photographs of HISS and CHAMBERS and was also unable to make any identification. Mrs. DAVIS stated that since her previous interview with Boston Office agents she had been thinking things over. She said that in 1937 there had been a handyman on the premises, one HENRY SAVAGE, presently deceased, and who, to the best of her recollection, on at least one occasion had taken in guests during the early part of that season without having them register.

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She pointed out that during the 1937 season one WENDELL KEENEY, a music teacher presently at Furmen University, Greenville, South Carolina, had been a guest at Bleak House for the entire 1937 summer season. She said that Mr. Keeney had an excellent memory and suggested that the photographs be displayed to him to ascertain whether or not he could possibly recollect the alleged visit of HISS-CHAMBERS.

The Charlotte Office is advised that one of the counts of the indictment outstanding against ALGER HISS is to the effect that HISS did associate with WHITTAKER CHAMBERS after January 1, 1937.

According to information received from CHAMBERS, he together with ALGER and PRISCILLA HISS visited the summer home of HARRY DEXTER WHITE in New Hampshire during the summer season of 1937. CHAMBERS has stated that they stopped at Peterboro, New Hampshire, and witnessed a play entitled "She Stoops to Conquer."

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cc New York
Charlotte - Encl. - AMSD

Mrs. Hiss

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That evening they stayed overnight at a tourist home in Peterboro, New Hampshire.

Investigation by Boston has disclosed that the summer home of HARRY DEXTER WHITE was a place formerly known as ~~Marginal Acres~~ owned by Lauchlin Currie and located in an isolated section of Hancock, New Hampshire. The town of Hancock, New Hampshire, is eight miles north of Peterboro.

The play "She Stoops To Conquer" was put on by the Peterboro Players from August 10 to August 15, inclusive, 1937 at a place known as the Stearns Farm located on the "Middle Hancock Road" at Peterboro, New Hampshire.

Mr. CHAMBERS, accompanied by New York agents, made a visit to Peterboro, New Hampshire, for the purpose of locating the tourist home in question. After visiting several tourist homes in the vicinity of Peterboro he stated that the Bleak House was the best possibility of having been the place where he, PRISCILLA and ALGER HISS spent the night. The time as indicated by the play "She Stoops To Conquer" would have been between August 10 and 15, 1937. The guest registration book for the Bleak House was examined by the FBI Laboratory but failed to reflect the known handwriting specimens of the three individuals in question.

In view of the fact that there is a possibility that HISS and CHAMBERS may have stayed at the Bleak House during the pertinent period, it is requested that WENDELL KEENEY, of Furmen University, Greenville, South Carolina, be immediately contacted. The photographs of PRISCILLA and ALGER HISS and WHITTAKER CHAMBERS should be exhibited to Mr. KEENEY to ascertain whether he has any recollection of these individuals having visited Bleak House. The Bureau, New York and Boston should be immediately notified as to the results of this interview.

There are being enclosed herewith four photographs as follows: a photograph of PRISCILLA HISS, a photograph of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and two photographs of ALGER HISS.

The Charlotte Office is requested to return to Boston the photograph of Mrs. PRISCILLA HISS as this is the only photograph of Mrs. HISS in the possession of the Boston Office.

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **WASHINGTON, D. C.**

FILE NO. **74-94**

REPORT MADE AT WASHINGTON, D. C.	DATE WHEN MADE 3/25/49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/22/49	REPORT MADE BY JACK S. TURTON SA AMS
TITLE JAY D. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was ALGER HISS		CHARACTER OF CASE PERJURY. INTERNAL SECURITY - R; ESPIONAGE - R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Navy Department documents obtained from files of the Bureau of Standards submitted to FBI Laboratory for comparison with microfilm strips "A" and "B". Laboratory reports definite conclusion could not be reached as to whether microfilm strips depicted documents taken from files of Bureau of Standards. Documents not processed for latent fingerprints.

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REFERENCES:

New York teletype to Washington Field dated March 3, 1949.
New York teletype to Washington Field dated March 4, 1949.
Report of Special Agent JACK S. TURTON dated March 15, 1949 at Washington, D. C.

DETAILS:

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

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CEARG Campbell
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A.B. Boer

GRAND JURY EXHIBIT NUMBERS 49 AND 51, NAVY DEPARTMENT DOCUMENTS AT BUREAU OF STANDARDS

The Navy Department, Bureau of Aeronautics, Technical Orders and Technical Notes, obtained from SARAH ANN JONES, Librarian, National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C., were submitted to the FBI Laboratory for comparison with microfilm strips known as Strips "A" and "B".

The following is a list of Navy Department, Bureau of Aeronautics Documents obtained from the files of the Bureau of Standards together with the designation assigned by the FBI Laboratory:

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- K704 Technical Order #76-37, dated December 3, 1937.
- K705 Technical Order #77-37, dated December 6, 1937.
- K706 Page number 2, beginning "(1) For lower blower operation..."
- K707 Technical Order #79-37, dated December 8, 1937.
- K708 Page number 2, beginning "Stud - coil tube, ..."
- K709 Technical Order #82-37, dated December 20, 1937.
- K710 Technical Order #84-37, dated December 27, 1937.
- K711 Instruction sheet for "Microphone - RS39 Instructions for Removal Locking Feature".
- K712 Technical Order #1-38, dated January 4, 1938.
- K713 Technical Order #2-38, dated January 5, 1938.
- K714 Technical Order #3-38, dated January 15, 1938.
- K715 Page number 2, beginning "nearest stores and the procedure ..."
- K716 Page number 3, beginning "ing time is normal. It has been ..."
- K717 Technical Order #7-38, dated January 31, 1938.
- K718 Technical Order #8-38, dated February 5, 1938.
- K719 Technical Note #30-37, dated December 4, 1937.
- K720 Technical Note #31-37, dated December 8, 1937.
- K721 Technical Note #32-37, dated December 23, 1937.
- K722 Drawing entitled "Inter-Connection of Output of two Receivers used by Bombing Squadron Two".
- K723 Technical Note #33-37, dated December 28, 1937.
- K724 Page number 2, beginning "F. Connect free end of Lead ..."
- K725 Accompanying drawing entitled "MODIFIED OPERATOR'S CONTROL BOX".
- K726 Technical Note #1-38, dated January 11, 1938.
- K727 Accompanying drawing, bearing typewriting beginning "Station Box..."
- K728 Technical Note #6-38, dated January 25, 1938.

The Laboratory has reported the results of the examination as follows:

The parts of sentences and diagrams appearing on the microfilm strips A and B which are listed below on the left, appear on the Navy Department documents listed below on the right. For example, parts of the diagram appearing on microfilm strip A10 also appear on K722.

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A12	K712
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A18	K707
A20	K708
A22	K709
A24	K704
A28	K720
A31	K705
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B4	K722
B8	K724
B9	K725
B10	K725
B12	K726
B13	K727
B14	K727
B15	K714
B16	K714
B17	K715
B18	K715
B19	K716
B21 right side	K713
B21 left side	K712
B23 right side	K728
B25 right side	K718

Due to the poor quality of the microfilm strips A and B, a definite conclusion could not be reached as to whether the photographs depicting these films came from the same source as specimens K704 through K728. Many of the microfilm photographs are illegible. Portions of writing and of diagrams depicted on films A and B as listed above in each instance compared favorably with the same portion of the corresponding Bureau of Standards documents as listed above by K number. However, too large a portion of the documents depicted on A and B is illegible to make a definite conclusion possible.

In view of the fact the latent fingerprint process would affect the appearance of the documents, K704 through K728 are not being processed for latent fingerprints at this time.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Navy Department documents obtained from files of the Bureau of Standards submitted to FBI Laboratory for comparison with microfilm strips "A" and "B". Laboratory reports definite conclusion could not be reached as to whether microfilm strips depicted documents taken from files of Bureau of Standards. Documents not processed for latent fingerprints.

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REFERENCES:

New York teletype to Washington Field dated March 3, 1949.
New York teletype to Washington Field dated March 4, 1949.
Report of Special Agent JACK S. TURTON dated March 15, 1949 at Washington, D. C.

DETAILS:

AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

GRAND JURY EXHIBIT NUMBERS 49 AND 51, NAVY DEPARTMENT DOCUMENTS AT BUREAU OF STANDARDS

The Navy Department, Bureau of Aeronautics, Technical Orders and Technical Notes, obtained from SARAH ANN JONES, Librarian, National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C., were submitted to the FBI Laboratory for comparison with microfilm strips known as Strips "A" and "B".

The following is a list of Navy Department, Bureau of Aeronautics Documents obtained from the files of the Bureau of Standards together with the designation assigned by the FBI Laboratory:

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- K704 Technical Order #76-37, dated December 3, 1937.
 K705 Technical Order #77-37, dated December 6, 1937.
 K706 Page number 2, beginning "(1) For lower blower operation..."
 K707 Technical Order #79-37, dated December 8, 1937.
 K708 Page number 2, beginning "Stud - Coil tube, ..."
 K709 Technical Order #82-37, dated December 20, 1937.
 K710 Technical Order #84-37, dated December 27, 1937.
 K711 Instruction sheet for "Microphone - R539 Instructions for Removal Locking Feature".
 K712 Technical Order #1-38, dated January 4, 1938.
 K713 Technical Order #2-38, dated January 5, 1938.
 K714 Technical Order #3-38, dated January 15, 1938.
 K715 Page number 2, beginning "nearest stores and the procedure ..."
 K716 Page number 3, beginning "ing time is normal. It has been ..."
 K717 Technical Order #7-38, dated January 31, 1938.
 K718 Technical Order #8-38, dated February 5, 1938.
 K719 Technical Note #30-37, dated December 6, 1937.
 K720 Technical Note #31-37, dated December 8, 1937.
 K721 Technical Note #32-37, dated December 23, 1937.
 K722 Drawing entitled "Inter-Connection of Output of two Receivers used by Bombing Squadron Two".
 K723 Technical Note #33-37, dated December 28, 1937.
 K724 Page number 2, beginning "F. Connect free end of lead ..."
 K725 Accompanying drawing entitled "MODIFIED OPERATOR'S CONTROL BOX".
 K726 Technical Note #1-38, dated January 11, 1938.
 K727 Accompanying drawing, bearing typewriting beginning "Station Box..."
 K728 Technical note #6-38, dated January 25, 1938.

The Laboratory has reported the results of the examination as follows:

The parts of sentences and diagrams appearing on the microfilm strips A and B which are listed below on the left, appear on the Navy Department documents listed below on the right. For example, parts of the diagram appearing on microfilm strip A10 also appear on K722.

A10	K722
A12	K712
A16	K711
A18	K707
A20	K708
A22	K709
A24	K704
A28	K720
A31	K705
A33	K706

B4	K722
B8	K724
B9	K725
B10	K725
B12	K726
B13	K727
B14	K727
B15	K714
B16	K714
B17	K715
B18	K715
B19	K716
B21 right side	K713
B21 left side	K712
B23 right side	K728
B25 right side	K718

Due to the poor quality of the microfilm strips A and B, a definite conclusion could not be reached as to whether the photographs depicting these films came from the same source as specimens K704 through K728. Many of the microfilm photographs are illegible. Portions of writing and of diagrams depicted on films A and B as listed above in each instance compared favorably with the same portion of the corresponding Bureau of Standards documents as listed above by K number. However, too large a portion of the documents depicted on A and B is illegible to make a definite conclusion possible.

In view of the fact the latent fingerprint process would affect the appearance of the documents, K704 through K728 are not being processed for latent fingerprints at this time.

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