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FOIPA Request No.: 1400867-000
Subject: FIELD, FREDERICK VANDERBILT

Dear Mr. Greenewald:

The enclosed documents were reviewed under the Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA), Title 5, United States Code, Section 552/552a. Below you will find check boxes under the appropriate statute headings which indicate the types of exemptions asserted to protect information which is exempt from disclosure. The appropriate exemptions are noted on the enclosed pages next to redacted information. In addition, a deleted page information sheet was inserted to indicate where pages were withheld entirely and identify which exemptions were applied. The checked exemption boxes used to withhold information are further explained in the enclosed Explanation of Exemptions.

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306 page(s) were reviewed and 278 page(s) are being released.

Please see the paragraphs below for relevant information specific to your request as well as the enclosed FBI FOIPA Addendum for standard responses applicable to all requests.

- Document(s) were located which originated with, or contained information concerning, other Government Agency (ies) [OGA].
- This information has been referred to the OGA(s) for review and direct response to you.
- We are consulting with another agency. The FBI will correspond with you regarding this information when the consultation is completed.

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

For questions regarding our determinations, visit the www.fbi.gov/foia website under "Contact Us."

The FOIPA Request Number listed above has been assigned to your request. Please use this number in all correspondence concerning your request.

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See additional information which follows.

Sincerely,



David M. Hardy
Section Chief
Record/Information
Dissemination Section
Information Management Division

Enclosure(s)

The enclosed documents represent the final release of information responsive to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request. This material is being provided to you at no charge.

Records which may have been responsive to your request were destroyed. Since this material could not be reviewed, it is not known if it was responsive to your request. Record retention and disposal is carried out under supervision of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), Title 44, United States Code, Section 3301 as implemented by Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1228; Title 44, United States Code, Section 3310 as implemented by Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1229.10.

For your additional information, a record that may be responsive to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request has been transferred to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). If you wish to review these records, submit a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request to NARA, Special Access and FOIA, 8601 Adelphi Road, Room 5500, College Park, MD 20740-6001. Please reference the file number HQ 100-2278, NY 100-14419, 100-HQ-227027,

FBI FOIPA Addendum

As referenced in our letter responding to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request, the FBI FOIPA Addendum includes information applicable to your request. Part 1 of the Addendum includes standard responses that apply to all requests. Part 2 includes additional standard responses that apply to all requests for records on individuals. Part 3 includes general information about FBI records. For questions regarding Parts 1, 2, or 3, visit the www.fbi.gov/foia website under "Contact Us." Previously mentioned appeal and dispute resolution services are also available at the web address.

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

- (i) **5 U.S.C. § 552(c).** Congress excluded three categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA [5 U.S.C. § 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010))]. FBI responses are limited to those records subject to the requirements of the FOIA. Additional information about the FBI and the FOIPA can be found on the www.fbi.gov/foia website.
- (ii) **National Security/Intelligence Records.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of national security and foreign intelligence records pursuant to FOIA exemptions (b)(1), (b)(3), and PA exemption (j)(2) as applicable to requests for records about individuals [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(1), (b)(3), and (j)(2); 50 U.S.C § 3024(i)(1)]. The mere acknowledgment of the existence or nonexistence of such records is itself a classified fact protected by FOIA exemption (b)(1) and/or would reveal intelligence sources, methods, or activities protected by exemption (b)(3) [50 USC § 3024(i)(1)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that national security or foreign intelligence records do or do not exist.

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- (i) **Requests for Records about any Individual—Watch Lists.** The FBI can neither confirm nor deny the existence of any individual's name on a watch list pursuant to FOIA exemption (b)(7)(E) and PA exemption (j)(2) [5 U.S.C. §§ 552/552a (b)(7)(E), (j)(2)]. This is a standard response and should not be read to indicate that watch list records do or do not exist.
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- (ii) **FBI Records.** Founded in 1908, the FBI carries out a dual law enforcement and national security mission. As part of this dual mission, the FBI creates and maintains records on various subjects; however, the FBI does not maintain records on every person, subject, or entity.
- (iii) **Requests for Criminal History Records or Rap Sheets.** The Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division provides Identity History Summary Checks – often referred to as a criminal history record or rap sheets. These criminal history records are not the same as material in an investigative "FBI file." An Identity History Summary Check is a listing of information taken from fingerprint cards and documents submitted to the FBI in connection with arrests, federal employment, naturalization, or military service. For a fee, individuals can request a copy of their Identity History Summary Check. Forms and directions can be accessed at www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/identity-history-summary-checks. Additionally, requests can be submitted electronically at www.edo.cjis.gov. For additional information, please contact CJIS directly at (304) 625-5590.
- (iv) **The National Name Check Program (NNCP).** The mission of NNCP is to analyze and report information in response to name check requests received from federal agencies, for the purpose of protecting the United States from foreign and domestic threats to national security. Please be advised that this is a service provided to other federal agencies. Private citizens cannot request a name check.

EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

SUBSECTIONS OF TITLE 5, UNITED STATES CODE, SECTION 552

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

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

- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
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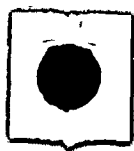
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Photograph taken 7-27-51 from New
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FREDERICK VAN DERBILT FIELD

BIRTH - 4-13-05 New York City
HEIGHT - 6'
WEIGHT - 170 #
BUILD - Slender
COMPLEXION - Sallow
HAIR - reddish, sandy
EYES - Blue, wears glasses
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Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **BUREAU**

REPORT MADE AT MEXICO CITY, D.F.	DATE WHEN MADE 6/2/54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE Jan.-May, 1954	REPORT MADE BY WILLIAM T. BAKER <i>ic</i>
TITLE FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - R	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject's presence in Mexico during first of January, 1954, reliably established. Subject and wife residing at Paseo de la Reforma #292, Apartment #3, Mexico City. Sources have advised subject and Mrs. FIELD closely associated in Mexico with HUGO DANZEE BUTLER, DAVID DRUCKER, GEORGE PEPPER, ALBERT MALTZ, GORDON KAHN. Report received that FIELD together with MALTZ, KAHN, and others are considering opening department store in Mexico. Was alleged in this connection such an establishment would serve as outlet for American and local Communist articles as well as distribution point for manufactured products from Soviet satellite countries.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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In Reply, Please Refer to
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WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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June 2, 1954

Re: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

Sources referred to hereinafter are of known reliability unless otherwise described.

BACKGROUND

It has been reliably established that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, a millionaire, was born at New York City on April 14, 1905. He traces his ancestry through his mother to railroad builder and financier Commodore CORNELIUS VANDERBILT. Thrice married, FIELD on July 14, 1949, married ANITA BOYER, the divorced wife of Dr. RAYMOND BOYER, a Canadian scientist who was convicted and sentenced to serve two years for conspiring to give military secrets to a Soviet atomic spy ring in Canada. FIELD has two daughters, LILA A. FIELD, born on

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Reliable sources have described FIELD as a member of the Communist Party and active in numerous Communist-front groups. One source has stated FIELD in 1937 was entrenched in the confidence of the Communist Party and it was understood at the top Communist Party level that FIELD was engaged in espionage. A former member of the Communist Party advised that during 1941 to 1945 FIELD appeared to be in charge of the Latin-American and Far Eastern affairs for the Communist Party under EARL BROWDER. WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, a self-admitted former Communist and member of a Soviet spy ring, advised in May, 1950, that FIELD was known to him as a member of the Communist Party and that FIELD had been a member of a Communist apparatus during the same time that CHAMBERS was involved in such activity.

It has been reliably determined that FIELD has also been active in numerous Communist-front groups. Following the decision of the Supreme Court upholding the convictions of the eleven top Communists in the United States, they were ordered by the Court to surrender on July 2, 1951. Four of the Communists failed to do so and their bonds were revoked. These bonds had been put up by the Civil Rights Congress. In an effort to determine the whereabouts of the missing four fugitives, the Federal Judge, Southern District of New York, called FIELD and the other trustees of the Civil Rights Congress to his Court to ascertain the identities of the contributors to the bail fund.

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FIELD refused to testify or produce the books and records of the bail fund and was thereupon sentenced on July 5, 1951, to serve ninety days for contempt of court. FIELD was also subpoenaed by the Federal Grand Jury, Southern District of New York, and was similarly questioned. He refused to testify or produce the books and records of the Civil Rights Congress. For refusing to testify before the Federal Grand Jury, FIELD was sentenced to serve six months to run consecutively with the other sentence.

ACTIVITIES AND CONTACTS, JANUARY-MAY, 1954

On January 2, 1954, it was reported by T-1 that the subject on that day had been at the home of HUGO DANZEE BUTLER in Mexico City. It was indicated that Mr. and Mrs. DAVID DRUCKER, GEORGE PEPPER, and others were at the BUTLER's home on that date.

The files of T-2 reflect that BUTLER, DRUCKER, and PEPPER are residents of Mexico City and that they have in the past engaged in activities of a Communist nature in the United States. They are closely associated on a social basis with American Communists living in Mexico City.

The subject, according to T-3, together with his wife, was also present at the home of HUGO DANZEE BUTLER in Mexico City on January 9, February 6, and February 20, 1954. T-3 added that Mrs. FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD was also a guest at the BUTLER home on February 13, 1954.

On March 22, 1954, T-4 was in receipt of information to the effect that DAVID DRUCKER is the "personal representative" of FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD in Mexico.

On March 24, 1954, the subject and his wife, according to T-3, attended a reception held at the home of ANTON and LILA REFREGIER, [redacted] Mexico, D. F. T-3 stated that approximately thirty to forty persons were present at this gathering, the majority being identified by the source as English and Spanish speaking Communists residing in Mexico City. T-3 referred to ANTON REFREGIER as an "American artist from New York who gives every indication of being a Communist." The files of T-2 reflect that REFREGIER has engaged in activities of a Communist nature in the United States. b6 b7c

It came to the attention of T-5 during April, 1954, that among others, FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, ROBERT STRAND, ALBERT MALTZ, and GORDON KAHN had just about finished all details in anticipation of forming a company in Mexico City which would

be in the nature of a department store. It was said this proposed establishment would serve as an outlet for American and local Communist goods and would likewise be used as a distribution point for products manufactured in Soviet satellite countries.

During May, 1954, it was related by T-6 that SAM NOVICK has known and been associated with FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD politically and commercially for many years. The nature of this political association was not indicated.

The files of T-2 reflect that NOVICK was born in Russia and is presently undertaking various business ventures in Mexico. He is said to be a naturalized American citizen and to have engaged in activities of a Communist nature in the United States.

In April, 1954, T-7 indicated that GERTRUDE MACHADO, an American Communist residing in Mexico, and her husband, EDUARDO MACHADO a Venezuelan Communist, were anxious to get in touch with Mr. and Mrs. FIELD. It was said that the MACHADOS are anxious to have a Civil Rights Congress convention or meeting in Mexico in the future and were possibly considering the possibility of approaching FIELD for funds in this regard. T-7 added that ABRAHAM BERNARD MACIL, former correspondent of the "Daily Worker" in Mexico City, had suggested that the MACHADOS endeavor to contact FIELD. It appeared to be MACIL's contention that FIELD was desirous of "becoming more politically active in Mexico."

RESIDENCE

T-1 and T-3 advised that the subject and his wife reside at Paseo de la Reforma #292, Mexico City, and that they have telephone number 28-88-09.

On May 3, 1954, T-8 advised that telephone number 28-88-09 is listed in the name of BLANCA DURAN DE LA SOTA and is located at Apartment [redacted] Mexico City. b6
It was added by T-8 that DURAN DE LA SOTA sub-rents a furnished apartment at this address. b7c

ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

A copy of this report is being made available to the Embassy [redacted] on a circulation basis at Mexico City.

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Extra copies of this report have been prepared for the information of the New York Office, their file 100-14419.

SOURCES

- T-1: [redacted] SA WILLIAM T. BAKER, Mexico City
T-2: Files of Legat. Mexico City
T-3: [redacted] to SA BAKER
T-4: [redacted] to SA GEORGE F. MUNRO, Mexico City
T-5: Information furnished [redacted] Mexico City, on April 5, 1954, to [redacted] who in turn reported same on April 12, 1954, to the writer.
T-6: Information furnished by [redacted] Mexico City, to [redacted] during first part of May, 1954, which this informant reported to the writer on May 9, 1954.
T-7: Information furnished [redacted] Mexico City, to [redacted] on April 22, 1954, which data was given to the writer on April 25, 1954, by the informant.
T-8: [redacted] to the writer on 5/3/54 together with written report of same dated April 30, 1954.

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THE MEXICO CITY OFFICE

AT MEXICO CITY, D. C.

Will continue to follow the activities of the subjects in Mexico through established sources and confidential informants.

REFERENCES

Bulet of April 16, 1954
Mexico City letter of March 19, 1954.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **BUREAU**

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REPORT MADE AT MEXICO, D. F.	DATE WHEN MADE 7-22-54	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE May-June, 1954	REPORT MADE BY WILLIAM T. BAKER rgb
TITLE FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:


FIELD continues to reside in Mexico City with wife and family. Known pertinent contacts during May-June, 1954, set forth. Subject reported to be interested in working out arrangement with SAM NOVICK to import certain articles from Communist China via Poland to Mexico for ultimate sale in United States. Reliably reported subject has purchased Chantilly Ice Cream Company in Mexico City for himself and copartner, ROBERT STRAND.

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DETAILS:

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United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

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July 22, 1954

RE: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

Sources referred to hereinafter are of known reliability unless otherwise described.

INTRODUCTION

Reliable sources have described FIELD as a member of the Communist Party and active in numerous Communist-front groups in the United States. He presently resides in Mexico City with his wife.

RESIDENCE

FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, according to T-1, resides at Reforma #292, Apartment #3, Mexico, D. F., with his wife and family.

ACTIVITIES AND CONTACTS - May-June, 1954

On May 9, 1954, T-1 advised that the subject was at the home of HUGO DANZEE BUTLER in Mexico City on May 8, 1954.

The files of T-2 indicate that BUTLER is a known American Communist residing in Mexico City where he is in touch on a social basis with the so-called American Communist group.

During the middle of May, 1954, T-3 advised that Mrs. MOLLIE NOVICK, wife of SAM NOVICK, had indicated that the subject is a close friend of her brother, JOE FOSTER, who resides in the United States.

The files of T-2 reflect that SAM NOVICK was reliably reported to have had pro-Soviet and pro-Communist views in the United States and is known to be in touch with the American Communist group in Mexico City.

According to T-4, reporting on May 24, 1954, SAM NOVICK has indicated that FIELD is very anxious to "get back into the China trade". It was said that NOVICK, together with FIELD, is anxious to import silks, tungsten and furs from Communist China into Mexico via Poland with the ultimate sale of these goods being consummated in the United States.

It was noted by T-3 that shortly prior to May 24, 1954, MARIA WICHER had indicated that she had had a luncheon date with Mr. and Mrs. FIELD.

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The files of T-2 disclosed that MARIA WICHER, who is also known as Mrs. ENOS REGNET WICHER, is a self-admitted American Communist. She is temporarily residing in Mexico City with her husband.

On May 20, 1954, T-1 advised that Mrs. CLARENCE WEINSTOCK, also known as Mrs. CHARLES HUMBOLDT and as "TIMMY", exhibited her artistic photographic work at the Casa del Arquitecto, Veracruz #24, Mexico, D. F., on the evening of May 18, 1954. This showing, according to T-1, was attended by a large number of the American Communist group in Mexico City. T-1 added that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD and his wife were also present at this exhibit.

T-4, on June 21, 1954, advised that SAM NOVICK had given every indication of going ahead with his plans to establish a "farmers' type market" in Mexico City. It was indicated that NOVICK was possibly expecting financial help in this venture and that, among others, ALBERT MALTZ, FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, DAVID DRUCKER, ALFRED K. STERN, ROBERT STRAND and GEORGE AUGUST OPPEN might have a financial interest in this contemplated new enterprise. It was further said that NOVICK was hoping that FIELD would provide approximately 80 per cent of the investment needed for this new business.

On June 26, 1954, T-5 advised that the subject had recently purchased the CHANTILLY ICE CREAM COMPANY in Mexico City for himself and his copartner, ROBERT STRAND.

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On June 7, 1954, [redacted] advised SA GEORGE F. MUNRO that [redacted] of June 5, 1954, at the request of PABLO O'HIGGINS (American Communist artist in Mexico) for the purpose of holding a showing of the paintings which have been done by BYRON RANDALL, subject of a security case, since his arrival in Mexico. Invitations to this affair were issued by O'HIGGINS, MAE BROOKS, [redacted] [redacted] Although FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD was invited to this affair, he did not attend. He sent word through MAE BROOKS that he was tied up with a previous engagement with HUGO DANZEE BUTLER.

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SOURCES

- T-1 [redacted] to SA WILLIAM T. BAKER, Mexico, D. F.
- T-2 Files of Legat, Mexico City.
- T-3 [redacted] to SA GEORGE F. MUNRO, Mexico, D. F.
- T-4 [redacted] reporting to the writer as a pair.
- T-5 [redacted] to SA BAKER.

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MEXICO CITY OFFICE

At Mexico City, D. F., Mexico

Will continue to follow the activities of the subject in Mexico through established sources and confidential informants.

REFERENCE

Report of SA WILLIAM T. BAKER dated 6-2-54 at Mexico City.

Date: 11/30/54
To: Legat [redacted] b3
From: SA William T. Baker
Subject: Mrs. Frederick Vanderbilt Field, was.
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[redacted] on 11/29/54 advised informant had seen the subject, hereinafter referred to as Anita, on 11/25 and 11/27 last. b7D

Anita Field told the informant that she expects to have SAM BROOKS associated with her in her business venture (dress shop) in Mexico City and that he will be her contact in the United States. She added that she does not believe it will be necessary to invest the entire \$60,000. US cy she has at her disposal in this enterprise.

In informant's presence recently subject's husband, FRED FIELD, commented that if this dress shop of the subject actually materializes, and if the shop handles silks and linens, he will be glad to invest in it also in order to import these particular items from Red China.

In conversation with FRED FIELD on 11/27 last the latter mentioned to the informant that he is well acquainted with Dr. LEO FLOESSER and that he considers him to be an "admirable character."

Informant while at the FIELDS residence saw a letter directed to SUSAN TESSON, 25 W. 26th, New York City. Informant recalls, to the best [redacted] recollection, that this is the CRC headquarters in NYC which building, as PATTERSON of CRC told the informant, is owned and donated by FRED FIELD to "the cause." b7D

In a previous memo it was stated that the subject was transferring \$60,000. US cy from a bank in the U. S., and other background data were set forth, relative to her plans to open a deluxe dress shop in Mexico City in which she anticipated investing all or a part of these funds.

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[redacted]
[redacted] SAM BROOKS
100-1298 Fred Field ✓
100-1163 Dr. Floesser

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TITLE FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD continues to reside in Mexico City and as of September, 1954, was residing at Calle Dr. Schiller #413. Subject traveled to Washington, D. C., during September 1954 where he had been subpoenaed to appear before the Federal Grand Jury, District of Columbia. Contacts and associates of subject set forth. Reliable source advised subject interested in importing silks and other articles from "Red China."

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December 6, 1954

Re: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

Sources referred to hereinafter are of known reliability unless otherwise described.

INTRODUCTION:

Reliable sources have described FIELD as a member of the Communist Party and active in numerous Communist-front groups in the United States. He continues to reside in Mexico City with his wife, ANITA FIELD.

RESIDENCE:

As of July, 1954, it was reliably established that the subject was residing at Reforma #292, Apartment #3, Mexico, D. F.

The subject during September, 1954, told T-1, [REDACTED] that he had moved to Calle Dr. Schiller #413, Mexico, D. F. This address for the subject was subsequently verified by T-2. b7D

ACTIVITIES AND CONTACTS - JULY TO DECEMBER, 1954.

During the latter part of July, 1954, it came to the attention of T-3 that SAMUEL BROOKS had indicated he was in close touch with FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD in Mexico City.

T-4 has described SAMUEL BROOKS as having pro-Communist and Marxist sympathies and as having been a member of the Communist Party in the United States until 1946 when he reportedly was expelled from the Party. T-4 added that BROOKS is closely associated with the so-called American Communist group in Mexico City.

In August, 1954, T-2 related that the subject and his wife during that month had been in touch with Mr. and Mrs. HOWARD FAST and with Mr. and Mrs. ALBERT MALTZ.

The files of T-5 reflect that HOWARD FAST is a novelist temporarily residing in Mexico City. He was awarded the STALIN Peace Prize for 1953 by the International Stalin Prize Committee in Moscow "for helping to strengthen the cause of peace between the peoples." In 1954 a reliable source advised that HOWARD FAST was known to the source as having been a member of the Communist Party.

According to T-1 the subject left Mexico City on American Airlines Flight 154 en route to Washington, D. C., where he was expected to arrive on September 14, 1954. T-1 added that the subject made this trip in answer to a subpoena calling for his presence before a Federal Grand Jury in the District of Columbia.

It was stated by T-4 that ALFRED H. LAWRENCE, a naturalized United States citizen residing in New York City but who was born in Russia, had indicated a close acquaintance with FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD. LAWRENCE related to T-4 that he, LAWRENCE, had been a Communist for many years.

In October, 1954, it was learned through T-6 that reportedly ROBIN BOND, CHARLES HUMBOLDT, ASA ZATZ, and FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD had conferred together on October 25, 1954, in Mexico City. It was said that the meeting had been called to discuss the advisability of helping an unnamed Communist come to Mexico from Switzerland. It was further stated that this individual had been living in Switzerland, but it was not known if he is a Swiss or an American. It was also learned that those present at this meeting decided against trying to bring this person to Mexico.

CHARLES HUMBOLDT, who is also known as CLARENCE WEINSTOCK, and ASA ZATZ, according to the files of T-5, are known American Communists residing in Mexico City. These files also reflect that ROBIN BOND, a British subject, also resides in Mexico and is closely associated with the American Communist group in Mexico City. He is a close friend of ASA ZATZ.

During November, 1954, according to T-7, the subject mentioned an individual named Dr. LEO ELOESSER. FIELD expressed a great deal of admiration for this individual.

The files of T-5 reflect that Dr. LEO ELOESSER presently resides in Morelia, Michoacan, Mexico. These files also reflect that Dr. ELOESSER is a surgeon born on July 29, 1881, in San Francisco, California. He has been reliably identified as having been associated with a number of Communist front organizations in the United States.

On November 29, 1954, T-2 advised that ANITA FIELD, the wife of the subject, reportedly had transferred funds from a New York bank to Mexico and that she intended to utilize these funds to open a dress shop in Mexico City. It was further indicated that the subject, in commenting upon this proposed enterprise on

the part of his wife, had stated that if the dress shop handles silks and linens he also would be glad to invest in it in order to import these particular items from "Red China."

Also on November 29, 1954, T-2 added that either the subject or his wife is corresponding with SUSAN WESSON. [redacted]

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Extra copies of this report have been prepared for the information and use of the New York Office, their file 100-14419, for which office a suggested lead is set forth below.

As the Bureau is aware [redacted] [redacted] the trip to the United States on the part of subject during September, 1954, was in answer [redacted]

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[redacted] before a Federal Grand Jury, District of Columbia, Washington, D. C., relative to the OWEN LATTIMORE case.

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SOURCES

T-1: [redacted] who at the time these data were received was [redacted]

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T-2: [redacted] reporting to the writer at Mexico City.

T-3: [redacted] reporting to SA GEORGE F. MUNRO, Mexico, D. F.

T-4: [redacted] reporting to SA MUNRO.

T-5: Files of the Office of the Legal Attache, Mexico City

T-6: Statements of [redacted] on 10/25/54 to [redacted] and subsequently reported to SA MUNRO.

T-7: Statement made by the subject on 11/27/54 in conversation with [redacted] which was subsequently reported to the writer by this informant.

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THE NEW YORK CITY OFFICE

AT NEW YORK CITY, NEW YORK

Will endeavor to identify SUSAN WESSON, [redacted]

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(On 11/27/54 while [redacted] was at the home of the subject in Mexico City the informant saw an envelope directed to this individual. The envelope was stamped and ready for mailing but did not bear any return address. Informant stated it is her recollection that the address appearing on the envelope may be that of CRC headquarters in New York City.)

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THE MEXICO CITY OFFICE

AT MEXICO, D. F.

Will continue to follow the activities of the subject in Mexico through established sources and confidential informants.

REFERENCES

Report of SA WILLIAM T. BAKER dated 7/22/54 at Mexico, D. F.
Mexico City airgram to the Director dated 9/3/54.
Mexico City cable to the Bureau 9/13/54.
Mexico letter of 10/25/54 to the Bureau.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

The subject, together with wife and family, still resides at Calle Dr. Schiller #413, Apartment #2, Colonia Morales, Mexico, D. F. FIELD is not known to be locally employed. Individuals with whom subject has been in contact during recent months include Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT STRAND, ALFRED K. STERN, Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE KAPLAN, ASA ZATZ and SAMUEL J. NOVICK.

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March 17, 1955

RE: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

Sources referred to hereinafter are of known reliability unless otherwise described.

INTRODUCTION:

Reliable sources have described FIELD as a member of the Communist Party and active in numerous Communist-front groups in the United States. He resides in Mexico City with his wife, ANITA FIELD.

RESIDENCE:

On March 14, 1955, T-1 verified the fact that the subject, together with his wife and family, continues to reside at Calle Dr. Schiller #413, Apartment #2, Colonia Morales, Mexico, D. F.

EMPLOYMENT:

The subject is not known to be employed in Mexico. Reliable sources, however, have previously pointed out that the subject is financially independent.

ACTIVITIES AND CONTACTS - NOVEMBER 1954 to JANUARY 1955:

According to T-2, the 49th birthday of SONIA STRAND, wife of ROBERT STRAND, was celebrated at the STRAND residence, [REDACTED] Mexico, D. F., on November 27, 1954. T-2, who described Mr. and Mrs. STRAND as being closely associated with the American Communist group in Mexico City, added that about ten guests, including Mr. and Mrs. FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, were present at this celebration. This affair appeared to be merely social in nature.

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It was also related by T-2 that Mr. and Mrs. FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD were guests of ALFRED K. STERN in Mexico City on the night of November 29, 1954. It was indicated that the affair was in the nature of a birthday party for ALFRED K. STERN, who, according to T-2, is in close contact with the American Communist group in Mexico City. The majority of the ten or twelve guests present at this gathering were identified by T-2 as being known American Communists.

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T-3 advised that Mr. and Mrs. FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD spent New Year's Eve (December 31, 1954) at the home of Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE KAPLAN in Mexico City. T-3 indicated that Mr. and Mrs. GEORGE KAPLAN are close associates of the American Communist group in Mexico and added that most of the guests present were known to T-3 as American Communists residing in Mexico City.

According to T-3, ASA ZATZ, an American who resides in Mexico City at [redacted] recently married a Guatemalan national and introduced her to a number of friends at a party held at his home on the night of December 29, 1954. T-3 has described ASA ZATZ as an American Communist since in this source's opinion, ZATZ follows the Communist Party line and collects funds for the Party.

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It was further related by T-3 that Mr. and Mrs. FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD were among the guests present at the apartment of ASA ZATZ on December 29, 1954.

During the latter part of January, 1955, T-4 stated that one of his completely reliable sources had informed source that Mr. and Mrs. SAMUEL J. NOVICK had invited a number of acquaintances to their home in Mexico City for a social evening shortly before Christmas, 1954. The source stated that Mr. and Mrs. FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD were among the guests present at the home of the NOVICKS upon that occasion.

It came to the attention of T-2 during 1954 that SAMUEL J. NOVICK was in contact with a number of the so-called American Communist group in Mexico City.

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T-1 [redacted]	Verification residence	3-14-55	SA George F. Munro (orally)	100-1298	b7D
T-2 [redacted]	Contact with STRANDS	11-29-54	SA William T. Baker (orally)	100-1298-56	
	Contact with STEHNS	12-6-54	" "	100-1298-57	
	Used to document NOVICK	1954	" "	[redacted]	b3
T-3 [redacted]	New Year's Eve Party	1-3-55	SA G. F. Munro (orally)	100-1298-66	b7D
	Contact with ASA ZATZ	1-3-55	" "	100-1298-63	
T-4 [redacted]	Contact with Novick	1/25/55	" "	100-1298-67	

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MEXICO CITY OFFICE AT MEXICO, D. F.:

Will continue to follow the activities of the subject in Mexico through established sources and confidential informants.

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REFERENCES:

Report of SA William T. Baker dated
December 6, 1954, at Mexico, D. F.

Bureau cable dated February 7, 1955

Mexico City cable dated February 8, 1955.

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TITLE FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - CH	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject and family continue residence at Calle Dr. Schiller #413, Apartment 2, Colonia Morales, Mexico, D. F., and continue to live on income from investments. Subject continues association with American Communist Group in Mexico City. Mexican Immigration records reflect Subject received permanent residence status on September 24, 1954. Subject reported to have traveled to San Francisco, California, during June, 1955.

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Re: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

I. BACKGROUND

A. Residence

T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported on July 24, 1955, that FIELD and his family continue to reside at Calle Dr. Schiller #413, Apartment #2, Colonia Morales, Mexico, D. F.

B. Employment

T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that FIELD is not gainfully employed in Mexico and is living on the income from his investments.

C. Residence Status in Mexico

T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in May, 1955, that Mexican Immigration records reflect the following information concerning FIELD which is contained in File [REDACTED]

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FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD was born in New York City April 14, 1905. He is a United States citizen and a writer by profession. He speaks English, Spanish and French. His regular address in the United States is 23 West 26th Street, New York City.

On September 24, 1954, FIELD directed a petition to Mexican Immigration in which he advised that he was a writer by profession and indicated that he had visited on different occasions in Mexico and felt that it was an ideal country in which to write. He added that after considerable thought he had decided to settle definitely in Mexico if the Mexican authorities would grant him permission to live here as a permanent resident with status of "Investor" ("Inmigrante-Rentista"). FIELD certified that he possessed sufficient funds to support himself in Mexico and attached a letter from the National Bank of Mexico,

indicating that he had deposited 120,000 pesos with that institution which would be returned to him in monthly payments of 2,000 pesos over a five-year period.

The records reflect further that FIELD paid a fee of 3,286 pesos on September 24, 1954, for the change in status from "tourist" to "permanent resident." The file reflects that as of that date, FIELD became a permanent resident of Mexico as defined by Mexican Immigration Laws.

At the time FIELD presented the above-described petition, he listed the following individuals as references:

Attorney JUAN MANUEL VALENCIA (MUNOZ)

[REDACTED]

Attorney CARMEN OTERO Y GAMA

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T-2 has identified Attorney JUAN MANUEL VALENCIA (MUNOZ) as a Mexican attorney who expresses strong pro-Communist and pro-Soviet sympathies and whose services have been utilized regularly by such well-known associates of the American Communist Group of Mexico as ALFRED K. STERN, DAVID DRUCKER and BERNARD BLASSENHEIM.

T-2 has identified Attorney CARMEN OTERO Y GAMA as the sister-in-law of VICENTE LOMBARDO TOLEDANO, a self-admitted Marxist. T-2 added that OTERO Y GAMA's services have been regularly utilized in connection with immigration matters by American and other foreign Communists.

II. ACTIVITIES

A. Business Associations

T-4, who has furnished reliable information in the past, has advised that FIELD continues to maintain his close business association with DAVID DRUCKER. According to T-4, DRUCKER acts as FIELD's agent in handling the latter's business.

T-4 has further advised that FIELD has been in regular contact with SAMUEL BROOKS concerning business investments in Mexico.

In June, 1955, T-5, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported that FIELD and DRUCKER were in business contact with ALFRED K. STERN.

T-4 has reported that DRUCKER, BROOKS and STERN are prominent associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico City.

B. Other Activities

In March, 1955, T-4 reported that a concert was given by DAVID HALPERIN, the son of Mr. and Mrs. MAURICE HYMAN HALPERIN, at the Sala Ponce of the Bellas Artes building in Mexico City. T-4 indicated that the HALPERINS are associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico City and had extended invitations to their friends in that Group to attend the concert. T-4 added that the concert was well attended by the HALPERINS' friends, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD.

T-4 advised further in March, 1955, that the FIELDS were continuing to associate with Mr. and Mrs. ASA ZATZ. T-4 identified ASA ZATZ as one of the leading elements in the American Communist Group in Mexico City.

T-4 has described the above-mentioned Group as follows: The term "American Communist Group in Mexico City" is utilized to describe the rather loose association on principally a social basis of American Marxists in Mexico City. The Group is composed of individuals who retain in common a pro-Soviet, pro-Communist and anti-U. S. point of view. The Group includes expelled members of the CP, USA, strong pro-Communist sympathizers and a few who stated they continue to maintain their membership in the CP, USA. The Group has never been organized under Party discipline although several unsuccessful attempts have been made to do so. From time to time funds are collected which are reportedly sent to the CP, USA to support its program.

III. TRAVEL TO THE UNITED STATES

In June, 1955, T-4 reported that FIELD departed Mexico City during the first week of June, 1955, in his personally-owned automobile on a vacation trip to the United States. T-4 added

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that when FIELD left Mexico, he indicated he was proceeding to San Francisco, California, where he planned to spend a period of ten or twelve days with his daughter who resides in that city.

T-1 advised that as of June 27, 1955, FIELD had returned to Mexico City from the above-described automobile trip.

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On March 29, 1955, Confidential Informants [redacted] advised SA GEORGE F. MUNRO that they had seen ASA ZATZ on March 24, 1955. On this occasion, ZATZ indicated that he was having a difficult time raising funds for the CP, USA in Mexico City and expressed himself as being extremely disappointed at what he describes "the lack of response." In this connection, he stated that he then felt that he could only count on such "die-hards" as FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, PHILIP STEIN, CHARLES HUMBOLDT and a few others.

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On March 7, 1955, [redacted] reported that they had visited JOHN MILTON BRIGHT at the latter's residence on that date. At the time of Informants' visit, an unknown individual, whose first name was given as "BILL," was also visiting BRIGHT. During the course of the afternoon, the Informants developed the following information:

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"BILL" [redacted] was apparently an old friend of BRIGHT's who knew BRIGHT in Hollywood prior to 1942. At one point during the afternoon, BRIGHT undertook what he described as "an evaluation of the Party situation in Mexico City." BRIGHT indicated that the "American Refugee Colony" is broken down into three sections: the "orthodox Communists," the "commercial Communists," and the "off-beat Communists."

While discussing the group referred to as the "commercial Communists," BRIGHT stated that the most important individuals in this category were SAMUEL BROOKS, FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, DAVID DRUCKER, ALFRED K. STERN and GEORGE LIVINGSTON.

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On July 11, 1955, [redacted] reported that a party had been held at the home of SAMUEL and MAY BROOKS on the night of July 10, 1955, in honor of DANNY and STELLA ALLEN (ph.). Informants explained that STELLA ALLEN was the first wife of SAMUEL BROOKS. When Mrs. BROOKS [redacted] to the party, she [redacted] to contact BERNARD BLASINHEIM and FREDERICK PALMER WEBER, together with [redacted]. Mrs. BROOKS explained that she had been trying to get the BLASINHEIMS and WEBERS on the telephone without success. Informants explained further that WEBER and his wife had arrived in Mexico on July 7, 1955, on a projected visit of three weeks' duration.

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[redacted] Shortly thereafter Mr. and Mrs. FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD made their appearance. When the BLASINHEIMS arrived with the WEBERS, FIELD proceeded immediately over to where WEBER was standing and greeted him in such a fashion as to indicate that they were old friends. FIELD and WEBER then walked to a corner of the room where they were engaged in animated conversation for about twenty minutes, following the termination of which FIELD and his wife left the party. Informants received the definite impression that FIELD had accepted the invitation to the party for the specific purpose of contacting WEBER.

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Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed in this report, and "T" symbols were utilized in those instances where the identities of those sources must be concealed.

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T-1 [redacted]	Residence	7/24/55	GEORGE F. MUNRO	100-1298
"	Return to Mexico City on 6/27/55	6/27/55	"	" "

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T-2 [redacted]	Employment	7/24/55	GEORGE F. MUNRO	100-1298
"	Characterization of JUAN MANUEL VALENCIA (MUNOZ)	5/15/55	"	" "
"	Characterization of CARMEN OTERO Y GAMA	5/15/55	"	" "
T-3 [redacted]	Residence Status in Mexico	5/18/55	WILLIAM T. BAKER	100-1298-82
T-4 [redacted]	Business association with DAVID DRUCKER	7/11/55	GEORGE F. MUNRO	100-1298
"	Business association with SAMUEL BROOKS	4/4/55	"	[redacted]
"	Characterization of DRUCKER, BROOKS and STERN	7/11/55	"	100-1298
"	HALPERIN concert 3/3/55	3/7/55	"	[redacted]
"	Association with ASA ZATZ	3/29/55	"	[redacted]
"	Characterization of American Communist Group in Mexico City	2/9/55	"	100-1298
"	Trip to San Francisco June, 1955	6/12/55	"	[redacted]

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T-5 [REDACTED]	Business association with ALFRED K. STERN	6/28/55	GEORGE F. MUNRO	[REDACTED]

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At Mexico, D. F.

Will continue to follow and report the activities
of Subject.

REFERENCE:

Report of SA WILLIAM T. BAKER dated March 17, 1955,
at Mexico, D. F.

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Form No. 1
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REPORT MADE AT MEXICO, D. F.	DATE WHEN MADE 10/24/55	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 7/10-10/12/55	REPORT MADE BY GEORGE F. MUNRO plb
TITLE FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - CH

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject and family continue to reside at Calle Dr. Schiller #413, Apartment 2, Colonia Morales, Mexico, D. F. Subject continues to support himself on income from investments. Subject continues association with American Communist Group in Mexico City.

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October 24, 1955

RE: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

BACKGROUND

Residence

T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported on October 12, 1955, that FIELD and his family continued to reside at Calle Dr. Schiller #413, Apartment 2, Colonia Morales, Mexico, D. F.

Employment

T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, has reported that as of October 1, 1955, FIELD was not gainfully employed in Mexico, but was living on the income from his investments.

ACTIVITIES

Business Associations

T-2 has reported further that FIELD continues to maintain his close business association with DAVID DRUCKER, with the latter acting as FIELD's agent.

T-2 has reported further that FIELD has been in regular contact with SAMUEL BROOKS concerning business investments in Mexico.

T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported in October, 1955, that both FIELD and DRUCKER continued to contact ALFRED K. STERN in regard to business matters.

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T-4, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported in September, 1955, that FIELD had furnished financial backing to ROBERT STRAND for the latter's ice cream manufacturing business in Mexico City.

T-2 has previously identified DAVID DRUCKER, SAMUEL BROOKS, ALFRED K. STERN, and ROBERT STRAND as associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico City.

T-2 has described the above-mentioned Group as follows: "American Communist Group in Mexico City" is a term utilized to describe the rather loose association on principally a social basis of American Marxists in Mexico City. The Group is composed of individuals who retain in common a pro-Soviet, pro-Communist, and anti-U.S. point of view. The Group includes expelled members of the CP, USA, strong Communist sympathizers, and a few who have stated they continue to maintain their membership in the CP, USA. The Group has never been organized under Party discipline, although several unsuccessful attempts have been made to do so. From time to time funds are collected which are reportedly sent to the CP, USA, to support its program.

Other Activities

T-2 has advised that Mr. and Mrs. FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD have continued to associate with Mr. and Mrs. MAURICE HYMAN HALPERIN, Mr. and Mrs. SAMUEL BROOKS, Mr. and Mrs. DAVID DRUCKER, Mr. and Mrs. SAMUEL J. NOVICK, and Mr. and Mrs. ROBERT STRAND, all of whom have been identified by T-2 as associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico City.

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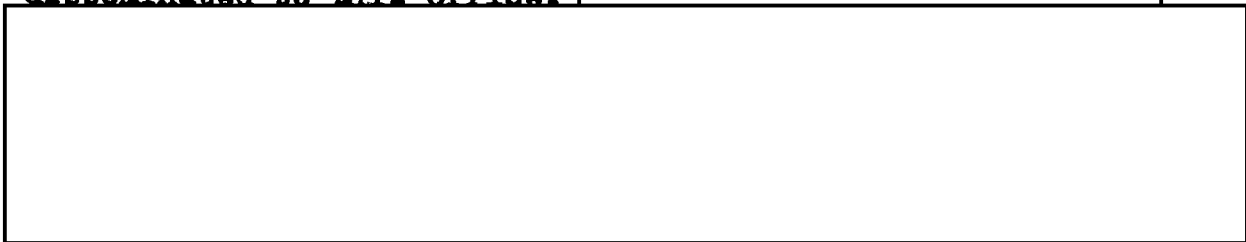
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This report is being classified "~~Secret~~" inasmuch as information emanating from [redacted] was so classified when disseminated to this office. [redacted]

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T-1 [redacted]	Residence	10/12/55	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	100-1298
T-2 [redacted]	Employment	10/12/55	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	100-1298
	Continued business association with DRUCKER and BROOKS	10/12/55	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	100-1298
	Documentation of American Communist Group			

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(cont.) T-2 [redacted]	Continued association with American Communist Group	10/12/55	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	100-1298
T-3 [redacted]	Business association with STERN	10/7/55	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	100-1298
T-4 [redacted]	Business association with STRAND	9/8/55	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	100-1298

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MEXICO CITY

AT MEXICO, D. F., MEXICO:

Will continue to follow and report the activities of the subject.

REFERENCE

Report of SA GEORGE F. MUNRO, Mexico, D. F., 7/27/55.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **BUREAU**

REPORT MADE AT MEXICO, D. F.	DATE WHEN MADE FEB 21 1956	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9/30/55-2/15/56	REPORT MADE BY GEORGE F. MUNRO 1j
TITLE FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - CH	


SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Subject and wife continue to reside at Calle Dr. Schiller 413, Apartment 2, Colonia Morales, Mexico, D. F. Subject continues to live on income from investments. Subject has invested funds in ice cream company operated by ROBERT STRAND in Mexico City. Subject reported to have traveled to United States during period December 14, 1955 - January 16, 1956. Subject appears to employ one DASHA BOND as cutout. Subject continues to associate with American Communist Group in Mexico City.

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RE: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

BACKGROUND

Residence

T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported on February 15, 1956, that FIELD and his wife, ANITA, continued to reside at Calle Dr. Schiller #413, Apartment 2, Colonia Morales, Mexico, D. F.

Employment

T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported in February, 1956, that FIELD continues to support himself in Mexico on the income from his investments.

Residence Status in Mexico

T-1 has previously advised that FIELD's status in Mexico was changed from that of "Tourist" to "Permanent Resident" on September 24, 1954.

On October 31, 1955, T-1 reported that the files of Mexican Immigration reflect that FIELD's status as a "Permanent Resident" was renewed on October 15, 1955 and was thus made valid for one year, until October 14, 1956.

ACTIVITIES

Travel to U. S.

T-1 has reported that FIELD was absent from his residence in Mexico City from December 14, 1955 until January 16, 1956. During the intervening period FIELD's personal automobile was not in evidence at his home or in the garage where it is usually parked.

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T-1 reported that FIELD drives a 1955 red Ford Thunderbird with 1955 Mexico City plates 10-05-96. This automobile is generally parked by FIELD at his residence or at a garage operating under the name of "Autos Colombaire," Calle Dr. Schiller #248, Mexico City. T-1 added that ANITA FIELD drives a late model gray Simca convertible which carries 1955 Mexico City plates 8-70-85. According to T-1, the latter car is kept in the garage at the FIELD residence.

In December, 1955, T-2 reported that FIELD had left Mexico City on or about December 14, 1955 to spend approximately one month in the United States. According to T-2, FIELD planned to spend the Christmas holidays, 1955, with his daughters in New Hartford, Connecticut.

Business Contacts
ROBERT J. STRAND

In June, 1954, T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported that FIELD had recently purchased the controlling interest in the "Chantilly Ice Cream Company," Avenida Insurgentes Sur #363-B. T-3 reported that FIELD was the "silent partner" in this venture and that the operating partner was ROBERT J. STRAND.

T-2 has reported that during the two year period prior to August, 1955, STRAND had worked out an arrangement with a number of associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico City whereby these individuals could make an investment in his business and receive an income therefrom without seeking the necessary permission from Mexican Immigration to engage in business. According to T-2, the individual desiring to make an investment under this arrangement advanced a sum of money to STRAND in an amount sufficient to purchase and equip an ice cream truck.

Upon the receipt of these funds, STRAND allegedly signed an agreement with the purchaser indicating that the sum invested will be returned to the purchaser within one year and that, thereafter, the purchaser would hold a one-half interest in the truck and would receive one-half of the profits accruing from the operation of the truck.

T-2 has identified the following associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico City who entered into the above-described business arrangement with STRAND:

ALBERT MALTZ
MAURICE HYMAN HALPERIN
NOAH SEBORER
ALLAN LANE LEWIS
SALVADOR OCAMPO
ENOS WICHER
PHILIP STEIN
CHARLES HUMBOLDT
MAXIM LIEBER
GORDON KAHN

T-4, who has furnished reliable information in the past, has reported

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T-2 has previously identified all of the individuals involved in the above-described enterprise as associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico City.

T-2 has described the above-mentioned "group" as follows: The term "American Communist Group in Mexico City" is utilized to describe the rather loose association on a social basis of American Marxists in Mexico City. The group is composed of individuals who retain in common a pre-Soviet, pro-Communist and anti-U.S. point of view. Part of the group are expelled members of the CP, USA; another part is composed of strong pro-Communist sympathizers, while a few of the associates in the group have stated that they continue to maintain their membership in the CP, USA. The group has never been organized under Party discipline although several unsuccessful attempts have been made to do so. From time to time funds are collected which are reportedly sent to the CP, USA, to support its program.

DASHA BOND

In February, 1956, T-2 reported that BOND appears to be employed in some capacity by FIELD. According to T-2, individuals who desire to contact FIELD must first contact BOND who then relays the identity of the person plus the nature of his request to FIELD. T-2 explained that this arrangement was made because so many people were "harassing" FIELD at his home. T-2 indicated further that FIELD appears to trust BOND implicitly.

T-2 has furnished the following additional information concerning BOND:

She is married to ROBIN BOND but the couple has been separated for several months. DASHA BOND resides at [redacted] (telephone 46-71-29). BOND has indicated that the rental for this apartment is paid by FIELD and that he has also purchased a considerable portion of the furniture for the apartment. T-2 has emphasized that the relationship between BOND and FIELD is strictly a business arrangement and that there appears to be no emotional attraction involved.

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T-2 reported further that BOND enjoys a high standard of living, dresses well, and appears to have funds available. T-2 added that, as nearly as can be determined, BOND is not employed aside from her "job" with FIELD.

T-2 stated that BOND has claimed that she was born in Brooklyn, New York City and that her given name was DOROTHY. BOND has indicated further that she was residing in Mexico prior to World War II and married a Mexican citizen during this period for the sole purpose of securing Mexican citizenship. BOND speaks fluent Spanish and Yiddish, in addition to English.

T-2 has previously identified both ROBIN and DASHA BOND as associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico.

T-2 reported that DASHA BOND's most frequent and closest contact is with ASA ZATZ. T-2 stated that BOND is in contact with ZATZ either in person or by telephone at least once each day. T-2 has previously identified ZATZ as one of the most important figures in the American Communist Group in Mexico City, who has been collecting funds over a period of, at least, two years for transmittal to the CP, USA.

T-2 added that ZATZ is also in frequent contact with FIELD and that his close association with BOND appears to have a direct relationship to the association with FIELD.

T-2 stated further that both BOND and FIELD are on friendly terms with SAMUEL BROOKS, HANS HOFFMAN, ALFRED K. STERN, ALBERT MALTZ and ROBERT STRAND, all of whom have been previously identified by T-2 as associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico City.

T-2 also reported that BOND maintains a close association with JUAN MANUEL VALENCIA (MUNOZ), the Administrative Assistant to the Under-Secretary of Gobernacion (Interior - Immigration). T-2 identified VALENCIA (MUNOZ) as a known Mexican Communist who has been employed regularly by the American Communist Group in Mexico City to secure documents and arrange papers for residence.

DAVID DRUCKER

T-2 reported in February, 1956, that FIELD continues to maintain his close business association with DAVID DRUCKER. According to T-2, DRUCKER departed from Mexico City on January 28, 1956 enroute New York City where he planned to spend approximately one month. According to T-2, DRUCKER indicated prior to his departure that this trip was being made for the purpose of handling business in New York City for both himself and FIELD.

T-2 has previously identified DRUCKER as a prominent associate of the American Communist Group in Mexico City.

Other Activities

T-2 reported that on October 30, 1955, a birthday party in honor of ALBERT MALTZ was held at the MALTZ residence in Mexico City. According to T-2, the following guests attended this function:

ALFRED K. STERN
MARTHA DODD STERN
ASA and ALVA ZATZ
DAVID and ESTHER DRUCKER
FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD and ANITA FIELD
SABINA WOOD

T-2 has previously identified all of these individuals as associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico City.

According to T-2, SABINA WOOD spent the entire day of October 31, 1955 with FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD. T-2 explained that WOOD was endeavoring to secure information concerning the possibility of her establishing a permanent residence in Mexico. T-2 identified WOOD as an American Communist who was visiting Mexico City from New York City.

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T-2 reported in January, 1956 that on January 11, 1956 SAMUEL BROOKS spent an undetermined amount of time at the FIELD residence in contact with ROBERT J. STRAND. T-2 noted in this connection that as of this date FIELD had not yet returned to Mexico City.

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T-1 - [redacted]	Residence status in Mexico	10-31-55	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	100-1298
	Residence	2-15-56	"	"
	Travel to U.S.	12-14-55 1-16-56	"	"
	Identification of FIELD's cars	1-16-56	"	"

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T-2 - <div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 30px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>	Employment	2-6-56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	100-1298
	Travel to U.S. 12-14-55 - 1-16-56	12-26-55	"	"
	Purchase of ice cream truck by American Communist Group	8-22-55	"	100-1344
	Identification of stockholders as associates of American Communist Group			
	Documentation of American Communist Group			
	DASHA BOND employed as "cutout" by FIELD	2-6-56	"	<div style="border: 1px solid black; width: 100px; height: 30px; margin-top: 5px;"></div>
	FIELD pays rental of BOND's apartment	"	"	"
	Background data re BOND	"	"	"
	Documentation of ROBIN and DASHA BOND as associates of American Communist Group	"	"	"

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T-2 - [redacted]	BOND's association with ASA ZATZ	2-6-56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	[redacted]	b3 b7D
	Mutual association of BOND and FIELD with BROOKS, HOFFMAN, STERN and MALTZ	"	"	"	
	Association with VALENCIA (MUNOZ)	"	"	"	
	Continued relationship with DRUCKER. Trip to U. S. - left on 1-28-56	2-1-56	"	100-1298	
	DRUCKER an associate of American Communist Group in Mexico				
	MALTZ birthday party 10-30-55. Guests WOOD, STERNS, FIELDS, ZATZes and DRUCKERs	10-31-55	"	[redacted]	b3 b7D
	FIELD spent with SABINA WOOD	10-30-56	"	"	
	BROOK's contact with STRAND at FIELD residence	1-11-56	"	"	
T-3 - [redacted]	Partnership in ice cream business with ROBERT STRAND	6-26-54	SA WILLIAM T. BAKER	[redacted]	b3 b7D

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T-1 - [REDACTED]	WICHER, STEIN, HUMBOLDT, LIEBER & KAHN sold out shares in ice cream business	9-16-55	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	100-923
	STEIN's share purchased by OCAMPO	"	"	"
	Ice cream business being run by FIELD, MALTZ and STRAND	1-26-56	"	"
	Ill feeling between HALPERIN - SEBORER and STRAND	11-15-55 1-29-56	"	"

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THE MEXICO CITY OFFICE

AT MEXICO, D. F.

Will continue to follow and report the activities of the subject.

REFERENCE: Report of SA GEORGE F. MUNRO dated at Mexico, D. F., 10-24-55.

Mexico City letter to Bureau dated 12-30-55.

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
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TITLE FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - CH	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject resides at Avenida Mariano Escobedo #491, Apartment 303, Mexico City. He also maintains an apartment at Calle Dr. Schiller #413, where his wife and her two children reside. Subject continues to live on income from investments and is investing funds in Mexico City. Subject and his wife are separated temporarily. Subject's contacts within American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) set forth. Subject reportedly contributed funds toward reopening of SOBELL case. Subject reported to have offered to finance the projected trip of PAUL ROBESON to Mexico City in December, 1956. Subject is presently in the process of opening an office with SAMUEL BROOKS at Calle Londres #87, Second Floor, in Mexico City.

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June 28, 1956

RE: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

BACKGROUND

Residence

T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported that as of June 10, 1956, FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD was residing at Avenida Mariano Escobedo #491, Apartment 303, in Mexico City.

T-1 advised further that ANITA BOYER FIELD, the subject's wife, continued to reside with her two children at Calle Dr. Schiller #413, Apartment 2, Colonia Morales, Mexico, D. F.

Domestic Status

T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported in May, 1956, that FIELD and his wife had separated temporarily and were maintaining separate residences. T-2 noted in this connection that the FIELDS continued to appear in public together from time to time.

Employment

T-2 has advised that FIELD continues to support himself in Mexico on the income from his investments. In this connection T-2 reported in late May, 1956, that FIELD was in the process of opening a new office, which is located on the second floor of the building at Calle Londres #87, Mexico, D. F. According to T-2, the establishment of the office appeared to be the joint undertaking of FIELD and SAMUEL BROOKS.

T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported in March, 1956, that FIELD had requested permission

from Mexican Immigration on September 8, 1955, to invest one million pesos (\$80,000 U.S.) in a company which was named as the "Compania Promociones e Inversiones de Mexico, S. A." (Promotion and Investment Company of Mexico). According to T-3, Mexican Immigration authorized FIELD to make the above investment on the same date.

T-2 reported in June, 1956, that FIELD continues to have a financial interest in "Compania Mistran, S. A.," Avenida Insurgentes Sur #945, Colonia Del Valle, Mexico, D. F. T-2 indicated that this company is engaged in the manufacture and sale of ice cream, as well as maintaining a midget golf course at the above location. T-2 noted further that this company was managed by ROBERT STRAND until the end of March, 1956, when STRAND was forced to resign by the other stockholders, who were identified by T-2 as ALBERT MALTZ, MAURICE HYMAN HALPERIN, and NOAH SEBORER. According to T-2, FIELD was always very friendly with STRAND and did not favor his removal as manager.

T-2 has previously identified SAMUEL BROOKS, ALBERT MALTZ, MAURICE HYMAN HALPERIN, and NOAH SEBORER as associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM).

T-2 has advised that the term "American Communist Group in Mexico" is utilized to describe the loose association on a predominantly social basis of present and/or past members of the CP, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for Communism and the Soviet Union.

Residence Status in Mexico

On June 8, 1956, T-3 reported that FIELD's status as a "permanent resident" in Mexico continued unchanged as of that date and that his current documentation in Mexican Immigration is valid until October 14, 1956.

CONTACTS AND ACTIVITIES

T-2 has reported that during the period March 1, 1956, to June 10, 1956, FIELD was in contact with the following individuals, all of whom have been identified by T-2 as associates of the ACGM:

AMANN, Dr. ERNESTO
BOND, DASHA
BOND, ROBIN
BRIGHT, JOHN MILTON
BRIGHT, MURA
BROOKS, MAY
BROOKS, SAMUEL
DRUCKER, DAVID
DRUCKER, ESTHER
HALPERIN, MAURICE HYMAN
MALTZ, ALBERT
MALTZ, MARGARET
MORA, ELIZABETH CATLETT
MORA, FRANCISCO

NOVICK, MOLLIE
NOVICK, SAMUEL
PRENSKY, Dr. HENRY DAVID
SHLAFROCK, MAX
SHLAFROCK, HELEN
STERN, ALFRED K.
STERN, MARTHA DODD
STRAND, ROBERT
STRAND, SONJA
VALENCIA MUÑOZ, JUAN MANUEL
WICHER, ENOS
WICHER, MARIA
ZATZ, ALVA
ZATZ, ASA

T-2 reported in March, 1956, that a meeting had taken place which was attended by SAMUEL and MAY BROOKS, DASHA BOND, and FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD. According to T-2, the purpose of the meeting was to arrange for a cocktail party to welcome Dr. ERNESTO AMANN to Mexico City. T-2 explained that Dr. AMANN had recently come to Mexico City from Cuernavaca, Morelos, Mexico, where he had practiced medicine for a number of years.

T-2 has previously identified Dr. AMANN as a veteran of the Loyalist Forces in the Spanish Civil War. He came to Mexico as a political refugee during the period 1939-40.

T-2 subsequently advised that the party for Dr. AMANN took place in Mexico City on May 5, 1956, and was attended by approximately fifty associates of the ACGM. According to T-2, FIELD was unable to attend this function.

In March, 1956, T-2 reported that ASA ZATZ was collecting funds from associates of the ACGM in Mexico City for the stated purpose of assisting the CP, USA, to reopen the case of MORTON SOBELL. T-2 reported further that during the course of the collection ZATZ stated he had received substantial contributions from FRED FIELD, ALFRED K. STERN, and SAMUEL J. NOVICK. MORTON SOBELL was convicted on March 29, 1951, in the Federal District Court in New York of espionage on behalf of Soviet Russia and is presently serving a thirty-year sentence in the federal penitentiary at Alcatraz.

T-2 also reported that in March, 1956, a group consisting of FIELD, SAMUEL BROOKS, ELIZABETH CATLETT MORA, FRANCISCO MORA, DASHA BOND, and ROBERT STRAND had met on several occasions to discuss the possibility of bringing PAUL ROBESON to Mexico in December, 1956, to give a series of concerts for the purpose of raising funds for the CP, USA, and the Mexican Communist Party. According to T-2, FIELD reportedly has agreed to furnish financial backing for the project in the event that it is possible to arrange it.

T-4, who has furnished reliable information in the past. [REDACTED]

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In early April, 1956, T-2 reported that a party had been held on March 31, 1956, in Mexico City at which MAX and HELEN SHLAFROCK were guests of honor. According to T-2, this party was attended by ALBERT and MARGARET MALTZ, FREDERICK and ANITA FIELD, ENOS and MARIA WICHER, and FRANCISCO and ELIZABETH MORA.

In May, 1956, T-2 reported that FIELD was in almost daily contact with SAMUEL BROOKS and that both were very busy with the details involved in setting up the new office at Calle Londres #87.

In May, 1956, T-2 advised that a fund was being collected among associates of the ACGM to pay for the operation which DASHA BOND would have to have in the very near future in order to save her life. According to T-2, ROBIN BOND, the estranged husband of DASHA BOND, had indicated that he had approached FIELD for financial assistance, but had been turned down.

T-2 advised subsequently that in June, 1956, ASA ZATZ was handling the collection of the fund for DASHA BOND's operation and expressed considerable irritation over the fact that FIELD had not supported the fund as he should have. ZATZ indicated that he was inclined to collect the fund from persons other than FIELD and had decided not to approach FIELD again regarding the matter.

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T-2 advised in May, 1956, that Dr. ERNESTO AMANN gave a party on May 19, 1956, at his residence at [redacted] Mexico, D. F., for approximately thirty persons, all of whom were identified as prominent associates of the ACGM. T-2 stated that FIELD attended this function.

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T-2 also reported in May, 1956, that SAMUEL and MAY BROOKS gave a party for approximately fifteen associates of the ACGM on May 23, 1956. T-2 stated that FIELD was included in this group.

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Extra copies of this report are being furnished to the Bureau for transmittal to the New York Office (NY 100-14419) and San Francisco Office (SF 100-26286) for information.

An extra copy of this report has been designated for dissemination to the American Embassy [redacted] on a circulation basis.

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Rebulet of March 15, 1956, instructed that future reports in this case should not carry information which was not suitable for dissemination outside the Bureau. As the Bureau is aware, a highly confidential and completely reliable

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On June 4, 1956, Confidential Informants [redacted] advised SA GEORGE F. MUNRO that ASA ZATZ had just received several copies of a 23-page typewritten document from a Party source in New York City. This document dealt with the changes in the Party line which are taking place as a result of the recent denunciation of STALIN by the Soviets. On June 11, 1956, the informants reported that ZATZ had apparently received six copies of the document. According to the informants, ZATZ kept one copy and gave the other copies to FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, ALBERT MALTZ (Bufile 100-7646), PHILIP STEIN (Bufile 100-393294), and CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF (Bufile 100-12632).

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[redacted] that it was expected that the persons receiving copies of the document would hold "educationals" for the other "American progressives" in Mexico City. The informants reported further that MALTZ, STEIN, and SMOLIKOFF have invited groups to their houses and have conducted the "educationals" along the lines outlined by ZATZ.

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had been unable to find it. At the time that ZATZ gave the copies to the persons mentioned above he was careful to point out that complete security measures should be taken to safeguard the document and prevent it from falling into unauthorized hands.

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed in this report, and T symbols have been utilized only where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

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T-1 [redacted]	Residence as of 6/10/56	6/11/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	100-1298
	Residence of subject's wife	6/11/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	100-1298
T-2 [redacted]	Subject and wife temporarily separated, though they appear together in public	5/15/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	[redacted]
	Subject continues to live on income from investments	6/11/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	100-1298
	Subject opening new office with SAMUEL BROOKS at Calle Londres #87	5/21/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	[redacted]
	Subject's continued financial interest in "Cia. Mistran, S. A.;" other stockholders are MALTZ, SEBORER, and HALPERIN, who forced resignation	6/11/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	100-1298

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(cont.) T-2 <input type="text"/>	of ROBERT STRAND against wishes of subject			
	Characterization of BROOKS, MALTZ, SEBORER, and HALPERIN as associates of ACGM			
	Characterization of ACGM			
	Subject in contact with 28 individuals, all of whom associated with ACGM, during 3/1/56-6/10/56	6/11/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	100-1298
	Meeting to arrange party for Dr. AMANN	3/19/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	<input type="text"/>
	Characterization of Dr. AMANN			
	Party for Dr. AMANN took place	5/7/56 5/5/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	<input type="text"/>
	ZATZ's collection for reopening SOBELL case - subject contributed	3/21/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	<input type="text"/>
	Subject has offered to assist financially in projected trip of PAUL ROBESON to Mexico,	3/26/56 12/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	<input type="text"/>
	Subject attended party in honor of SHLAFROCKS,	4/3/56 3/31/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	<input type="text"/>
	FIELD in daily contact with BROOKS	5/9/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	<input type="text"/>

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(cont.) T-2 [redacted]	ACGM fund for operation of DASHA BOND; ROBIN BOND's statement that FIELD declined to assist	5/21/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	[redacted]
	ASA ZATZ in charge of collection for BOND operation; angry with FIELD for noncontribution	6/8/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	[redacted]
	Dr. AMANN's party of 30 ACGM associates on 5/19/56	5/21/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	[redacted]
	BROOKS' party for 15 associates of ACGM on 5/23/56	5/28/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	[redacted]
T-3 [redacted]	Subject's investment in "Cia. Promociones e Inversiones, S. A.," authorized by Mexican Immigration	3/1/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	[redacted]
	Subject's residence status in Mexico continues unchanged	6/8/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	100-1298
T-4 [redacted]	Documentation of PAUL ROBESON			

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Will continue to follow and report the activities of the subject.

REFERENCES

Report of SA GEORGE F. MUNRO, Mexico, D. F., 2/21/56.
Bureau letter to Mexico City dated 3/15/56.



United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

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September 27, 1956

RE: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

Period: June 11, 1956 to September 1, 1956

Residence

As of September 1, 1956, FIELD was continuing to reside at Avenida Mariano Escobedo #491, Apartment 303.

On September 1, 1956, ANITA BOYER FIELD and her two children, [REDACTED] ELISE MAXINE BOYER, continued to reside at Calle Dr. Schiller #413, Apartment 2, in Mexico City.

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Domestic Situation

The separation between FIELD and his wife has continued and no report has been received reflecting that there is a possibility of a reconciliation within the immediate and foreseeable future.

A report received on August 17, 1956 reflected that ANITA FIELD had recently stated that nothing had changed as regards to the separation. The FIELDS continue to go out together socially on an average of two to three times each week.

Mrs. FIELD continues to see HANS BEIMLER three to four times per week and recent reports reflect that the affair between BEIMLER and Mrs. FIELD is continuing.

Health

Both FIELD and his wife are continuing with psychiatric treatments in Mexico City. Mrs. FIELD is under the care of Dr. RAMON PARRIS, Calle Victor Hugo #76-C, Mexico, D. F.

Business Activity

"Compania Mistram, S. A."
Avenida Insurgentes Sur #945
Mexico, D. F.

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With the departure of ROBERT STRAND from Mexico City in May, 1956, FIELD apparently lost interest in the operation of this company. He continues to own two trucks which are being used by the company and which are valued at approximately \$4000 U. S. The company continues to owe FIELD \$2000 U.S. which was borrowed by the company on a short term basis over a year ago.

Laundry Business

During the period indicated no information has been received regarding FIELD's previously reported purchase of a laundry in Mexico City.

"Mexinex, S. A."
Paseo de la Reforma #40
Mexico, D. F.

Both FIELD and his wife continue to have funds invested with this company and are receiving monthly payments from the company as their return on the investment. They continue to maintain a close friendly relationship with ALEJANDRO GARCIA VAL, one of the co-managers of this company.

"Trade Union Service"
New York City, New York

During the period indicated no information has been reported on this matter.

Motion Picture - "Torero"

On June 12, 1956, a report was received which reflected that captioned motion picture had been completed and was being offered for sale in the United States. It was reported that the picture was nominally produced by MANUEL BARBACHANO but that the persons who actually did the work on the picture were HUGO BUTLER, GEORGE PEPPER and DAVID DRUCKER, all of whom own shares of the picture as does BARBACHANO.

The same report indicated that FIELD invested approximately \$5000 U.S. in the picture in the form of a loan to cover production cost. On June 25, 1956, it was reported that BARBACHANO had made arrangements to repay FIELD the full amount of the above-described loan.

It was reported further that the motion picture "Torero" is a documentary type film regarding the life of a bull fighter.

Payment of Back Income Taxes

A report dated June 25, 1956 indicated that FIELD believed that he was in a difficult situation regarding the non-payment of his taxes in New York City and for that reason he felt he could not make a trip to that part of the United States.

Travel to the United States 9-1-56

It was reported on August 16, 1956 that FIELD was planning to drive to Las Vegas, Nevada at some point in the immediate future. It was indicated that FIELD has money invested in Las Vegas and desired to check up on this investment. It was further reported that FIELD expected to meet one HARRY _____ in Las Vegas.

On August 21, 1956, a report was received which indicated that FIELD had been unable to fix the date of his departure from Mexico City inasmuch as he had not heard from the people whom he expected to meet in Las Vegas. A subsequent report dated August 29, 1956 reflected that FIELD had received both a telegram and an air mail letter from Las Vegas on that date and that he immediately made plans to leave Mexico City by car on the early morning of September 1, 1956. At the time of his departure it was indicated that he did not expect to return to Mexico City until on or about September 28, 1956.

It was reported that FIELD was driving his 1955 Red Ford Thunderbird on the above-described trip. This car carries 1956 Mexico license plates #100596.

Contacts of FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD
And His Wife ANITA BOYER FIELD During
Period June 11, 1956 to September 1, 1956

An asterisk (*) will be placed after the names of those individuals in the following list who have been previously identified as associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM).

Dr. ERNESTO AMANN *

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Mexico, D. F.

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This individual continued to be the personal doctor of the FIELDS during the period in question.

FEDERICO AMERICO

[REDACTED]
Mexico, D. F.

A report dated June 28, 1956 reflected that the FIELDS were continuing to see AMERICO from time to time and that both FIELD and his wife carried their car insurance with AMERICO who acts as an insurance broker.

HANS BEIMLER

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Mexico, D. F.

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As indicated above BEIMLER has continued to carry on his affair with Mrs. FIELD during this period and they have seen each other several times each week.

DASHA BOND *

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Mexico, D. F.

As previously reported the former close friendship between BOND and Mrs. FIELD terminated on May 7, 1956. During the period covered by this report no information has been received which would reflect that the friendship has been resumed.

As reported previously the project of raising sufficient money to pay for BOND's operation was turned over to ASA ZATZ. A report dated August 29, 1956 reflected that the FIELDS had donated to the fund through a third party.

ROBERT WILLIAM BOND *
also known as ROBIN BOND

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Mexico, D. F.

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Mrs. FIELD's two children continue to take art lessons each week from this person. Both Mr. and Mrs. FIELD continue to be his personal friends.

JOHN MILTON BRIGHT *
MURA BRIGHT *

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Mexico, D. F.

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A report dated July 2, 1956, reflected that the FIELDS attended a reading of BRIGHT's play "Public Servant" at the BRIGHT residence on that day. The report reflected that the reading of the play was well-attended by associates of the ACGM. The play deals with the life of the executioner who officiated at the execution of JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG.

CARL and ADA BRODSKY

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New York City, New York

BRODSKY arrived in Mexico City on or about June 10, 1956 and checked into the Emperio Hotel. A report dated June 11, 1956 reflected that CARL BRODSKY has known FIELD for many years and was anxious to get in touch with him. On June 13, 1956, it was reported that FIELD and BRODSKY had arranged to meet on the following day.

The BRODSKYs returned to New York City on Air France flight 070 on June 29, 1956.

SAMUEL BROOKS *
MAY BROOKS *

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As of September 1, 1956 FIELD continued to maintain his office with SAMUEL BROOKS at Calle Londres #87, Office #201, Mexico City. FIELD continues to contact BROOKS on a daily basis.

Mrs. FIELD continues to retain a strong personal dislike for SAMUEL BROOKS and no contact was reported between Mrs. FIELD and the BROOKS during this period.

LEONARD BUDIN
New York City, New York

A report dated July 16, 1956 reflected that FIELD received an air mail special delivery letter on that date from

LEONARD BUDIN. The return address on the envelope of this letter contained the names RABINOWITZ and BUDIN with an address in New York City. The letter indicated that BUDIN was leaving New York City by air enroute Costa Rica where he planned to stay for several days with one JACK HARRIS. Letter further indicated that BUDIN was traveling with his wife and that they intended to arrive in Mexico City on their return trip from Costa Rica during the period July 20 - 24, 1956. The letter further reflected that BUDIN was writing to FIELD to tell him that he wanted to see FIELD and his wife while he was here as well as DAVID DRUCKER. BUDIN indicated that he wanted FIELD to contact DRUCKER and make the necessary arrangements for the meeting in Mexico City.

A report received on July 21, 1956 indicated that Mrs. FIELD had not yet seen BUDIN but that FIELD contacted him personally in Mexico City.

A report dated July 22, 1956, reflected that BUDIN had written to MAURICE HYMAN HALPERIN telling the latter that he would be in Mexico City and requesting HALPERIN to get in touch with him through FIELD. The report reflected that HALPERIN was also very anxious to contact BUDIN and requested FIELD to make the necessary arrangements.

A report dated July 25, 1956 reflected that two letters had arrived on that date for BUDIN at FIELD's office. It was reported that BUDIN had already returned to the United States and that FIELD arranged to forward the letters to him in New York City.

HUGO BUTLER *
JEAN BUTLER *

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Mexico, D. F.

A report received on June 17, 1956 reflected that JEAN BUTLER had invited Mrs. FIELD to attend a dinner on the following day which was being given by the BUTLERs for SONJA STRAND, HENRY and BRYNA PRENSKY and GEORGE and JEANETTE PEPPER. Mrs. FIELD was unable to attend this function.

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A report dated July 19, 1956 reflected that Mrs. FIELD had invited the BUTLERS, PEPPERS and SAMUEL and MOLLIE NOVICK to her home for dinner on July 22, 1956. The BUTLERS were unable to attend this function because of a previous engagement.

HAROLD I. GAMMER

New York City, New York

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A report dated June 27, 1956 reflected that FIELD was expecting a telegram from GAMMER regarding the transfer of \$100,000 to FIELD in Mexico City.

On June 30, 1956, FIELD received the following telegram from GAMMER "Delay encountered. Will advise Monday, Harold."

A report dated July 11, 1956 reflected that FIELD received the following telegram on that date "Deposited fifteen thousand dollars to your account. (signed) GAMMER."

A report received on August 24, 1956 reflected that FIELD had received a letter on that date from GAMMER.

DAVID DRUCKER #

Mexico, D. F.

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As noted above, DRUCKER and FIELD have been involved in the production of the motion picture "Torero" in Mexico City.

As set forth above a report dated July 16, 1956 reflected that FIELD had received a special delivery air mail letter from LEONARD BUDIN on that date which requested FIELD to contact DRUCKER and arrange for BUDIN and DRUCKER to get together during the time BUDIN expected to be in Mexico City, July 20 - 24, 1956.

LAURI FAIR
Chicago, Illinois

A report dated August 29, 1956, reflected that Mrs. FIELD had met LAURI FAIR briefly during a vacation at Puerto Vallarta on the West Coast of Mexico during the latter part of June, 1956. The report reflected that Mrs. FAIR is from Chicago, Illinois and has two minor sons who are 12 and 13 years of age. These children arrived in Mexico City from Chicago

via American Airlines on August 30, 1956. Mrs. FAIR met them at the Mexico City Airport and they proceeded together to go to the FIELD home where they had dinner before going to the Hotel Del Bosque. The FAIRs left Mexico City on September 2, 1956 enroute to Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico.

A report dated August 31, 1956, reflected that Mrs. FAIR is 35 years of age and is currently living with one DON _____, who is 25 years of age and who resides in the small town of Ajijic which is located approximately 30 miles south of Guadalajara. Report indicated that Mrs. FAIR was 6 months pregnant and was planning to put her baby up for adoption because of DON's _____ aversion to children.

The report further reflected that after the FAIRs rather intensive visit with Mrs. FIELD in Mexico City the latter was not interested in continuing the friendship.

Dr. ALBERT VINCENT FREEMAN *

Mexico, D. F.

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A report was received on July 19, 1956 reflecting that FREEMAN had seen Mrs. FIELD on several occasions during the early part of July on a social basis.

A report dated August 22, 1956 indicated that FREEMAN was continuing to see Mrs. FIELD from time to time.

ANGEL GONZALEZ
Mexico, D. F.

A report dated July 22, 1956 reflected that FIELD was taking Spanish lessons from GONZALEZ three times each week.

Dr. SIDNEY MATTHEW GREENBERG

New York 21, New York

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A report dated July 22, 1956, reflected that Mrs. FIELD sent the following telegram to GREENBERG at the above address on that date "Accommodations absolutely impossible requested dates. Sorry, see you 29th Love, Anita."

A report received on July 28, 1956, reflected that GREENBERG arrived in Mexico City and proceeded on that date to the FIELD residence. It was subsequently reported that GREENBERG had been the personal physician of the FIELDS in New York City and had come to Mexico at this time to secure a divorce. The report reflected that GREENBERG was accompanied on this trip by one TONI _____ who was described as his girl friend.

The report reflected that Mrs. FIELD originally met Dr. GREENBERG through LOUISE BERMAN in New York City. Report indicated that Dr. GREENBERG was also the doctor for LIONEL BERMAN.

The report further indicated that GREENBERG, TONI _____, ANITA FIELD and GEORGE and JEANETTE PEPPER went out together for dinner in Mexico City on the evening of July 29, 1956. It was further reported that GREENBERG had arranged to travel to Acapulco on August 1, 1956, where he would stay at the same hotel where FREDERICK FIELD was vacationing.

A report dated August 16, 1956 reflected that GREENBERG and TONI had returned to Mexico City from side trips to Acapulco and Morelia and were returning to New York City by air on that date. The report reflected that GREENBERG and TONI intended to return to Mexico City around Christmas, 1956.

The report indicated further that Mrs. FIELD would like to make a trip to New York City but was uncertain as to whether she could make such a trip as previously she had difficulty with U. S. Immigration authorities. The report indicated that Mrs. FIELD felt that if she received an urgent letter from New York City she might be able to arrange such a trip. In addition the report noted that GREENBERG indicated that he could arrange to have someone write such a letter to Mrs. FIELD.

MAURICE HYMAN HALPERIN #

Mexico, D. F.

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As noted earlier a report dated July 22, 1956 reflected that HALPERIN had received a note from LEONARD BUDIN instructing him to get in touch with the latter through FIELD. The report indicates that HALPERIN contacted Mrs. FIELD on July 22, 1956 with the urgent request that FREDERICK FIELD make the necessary arrangements for HALPERIN to contact BUDIN.

ELLIE HOWE

A report dated June 14, 1956, reflected that FIELD received a letter from this individual on that date. The report further indicated that FIELD did not consider the letter to be of any particular importance.

Dr. MILTON LEOFF
Taxco, Guerrero, Mexico

A report dated June 25, 1956, reflected that LEOFF, a dentist in Taxco, had invited FIELD to spend the week-end of June 29 - July 1, 1956 as their house guest in Taxco.

ALLAN LEWIS *
BROOKE LEWIS *

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Coyoacan, D. F.

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A report dated August 21, 1956, reflected that Mrs. FIELD had met the LEWISes on two previous occasions and was planning to see them again in the immediate future. It was indicated that Mrs. FIELD is interested in contacting ALLAN LEWIS regarding the course of study which she should follow to pursue her interest in the theater.

SAMUEL NOVICK *
MOLLIE NOVICK *

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Mexico, D. F.

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The NOVICKs continue to be two of the closest personal friends of the FIELDS in Mexico City. Reports dated June 15, 21, 30, 1956; July 2, 13, 22, 29, and August 17, 25, 1956, reflect that the NOVICKs continued to entertain the FIELDS in their home on frequent occasions and that the FIELDS regularly return these invitations.

The reports reflect that the NOVICK home is one of the few private residences where both FIELD and his wife accept invitations to appear together.

KURT ODNHEIM *

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Mexico, D. F.

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Information was received in reports dated June 16, 29, 1956 and August 18, 1956, reflecting that FIELD continues to see ODNHEIM frequently and regularly goes to the ODNHEIM

residence on Sunday mornings to attend the informal open house that the ODENHEIMs have every Sunday.

ODENHEIM continues to be employed as production manager by SAMUEL J. NOVICK at the latter's factory in Mexico City.

PABLO O'HIGGINS #



Mexico, D. F.

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O'HIGGINS is an American painter who has resided in Mexico for many years and who has been identified as one of the organizers and member-artists of the Taller de Grafica Popular (TGP), an outlet for pro-Soviet and pro-Communist artistic propaganda in Mexico City.

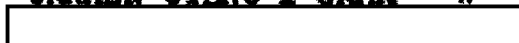
A report dated June 14, 1956, reflected that O'HIGGINS was preparing an exhibition of his artistic work for presentation to the public during the first week of July, 1956. Report reflected that O'HIGGINS had sold one of his pictures to the FIELDS and contacted them to borrow the picture for the exhibition.

On August 24, 1956 a report was received indicating that O'HIGGINS had returned the picture to Mrs. FIELD on that date. This report indicated that a very friendly relationship exists between O'HIGGINS and the FIELDS.

OSGOOD

A report dated July 9, 1956 reflected that FIELD received a letter from one OSGOOD on that date.


CARMEN OTERO Y GAMA #



Mexico, D. F.

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On June 21, 1956, a report was received to the effect that OTERO Y GAMA was endeavoring to get in touch with FIELD on an urgent matter. When FIELD received word that OTERO Y GAMA was looking for him he immediately proceeded to her office.

A report dated August 31, 1956 reflects that OTERO Y GAMA had completed the necessary legal steps to secure residence documentation for Mrs. FIELD's minor son, 

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Dr. RAMON PARRIS

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Mexico, D. F.

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Dr. PARRIS is Mrs. FIELD's psychiatrist who is giving her treatments several times each week.

GEORGE PEPPER *

JEANETTE PEPPER *

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Mexico, D. F.

During this period the FIELDS have continued to see the PEPPERS frequently. The friendship between the FIELDS and the PEPPERS is a very close one and both Mr. and Mrs. FIELD have been reported to be in contact with the PEPPERS more than any other couple in Mexico City. The only other couple with whom the FIELDS associate on much the same basis are SAMUEL and MOLLIE NOVICK.

Dr. HENRY DAVID PRENSKY *

BRYNA BUCKNER PRENSKY *

[REDACTED]
Mexico, D. F.

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A report dated June 21, 1956 reflected that the FIELDS continued to maintain a friendly relationship with the PRENSKYS.

DAVID ALFARO SIQUEIROS
ANGELICA ARENAL DE SIQUEIROS

[REDACTED]
Mexico, D. F.

Reports received during June and July, 1956 reflected that ANITA FIELD was continuing to go to the SIQUEIROS' residence to sit for her portrait which was being done by SIQUEIROS.

On August 21, 1956, a report was received which indicated that SIQUEIROS and his wife had departed from Mexico City a few days before enroute to Poland and other countries behind the iron curtain where they expected to remain for, at

least, a year. The report indicated that SIGNORES had been unable to completely finish Mrs. FIELD's portrait prior to his departure.

CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF *
also known as SMALL
BERTHA NEHAM SMOLIKOFF *

[REDACTED]
Mexico, D. F.

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A report dated June 21, 1956 reflects that the FIELDS are acquainted with the SMOLIKOFFs. On August 16, 1956, a report was received which indicated that FIELD sees CHARLES SMOLIKOFF rather frequently inasmuch as their respective offices are in the same area in Mexico City.

ALFRED K. STERN *
MARTHA DODD STERN *

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Mexico, D. F.

A report received on June 13, 1956 indicated that FIELD and STERN had lunch together on that date at the Villa Fontana in Mexico City. Report also indicates that several hours after finishing lunch both FIELD and STERN became violently ill with food poisoning.

A report dated August 23, 1956 reflected that STERN was supposed to meet Mrs. FIELD for lunch on that date but was unable to do so because he was suffering from a sinus condition. The report indicated further that STERN and Mrs. FIELD expected to get together during the following week. This report also indicated that the STERNs continue to be well-acquainted with the FIELDS although they do not see each other frequently.

RICHARD STILLER

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New York 32, New York

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On July 12, 1956, a report was received which reflected that STILLER, a close friend of HAROLD CAMMER in New York City, had arrived in Mexico City a few days before on a vacation. Report indicated that STILLER was not personally acquainted with either Mr. or Mrs. FIELD but that he contacted them on that date to give FIELD several cans of tobacco which had been sent to him by CAMMER.

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ALEJANDRO GARCIA VAL

MARINA GARCIA VAL

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The VALs continue to be close personal friends of both Mr. and Mrs. FIELD. ALEJANDRO GARCIA VAL continues to be employed as one of the managers of "Meximex, S. A." in which the FIELDS have invested funds. Reports dated June 19, 26, 1956 and August 29, 1956, reflect that Mrs. FIELD went to the offices of "Meximex, S. A." on those dates to see VAL.

SUSAN WARREN

New York City, N.Y.

Reports dated July 1 and 7, 1956 indicated that FIELD had received correspondence on those dates from this person.

ITSU WEISS

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Mexico, D. F.

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Reports received on August 29 and 31, 1956, reflected that this woman is employed in the beauty parlor in Mexico City which is utilized by Mrs. FIELD. It was reported that a close friendship has developed between Mrs. FIELD and WEISS.

ASA ZATZ *

ALVA ZATZ *

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Mexico, D. F.

Both Mr. and Mrs. FIELD continue to contact the ZATZes. Report dated August 29, 1956 reflects that the principal contact during the period June through August, 1956, appeared to be between Mr. FIELD and ASA ZATZ.

The above report indicates that the FIELDS contributed to the fund which was collected by ASA ZATZ for the operation on DASHA BOND but the donation was made through a third party.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

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Subject continues to reside at Avenida Mariano Escobedo #491, Apartment 303, Mexico, D. F. He also continues to maintain an apartment at Calle Dr. Schiller #413-2 where his wife and her two children reside. Subject's office is located at Calle Londres #37-201 where he operates under the name "Compania Promociones e Inversiones de Mexico, S. A." SAMUEL BROOKS associated with subject in this office. Subject and wife continue associations with American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM). Subject departed Mexico City in personal car September 1, 1956 enroute Las Vegas, Nevada, where he expected to remain for approximately one month.

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September 27, 1956

RE: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

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BACKGROUND

Residence

T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported that as of August 31, 1956, FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD was residing at Avenida Mariano Escobedo #491, Apartment 303, Mexico City.

T-1 has advised that as of September 25, 1956, ANITA BOYER FIELD, the subject's wife, continued to reside with her two children, [REDACTED] ELISE MAXINE BOYER, at Calle Dr. Schiller #413, Apartment 2, Colonia Morales, Mexico, D. F.

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Domestic Status

T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, reported in September, 1956, that FIELD and his wife continued to maintain separate residences. T-2 added that, although the FIELDS appear together in public from time to time, there was little indication of a possible reconciliation.

Employment

T-2 advised in September, 1956 that FIELD continues to support himself, his wife and her two children in Mexico on the income from investments. T-2 added that FIELD is maintaining an office with SAMUEL BROOKS at Calle Londres #87, office #201. The sign on the door at this address reads "Compania Promociones e Inversiones de Mexico, S. A." (Promotion and Investment Company of Mexico).

T-2 advised further that FIELD and BROOKS appeared to be interested in the development of some type of furniture business. In this connection MIRA BRIGHT, the wife of JOHN MILTON BRIGHT, was sent by BROOKS on a business trip to the United States on September 23, 1956.

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In September, 1956, T-2 advised that FIELD continues to hold his investment in "Compania Mistram, S. A," Avenida Insurgentes Sur #945, Colonia Del Valle, Mexico, D. F. T-2 added that FIELD appears to have lost interest in the actual operation of this company and has had little or no contact with the other stockholders who have been previously reported as ALBERT MALTZ, MAURICE HYMAN HALPERIN and NOAH SEBORER.

T-2 has previously identified SAMUEL BROOKS, JOHN and MURA BRIGHT, ALBERT MALTZ, MAURICE HYMAN HALPERIN and NOAH SEBORER as associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM).

T-2 has described the American Communist Group in Mexico as a loosely knit organization of a predominantly social nature of former and/or present members of the Communist Party of the United States and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for Communism and the Soviet Union.

Residence Status in Mexico

In September, 1956, T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that FIELD's status as a "permanent resident" in Mexico continued unchanged and that this documentation is valid in Mexican Immigration until October 14, 1956.

CONTACTS AND ACTIVITIES

T-2 has advised that during June, July and August, 1956 both FIELD and his wife continued to associate with the ACGM.

In July, 1956, T-2 advised that FIELD was encouraging his friends to visit the store which had been recently opened at Calle Niza #47 by CHARLES and BERTHA SMOLIKOFF under the name "Ricardo Rodriguez, S. A."

The SMOLIKOFFs have been previously identified by T-2 as associates of the ACGM.

In July, 1956, T-2 advised that FIELD was a very close friend of ASA ZATZ and was seeing him frequently.

T-2 has previously identified ZATZ as one of the leaders of the ACGM.

In August, 1956, T-2 advised that FIELD and his wife had attended the exhibition at the art gallery of the "Artistas Mexicanos Unidos, S. A." (AMUSA), Calle Londres #87, First Floor, on the night of August 24, 1956.

T-2 advised that the AMUSA was an organization made-up of Mexican and American Marxist artists which was organized on July 31, 1956. According to T-2, the art gallery above described is serving as an outlet for pro-Soviet and pro-Communist artistic propoganda and is well-attended by the associates of the ACGM.

Travel to U. S.

In early September, 1956, T-2 advised that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD departed from Mexico City enroute Las Vegas, Nevada, on September 1, 1956. According to T-2, FIELD was driving his 1955 Red Ford Thunderbird, Mexico City plates #100596, and intended to be gone approximately one month.

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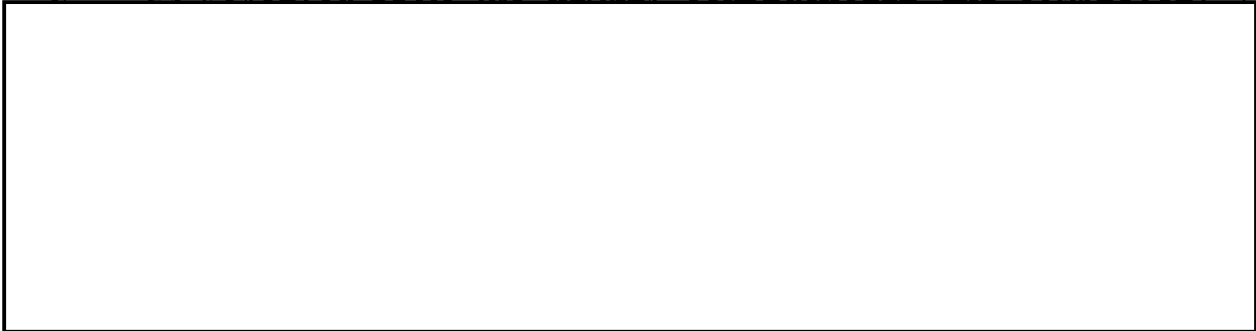
Extra copies of this report are being furnished to the Bureau for transmittal to the New York and San Francisco Offices (NY 100-14419) (SF 100-26286) for information.

One copy of this report has been designated for dissemination to the American Embassy [redacted] Mexico City, on a circulation basis.

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ReBulet of March 15, 1956 instructed that future reports in this case should not carry information which was not suitable for dissemination outside the Bureau. The material received from the highly confidential and completely

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On July 24, 1956, confidential informants [redacted] [redacted] advised SA GEORGE F. MUNRO that they had seen FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD on July 20, 1956. During this contact with FIELD the informants developed the following information.

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FIELD told the informants that he had just received a letter from HARRY BRIDGES, the President of the ILWU (International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union) in San Francisco. FIELD stated that BRIDGES had inquired as to the weather and travel conditions in Mexico as well as the cost of accommodations for two people. FIELD did not indicate whether BRIDGES wanted the information for his own use or that of someone else. The informants received the impression that FIELD has been acquainted with BRIDGES over a period of many years.

On August 16, 1956, [redacted] furnished a report to SA GEORGE F. MUNRO [redacted] which indicated that one SANDRA M. WAITE had arrived in Mexico City from Oakland,

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California, on or about August 10, 1956. Report reflected that informants were in contact with WAITE [redacted]

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[redacted] During the course of these contacts WAITE indicated to the informants that she had numerous personal friends "in progressive circles" in the San Francisco area.

WAITE told the informants that she did not know she was going to travel to Mexico until two or three days before she left and made the statement that she "came because of an emergency." WAITE commented further that "next time they might send someone else." In the same conversation she stated "last time they sent ANN _____, the secretary of HARRY BRIDGES." Although WAITE did not further describe the reason for her coming to Mexico she told the informants that she had to see HANS HOFFMAN (Bufile 100-231662) and FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD while she was here.

Digest of Material Received from

[redacted] 6-11-56 to 9-1-56

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ReBulet of July 26, 1956 instructed that information received from the [redacted] should be set forth in the administrative pages of the report. Following is the digest of the logs covering the period June 11, 1956 to September 1, 1956.

Residence

As of September 1, 1956, FIELD was continuing to reside at Avenida Mariano Escobedo #491, Apartment 303.

On September 1, 1956, ANITA BOYER FIELD and her two children, [redacted] ELISE MAXINE BOYER, continued to reside at Calle Dr. Schiller #413, Apartment 2, in Mexico City.

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Domestic Situation

The separation between FIELD and his wife has continued and no report has been received reflecting that there is a possibility of a reconciliation within the immediate and foreseeable future.

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A report received on August 17, 1956 reflected that ANITA FIELD had recently stated that nothing had changed as regards to the separation. The FIELDS continue to go out together socially on an average of two to three times each week.

Mrs. FIELD continues to see HANS BEIMLER three to four times per week and recent reports reflect that the affair between BEIMLER and Mrs. FIELD is continuing.

Health

Both FIELD and his wife are continuing with psychiatric treatments in Mexico City. Mrs. FIELD is under the care of Dr. RAMON PARRIS, Calle Victor Hugo #76-C, Mexico, D. F.

Business Activity

"Compania Mistram, S. A."
Avenida Insurgentes Sur #945
Mexico, D. F.

With the departure of ROBERT STRAND from Mexico City in May, 1956, FIELD apparently lost interest in the operation of this company. He continues to own two trucks which are being used by the company and which are valued at approximately \$4000 U.S. The company continues to owe FIELD \$2000 U.S. which was borrowed by the company on a short term basis over a year ago.

Laundry Business

During the period indicated no information has been received regarding FIELD's previously reported purchase of a laundry in Mexico City.

"Meximex, S. A."
Paseo de la Reforma #40
Mexico, D. F.

Both FIELD and his wife continue to have funds invested with this company and are receiving monthly payments from the company as their return on the investment. They continue to maintain a close friendly relationship with ALEJANDRO GARCIA VAL, one of the co-managers of this company.

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"Trade Union Service"
New York City, New York

During the period indicated no information has been reported on this matter.

Motion Picture - "Torero"

On June 12, 1956, a report was received which reflected that captioned motion picture had been completed and was being offered for sale in the United States. It was reported that the picture was nominally produced by MANUEL BARBACHANO but that the persons who actually did the work on the picture were HUGO BUTLER, GEORGE PEPPER and DAVID BRUCKER, all of whom own shares of the picture as does BARBACHANO.

The same report indicated that FIELD invested approximately \$5000 U.S. in the picture in the form of a loan to cover production cost. On June 25, 1956, it was reported that BARBACHANO had made arrangements to repay FIELD the full amount of the above-described loan.

It was reported further that the motion picture "Torero" is a documentary type film regarding the life of a bull fighter.

Payment of Back Income Taxes

A report dated June 25, 1956 indicated that FIELD believed that he was in a difficult situation regarding the non-payment of his taxes in New York City and for that reason he felt he could not make a trip to that part of the United States.

Travel to the United States 9-1-56

It was reported on August 16, 1956 that FIELD was planning to drive to Las Vegas, Nevada at some point in the immediate future. It was indicated that FIELD has money invested in Las Vegas and desired to check up on this investment. It was further reported that FIELD expected to meet one HARRY _____ in Las Vegas.

On August 21, 1956, a report was received which indicated that FIELD had been unable to fix the date of his departure from Mexico City inasmuch as he had not heard from the people whom he expected to meet in Las Vegas. A subsequent report dated August 29, 1956 reflected that FIELD had received

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both a telegram and an air mail letter from Las Vegas on that date and that he immediately made plans to leave Mexico City by car on the early morning of September 1, 1956. At the time of his departure it was indicated that he did not expect to return to Mexico City until on or about September 28, 1956.

It was reported that FIELD was driving his 1955 Red Ford Thunderbird on the above-described trip. This car carries 1956 Mexico license plates #100596.

Contacts of FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD
And His Wife ANITA BOYER FIELD During
Period June 11, 1956 to September 1, 1956

An asterisk (*) will be placed after the names of those individuals in the following list who have been previously identified as associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM).

Dr. ERNESTO AMANN *

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Mexico, D. F.

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This individual continued to be the personal doctor of the FIELDS during the period in question.

FEDERICO AMERICO

[REDACTED]
Mexico, D. F.

A report dated June 28, 1956 reflected that the FIELDS were continuing to see AMERICO from time to time and that both FIELD and his wife carried their car insurance with AMERICO who acts as an insurance broker.

HANS BEIMLER

[REDACTED]
Mexico, D. F.

As indicated above BEIMLER has continued to carry on his affair with Mrs. FIELD during this period and they have seen each other several times each week.

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DASHA BOND *

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Mexico, D. F.

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As previously reported the former close friendship between BOND and Mrs. FIELD terminated on May 7, 1956. During the period covered by this report no information has been received which would reflect that the friendship has been resumed.

As reported previously the project of raising sufficient money to pay for BOND's operation was turned over to ASA ZATZ. A report dated August 29, 1956 reflected that the FIELDS had donated to the fund through a third party.

ROBERT WILLIAM BOND *
also known as ROBIN BOND

[REDACTED]
Mexico, D. F.

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Mrs. FIELD's two children continue to take art lessons each week from this person. Both Mr. and Mrs. FIELD continue to be his personal friends.

JOHN MILTON BRIGHT *
MURA BRIGHT *

[REDACTED]
Mexico, D. F.

A report dated July 2, 1956, reflected that the FIELDS attended a reading of BRIGHT's play "Public Servant" at the BRIGHT residence on that day. The report reflected that the reading of the play was well-attended by associates of the ACGM. The play deals with the life of the executioner who officiated at the execution of JULIUS and ETHEL ROSENBERG.

CARL and ADA BRODSKY

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New York City, New York

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BRODSKY arrived in Mexico City on or about June 10, 1956 and checked into the Emporio Hotel. A report dated June 11, 1956 reflected that CARL BRODSKY has known FIELD for many years and was anxious to get in touch with him. On June 13, 1956, it was reported that FIELD and BRODSKY had arranged to meet on the following day.

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The BRODSKYs returned to New York City on Air France flight 070 on June 29, 1956.

SAMUEL BROOKS *
MAY BROOKS *

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As of September 1, 1956 FIELD continued to maintain his office with SAMUEL BROOKS at Calle Londres #87, Office #201, Mexico City. FIELD continues to contact BROOKS on a daily basis.

Mrs. FIELD continues to retain a strong personal dislike for SAMUEL BROOKS and no contact was reported between Mrs. FIELD and the BROOKS during this period.

LEONARD BUDIN
New York City, New York

A report dated July 16, 1956 reflected that FIELD received an air mail special delivery letter on that date from LEONARD BUDIN. The return address on the envelope of this letter contained the names RABINOWITZ and BUDIN with an address in New York City. The letter indicated that BUDIN was leaving New York City by air enroute Costa Rica where he planned to stay for several days with one JACK HARRIS. Letter further indicated that BUDIN was traveling with his wife and that they intended to arrive in Mexico City on their return trip from Costa Rica during the period July 20 - 24, 1956. The letter further reflected that BUDIN was writing to FIELD to tell him that he wanted to see FIELD and his wife while he was here as well as DAVID DRUCKER. BUDIN indicated that he wanted FIELD to contact DRUCKER and make the necessary arrangements for the meeting in Mexico City.

A report received on July 21, 1956 indicated that Mrs. FIELD had not yet seen BUDIN but that FIELD contacted him personally in Mexico City.

A report dated July 22, 1956, reflected that BUDIN had written to MAURICE HYMAN HALPERIN telling the latter that he would be in Mexico City and requesting HALPERIN to get in touch with him through FIELD. The report reflected that HALPERIN was also very anxious to contact BUDIN and requested FIELD to make the necessary arrangements.

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A report dated July 25, 1956 reflected that two letters had arrived on that date for BUDIN at FIELD's office. It was reported that BUDIN had already returned to the United States and that FIELD arranged to forward the letters to him in New York City.

HUGO BUTLER *
JEAN BUTLER #

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Mexico, D. F.

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A report received on June 17, 1956 reflected that JEAN BUTLER had invited Mrs. FIELD to attend a dinner on the following day which was being given by the BUTLERs for SONJA STRAND, HENRY and BRYNA PRENSKY and GEORGE and JEANETTE PEPPER. Mrs. FIELD was unable to attend this function.

A report dated July 19, 1956 reflected that Mrs. FIELD had invited the BUTLERs, PEPPERs and SAMUEL and MOLLIE NOVICK to her home for dinner on July 22, 1956. The BUTLERs were unable to attend this function because of a previous engagement.

HAROLD I. GAMMER

[REDACTED]

New York City, New York

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A report dated June 27, 1956 reflected that FIELD was expecting a telegram from GAMMER regarding the transfer of \$100,000 to FIELD in Mexico City.

On June 30, 1956, FIELD received the following telegram from GAMMER "Delay encountered. Will advise Monday, Harold."

A report dated July 11, 1956 reflected that FIELD received the following telegram on that date "Deposited fifteen thousand dollars to your account. (signed) GAMMER."

A report received on August 24, 1956 reflected that FIELD had received a letter on that date from GAMMER.

DAVID DRUCKER *

[REDACTED]

Mexico, D. F.

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As noted above, DRUCKER and FIELD have been involved in the production of the motion picture "Torero" in Mexico City.

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As set forth above a report dated July 16, 1956 reflected that FIELD had received a special delivery air mail letter from LEONARD BUDIN on that date which requested FIELD to contact DRUCKER and arrange for BUDIN and DRUCKER to get together during the time BUDIN expected to be in Mexico City, July 20 - 24, 1956.

LAURI FAIR
Chicago, Illinois

A report dated August 29, 1956, reflected that Mrs. FIELD had met LAURI FAIR briefly during a vacation at Puerto Vallarta on the West Coast of Mexico during the latter part of June, 1956. The report reflected that Mrs. FAIR is from Chicago, Illinois and has two minor sons who are 12 and 13 years of age. These children arrived in Mexico City from Chicago via American Airlines on August 30, 1956. Mrs. FAIR met them at the Mexico City Airport and they proceeded together to go to the FIELD home where they had dinner before going to the Hotel Del Bosque. The FAIRs left Mexico City on September 2, 1956 enroute to Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico.

A report dated August 31, 1956, reflected that Mrs. FAIR is 35 years of age and is currently living with one DON _____, who is 25 years of age and who resides in the small town of Ajijic which is located approximately 30 miles south of Guadalajara. Report indicated that Mrs. FAIR was 6 months pregnant and was planning to put her baby up for adoption because of DON's _____ aversion to children.

The report further reflected that after the FAIRs rather intensive visit with Mrs. FIELD in Mexico City the latter was not interested in continuing the friendship.

Dr. ALBERT VINCENT FREEMAN *

Mexico, D. F.

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A report was received on July 19, 1956 reflecting that FREEMAN had seen Mrs. FIELD on several occasions during the early part of July on a social basis.

A report dated August 22, 1956 indicated that FREEMAN was continuing to see Mrs. FIELD from time to time.

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ANGEL GONZALEZ
Mexico, D. F.

A report dated July 22, 1956 reflected that FIELD was taking Spanish lessons from GONZALEZ three times each week.

Dr. SIDNEY MATTHEW GREENBERG
[REDACTED]
New York 21, New York

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A report dated July 22, 1956, reflected that Mrs. FIELD sent the following telegram to GREENBERG at the above address on that date "Accommodations absolutely impossible requested dates. Sorry, see you 29th Love, Anita."

A report received on July 28, 1956, reflected that GREENBERG arrived in Mexico City and proceeded on that date to the FIELD residence. It was subsequently reported that GREENBERG had been the personal physician of the FIELDS in New York City and had come to Mexico at this time to secure a divorce. The report reflected that GREENBERG was accompanied on this trip by one TONI _____ who was described as his girl friend.

The report reflected that Mrs. FIELD originally met Dr. GREENBERG through LOUISE BERMAN in New York City. Report indicated that Dr. GREENBERG was also the doctor for LIONEL BERMAN.

The report further indicated that GREENBERG, TONI _____, ANITA FIELD and GEORGE and JEANETTE PEPPER went out together for dinner in Mexico City on the evening of July 29, 1956. It was further reported that GREENBERG had arranged to travel to Acapulco on August 1, 1956, where he would stay at the same hotel where FREDERICK FIELD was vacationing.

A report dated August 16, 1956 reflected that GREENBERG and TONI had returned to Mexico City from side trips to Acapulco and Morelia and were returning to New York City by air on that date. The report reflected that GREENBERG and TONI intended to return to Mexico City around Christmas, 1956.

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The report indicated further that Mrs. FIELD would like to make a trip to New York City but was uncertain as to whether she could make such a trip as previously she had difficulty with U. S. Immigration authorities. The report indicated that Mrs. FIELD felt that if she received an urgent letter from New York City she might be able to arrange such a trip. In addition the report noted that GREENBERG indicated that he could arrange to have someone write such a letter to Mrs. FIELD.

MAURICE HYMAN HALPERIN *

[REDACTED]
Mexico, D. F.

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As noted earlier a report dated July 22, 1956 reflected that HALPERIN had received a note from LEONARD BUDIN instructing him to get in touch with the latter through FIELD. The report indicates that HALPERIN contacted Mrs. FIELD on July 22, 1956 with the urgent request that FREDERICK FIELD make the necessary arrangements for HALPERIN to contact BUDIN.

ELLIE HOWE

A report dated June 14, 1956, reflected that FIELD received a letter from this individual on that date. The report further indicated that FIELD did not consider the letter to be of any particular importance.

Dr. MILTON LEOFF
Taxco, Guerrero, Mexico

A report dated June 25, 1956, reflected that LEOFF, a dentist in Taxco, had invited FIELD to spend the week-end of June 29 - July 1, 1956 as their house guest in Taxco.

ALLAN LEWIS *
BROOKE LEWIS *

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Coyoacan, D. F.

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A report dated August 21, 1956, reflected that Mrs. FIELD had met the LEWISes on two previous occasions and was planning to see them again in the immediate future. It was

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indicated that Mrs. FIELD is interested in contacting ALLAN LEWIS regarding the course of study which she should follow to pursue her interest in the theater.

SAMUEL NOVICK *
MOLLIE NOVICK *

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Mexico, D. F.

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The NOVICKs continue to be two of the closest personal friends of the FIELDs in Mexico City. Reports dated June 15, 21, 30, 1956; July 2, 13, 22, 29, and August 17, 25, 1956, reflect that the NOVICKs continued to entertain the FIELDs in their home on frequent occasions and that the FIELDs regularly return these invitations.

The reports reflect that the NOVICK home is one of the few private residences where both FIELD and his wife accept invitations to appear together.

KURT ODENHEIM *

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Mexico, D. F.

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Information was received in reports dated June 16, 29, 1956 and August 18, 1956, reflecting that FIELD continues to see ODENHEIM frequently and regularly goes to the ODENHEIM residence on Sunday mornings to attend the informal open house that the ODENHEIMs have every Sunday.

ODENHEIM continues to be employed as production manager by SAMUEL J. NOVICK at the latter's factory in Mexico City.

PABLO O'HIGGINS *

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Mexico, D. F.

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O'HIGGINS is an American painter who has resided in Mexico for many years and who has been identified as one of the organizers and member-artists of the Taller de Grafica

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GEORGE PEPPER *
JEANETTE PEPPER *

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Mexico, D. F.

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During this period the FIELDS have continued to see the PEPPERS frequently. The friendship between the FIELDS and the PEPPERS is a very close one and both Mr. and Mrs. FIELD have been reported to be in contact with the PEPPERS more than any other couple in Mexico City. The only other couple with whom the FIELDS associate on much the same basis are SAMUEL and MOLLIE NOVICK.

Dr. HENRY DAVID PRENSKY *
BRYNA BUCKNER PRENSKY *

[REDACTED]

Mexico, D. F.

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A report dated June 21, 1956 reflected that the FIELDS continued to maintain a friendly relationship with the PRENSKYS.

DAVID ALFARO SIQUEIROS
ANGELICA ARENAL DE SIQUEIROS

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Mexico, D. F.

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Reports received during June and July, 1956 reflected that ANITA FIELD was continuing to go to the SIQUEIROS' residence to sit for her portrait which was being done by SIQUEIROS.

On August 21, 1956, a report was received which indicated that SIQUEIROS and his wife had departed from Mexico City a few days before enroute to Poland and other countries behind the iron curtain where they expected to remain for, at least, a year. The report indicated that SIQUEIROS had been unable to completely finish Mrs. FIELD's portrait prior to his departure.

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CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF *
also known as SMALL
BERTHA NEHAM SMOLIKOFF *

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Mexico, D. F.

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A report dated June 21, 1956 reflects that the FIELDS are acquainted with the SMOLIKOFFs. On August 16, 1956, a report was received which indicated that FIELD sees CHARLES SMOLIKOFF rather frequently inasmuch as their respective offices are in the same area in Mexico City.

ALFRED K. STERN *
MARTHA DODD STERN *

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Mexico, D. F.

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A report received on June 13, 1956 indicated that FIELD and STERN had lunch together on that date at the Villa Fontana in Mexico City. Report also indicates that several hours after finishing lunch both FIELD and STERN became violently ill with food poisoning.

A report dated August 23, 1956 reflected that STERN was supposed to meet Mrs. FIELD for lunch on that date but was unable to do so because he was suffering from a sinus condition. The report indicated further that STERN and Mrs. FIELD expected to get together during the following week. This report also indicated that the STERNs continue to be well-acquainted with the FIELDS although they do not see each other frequently.

RICHARD STILLER

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New York 32, New York

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On July 12, 1956, a report was received which reflected that STILLER, a close friend of HAROLD CAMMER in New York City, had arrived in Mexico City a few days before on a vacation. Report indicated that STILLER was not personally acquainted with either Mr. or Mrs. FIELD but that he contacted them on that date to give FIELD several cans of tobacco which had been sent to him by CAMMER.

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ALEJANDRO GARCIA VAL
MARINA GARCIA VAL

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The VALs continue to be close personal friends of both Mr. and Mrs. FIELD. ALEJANDRO GARCIA VAL continues to be employed as one of the managers of "Meximex, S. A." in which the FIELDS have invested funds. Reports dated June 19, 26, 1956 and August 29, 1956, reflect that Mrs. FIELD went to the offices of "Meximex, S. A." on those dates to see VAL.

SUSAN WARREN
New York City, N.Y.

Reports dated July 1 and 7, 1956 indicated that FIELD had received correspondence on those dates from this person.

ITSU WEISS

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Mexico, D. F.

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Reports received on August 29 and 31, 1956, reflected that this woman is employed in the beauty parlor in Mexico City which is utilized by Mrs. FIELD. It was reported that a close friendship has developed between Mrs. FIELD and WEISS.

ASA ZATZ *
ALVA ZATZ *

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Mexico, D. F.

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Both Mr. and Mrs. FIELD continue to contact the ZATZes. Report dated August 29, 1956 reflects that the principal contact during the period June through August, 1956, appeared to be between Mr. FIELD and ASA ZATZ.

The above report indicates that the FIELDS contributed to the fund which was collected by ASA ZATZ for the operation on DASHA BOND but the donation was made through a third party.

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T-1 - [redacted]	Residence of subject	8-31-56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	Instant report	b7D
	Residence of ANITA FIELD	9-25-56	"	"	
T-2 - [redacted]	Status of separation of subject and wife	"	"	[redacted]	b3 b7D
	Employment - income from investments	"	"	"	
	Office with SAMUEL BROOKS at Calle Londres #87	"	"	"	
	FIELD and BROOKS interested in furniture business	"	"	"	
	MURA BRIGHT sent to U.S. on business trip on 9-23-56	"	"	"	
	Subject holds investment but has lost interest in "Cia. Mistran, S.A."	"	"	"	
	Characterizations of BROOKS, BRIGHTs, MALTZ, HALPERIN and SEBORER as associates of ACGM.				
	Characterization of ACGM.				
	Both subject and wife continue associations with ACGM	9-25-56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	Instant report	

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T-2 - [redacted]	Subject encouraging friends to visit SMOLIKOFF's store	7-9-56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	[redacted]	b3 b7D
	Characterization of SMOLIKOFFs				
	Close association with ASA ZATZ	7-30-56	"	"	
	Characterization of ZATZ				
	FIELDS attended AMUSA exhibit on 8-24-56	8-27-56	"	[redacted]	b3 b7D
	Characterization of AMUSA				
	Travel to U.S. on 9-1-56	9-3-56	"	Instant report	
T-3 - [redacted]	Residence status in Mexico as of 9-15-56	9-15-56	"	[redacted]	b3 b7D

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THE MEXICO CITY OFFICE

AT MEXICO, D. F.

Will through live informant coverage and use of the highly confidential [redacted] source continue to follow the day to day activities of subject in Mexico City.

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REFERENCES: Report of SA GEORGE F. MUNRO dated at Mexico, D. F., 6-28-56.
Bullets to Mexico dated 3-15-56 and 7-26-56.

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United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

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January 31, 1957

Re: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

Period: September 1, 1956, to
January 15, 1957

Residence

As of January 15, 1957, FIELD was residing at Calle Parque Melchor Ocampo 38-1.

At the same time FIELD continued to maintain a separate residence for his wife, ANITA BOYER FIELD, and her two children [redacted] and ELISE MAXINE BOYER, at Calle Dr. Schiller 413, Apartment 2, in Mexico City.

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Domestic Situation

The separation between FIELD and his wife has continued and reports reflect that a reconciliation between them appears to be impossible.

A report received on November 19, 1956, reflected that as of that date the FIELDS would no longer go out together socially or appear together in public. The report indicated further that this had come about as a result of a series of bitter quarrels between them.

Mrs. FIELD has continued to see HANS BEIMLER three to four times a week and recent reports reflect that the affair between BEIMLER and Mrs. FIELD is continuing.

Health

Both FIELD and his wife are continuing with psychiatric treatment in Mexico City. Mrs. FIELD continues under the care of Dr. RAMON PARRIS, Calle Victor Hugo 76-C, Mexico, D. F., whom she sees on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays.

A report received on December 17, 1956, reflected that FIELD had suffered a recurrence of his back ailment (slipped spinal disk) in Cuernavaca two or three days previously and was unable to return to Mexico City for several days.

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A report dated January 7, 1957, reflected that ANITA FIELD underwent an operation for an abortion in Mexico City. Arrangements for this operation were made by ITSU WEISS, a close personal friend of Mrs. FIELD. During the course of the laboratory check and the operation, itself, Mrs. FIELD utilized the alias, ALICE MORGAN, and described herself as the sister-in-law of ITSU WEISS.

Business Activity

"Cia. Mistram, S. A."
Avenida Insurgentes Sur 945
Mexico, D. F.

During the period of this report, FIELD has taken no interest in the operation of this company although he continues to own two trucks which are operated by the company. The company also continues to owe FIELD \$2,000.00 which was borrowed from him by the company on a short term basis approximately two years ago.

Laundry Business

A report dated October 5, 1956, reflected that FIELD told his wife on that date that he would be unable to meet her at his office at 11:00 a. m. on the following day because of the fact that he had a laundry business meeting at that time.

"Meximex, S. A."
Paseo de la Reforma #40
Mexico, D. F.

Both FIELD and his wife continue to have funds invested in this company and are receiving monthly payments from the company as returns on the investment. They continue to maintain a close friendship with ALEJANDRO GARCIA VAL, one of the co-managers of this company.

"Promociones e Inversiones de Mexico, S. A."
Calle Londres 87-201
Mexico, D. F.

Reports reflect that FIELD and SAMUEL BROOKS continue to appear daily at the offices of this company. Except for the brief report concerning the laundry business, as set forth above, no indication has been received as to the exact nature of the business being conducted by this company.

Contacts of FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD
and His Wife, ANITA BOYER FIELD, During
the Period September 1, 1956, Through
January 15, 1957

An asterisk (*) will be placed after the names of those individuals mentioned below who have been previously identified as associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM).

Dr. ERNESTO AMANN *

[Redacted]
Mexico, D. F.

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This individual continued to be the personal doctor of the FIELDS until September 7, 1956, when he left Mexico City very suddenly enroute to Eastern Germany. A report dated September 10, 1956, reflected that AMANN left without advising any of his patients that he was going. The report reflects further that ANITA FIELD had seen AMANN two or three days prior to his departure and that he had made no mention to her at that time that he was leaving Mexico City.

HANS BEIMLER

[Redacted]
Mexico, D. F.

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As indicated above, BEIMLER has continued to carry on an affair with Mrs. FIELD during this period and they have seen each other several times each week.

ARNOLD BELKIN
Mexico City

This individual, an artist in Mexico City, is an acquaintance of ANITA FIELD. A report dated September 20, 1956, reflected that BELKIN had invited Mrs. FIELD to an exposition of his paintings at the Club Deportivo Israelita. According to the report, Mrs. FIELD was unable to attend the exposition because of illness and BELKIN indicated that he would bring his wife and child to visit Mrs. FIELD who was confined to her bed.

A report dated October 15, 1956, reflected that Mrs. FIELD and ITSU WEISS had gone to BELKIN's exhibit on the previous day.

A report dated December 3, 1956, reflected that BELKIN worked with DAVID ALFARO SIQUEIROS (the notorious Mexican Communist painter) several years ago.

DASHA BOND *

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Mexico, D. F.

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No indication has been received during the period reflecting that the friendship between BOND and Mrs. FIELD has resumed.

A report received in January reflected that FREDERICK FIELD was continuing to see DASHA BOND.

ROBERT WILLIAM BOND, *
aka ROBIN BOND

[REDACTED]
Mexico, D. F.

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Mrs. FIELD's two children [REDACTED] ELISE, continue to take art lessons each week from this person. Both Mr. and Mrs. FIELD continue to be his personal friends.

RAYMOND BOYER
Terrebonne, Canada

This individual was previously married to ANITA BOYER FIELD and is the father of [REDACTED] ELISE BOYER. A report dated December 7, 1956, reflected that arrangements had been made between BOYER and Mrs. FIELD for [REDACTED] ELISE to travel from Mexico City to Toronto, Canada, on December 12, 1956, via Canadian Pacific Airlines flight 521. It was suggested that GEORGE WRIGHT meet the children at the Toronto Airport and assist them in boarding the night train to Montreal where BOYER would meet them and take them to his home which is in a small town outside of Montreal.

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The report reflected further that [REDACTED] planned to remain with his father for two or three days, following which he planned to fly to New York City as a Canadian tourist, returning to Canada on or about December 30, 1956.

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[REDACTED] ELISE departed as scheduled and that BOYER had met them in Toronto.

A report dated December 20, 1956, reflects that Mrs. FIELD sent the following cable on that date:

To: [redacted] care of KELLEN.
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"Telephone collect Sunday morning. Love, Mommie."

A report received on January 15, 1957, reflected that [redacted] were in Canada with their father and were expected to return to Mexico City on or about January 31, 1957.

SAMUEL and MAY BROOKS * *

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Mexico, D. F.

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As of January 15, 1957, FIELD continued to maintain his office with SAMUEL BROOKS at Calle Londres 87, Office 201, Mexico, D. F. FIELD continues to contact BROOKS on a daily basis.

Mrs. FIELD continues to dislike SAMUEL BROOKS intensely and no contact was reported between Mrs. FIELD and the BROOKS during this period.

HUGO and JEAN BUTLER * *

[redacted]
Mexico, D. F.

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A very friendly relationship continues to exist between the FIELDS and the BUTLERS. Reports dated November 18, and November 26, 1956, reflect that JEAN BUTLER arranged to bring Salk vaccine to Mexico for Mrs. FIELD's children.

A report dated December 16, 1956, indicates that the BUTLERS gave a large garden party on that date to which FREDERICK and ANITA FIELD were invited separately.

HAROLD I. CAMMER

[redacted]
New York City

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A report dated November 19, 1956, reflected that FIELD had received a letter on that date from CAMMER at Mrs. FIELD's apartment in Mexico City. The report indicated that FIELD was very anxious to receive this communication,

Mr. and Mrs. HOWARD DIMSDALE
Los Angeles, California

On November 10, 1956, a report was received to the effect that the DIMSDALES were visiting Mexico City on a vacation. The report indicated that the DIMSDALES were old friends of GEORGE and JEANETTE PEPPER, the friendship dating from the time when the PEPPERS were in California where PEPPER and DIMSDALE were employed as screenwriters by MGM in Los Angeles. The report indicated that Mrs. FIELD had not met the DIMSDALES previously; however, she invited the PEPPERS and the DIMSDALES to her home for cocktails on November 11, 1956.

A report dated November 28, 1956, reflects that the DIMSDALES and the BUTLERS had dinner at the PEPPER home in Mexico City on the previous day.

Dr. ALBERT VINCENT FREEMAN *



Mexico, D. F.

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Reports dated September 24, 1956, November 26, 1956, and January 9, 1957, reflect that FREEMAN has continued to invite Mrs. FIELD to go out with him socially, but that Mrs. FIELD has accepted none of his invitations.

Mr. and Mrs. BARNEY JOSEPHSON
New York City, New York

A report received September 25, 1956, reflected that the JOSEPHSONS had just arrived in Mexico City on their honeymoon. Upon arrival they contacted ANITA FIELD and indicated a great interest in seeing FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD. The report also indicated that BARNEY JOSEPHSON is well known to SAMUEL and MOLLIE NOVICK, and is an old friend of ALFRED K. STERN and his wife, MARTHA DODD STERN.

A report received September 27, 1956, reflected that JOSEPHSON owns three restaurants in New York City, one of which is managed by his brother LEON. It was indicated that the JOSEPHSONS were married on August 10, 1956, and were staying at the Hotel Reforma in Mexico City.

A report dated October 7, 1956, reflected that ANITA FIELD and the JOSEPHSONS were dinner guests at the home of GEORGE and JEANETTE PEPPER on that date.

A report dated October 10, 1956, reflected that the JOSEPHSONS had returned to the United States by air on the previous day.

ROBERT KENNEY

Los Angeles 57, California

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On December 30, 1956, a report was received which indicated that ANITA FIELD had met KENNEY on the previous day through GEORGE and JEANETTE PEPPER. The report stated that KENNEY was well known as an attorney from Los Angeles, California, who had known the PEPPERS and HUGO and JEAN BUTLER for many years. KENNEY was reportedly in Mexico City to see his old friends and to handle some legal business.

On December 31, 1956, it was reported that KENNEY had invited Mrs. FIELD to have lunch and go to the horse races in Mexico City on January 1, 1957.

On January 3, 1957, a report was received which reflected that KENNEY had spent New Year's Eve with the BUTLERS and the PEPPERS.

On January 6, 1957, it was reported that KENNEY held reservations to depart from Mexico City enroute Los Angeles on January 8, 1957.

On January 6, 1957, Mrs. FIELD and KENNEY were dinner guests at the PEPPER home. The same report indicated that KENNEY had been drinking heavily while in Mexico City and was considered by Mrs. FIELD and the PEPPERS to be an alcoholic.

Dr. MILTON LEOFF
Taxco, Guerrero, Mexico

On November 30, 1956, a report was received which indicated that Dr. LEOFF had endeavored to contact FREDERICK FIELD on a personal matter. According to the report, LEOFF was unable to contact FIELD on that date.

LEOPOLDO MENDEZ
Mexico, D. F.

Reports received during September and October, 1956, reflected that Mrs. FIELD was very friendly with MENDEZ, a well-known Mexican artist and leading figure in the "Taller de Grafica Popular" (TGP). These reports reflect that MENDEZ had lunch at Mrs. FIELD's apartment on September 21, 1956, and again on September 29, 1956.

(The TGP has been previously identified as a center of pro-Soviet, pro-Communist and anti-American artistic propaganda in Mexico City.)

SAMUEL and MOLLIE NOVICK * *
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Mexico, D. F.

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The NOVICKS continue to be two of the closest personal friends of the FIELDS in Mexico City. In view of the domestic situation, the NOVICKS now invite the FIELDS to their home separately.

A report dated December 9, 1956, reflected that the NOVICKS gave a dinner party on the evening of that day which was attended by FREDERICK FIELD, GEORGE and JEANETTE PEPPER **, ENOS and MARIA WICHER **, Mr. and Mrs. KURT ODENHEIM *, and MAURICE and EDITH HALPERIN **.

A report dated September 30, 1956, indicated that Mrs. FIELD was planning to loan \$5,000.00 to SAMUEL NOVICK for use in his business in Mexico City.

On October 13, 1956, a report was received which indicated that Mrs. FIELD had sold Canadian bonds in the amount of \$5,000.00 to secure the funds for the loan to NOVICK.

KURT ODENHEIM *
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Mexico, D. F.

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Information received in reports dated September 10, 15, 28, 1956; October 5, 1956; and November 11, 1956, reflect that FIELD continues to see ODENHEIM frequently and regularly goes to the ODENHEIM residence on Sunday mornings to attend the informal

open house which the ODENHEIMS hold every Sunday.

WILLIAM O'DWYER

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Mexico, D. F.

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Reports dated September 5, 7, 8, and 24, 1956, reflect that O'DWYER is well acquainted with Mrs. FIELD. In early September, 1956, Mrs. FIELD consulted with O'DWYER concerning a possible change in her residence status in Mexico. Reports reflect that O'DWYER has invited Mrs. FIELD to accompany him on social occasions.

PABLO O'HIGGINS *

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Mexico, D. F.

A report dated December 3, 1956, reflected that the friendship between O'HIGGINS and Mrs. FIELD was continuing. The report indicates that O'HIGGINS invited Mrs. FIELD to a dinner party at his home which was to be held on December 5, 1956. Mrs. FIELD was unable to accept this invitation inasmuch as she was entertaining visitors from the United States.

CARMEN OTERO Y GAMA *

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Reports received in September, October and December, 1956, reflected that this woman is continuing to handle legal matters for ANITA FIELD. The reports further reflect that Mrs. FIELD considers OTERO Y GAMA to be a close personal friend.

Dr. RAMON PARRIS

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Dr. PARRIS is Mrs. FIELD's psychiatrist who continues to treat her on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

On December 10, 1956, a report was received which indicated that RABINOWITZ had brought greetings from mutual friends in New York City to Dr. HENRY DAVID PRENSKY *, MAURICE HYMAN HALPERIN *, and ALFRED K. STERN *.

A report dated December 9, 1956, reflected that SAMUEL NOVICK had referred to RABINOWITZ as a lawyer and a great friend of LEO LINDER in New York City.

On December 6, 1956, a report was received which reflected that the RABINOWITZES had had breakfast with FREDERICK FIELD on that date.

A subsequent report received on December 9, 1956, reflected that FREDERICK FIELD was driving the RABINOWITZES to Taxco, Guerrero, on December 10, 1956, and planned to return on the evening of December 11, 1956.

A report dated December 11, 1956, reflected that the RABINOWITZES returned with FREDERICK FIELD from Taxco on that date and were preparing to leave for a side trip to Oaxaca, Oaxaca, on December 12, 1956, returning to Mexico City on December 14, 1956.

A report dated December 14, 1956, indicated that the RABINOWITZES, GEORGE and JEANETTE PEPPER * *, ALLAN and BROOKE LEWIS * *, Dr. HENRY DAVID PRENSKY *, and BRYNA PRENSKY *, and Mrs. FIELD attended a dinner party at the home of SAMUEL and MOLLIE NOVICK on that date.

On December 15, 1956, a report was received which indicated that the RABINOWITZES were leaving Mexico City on that date enroute Miami, Florida, via Guest Airlines.

MAX SHLAFROCK *



Mexico, D. F.

A report dated October 6, 1956, reflected that SHLAFROCK had endeavored to locate FREDERICK FIELD at the apartment of Mrs. FIELD on that date. SHLAFROCK was unsuccessful in his attempt to locate FIELD, but subsequently contacted him at the latter's office.

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CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF *
aka SMALL,
BERTHA NEHAM SMOLIKOFF *

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Reports received on October 2, 1956, and November 14, 1956, reflect that FREDERICK FIELD is a much closer friend of the SMOLIKOFFS than is his wife.

The report of October 2, 1956, reflected that FREDERICK FIELD sees these persons frequently at their store which is located close to FIELD's office.

The report of November 14, 1956, indicated that Mrs. SMOLIKOFF had invited FREDERICK and ANITA FIELD and the latter's two children to Thanksgiving dinner on November 22, 1956. Mrs. FIELD declined this invitation because of the domestic crisis in the FIELD family.

PHILIP STEIN *

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Mexico, D. F.

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A report dated September 17, 1956, reflected that the FIELDS continued their personal friendship with STEIN. On that date STEIN borrowed one of his paintings, which had been previously purchased by the FIELDS, in order to exhibit it with others which he had done.

A report on October 2, 1956, reflected that FREDERICK FIELD and ANITA FIELD planned to attend STEIN's exhibition on October 5, 1956.

ALFRED K. STERN *,
MARTHA DODD STERN *

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A report dated October 2, 1956, reflected that FREDERICK FIELD, ANITA FIELD and SAMUEL and MOLLIE NOVICK **, all were invited to dinner at the STERN residence on October 3, 1956. The report dated October 4, 1956, indicated that the FIELDS had gone to the party and had quarreled thereafter.

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ZATZ had invited Mrs. FIELD to have dinner at the ZATZ residence on September 24, 1956. The report reflected that a friendly relationship exists between FREDERICK FIELD and the ZATZES.

Communist and/or Related Activity

A report dated November 19, 1956, reflected that the FIELDS had a bitter domestic quarrel on that date. During the course of this squabble, Mrs. FIELD was reported to have stated that the big crisis in her relationship with FREDERICK FIELD had come when he had accused her of being mentally sick and incapable of protecting FIELD's "intimate personal secret political life." Mrs. FIELD went on to accuse her husband of being afraid that she would divulge the secrets of his intimate political life to an untrustworthy person. It is further reported that FIELD told his wife that he had to consider that situation, but had never accused her of betraying him.

The above-mentioned domestic quarrel was reported to have terminated whatever chance there might have been for a reconciliation.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Subject returned to Mexico City from Las Vegas, Nevada, 10/1/56. On that date he moved to Calle Gutemberg 47, Apartment 402. On or about 1/10/57, subject moved to Calle Parque Melchor Ocampo 38-1, where he presently resides. Subject continues to maintain apartment at Calle Dr. Schiller 413-2, where his wife and her two children reside. Subject continues to maintain office at Calle Londres 87-201 where he and SAMUEL BROOKS operate a company known as "Compania Promociones e Inversiones de Mexico, S. A." Domestic situation between the subject and his wife, ANITA BOYER FIELD, has deteriorated further and there appears to be little prospect of reconciliation. Subject and wife continue to associate with American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM). Both subject and wife continue under care of psychiatrist in Mexico City.

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**United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation**

Washington, D. C.

January 30, 1957

Re: **FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD**

BACKGROUND

Return to Mexico

T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised in October, 1956, that FIELD returned to Mexico City by automobile from Las Vegas, Nevada, on October 1, 1956.

Residence

T-1 advised further that on October 1, 1956, FIELD moved his residence to Calle Gutemberg 47, Apartment 402. T-1 subsequently reported in January, 1957, that FIELD continued to reside at the above address until approximately January 10, 1957, on or about which date FIELD moved to Calle Parque Melchor Ocampo 38, Apartment 1.

T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that as of January 25, 1957, FIELD was continuing to reside at Calle Parque Melchor Ocampo 38-1.

Domestic Situation

T-1 reported during the latter part of January, 1957, that the domestic situation between FIELD and his wife, ANITA BOYER FIELD, had continued to deteriorate to the point where there appeared to be little possibility of a reconciliation. T-1 noted in this connection that the FIELDS no longer appear together in public and openly admit to their friends and acquaintances that their marriage has broken up.

Employment

T-1 advised in January, 1957, that FIELD and SAMUEL BROOKS continue to maintain an office at Calle Londres 87-201 where they operate a company known as "Compania Promociones e Inversiones de Mexico, S. A." (Promotion and Investment Company of Mexico).

In October, 1956, T-1 advised that the above company was handling a laundry business which appeared to involve laundry service to hotels and restaurants in Mexico City.

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Health

In January, 1957, T-1 advised that both FIELD and his wife were continuing to receive psychiatric treatment from different doctors in Mexico City.

Residence Status in Mexico

In January, 1957, T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that FIELD's status as a "permanent resident" in Mexico had been previously renewed until October 14, 1956, according to Mexican Immigration records. These records reflected in January, 1957, that FIELD had not renewed his status prior to October 14, 1956, and that as of the present time he is subject to fine by the Mexican Government because of his failure to do so.

CONTACTS AND ACTIVITIES

T-2 advised in January, 1957, that both FIELD and his wife continue their separate association with the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM).

T-1 has previously described the American Communist Group in Mexico as a loose association of a predominantly social nature of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for Communism and the Soviet Union.

In late January, 1957, T-1 advised that during the past four months FIELD has associated with the following individuals, all of whom have been identified by T-1 as associates of the ACGM:

DASHA BOND,
SAMUEL and MAY BROOKS,
XAVIER and CLARA GUERRERO,
MAURICE HALPERIN,
ALBERT MALTZ,
ELIZABETH CATLETT MORA,
SAMUEL and MOLLIE NOVICK,
KURT ODENHEIM,
GEORGE and JEANETTE PEPPER,
CHARLES and BERTHA SMOLIKOFF,
ALFRED K. and MARTHA STERN,
ASA and ALVA ZATZ.

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The Bureau has instructed that reports in this case should not carry information which was not suitable for dissemination outside the Bureau. [redacted]

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On October 29, 1956, CI's [redacted] furnished a report to SA GEORGE F. MUNRO regarding the trip of KASIEL FOISTER, aka JOE FOSTER (Bufile 100-333408) to Mexico City during the period 10/24-26/56. This report reflected that FOISTER had come to Mexico on 10/24/56, at the request of SAMUEL BROOKS (Bufile 100-290429). As nearly as could be determined by [redacted] the trip was made because of an emergency which had arisen because of the reported arrest of BOBBIE SUCKLE ORTIZ (Bufile 100-411523) and her imminent deportation from England. The informants' report further reflected that WILLIMBLECH (Bufile 100-236179) appeared to be involved in the matter in some way.

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The informants' report indicates that [redacted] visited the BROOKS' residence in the early afternoon of October 25, 1956. The informants' report reflected that BROOKS appeared to be very depressed and irritable. About thirty minutes after the informant arrived, FOISTER came into the house accompanied by his sister, MOLLIE NOVICK, the wife of SAMUEL

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NOVICK (Bufile 100-338889). Mrs. NOVICK commented on this occasion that FOISTER had just had lunch with FRED FIELD. The contact with FIELD may be significant in that during the two days FOISTER was in Mexico City his only reported contacts were with BROOKS, NOVICK, FIELD, and ASA ZATZ (Bufile 100-16890).

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SOURCES

<u>Identity of Source</u>	<u>Date of Activity and/or Description of Information</u>	<u>Date Received</u>	<u>Agent to Whom Furnished</u>	<u>File Number Where Located</u>
T-1 [Redacted]	Return to Mexico City on 10/1/56	10/4/56	GEORGE F. MUNRO	[Redacted] b3 b7D
[Redacted]	Residence at Gutemberg 47-402	"	"	"
[Redacted]	Move to Parque Melchor Ocampo 38-1 on or about 1/10/57	1/14/57	"	Instant report
[Redacted]	Subject maintains separate residence for wife and her children	"	"	"
[Redacted]	Domestic status as of 1/21/57	1/21/57	"	"
[Redacted]	Employment as of January, 1957	"	"	"
[Redacted]	Subject's interest in a laundry business	10/15/56	"	[Redacted] b3 b7D

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T-1 cont'd	Health	1/21/57	GEORGE F. MUNRO	Instant report
	Continued association with ACGM	"	"	"
	Characterization of ACGM			
	Individuals in ACGM with whom subject has associated during past four months	"	"	"
T-2	Continued residence at Parque Melchor Ocampo 38-1	1/25/57	"	[redacted]
T-3	Residence status, Mexican Immigration	1/24/57	"	[redacted]

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MEXICO CITY OFFICE

AT MEXICO, D. F.

Will through live informant coverage and the use of the highly confidential [redacted] source continue to follow the day-to-day activities of the subject in Mexico City.

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REFERENCE: Report of SA GEORGE F. MUNRO dated 9/27/56, at Mexico, D. F.

Mexico City cable to Bureau dated 12/12/56.

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TITLE FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - CH	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD resides in Mexico City at Parque Melchor Ocampo 38, Apartment 1, and continues his business association with SAMUEL BROOKS. He is completely estranged from his wife, ANITA BOYER FIELD, and has stated that he does not intend to return to the United States to reside. He continues to associate with the American Communist Group in Mexico.

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United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington 25, D. C.

March 28, 1957

RE: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

I. BACKGROUND DATA

A. Residence

On March 25, 1957, T-1, a confidential source abroad, advised that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD continues to reside at Parque Melchor Ocampo #38, Apartment 1.

B. Employment

T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on March 25, 1957, that FIELD continues to be associated in a business way with SAMUEL BROOKS and to maintain with the latter an office at Calle Londres 87, Room 201. According to source, their firm is known as "Promotion and Investment Company of Mexico."

C. Domestic Situation

T-2 advised on February 24, 1957, that a few days earlier the subject's wife, ANITA FIELD, had expressed considerable bitterness toward her husband and had commented that she wished she had never left her first husband. T-2 also advised that during the latter part of January, 1957, ASA ZATZ had made the comment that FRED FIELD was extremely bitter toward his wife, ANITA FIELD.

II. ACTIVITIES AND CONTACTS

On February 6, 1957, T-2 advised that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD had been involved for a short time in an extramarital "affair" with one RUTH BROWN who had been residing with SAMUEL and MAY BROOKS in a house which the latter had rented in Cuernavaca.

On February 14, 1957, T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that MAY BROOKS had been very critical of FREDERICK FIELD but had indicated

that she was forced to associate with the latter because of the close (business) association between her husband, SAMUEL BROOKS, and FIELD.

T-2 advised March 4, 1957, that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD continues to contact and associate with selected members of the American Communist Group in Mexico.

T-2 has advised that the term "American Communist Group in Mexico" is utilized to describe the loose association in Mexico on a predominantly social basis of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for Communism and the Soviet Union.

T-2 has also stated that SAMUEL BROOKS and his wife, MAY BROOKS, RUTH KANIN BROWN, ASA ZATZ, ANITA BOYER FIELD and FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD are all regarded as associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico.

III. FIELD DOES NOT INTEND TO RETURN TO U. S. TO RESIDE

On January 28, 1957, T-2 advised that on January 25, 1957, FIELD had made the statement that "he had long ago decided he would not return to reside permanently in the United States."

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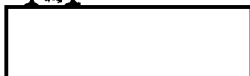
In accordance with Bureau instructions, a blank memorandum relating to material emanating from this [redacted] is currently in preparation and will be furnished to the Bureau in the near future.

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T-2 [Redacted]	Employment	3/25/57	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO (orally)	Instant report b7D
	ANITA FIELD bitter toward husband	2/24/57	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	[Redacted] b3 b7D
	FRED FIELD bitter toward wife	1/28/57	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	[Redacted]
	Affair with RUTH BROWN	2/6/57	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	[Redacted]
	1/25/57	1/28/57	"	[Redacted]
	Also used for characterizations of SAMUEL and MAY BROOKS, ASA ZATZ, the FIELDS, and the American Communist Group in Mexico.			
T-3 [Redacted]	BROOKS and FIELD in business	2/14/56	SA GEORGE F. MUNRO	[Redacted] b3 b7D

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MEXICO CITY OFFICE

AT MEXICO, D. F.:

Will continue to follow the activities and status of subject in Mexico City through live informant coverage and through the confidential [Redacted] source and will continue to report the results of such coverage as often as appears advisable.

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REFERENCE

Report of SA GEORGE F. MUNRO, Mexico, D. F., 1/30/57.

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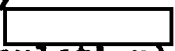
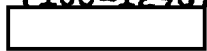
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TITLE FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - CH

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD resides in Mexico City at Parque Melchor Ocampo 38, Apartment 1, and maintains a business office at Calle Londres 87, Room 201. He is separated from his wife, ANITA BOYER FIELD, and they are reported to have agreed to a divorce. He continues to associate with selected members of the American Communist Group in Mexico and is engaged in collecting Mexican archaeological items. In February, 1957, he was visited by LEMET BACON HARRIS for the purpose of discussing terms for the purchase from FIELD of a building in New York City on behalf of the New York State Communist Party.

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United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington 25, D. C.

May 21, 1957

RE: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

I. BACKGROUND DATA

A. Residence

T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised on May 15, 1957, that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD had recently stated that his residence address in Mexico City is Parque Melchor Ocampo 38, Apartment 1. T-1 further advised that on January 24, 1957, FIELD had advised the Immigration Section of the Mexican Ministry of Government of his change of address from Calle Schiller 413, Apartment 2, to Parque Melchor Ocampo 38-1.

B. Employment

According to T-1, on May 14, 1957, FIELD stated that he is the manager of the firm "Compania de Promociones e Inversiones de Mexico, S. A." (Promotion and Investment Company of Mexico, Inc.), with offices at Calle Londres 87, Room 201. T-1 stated that the files of the Mexican Ministry of Government reflect that on the basis of a petition from FIELD, he had been authorized on August 18, 1955, to invest the sum of one million pesos (\$80,000 U.S.) in the purchase of the business firm mentioned above.

T-1 related that in discussing his business activities, FIELD claimed to be engaged in "business of a general nature" but also mentioned that he is very interested in archaeology and has acquired a collection of Mexican archaeological items. According to T-1, the walls of FIELD's office are lined with shelves which are utilized to display a large quantity of Mexican archaeological pieces.

C. Immigration Status in Mexico

On May 15, 1957, T-1 provided the following extract of data relating to FIELD which appears in the files of the Immigration Section of the Mexican Ministry of Government:

On October 15, 1954, FIELD was granted a change of residence status from tourist to that of immigrant (with outside income and not authorized to be gainfully employed) for a period of one year and renewable annually. FIELD was provided Immigrant Form (F.M. 2) #48827.

On August 18, 1955, FIELD's petition for authorization to purchase the company which he heads for the sum of one million pesos was granted. In October, 1955, FIELD requested and was given the first annual renewal of his immigrant status beginning October 15, 1955, and expiring October 14, 1956.

FIELD advised of his change of residence on January 24, 1957, and at the same time solicited the second renewal of his immigrant status. Despite the fact that this petition was several months delinquent, his petition was granted by memorandum dated January 28, 1957.

D. Marital Status

On May 15, 1957, T-2, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the estrangement or separation of FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD and his wife, ANITA BOYER FIELD, is permanent and that FIELD has stated that they are planning to secure a divorce. T-2 further advised that gossip within the American Communist Group in Mexico City is to the effect that ANITA FIELD has requested a substantial cash settlement from subject, whereas he desires to pay alimony on an installment basis in the belief that she will remarry in the not-too-distant future and relieve him of such payments.

According to T-2, FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD is courting NIEVES TILLET, the former wife of JAMES HADLOW TILLET. T-2 described NIEVES TILLET as being of Polynesian origin and a professional dancer. T-2 stated that she has been divorced from JAMES HADLOW TILLET for approximately six years but that she has two children by him. According to T-2, NIEVES TILLET is well known within the American Communist Group in Mexico but is not regarded as having any sincere or deep-rooted political convictions of her own.

II. CONTACTS AND ACTIVITIES

In March, 1957, information was received from T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, to the

effect that one LEM HARRIS had intended to fly to Mexico City from New York for the purpose of discussing the purchase of a building owned by FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD and located at 23 West 26th Street, New York City. According to the source, this purchase was being made in behalf of the New York State Communist Party.

T-1 advised on May 15, 1957, that on the basis of a check of various airline passenger lists, it had been determined that one LEMET BACON HARRIS had arrived in Mexico City on February 21, 1957, by Guest Airlines Flight #101 from Miami, Florida. Upon his arrival at the Mexico City Central Airport, he presented Mexican Tourist Card #590245 and furnished his Mexico City address as being Calle Londres #87. (It is noted that under "Employment" above, FIELD's business office is reported as being located at Calle Londres #87.) T-1 stated that HARRIS had left Mexico City for Miami on Guest Airlines Flight #100 of February 26, 1957. Upon his arrival in Mexico City, HARRIS gave his place of origin as New York, and on his departure he listed his final destination as being Far Rockaway, New York.

T-2 advised on March 25, 1957, that ASA ZATZ had made the statement that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD was having additional trouble with United States income tax authorities.

On March 25, 1957, T-2 advised that on March 18, 1957, ALFRED H. LAWRENCE, who was traveling in Mexico by automobile with his wife, RAE LAWRENCE, had mentioned that he had been in contact with several members of the American Communist Group in Mexico City and had added that one of the persons whom he "had to see" was FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD.

T-2 has stated that ALFRED H. LAWRENCE is from New York City and has been in Mexico City on several occasions and in connection with each trip to Mexico City he contacts various members of the American Communist Group.

T-2 stated that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD continues to associate with selected members of the American Communist Group in Mexico. T-2 has advised that the term "American Communist Group in Mexico" is utilized to describe the loose association in Mexico on a predominantly social basis of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for Communism and the Soviet Union.

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This office has continued to receive some information [redacted]

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From this source additional details have been received indicating that FIELD and his wife, ANITA BOYER FIELD, are concluding divorce agreements and are making every effort to avoid publicity or scandal in connection therewith. This source also has furnished information to the effect that FIELD is carrying on an affair with NIEVES TILLET and may be considering marrying her following his divorce from ANITA FIELD.

A blank memorandum relating to the material from the above-described [redacted] will be furnished to the Bureau in the near future.

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T-1 [redacted]	All information	5/15/57	ROLF L. LARSON	[redacted]

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T-2 [Redacted]	Marital status and courting NIEVES TILLETT	5/15/57	GEORGE F. MUNRO	[Redacted]
[Redacted]	Income tax troubles and contact by ALFRED LAWRENCE	3/25/57	GEORGE F. MUNRO	[Redacted]

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Also used for characterization of American Communist Group.

T-3 Further documentation not available.
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AT MEXICO, D. F., MEXICO

Will continue to follow the activities and status of subject through live informant coverage and through the confidential [Redacted] source and will report the results of such coverage as often as appears feasible.

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REFERENCE

Report of SA ROLF L. LARSON, Mexico, D. F., dated 3/28/57.



United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington, D. C.

June 20, 1957

Re: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

Period: January 16 to May 31, 1957

I. BACKGROUND DATA

A. Residence

FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, who is separated from his wife, ANITA BOYER FIELD, resides at Parque Melchor Ocampo 38, Apartment 1, Mexico, D. F.

FIELD's wife, ANITA BOYER FIELD, and her two children, [redacted] ELISE MAXINE BOYER, reside at Calle Dr. Schiller 413, Apartment 2, Mexico, D. F.

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B. Employment

On May 14, 1957, FIELD stated that he is the manager of the firm, "Cia. de Promociones e Inversiones de Mexico, S. A." (Promotion and Investment Company of Mexico, Inc.) with offices at Calle Londres 87, Room 201, Mexico, D. F.

The files of the Mexican Ministry of Government reflect that on the basis of a petition from FIELD, he had been authorized on August 18, 1955, to invest the sum of 1,000,000 pesos (\$80,000.00 U. S.) in the purchase of the business firm mentioned above. Associated with FIELD in the business is SAMUEL BROOKS, and the two of them appear at the firm's offices on almost a daily basis.

In addition to other business interests and investments, FIELD has stated that he is extremely interested in archeological relics and that he has acquired a considerable collection of such items during the time he has been in Mexico. He has built special shelves along the walls of his office which are utilized to display his collection of Mexican archeological pieces.

C. Marital Status

Information has been received to the effect that the estrangement between FIELD and his wife is permanent and that by mutual agreement they are planning to secure a divorce. It

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appears that ANITA FIELD is endeavoring to obtain from FIELD a substantial cash settlement whereas he desires to pay alimony to her on a monthly or installment basis in the belief that her remarriage would relieve him of such payments.

For some time FIELD has been courting NIEVES TILLET, the former wife of JAMES HADLOW TILLET, a Mexico City businessman who specializes in clothing made from handpainted Mexican materials. NIEVES TILLET and JAMES TILLET have been divorced for approximately six years, but she has two children of whom he is the father. NIEVES TILLET is reported to be Mexican born, but to have spent her early life in the Tahitian islands, and in Mexico City she has made her living as a professional dancer, claiming to be of Polynesian origin.

ANITA BOYER FIELD has continued to receive the constant romantic attentions of HANS BEIMLER.

D. Status of Health

A report dated April 17, 1957, indicated that FIELD was continuing to suffer from a recurring back ailment and that he was finding it necessary to wear a special brace.

ANITA FIELD has continued to receive psychiatric treatment from Dr. RAMON PARRIS, Calle Victor Hugo 76-C, Mexico, D. F.

II. CONTACTS AND ACTIVITIES OF FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD AND ANITA BOYER FIELD

An asterisk (*) will be placed after the names of those individuals mentioned hereinunder who have been identified as associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM).

The ACGM has been identified by sources who have furnished reliable information in the past as a loose association of a predominantly social nature of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for Communism and the Soviet Union.

ROBERT FRANCIS ALLEN *

ALLEN is a partner in the firm "Meximex, S. A." with offices at Paseo de la Reforma 40, Mexico, D. F. Both FIELD and his wife have personal funds invested in the firm and receive either an interest or dividend check from the company each month.

A report dated February 1, 1957, was to the effect that ALLEN was leaving in the immediate future for East Germany where he and his wife would visit their daughter who was studying engineering.

LONCA BECKER
Mexico, D. F.

BECKER is an actors' agent, and a report dated February 20, 1957, was to the effect that she was endeavoring to contract the services of ANITA FIELD for a secondary part in a movie production.

HANS BEIMLER

Mexico, D. F.

The affair between ANITA FIELD and BEIMLER has continued. During the latter part of February and early March, BEIMLER was away from Mexico City in connection with the filming of a movie on location, but immediately following his return to Mexico City his attentions to Mrs. FIELD were resumed.

There were indications that ANITA FIELD expects to have BEIMLER divorce his wife, ROSALIND, in order to marry her when her financial settlement and divorce from FREDERICK VANDERBIET FIELD become final.

ARNOLD BELKIN

BELKIN is an artist and instructor of art at Mexico City College and during February, 1957, while Mrs. FIELD was taking part in a play production at Mexico City College for which BELKIN prepared scenery, she and BELKIN exchanged social invitations and were friendly.

[REDACTED] ELISE BOYER

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In the latter part of January, 1957, the teenage children of ANITA FIELD and Dr. RAYMOND BOYER were reported to be visiting their father in Terrebonne, Canada, and to be returning to Mexico City therefrom on January 31, 1957.

Dr. RAYMOND BOYER
Terrebonne, Canada

During the middle of March, 1957, it was reported that ANITA FIELD had learned from FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD that BOYER was expected in Mexico City in the near future for the purpose of discussing with FRED FIELD and ANITA FIELD the question of the support of his two children in connection with the forthcoming divorce of the FIELDS.

Report dated March 25, 1957, indicated that BOYER was in Mexico City and had been in consultation with both FRED and ANITA FIELD with respect to the financial arrangements for the support of his children. BOYER was staying at the Hotel Meurice, Calle Marsella 28, Mexico, D. F.

Passenger lists of Canadian Pacific Airlines revealed that RAYMOND BOYER had arrived in Mexico City from Toronto, Canada, on flight 524 of March 22, 1957, and had departed for Toronto on flight 527 of March 30, 1957. In registering at the hotel, BOYER stated that he is a chemist by profession and that his permanent address is at Terrebonne, Quebec, Canada.

SAMUEL * and MAY * BROOKS

Mexico, D. F.

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FRED FIELD has continued to be associated in business with SAMUEL BROOKS and to maintain friendly social relations with both SAMUEL and MAY BROOKS.

A report dated March 29, 1957, revealed that MAY BROOKS was giving a party for a visitor from Germany, ALMA UHSE, which was to be attended by GEORGE and JEANETTE PEPPER, FIELD

and NIEVES TILLET, JUAN MANUEL VALENCIA MUNOZ and his wife, and SAMUEL and MOLLY NOVICK, all of whom have been identified as associates of the ACGM.

ANITA FIELD has evinced hearty dislike for SAMUEL BROOKS and has expressed her displeasure at having to consult with FRED FIELD at his offices if BROOKS were to be present.

RUTH KANIN BROWN *
Mexico, D. F.

A report dated in February, 1957, indicated that this woman and FRED FIELD were socially interested in each other and had been friendly for some time. BROWN had only recently settled in a new apartment in Mexico City and she and FIELD agreed to meet for lunch at an early date.

A report dated April 23, 1957, was to the effect that BROWN had just returned to Mexico City from the United States following an operation involving plastic surgery on her nose. At that time she was having difficulty in obtaining an extension of the temporary permit for her personal automobile, was beginning to study Spanish on a daily basis, and had two children who were attending school in Mexico City. Again, FRED FIELD indicated some interest in BROWN and a desire to get together with her.

HAROLD I. GAMMER

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New York City

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A report dated February 15, 1957, reflected that GAMMER, who appeared to be either an attorney or financial representative for FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD in New York, was handling a number of financial matters for FIELD, one of them being the sale of property owned by FIELD on 26th Street in New York. GAMMER advised FIELD that "LEMMIE" would visit FIELD from New York the following week for the purpose of discussing the purchase of that property.

A subsequent report reflected that "LEM" was in Mexico City and was in contact with FIELD. It was further indicated that FIELD and LEM had spent several days together traveling outside of Mexico City.

On February 19, 1957, a source who has furnished reliable information in the past advised that LEM HARRIS was planning to fly to Mexico City on the night of February 20, 1957, to consult with FIELD concerning the desire of the New York State Communist Party to purchase the building owned by him at 23 West 26th Street.

RAUL CANSSER
Mexico, D. F.

RAUL CANSSER is a dealer in antiques and archeological relics and has had considerable contact with FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD in connection with his efforts to sell such items to FIELD.

ALBERT COHEN

Montreal, Canada

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COHEN is the father of ANITA FIELD, and a report dated January 28, 1957, was to the effect that Mrs. COHEN, ANITA's mother, had recently passed away at Miami, Florida.

MIGUEL COVARRUBIAS

During the latter part of January, 1957, reports indicated that both FRED FIELD and ANITA FIELD were friendly with MIGUEL and ROSA COVARRUBIAS and that the former was seriously ill and had been hospitalized. MIGUEL COVARRUBIAS was reported to have passed away on February 4, 1957, and following his death both FRED FIELD and ANITA FIELD were in contact with Mrs. COVARRUBIAS.

GALE FIELD

San Francisco, California

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GALE FIELD is the grown daughter of FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD by a previous marriage to EDITH CHAMBERLAIN FIELD and arrived in Mexico City to visit her father on March 27, 1957. She spent several days in Acapulco, Mexico, with her father, and was also in contact with ANITA FIELD and the latter's two children.

ANGEL GONZALEZ
Mexico, D. F.

GONZALEZ resides in the San Angel area of Mexico City and has been giving Spanish lessons to FRED FIELD several times each week.

XAVIER GUERRERO

XAVIER GUERRERO is a Mexican Marxist artist with whom FRED FIELD is friendly, and on April 23, 1957, GUERRERO was reported to be using FRED FIELD's apartment in connection with some drawings or paintings which he was making.

LEMET BACON HARRIS
New York, New York

LEMET BACON HARRIS is believed to be identical with the LEM HARRIS mentioned herein in connection with the section relating to HAROLD I. GAMMER. During the time he was in Mexico City HARRIS was entertained socially by GEORGE and JEANETTE PEPPER and made a trip of several days duration with FREDERICK FIELD.

A check of the passenger list of Guest Airways for its flight 101 of February 21, 1957, from Miami, Florida, to Mexico City included the name of LEMET BACON HARRIS, the bearer of Mexican tourist form #590245, who upon his arrival at the Mexico City Central Airport furnished his Mexico City address as being Calle Londres 87. (FIELD's business firm has its office at Calle Londres 87, Room 201.)

HARRIS left Mexico City on February 26, 1957, by Guest Airways flight 100 to Miami, Florida. The cancelled tourist card which HARRIS delivered upon his departure from Mexico indicated that he was fifty-two years of age, a United States citizen, an insurance man by occupation, and that he had traveled to Mexico City from New York City. Upon his departure he gave his final destination as being Far Rockaway, New York.

It is believed that the above-described individual is identical with the LEM HARRIS who was reported to be traveling to Mexico City in connection with the desire of the New York State Communist Party to purchase the building owned by FIELD at 23 West 26th Street.

Dr. MILTON LEOF *

Dr. MILTON LEOF is a dentist by profession and practices and resides at Taxco, Guerrero, Mexico. A report dated April 21, 1957, indicated that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD and NIEVES TILLET were spending a weekend at Taxco and had spent some time with LEOF. This report further revealed that LEOF shares with FIELD the avocation of collecting Mexican archeological relics and that FIELD was very enthusiastic regarding the collection which LEOF has made of those items.

ROBERT LAFERME
Montreal, Canada, and
Guadalajara, Mexico

Reports dated in February and March, 1957, indicated that LAFERME is a Canadian architect and/or business promoter who has been engaged in building a shopping center in Guadalajara and is interested in a similar project in Mexico City. In connection with several visits to Mexico City he contacted ANITA FIELD and endeavored to convince her to spend as much time as possible with him. It appeared that ANITA FIELD was flattered by his attentions, but did not desire to encourage him too much.

ALLAN * and BROOKE * LEWIS

Coyoacan, D. F.

LEWIS is a professor of drama at the National University of Mexico and also has conducted classes in acting at "Dr. Baker's Workshop," Campos Eliseos 15, Mexico, D. F. ANITA FIELD attended some of those classes and also was in frequent contact with ALLAN and BROOKE LEWIS with respect to other theatrical activities.

A report dated March 7, 1957, was to the effect that ALLAN LEWIS had requested ANITA FIELD to proselyte students for his classes in acting.

A report dated February 25, 1957, indicated that BROOKE LEWIS had informed ANITA FIELD with respect to a "subpoena" which ALFRED K. and MARTHA DODD STERN had received in connection with "the new spy case."

SAMUEL * and MOLLY*NOVICK
Mexico, D. F.

The NOVICKS continue to be close personal friends to both FRED and ANITA FIELD. MOLLY NOVICK and ANITA FIELD are particularly friendly and it has been indicated that the \$5,000.00 investment made by ANITA in SAMUEL NOVICK's business has continued in force as they have continued to make monthly payments to her.

During February and early March, 1957, the NOVICKS were residing at the home of RALPH and MILDRED NORMAN at [redacted] but on March 17, 1957, they were reported to have found an apartment to which they expected to move the following week and for which they were paying the sum of 1,800 pesos monthly.

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Report dated April 21, 1957, revealed that SAMUEL NOVICK had been very ill and apparently had suffered a stroke as he did not have the complete use of one leg. While he was ill, KURT ODENHEIM was reported to be managing his factory. During this same period the NOVICKS had been visited from the United States by their son RICHARD who had returned to the United States on April 21, 1957.

CARMEN OTERO Y GAMA *

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Mexico, D. F.

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This woman continues to be a personal friend and legal representative of ANITA FIELD. On February 26, 1957, ANITA FIELD consulted with OTERO Y GAMA with respect to the procedure for a divorce in Mexico, advising that she and FRED FIELD had been married in Nevada. They decided that either "abandonment" or "mental cruelty" would be the logical grounds to present and that a financial settlement would have to be based on the laws of the state in the United States in which they were married.

On March 1, 1957, ANITA FIELD again consulted with OTERO Y GAMA and stated that she and FRED FIELD were agreed that their divorce should be handled without any publicity because such publicity "would be fatal."

SEKI SANO
Cine Chapultepec Building
Room 301
Mexico, D. F.

SANO is a dramatic instructor and director who was giving private instructions to ANITA FIELD in dramatics during January, February and March, 1957. SANO also appeared to be emotionally interested in ANITA FIELD and she to be intrigued by his attentions.

Mr. and Mrs. SHAPIRO

A report dated February 13, 1957, indicated that the SHAPIROS had arrived in Mexico City from New York on the previous night and were staying at Room 933, Hotel del Prado. The SHAPIROS claimed to be friends of Dr. HENRY DAVID PRENSKY and his wife, BRYNA PRENSKY, (ACGM associates) and to have brought a number of items to ANITA FIELD from MARCIA (RABINOWITZ).

ALFRED K. * and MARTHA DODD * STERN

Mexico, D. F.

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Reports dated in January, February and March, 1957, indicate that ANITA FIELD continues to be friendly with the STERNS.

A report dated January 28, 1957, was to the effect that MARTHA STERN had invited ANITA FIELD to dinner on the following evening as a partner for "an old friend from Los Angeles," one JOE THOMPSON.

A report dated February 5, 1957, disclosed that ANITA FIELD and ALFRED K. STERN had discussed the death of MIGUEL COVARRUBIAS, and STERN had referred to him as "a great man who could not be replaced."

According to a report dated February 25, 1957, ANITA FIELD and MARTHA STERN had discussed the "spy case" and a subpoena which the STERNS stated they had received, and ANITA FIELD expressed her sympathy for the STERNS' problem.

NIEVES TILLET
Mexico, D. F.

During February, March and April, 1957, FIELD was

with NIEVES TILLET on virtually a daily basis. Several reports indicated that she had spent the night at his apartment on various occasions and a report dated April 17, 1957, was to the effect that they were together at the Posada de la Mision in Taxco, State of Guerrero, Mexico.

A report of April 22, 1957, reflected that NIEVES TILLET was dancing professionally nearly every evening and that FIELD was in the habit of picking her up late in the evening following her dancing engagement.

FREDERICK TAYLOR
Canada

A report dated March 25, 1957, was to the effect that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD and RAYMOND BOYER were both acquainted with one FREDERICK TAYLOR who had been traveling in Mexico and had spent some time in Oaxaca, Oaxaca, Mexico.

A source who has furnished reliable information in the past has advised that FREDERICK BOUCHIER TAYLOR is a Canadian Communist artist who during March and April, 1957, was making an automobile trip through Mexico.

ALMA UHSE

Reports dated April 16 and 24, 1957, were to the effect that ALMA UHSE was in Mexico temporarily and was planning to return to Berlin, Germany. According to reports, she was much better known to SAMUEL BROOKS than to FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, but their attorney, JUAN MANUEL VALENCIA MUNOZ, was handling the legal problems of this person in connection with her efforts to obtain a permit to leave Mexico with her Mexican-born son.

ALEJANDRO GARCIA VAL

Mexico, D. F.

VAL continues to be a personal friend of the FIELDS and to have had both business and personal contact with ANITA FIELD during February, 1957. As previously mentioned, ANITA FIELD has an investment in the firm of which VAL is the manager and a partner, Meximex, S. A., which pays to her a monthly check which consists of either interest or dividends on her investment.

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JUAN MANUEL VALENCIA MUNOZ *
Mexico, D. F.

VALENCIA has continued to handle the legal problems relating to the residence status in Mexico of FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD as well as in connection with his investments in Mexico.

Report dated February 24, 1957, was to the effect that VALENCIA was having his chauffeur deliver a check to FIELD, which check was "from San Antonio."

According to this same report, VALENCIA advised FIELD that he needed his immigration booklet in order to obtain a visa for him.

VALENCIA and FIELD continue to have a mutual interest in the affairs of an unidentified laundry business in which FIELD was reported to have invested funds.

ITSU WEISS

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Mexico, D. F.

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During January, February and March, 1957, this woman continued to be an intimate friend and confidante of ANITA FIELD who entertained her socially and also shared with her their mutual interest in dramatics. During February, 1957, they took part in a dramatic production which was directed by ALLAN LEWIS. WEISS is either the owner or the manager of a beauty parlor which is frequented by ANITA FIELD and other associates of the ACGM.

ENOS and MARIA WICHER * *

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Mexico, D. F.

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The WICHERS have previously been reported as being acquainted with FIELD as a result of their mutual investment in the ice cream business, "Cia. Mistran, S. A.," at Avenida Insurgentes Sur 945, Mexico, D. F.

A report dated April 25, 1957, was to the effect that MARIA WICHER was endeavoring to contact FREDERICK FIELD.

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Date: 6/21/57
To: Director, FBI (100-2278)
From: Legat, Mexico (100-1298)
Subject: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD
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Re report of SA ROLF L. LARSON dated at Mexico,
D. P., 5/21/57.

For the information of the Bureau and the New York
office there are attached hereto six copies of a blank memorandum
relating [redacted]

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For the information of the Bureau. [redacted]

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It is suggested that a copy of this letter and the
attached memorandum be furnished to the New York office (NY
100-14419).

In accordance with prior arrangements with the local
[redacted] station, a copy hereof in blind memorandum form has been
furnished thereto.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-3-81)
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-2398)
SUBJECT: COMMUNIST PARTY - USA
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: 5/28/57

Re Chicago letter dated May 24, 1957.

UTMOST CARE MUST BE UTILIZED IN HANDLING AND REPORTING THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION, WHICH, BY ITS VERY NATURE, TENDS TO IDENTIFY CG 5824-S* AS THE SOURCE THEREOF. IF CG 5824-S* MAKES ANOTHER TRIP TO MEXICO, HIS PHYSICAL SAFETY MIGHT BE JEOPARDIZED IF THERE IS INDISCRIMINATE DISSEMINATION OF THIS INFORMATION.

Referenced Chicago letter dealt with a meeting between CG 5824-S* and members of the leadership of the Communist Party

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 - (1 - 100-) (DIONISIO ENCINA RODRIGUEZ)
 - (1 - 100-) (FREDERICK V. FIELD) 100-1298
 - (1 - 100-) (XAVIER GUERRERO)
 - (1 - 100-) (ALBERT MALTZ)
 - (1 - 100-) (Mrs. ALBERT MALTZ)
 - (1 - 100-) (CHARLES SMALLNIKOFF)(ph)
 - (1 - 100-) ((FNU) SHAFFROCK)(ph)
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- 1 - Los Angeles (100-) (CP - USA, Funds)(REGISTERED)
- 7 - New York (REGISTERED)
 - (1 - [redacted] (NY 694-S*)(#6)(P & C)(Info)
 - (1 - 100-86624)(CP - USA, International Relations)(#19)
 - (1 - 100-74560)(CP - USA, Funds)(#19)
 - (1 - 100-) (Communist Party of Mexico)
 - (1 - 100-8057)(EUGENE DENNIS)(#19)
 - (1 - 100-9365)(WILLIAM Z. POSTER)(#19)
 - (1 - 100-9352)(ABRAHAM B. MAGIL)
- 1 - San Francisco (100-) (CP - USA, Funds)(REGISTERED)
- 4 - Chicago
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 - (1 - 100-25068)(Communist Party of Mexico)
 - (1 - 100-3322)(HARVEY O'CONNOR)

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of Mexico. This letter will deal primarily with attempts of CG 5824-S* to contact the leadership of the Communist Party of Mexico and his conversations with former members of the Communist Party - USA who are currently residing in Mexico.

CG 5824-S* furnished the following information to SA JOHN E. KEATING in the form of dictaphone memo belts on May 20 and 22, 1957. The transcription of these memo belts is located in Chicago file

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CG 5824-S* had mailed a letter to an address in Mexico City provided to him by J. ENCARNACION VALDEZ, member of the Central Committee and National Organizational Secretary of the Communist Party of Mexico. VALDEZ was also a representative from the Communist Party of Mexico to the National Convention of the Labor Progressive Party, the Communist Party of Canada. In this letter CG 5824-S* advised that he would be in Mexico City on May 9, 1957, and would stay at the Hotel Reforma. Subsequently, CG 5824-S* learned that his letter had been delayed in transmission and that there had also been a delay in getting the letter from the addressee to the leadership of the Communist Party of Mexico.

Discussions with FREDERICK FIELD

When CG 5824-S* did not receive a message from the leadership of the Communist Party of Mexico by Friday morning, May 10, 1957, he went to the office of FREDERICK FIELD, which is located in Room 201 at Calle Londres 87. FIELD stated that he had no direct contact with the leadership of the Communist Party of Mexico and that the Mexican Communist Party leaders frequently leave Mexico City on weekends. FIELD asked the informant to return to his office at 4:00 P.M., at which time he might have some information which would assist the informant in contacting the leadership of the Communist Party of Mexico.

CG 5824-S* commented that he obtained the impression that FIELD felt ill at ease in talking to a representative of the Communist Party - USA who had also been in contact with a representative of the leadership of the Communist Party of Mexico. CG 5824-S* insured FIELD that he took all necessary security precautions in getting to FIELD's office and would also be careful on his return to FIELD's office at 4:00 P.M.

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Upon returning to FIELD's office in the afternoon, CG 5824-S* was told by FIELD that it was difficult for him to make contact with the leadership of the Communist Party of Mexico and that it would be advisable for the informant to contact ALBERT MALTZ, since MALTZ has some contact with some members of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Mexico, particularly the intellectuals, from time to time. FIELD stated, however, that MALTZ was busy on Friday evening and that CG 5824-S* should see FIELD again on Saturday morning, May 11, 1957, at 10:00 A.M.

FIELD stated that if CHARLIE SMALLNIKOFF (ph), former Chairman of the States of Florida and Georgia in the Communist Party - USA, was in Mexico City he could expedite the meeting between CG 5824-S* and MALTZ, but SMALLNIKOFF was on vacation and would not return to Mexico City until Saturday, May 11, 1957.

CG 5824-S* returned to FIELD's office on Saturday morning, May 11, 1957. FIELD stated that SMALLNIKOFF would be at his store about 11:00 A.M. FIELD stated that he had told both SMALLNIKOFF and MALTZ that CG 5824-S* was in Mexico City.

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During this meeting with FIELD, he told CG 5824-S* that he goes to the United States from time to time and had been in the United States in September, 1956. He said that he has contacts with various elements in various cities in the United States. These contacts keep him informed of events in Communist and radical movements in the United States. He said that he knew that there is an outstanding subpoena against him in the United States. He also stated that he reads the "Daily Worker" and the "New York Times" and other papers published in the United States.

FIELD talked about economic conditions in Mexico. He said that there is a boom and there are possibilities to make money in Mexico. According to FIELD, there is developing in Mexico a middle class which did not previously exist. This middle class is opening up a market for goods and services. Also, this middle class is developing a national consciousness and is somewhat jealous of American penetration in Mexico.

FIELD stated that he has recently opened a laundry for shirts only. He said that the average Mexican, who is a professional or a member of the middle class, possesses on the average two shirts. He said that his laundry has fifty receiving

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stations throughout Mexico City and is already a going concern. FIELD stated that labor costs in Mexico are low. He also stated that he had opportunities to go into other businesses but has turned down many propositions, particularly those which would place him in the travel tours business.

FIELD indicated that the Americans in Mexico City, who were formerly in the Communist Party - USA, are dropping away from the Communist movement little by little.

After a meeting with CHARLES SMALLNIKOFF, which will be described hereinafter, CG 5824-S* returned to FIELD's office on Saturday afternoon and briefed FIELD on the situation in the Communist Party - USA.

FIELD showed CG 5824-S* the residence of the United States Ambassador to Mexico, which is located across the street from FIELD's office. FIELD can look into the courtyard of this residence. He stated that he thinks that there are agents around the residence, who can observe him as well as he can observe them.

FIELD stated that he has heard that the United States plans to send a new Ambassador to Mexico. As a result of this, there is some apprehension in Mexico City. The Mexicans get along with the present Ambassador but may have difficulty in their relationship with the new Ambassador. He further stated that the Party in power in Mexico may not be able to contain the discontent if the Americans become insensitive to the growing national feeling in Mexico.

CG 5824-S* commented that he did not make any notes during the discussion with FIELD, who did not want CG 5824-S* to carry FIELD's address or telephone number on his person. When this meeting with FIELD concluded, they agreed to meet again for breakfast on Tuesday morning, May 14, 1957, at the Jardin Restaurant on Londres adjacent to FIELD's office.

Even though CG 5824-S* told FIELD of the financial crisis in the Communist Party - USA, especially the financial crisis in the "Daily Worker", FIELD did not offer to make a contribution. According to CG 5824-S*, FIELD sympathizes with the Right wing faction in the Communist Party - USA led by JOHN GATES. He has very little use for WILLIAM Z. FOSTER or EUGENE DENNIS.

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He indicated disappointment that so many of the old leaders in the Communist Party - USA were re-elected to leadership. He said that he thought that the old leadership should have resigned and that a new leadership might have been established in the Communist Party - USA through democratic processes.

FIELD indicated disappointment with many things which have occurred in the international Communist movement, such as events in the Soviet Union and the Soviet Union's action in Hungary. Yet, he said that he would not have gone as far as HOWARD FAST and quit the Communist Party. He said that he thought that FAST was a fool but after some discussion with CG 5824-S* agreed that FAST arrived at a decision not because he is a fool or a wise man but because he arrived at certain political conclusions.

FIELD was very much interested in the newly created American Forum for Socialist Education. He said that this organization shows some promise and that the Communist Party - USA should not be so revengeful about persons outside of the Party ranks. It should carry on a civilized relationship with non-Party members, even though these persons may disagree with the policy of the Communist Party.

FIELD told CG 5824-S* that HARVEY O'CONNOR, of Chicago, had been in Mexico City in December, 1956, and had discussed with FIELD the possibility of forming an organization in the United States which would be a broader movement than the Communist Party - USA. CG 5824-S* is of the opinion that O'CONNOR has had some influence on the thinking of FIELD.

FIELD told CG 5824-S* that he is making money in Mexico and that he has no desire to return to the United States.

Discussions with CHARLES SMALLNIKOFF (ph)

As indicated previously, CG 5824-S* met with CHARLES SMALLNIKOFF in the latter's store on Saturday morning, May 11, 1957. SMALLNIKOFF is doing business under the name of RICARDO RODRIGUEZ at Niza 47-C, Mexico, D.F.

SMALLNIKOFF stated that he had been in need of a vacation, and had been in Alcapulca for four days. He told CG 5824-S* that the informant should return to his store at 7:00 P.M., at which time they would go to SMALLNIKOFF's residence and there

they would meet ALBERT MALTZ. In the meantime, they had a brief discussion in SMALLNIKOFF's store.

SMALLNIKOFF talked about former members of the Communist Party - USA who are in Mexico City. He said that at one time there was a colony of thirty former members of the Communist Party - USA in Mexico City. They received about twenty-five copies of "Political Affairs", and even air mail editions of the "Daily Worker". They also met from time to time in collective meetings. However, since the secret report of NIKITA KHRUSHCHEV to the 20th Congress of the CPSU, and the discussions in the Communist Party - USA following this report, they have been able to distribute only about ten or twelve copies of "Political Affairs". He also stated that these former members of the Communist Party - USA no longer make the contributions to the Communist Party - USA that they did at one time.

SMALLNIKOFF stated that living in Mexico is quite easy compared to living in the United States for most of these former members of the Communist Party - USA. Most of them do not have to remain in Mexico and could return to the United States; yet, they find reasons for remaining in Mexico. Some of them have very good jobs. Those trained in the arts and sciences find it easy to obtain employment. If they are not able to get around legal barriers officially, they do it unofficially through bribery, etc. Some of them are making enormous salaries in the arts, radio and television. CG 5824-S^u gained the impression that many of these former members of the Communist Party - USA currently in Mexico City were formerly in Hollywood, California.

SMALLNIKOFF stated that some of these persons are becoming wealthy by using their business initiative and their American know-how. They have found ostensible political excuses to separate themselves from the influence of the Communist Party - USA and Communism in general. He stated that it is very difficult to get them together for a meeting now and that they would especially hesitate to meet with anyone representing the Communist Party - USA.

SMALLNIKOFF stated that the reason these former members of the Communist Party - USA are reluctant to meet with anyone representing the Communist Party - USA goes back to the GUS HALL incident, the SOBELL incident and the deportation of A. B. MAGIL. While they may be sympathetic to the mission of a representative

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of the Communist Party - USA in Mexico, they have to be careful since their economic security, their stay in Mexico, etc., might hinge on whether or not they avoid contacts with representatives of either the Communist Party - USA or the Communist Party of Mexico. He, therefore, urged CG 5824-S* to be careful but stated that CG 5824-S* could use his store as an unofficial headquarters while he was in Mexico City.

CG 5824-S* advised that SMALLNIKOFF is the most Party-conscious person of the former members of the Communist Party - USA with whom he talked in Mexico City. CG 5824-S* stated that SMALLNIKOFF appears to be a sort of unofficial organizer of the former members of the Communist Party - USA in Mexico City.

SMALLNIKOFF stated that he finds living easier in Mexico City than in the United States. He can afford a good home and maid service, and yet avoid political harassment and persecution. He stated, however, that it is necessary to be careful. The American security agencies, particularly the FBI, use Mexican agents to make it difficult for them or to terrorize them every once in a while.

According to SMALLNIKOFF, Mexican agents have visited residences or places of business of former members of the Communist Party - USA. These agents will state that they have official orders to inquire about the person's activities and may even mention the possibility of deportation from Mexico. SMALLNIKOFF stated that the Americans normally react politely to these inquiries and even offer to appear at the ministry of justice or at whatever agency is making the inquiry. SMALLNIKOFF stated that once this offer is made the agents go away and do not return. According to SMALLNIKOFF, this is proof that these agents are acting unofficially and have been bribed and bought by the American State Department, the FBI or the Central Intelligence Agency in order to either harass or obtain information about these former members of the Communist Party - USA.

CG 5824-S* returned to SMALLNIKOFF's store at 7:00 P.M. on Saturday evening, May 11, 1957. They proceeded by cab to his residence in the San Angelo area. SMALLNIKOFF's wife and two children and a couple named SHAFFROCK (ph), who formerly lived in Miami, Florida, were present. The SHAFFROCKS had some legal problem they wished to discuss with SMALLNIKOFF, who is an unofficial advisor for former members of the Communist Party - USA in Mexico City.

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The SHAFFROCKs asked about current activities in the United States, but stated that they did not know whether or not they wanted to return to the United States. SHAFFROCK's wife stated that she had been in Chicago at one time. CG 5824-S* stated that while he does not know the first name of SHAFFROCK's wife, he is certain that he knew her at one time. She claimed that she did not know the informant. At approximately 9:00 P.M., CG 5824-S* and SMALLNIKOFF left the latter's house with the SHAFFROCKs in the SHAFFROCKs' Cadillac. They proceeded to the residence of ALBERT MALTZ, which is also in the San Angelo area. The SHAFFROCKs and SMALLNIKOFF left MALTZ' residence as soon as CG 5824-S* had been introduced to MALTZ and his wife. Discussions between CG 5824-S*, ALBERT MALTZ and his wife will be set forth hereinafter.

CG 5824-S* met with SMALLNIKOFF on other occasions at the latter's store during the week of May 12, 1957. CG 5824-S* asked SMALLNIKOFF for a contribution from the former members of the Communist Party - USA who are in Mexico City. This contribution would be for the Communist Party - USA and the "Daily Worker". SMALLNIKOFF stated that it would be difficult to raise any money. He said that until recently the former members of the Communist Party - USA in Mexico City raised hundreds of dollars every time there was a campaign for funds in the Communist Party - USA. These sums were over and above regular monthly contributions to the Communist Party - USA.

SMALLNIKOFF stated that until recently ABRAHAM MAGIL was sent about \$100 a month or perhaps a total of \$300 every four months. MAGIL was supposed to turn this money over to the Communist Party - USA. He stated that as of late, however, the amount being sent to MAGIL is about \$60 per month and this amount may be further reduced. Thus, they are unable to raise the amount of money formerly raised for the Communist Party - USA, but occasionally they are able to raise money for special cases such as the SOBELL case or other specific civil liberties cases.

SMALLNIKOFF stated that he would try to raise funds for the Communist Party - USA, but actually only gave CG 5824-S* a small art object which he said could be sold for \$15 and this would be his contribution to the Communist Party - USA.

CG 5824-S* commented that SMALLNIKOFF appeared to be more loyal to the Communist Party - USA and to the leadership of

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the Communist Party - USA than did either FRED FIELD or ALBERT MALTZ. In the opinion of CG 5824-S*, SMALLNIKOFF is the most practical of the three and has had considerable experience in the Communist Party and in the trade union movement. SMALLNIKOFF exhibited to CG 5824-S* an outline of the resolutions passed at the 16th National Convention of the Communist Party - USA, and said that some of the former members of the Communist Party - USA get together to conduct discussions and are presently discussing the trade union resolution. Yet, they are not working together collectively as they have in the past.

Discussions between CG 5824-S*,
ALBERT MALTZ and his Wife

As indicated previously, CG 5824-S* was taken to the residence of ALBERT MALTZ on Saturday evening, May 11, 1957. The informant commented that he doubted that MALTZ would have recognized him although they had a discussion in the office of the "Daily Worker" in 1946. It is to be noted that MALTZ' wife sat in on the discussion between CG 5824-S* and MALTZ.

CG 5824-S* told MALTZ that EUGENE DENNIS had requested the informant to see MALTZ; however, the purpose of this particular visit of CG 5824-S* was to see if MALTZ could help him to contact a member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Mexico.

MALTZ stated that he did not know VALDEZ (J. ENCARNACION VALDEZ, National Organizational Secretary of the Communist Party of Mexico), but thought that he could locate XAVIER GUERRERO, a member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Mexico, but might not be able to do so during the weekend.

Comments of ALBERT MALTZ on the
Communist Party of Mexico

MALTZ stated that he would like to talk to CG 5824-S* about the Communist Party of Mexico. At this point, he turned to his wife and asked her if they should open up a can of rotten beans and spill them out in front of the informant.

MALTZ stated that he had compiled, with the help of some Mexicans and others, a document which stated his opinion of the Communist Party of Mexico. This document was prepared in 1953,

when A. B. MAGIL was in Mexico. MAGIL took this document to the United States for the purpose of exhibiting it to WILLIAM Z. FOSTER. MALTZ stated that he has never received any comment from the Communist Party - USA concerning this document; however, before he left Mexico, MAGIL had stated that while the contents of the document might be correct or even justified, he doubted that the Communist Party - USA could discuss the contents of the document with the Communist Party of Mexico.

MALTZ then discussed a number of things which he stated were contained in this document and which were also a reflection of his current attitude toward the Communist Party of Mexico.

MALTZ stated that the Mexican Communist Party is honey-combed with agents; agents of the Mexican Government as well as the American Government. He said that the leadership of the Communist Party of Mexico is not worthy of being called Communist. It is an ignorant leadership. While the puzzle of the arrest of GUS HALL has not been solved, the former members of the Communist Party - USA in Mexico are convinced that GUS HALL was betrayed in Mexico. Furthermore, the Mexican leadership would not lift a finger in behalf of the ROSENBERGS. It constantly found excuses for failure to do anything in behalf of the ROSENBERGS.

MALTZ further stated that the Communist Party of Mexico did not do anything in behalf of the SOBELL case. He commented that really the Communist Party - USA has not done much for SOBELL either. He stated that nine-tenths of the money for the SOBELL case was raised by Americans and Mexican sympathizers in Mexico. He said that Americans in Mexico obtained an attorney, who he identified only as "G". He said that this attorney was at one time a leader of the association for the blind and later joined the Communist movement. He stated that this attorney gathered all the facts surrounding the "SOBELL kidnapping" and that these facts will one day be exploded in the faces of American authorities. He said that these facts are still being gathered and compiled and will be proven some day. Even if the United States courts reject the appeal in the SOBELL case, the court of world opinion will be given these facts. Yet, the Communist Party of Mexico has sabotaged the gathering of these facts.

Continuing his condemnation of the Communist Party of Mexico, MALTZ stated that in 1953 there was a shooting during a May Day parade. Two militants of the Communist Party of Mexico

were primarily involved. One was a trade union leader and the other was the head of the youth movement. Five other persons were also involved and were arrested, charged with murder, and brought to trial. He said that these seven persons rotted in jail while the Mexican Party leadership did not lift a finger to form a defense for them. Furthermore, the Communist Party of Mexico rejected all proposals to form a defense committee. The trial was postponed indefinitely, since this is possible under Mexican laws. During the final sessions of the trial, these persons were not even represented by an attorney. No money was raised for the purpose of obtaining a transcript of the court records. Finally, the attorney "G" offered his services and obtained a delay in the sentencing. Still, the leadership of the Communist Party of Mexico did not lift a finger in behalf of its own members, some of whom were innocently framed.

MALTZ then talked about ENCINA (DIONISIO ENCINA RODRIGUEZ, leader of the Communist Party of Mexico). He said that ENCINA is an ignorant person. He said that ENCINA is a peasant, that he is a suspect and that he may even be an agent. He stated that ENCINA frequents nightclubs. He also stated that at one time a campaign was on to raise money for the newspaper of the Communist Party of Mexico, "La Voz de Mexico". At this time there were not sufficient funds to keep the paper in publication. At the same time, ENCINA was patronizing houses of ill repute and boasting about buying fancy, high-priced shirts. MALTZ stated that ENCINA's wife is held in subjection and that she is so illiterate that she cannot read nor write, even though she is the wife of the leader of the Mexican Communist Party.

MALTZ stated that JUAN PABLO SAINZ y AGUILAR is really the brains behind ENCINA and that in any case he writes ENCINA's speeches. MALTZ stated that in 1953, MONTEJANO and TERRAZAS, along with JUAN PABLO SAINZ, were the three evil figures working with ENCINA (possibly JOSE MONTEJANO JUAREZ and MANUEL TERRAZAS GUERRERO).

MALTZ read from the original notes upon which the document he compiled in 1953 was based. He said that he had many discussions with A. B. MAGIL on these matters and that MAGIL did not fully agree with him. Yet, ENCINA boasted about having contacts with many leading politicians in Mexico. At one time, ENCINA visited former President LAZARO CARDENAS and invited MAGIL to go with him. MALTZ stated that at this meeting they discussed

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clothes, particularly shirts, but did not discuss politics. MALTZ stated that MAGIL had to admit that some of the things that MALTZ said were true. For example, that the Mexican Communist Party is honey-combed with all kinds of agents.

CG 5824-S* advised that these statements by MALTZ constituted a background for MALTZ to issue a warning to the informant. MALTZ reminded CG 5824-S* that MAGIL was deported from Mexico. MALTZ stated that even now, CG 5824-S* may have been betrayed by the leadership of the Communist Party of Mexico and that at any moment the Mexican police might arrest him. Furthermore, MALTZ stated that undoubtedly the FBI has already informed the Mexican authorities of the presence of CG 5824-S* in Mexico. MALTZ stated, For all you know you may return to your hotel and be placed on a plane going to the United States. Continuing, MALTZ stated, The Communist Party of Mexico must have received your letter, although they will not rush to contact you. If you attend a meeting of a large committee of the Communist Party of Mexico, you will leave yourself open to deportation.

MALTZ then stated that there is no writ of Habeas Corpus in Mexico, and that foreigners, especially, can be arrested and can rot in jail and nothing can be done for them. He stated that all foreigners in Mexico are in danger and that if CG 5824-S* associated with members of the Communist Party of Mexico and the former members of the Communist Party - USA in Mexico, that it might affect the status of all American Communists in Mexico.

CG 5824-S* commented that MALTZ appeared scared and was afraid that contact between MALTZ and the informant would come to the attention of Mexican authorities. CG 5824-S* told MALTZ that even if there were agents in the Communist Party of Mexico in 1953, that this condition might not exist in 1957. CG 5824-S* told MALTZ that he would be very careful and would follow advice of MALTZ that on any contact with members of the Communist Party of Mexico, CG 5824-S* would indicate that he planned to leave Mexico prior to May 17, 1957, the date he was scheduled to depart Mexico City. CG 5824-S* commented that MALTZ had some kind of a mania in regard to the Communist Party of Mexico based either on fear or possibly on some rebuke at the hands of the Communist Party of Mexico. MALTZ went into detail in painting a picture of horror in the Communist Party of Mexico; yet, feared even physical violence if his attitude toward the Communist Party of Mexico became known to them.

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MALTZ agreed, however, to attempt to locate XAVIER GUERRERO and arrange for a meeting between GUERRERO and the informant. MALTZ stated that while GUERRERO is a good friend of his and he does not discuss the Communist Party of Mexico in the same manner with GUERRERO as he did with the informant, GUERRERO does not share his estimate of the Communist Party of Mexico.

Before leaving MALTZ' residence, CG 5824-S* discussed the current situation in the Communist Party - USA with MALTZ and his wife. Mrs. MALTZ knew persons who were also known to CG 5824-S* such as AMY SCHECHTER and ANDREW OVERGAARD, and still corresponds with OVERGAARD and his wife, PAULINE MICHAELSON (all spellings are phonetic).

MALTZ stated that he is in contact with many persons in California. He also stated that he could not understand why FRED FINE, MAX WEISS, and particularly GIL GREEN and HENRY WINSTON, surrendered to the American authorities. MALTZ also told the informant that although he made a lot of money in Hollywood, he has never lived as well as he does now and that most of his income is from his writings.

At about 2:00 a.m. on Sunday, May 12, 1957, MALTZ drove CG 5824-S* to a taxi stand on Alta Vista Road, and CG 5824-S* proceeded to the Reforma Hotel.

CG 5824-S* commented that FRED FIELD and CHARLIE SMALL-NIKOFF had attitudes similar to MALTZ in regard to the Communist Party of Mexico, but admitted that their contacts with the Mexican Communist Party were so limited that they could not properly evaluate it. CG 5824-S* also stated that at one time when he was talking about agents in the Communist Party of Mexico, MALTZ asked how the Communist Party of Mexico can claim it has no funds on one hand and on the other hand is moving to more expensive headquarters and prints a daily newspaper. CG 5824-S* told MALTZ that it is not unreasonable to assume that "Socialist countries" might find ways to give financial support to a Communist Party which is fighting American imperialism.

Meeting Between CG 5824-S*, MALTZ
and GUERRERO on May 13, 1957

CG 5824-S* advised that on Monday morning, May 13, 1957, he visited SMALLNIKOFF's store and was told that at 5:30 P.M. he should be at the San Angelo Inn or the Restaurant Napoli on Alta Vista Road in San Angelo.

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At the appointed time, CG 5824-S* was in the Restaurant Napoli and in about twenty minutes noticed a car parked approximately one block away. As CG 5824-S* approached the car, a blue Ford sedan, he recognized MALTZ. MALTZ told CG 5824-S* that XAVIER GUERRERO had agreed to meet CG 5824-S* at MALTZ' residence. Soon after their arrival at MALTZ' home, GUERRERO also arrived. CG 5824-S* recognized him as a person he knew as PERTZ in the Lenin School in Moscow, Russia.

GUERRERO told CG 5824-S* that he had been in China about two years ago and that he has been excluded from the United States. He stated that he is a member of the Central Committee and head of the Control Commission of the Communist Party of Mexico.

GUERRERO promised that he would see what he could do to place CG 5824-S* in touch with the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Mexico, and arranged to meet CG 5824-S* again at 1:00 P.M. on May 14, 1957, at the Del Prado Hotel. Details of this meeting of May 14, 1957, have been set forth in referenced Chicago letter dated May 24, 1957.

After GUERRERO left, MALTZ talked to CG 5824-S* about his new novel, "A Long Day In A Short Life". While MALTZ appeared to be calmer in regard to security than he had been on the previous evening, he drove CG 5824-S* to the same taxi cab stand on Alta Vista Road and the cab driver recognized CG 5824-S* as the person he had taken to the Reforma Hotel on the previous evening. CG 5824-S* advised that he pointed out to MALTZ that, for security reasons, MALTZ should have driven to another taxi stand.

Comments of CG 5824-S* Concerning
the Discussions with ALBERT MALTZ

CG 5824-S* commented that he had also asked MALTZ for a contribution to the Communist Party - USA, but MALTZ argued that he had some financial difficulties and that he planned to continue to contribute to the California District of the Communist Party - USA. He stated that he had undertaken to contribute \$2,000 a year to the California District and will continue this contribution. He said that he would try to raise some money for the Communist Party - USA but doubted that he could contribute as much to the Communist Party - USA as he has in the past.

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CG 5824-S* stated that MALTZ also sympathizes with the GATES faction in the Communist Party - USA. MALTZ also seems to have contacts with the intellectuals in the Communist Party of Mexico but not with the top leadership or with the rank and file members of the Communist Party of Mexico. MALTZ is making money, is continuing his writing and is not giving any consideration to returning to the United States at the present time.

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Reporting Office NEW YORK	Office of Origin NEW YORK	Date 4/29/58	Investigative Period 3/26-28; 4/4, 7-11, 14/58
TITLE OF CASE FREDERICK VANNEBILT FIELD		Report made by LOVE KINNEY, JR.	Typed By: mla/ab
		CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C	

Synopsis:

Subject continues his business of **Compania de Promociones e Inversiones de Mexico, S.A.** at Calle Londres 87, Mexico. Subject continues to reside at Calle Jardin 124, San Angel Inn. Extension Agreement terms set out re transaction of 23 West 25th Street Corporation. Subscriber to "Mainstream," 1957, and listed as a contributing editor in July, 1956 and August, 1956 issues of "News and Mainstream."

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DETAILS:

I. BACKGROUND

Employment

T-1 advised on March 11, 1958, that FIELD continues to maintain his business of Compania de Promociones e Inversiones de Mexico, S.A. at Calle Londres 67, Mexico.

On April 30, 1957, T-2 made available records which reflect that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD in 1945 was carried as President of the 575 Sixth Avenue Realty Corporation. The information furnished by T-2 is not to be made public except in a usual proceeding following the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum.

Residence

T-1, mentioned above, also advised on March 11, 1958, that FIELD continues to reside at Calle Jardin 124, San Angel Inn.

II. MISCELLANEOUS

On May 13, 1957, T-3 furnished a copy of a document captioned, Extension Agreement which reflected that on May 1, 1957, ALEX E. J. MUNSSELL, [redacted] New York City, made an agreement with the 23 West 26th Street Corporation, whereby MUNSSELL, who was indicated as being the holder of a \$30,000.00 mortgage made on April 9, 1957, by the 23 West 26th Street Corporation, in favor of FREDERICK V. FIELD, agreed to extend the time of payments of the above mortgage.

The payments could be repaid in installments of \$375.00 on the first days of February, May,

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August and November of each year, commencing on August 1, 1957, and quarterly thereafter, until May 1, 1967, when the entire principal sum would become due and payable.

The 23 West 25th Street Corporation agreed to pay five per cent interest on the amount owing every quarter.

The Extension Agreement was signed by EDWARD AMES in behalf of the 23 West 25th Street Corporation and ALAN E. G. MURPHY. It is pointed out that the building located at 23 West 25th Street, New York City, currently houses the Headquarters of the Communist Party (CP), USA.

On May 20, 1957, T-4 advised that EDWARD AMES had been elected as a member of the New York State CP Committee at the Bronx County CP Reorganization held on May 10, 1957.

On June 10, 1957, T-4 advised that EDWARD AMES is self-employed as a Certified Public Accountant, at 305 Fifth Avenue, New York City, and he frequently renders accounting advice and assistance to the CP and various CP members and that he is used as a signatory for CP treasury funds.

On June 12, 1956, MURPHY testified in a public session before the United States Senate Internal Security Sub-Committee in Washington, D.C. MURPHY declined to answer a question concerning membership in the CP citing his privilege under the Fifth Amendment.

The CP has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

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On November 4, 1957, T-5 furnished information to the effect that FREDERICK V. FIELD, 23 West 85th Street, New York, New York, was then a current subscriber to "Mainstream".

The July, 1956 and August, 1956 issues of "News and Mainstream" list FREDERICK V. FIELD as a contributing editor.

On August 26, 1957, T-5, mentioned above, furnished information to the effect that the subject had an account with Francis I. Du Pont and Company, an investment house, 1 Wall Street, New York City, as of June 20, 1957.

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APPENDIX

Guide to Subversive Organizations and Publications revised and published as of January 2, 1957, to supersede Guide published on May 14, 1951, prepared and released by the Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, Washington, D.C., reflects the following concerning:

Masses and Mainstream

1. Cited as the successor to New Masses, a Communist magazine.

(Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 1953 on the Congress of American Women, April 26, 1950, originally released October 23, 1949, p. 75; also cited in House Report 1694 on Organized Communism in the United States, May 20, 1954, originally released August 19, 1953, p. 20.)

² Name changed to Mainstream with September 1956 issue of this publication.

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United States Department of Justice
 Federal Bureau of Investigation
 New York, New York
 April 29, 1958

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Re: Frederick Vanderbilt Field
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Informants T-1 and T-4, mentioned in the attached report, have furnished reliable information in the past.

Informants T-2, T-3 and T-5 are in a position to furnish reliable information.

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Reporting Office MEXICO, D. F.	Office of Origin BUREAU	Date 11/4/58	Investigative Period 11/3/58
TITLE OF CASE FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD		Report made by SHELDON W. PARKS	Typed By: MAS
		CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C	

Synopsis:

Subject divorced from ANITA COHEN FIELD on July 26, 1957. Began living as man and wife with NIEVES TILLET on September 9, 1957. TILLET gave birth to daughter in April, 1958. Subject currently resides at Calle Loma de la Palma 215, Colonia Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D. F. He continues his business of Compañia de Promociones e Inversiones de Mexico, S. A., at Calle Londres 87. Subject continues contact with certain associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico.

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United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Washington 25, D. C.

November 4, 1958

RE: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

MARITAL STATUS

T-1 advised on December 12, 1957, that divorce proceedings were initiated under mutual consent on July 12, 1957, between FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD and ANITA COHEN FIELD before Judge PROSPERO OLIVARES SOSA of the Eighth Court of Civil Registry, Calle Puebla 114, Mexico, D. F. The divorce was granted on July 26, 1957, by Acta No. 81.

T-2 advised on July 19, 1957, that subject and NIEVES TILLETT reportedly began living together as man and wife on September 9, 1957, and had given a small party celebrating their "marriage" at the Rivoli Restaurant in Mexico City. Subject was reportedly introducing NIEVES TILLETT as his wife even though they could not formally be married until such time as the divorce from ANITA COHEN FIELD became final.

T-3 advised on March 30, 1958, that NIEVES TILLETT was reported to have remarked on the previous evening that she was expecting the birth of a child in approximately two weeks. Subject was elated over the prospect of being the parent of a Mexican national, which, he said, would put him out of reach of the American Government.

T-2 advised on May 2, 1958, that NIEVES TILLETT had given birth to a baby daughter during April, 1958.

RESIDENCE

T-4 advised on September 27, 1957, that subject and NIEVES TILLETT had moved on that date from their residence at Parque Melchor Ocampo 38, Apartment 1, to Calle Jardin 124, Colonia San Angel Inn, Mexico, D. F.

T-4 advised on May 22, 1958, that subject had

moved on that date from Calle Jardin 124 to Calle Loma de la Palma 215, Colonia Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D. F.

T-5 advised on October 31, 1958, that subject and NIEVES TILLETT continue to reside at Calle Loma de la Palma 215.

EMPLOYMENT

T-5 advised on October 31, 1958, that subject continues to maintain his business of Compañia de Promociones e Inversiones de Mexico, S. A., Calle Londres 87, Mexico, D. F.

ACTIVITIES

T-2 advised on October 9, 1957, that subject and NIEVES TILLETT associate frequently with SAMUEL and MAY BROOKS and JOHN MILTON BRIGHT, all of whom were described by T-2 as associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico. T-2 stated that subject reportedly discontinued associations with individuals who were still friendly with his ex-wife, ANITA COHEN FIELD.

T-2 described the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) as a loose association in Mexico on a predominantly social basis of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for Communism and the Soviet Union.

T-3 advised on March 10, 1958, that PHILIP STEIN, described as an associate of the ACGM, remarked on February 14, 1958, that he was doing somewhat better financially and commented that he had done a portrait of the subject.

T-3 advised on March 30, 1958, that a dinner party was held on March 29, 1958, at the home of DAVID and ESTHER DRUCKER, which was attended by the subject and NIEVES TILLETT. T-3 described DAVID and ESTHER DRUCKER as associates of the ACGM.

According to T-3, discussion during the above dinner

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party was "openly progressive" and FIELD allegedly made the statement on several occasions that his listeners "should remember that he is a Communist." FIELD allegedly indicated on this occasion that he had no intentions of ever returning to the United States to live.

T-2 advised on April 21, 1958, that ANDERS OVERGAARD and his wife, CLARINA, had arrived in Mexico City from Denmark on or about February 6, 1958, and were at that time residing at the Casino de la Selva in Cuernavaca. T-2 identified both ANDERS and CLARINA OVERGAARD as former functionaries of the Communist Party, USA. T-2 stated that OVERGAARD was reported to have stated that he had seen and talked with the subject since his arrival in Mexico City.

The Communist Party, USA, has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

T-2 advised on September 9, 1958, that on the night of September 8, 1958, Mexican Immigration officers arrested the OVERGAARDS at the Casino de la Selva and transported them to Mexico City. Mrs. OVERGAARD was subsequently released but ANDERS OVERGAARD was retained in custody until September 26, 1958.

T-6 advised on September 27, 1958, that ANDERS OVERGAARD was taken to the Mexico City airport on September 26, 1958, by Mexican Immigration officers, who placed him on board KLM Flight 682 en route to Amsterdam with connecting reservations for Copenhagen.

T-6 stated that OVERGAARD was not formally deported from Mexico but given the opportunity to voluntarily depart.



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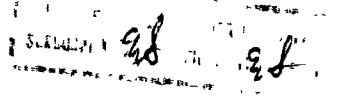
November 4, 1958

RE: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

Reference is made to the memorandum captioned
as above dated November 4, 1958.

Sources T-1 through T-6 have all furnished
reliable information in the past.

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Date: November 4, 1958
To: Director, FBI (100-2278)
From: Legat, Mexico (100-1298)
Subject: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD
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ENCLOSURES

There are transmitted herewith six copies of the report of SA SHELDON W. PARKS dated 11/4/58 at Mexico, D.F., in the above-captioned matter, together with six copies of a letterhead memorandum evaluating the reliability of the informants.

REFERENCE

Legat, Mexico, letter to the Bureau dated September 29, 1958.

ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

The following additional information regarding subject was furnished by a highly confidential source of the Mexico City station of [] which information was classified secret and not for dissemination outside of the Bureau.

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On May 25, 1958, ALBERT MALTZ, Security Index subject of the Los Angeles Office, made the comment that he had not had dinner with FRED FIELD for about seven months even though FIELD used to live within five minutes' walking distance of the MALTZ home.

On July 24, 1958, MARGARET MALTZ, wife of ALBERT MALTZ, who is also on the Security Index of the Los Angeles Office, was in contact with CLARINA OVERGAARD, who was at that time residing with her husband, ANDERS OVERGAARD, at the Geneve Hotel in Mexico City. During the conversation,

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MARGARET MALTZ mentioned that FIELD was very anxious to see the OVERGAARDS.

On July 2, 1958, MAURICE HALPERIN, Security Index subject of the Boston Office, was in contact with MARGARET MALTZ. They discussed an article written by PAUL KENNEDY, representative in Mexico City of the "New York Times," which had appeared in the "New York Times" on Sunday (June 29, 1958). It is noted that the article, which bore a date line of Mexico City, June 28, discussed the recent Supreme Court decisions in the cases of ROCKWELL KENT, Dr. WALTER BRIEHL and WELDON BRUCE DAYTON. The article stated that the Court ruled that the Department of State could not refuse passports solely on the grounds that the applicants failed to answer questions regarding Communist affiliations. The article pointed out that the effect of the decision of the Supreme Court would probably be that Americans residing in Mexico would initiate requests for passports. The article stated that among the Americans with Communist connections residing in Mexico were ALBERT MALTZ, MAURICE HALPERIN and FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD. FIELD was described as "formerly a patron of Left-Wing and Communist causes in the United States."

On July 3, 1958, MARGARET MALTZ was in contact with JEAN PEPPER, who has previously been identified by [redacted] as an associate of the ACGM, during which MARGARET MALTZ mentioned that they were taking a trip and hoped that they would be able to see the FIELDS before leaving Mexico.

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SOURCES

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed in this report, and T symbols have been utilized only where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

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T-1 [redacted]	Divorce	[redacted]

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<u>Identity of Source</u>	<u>Date of Activity and/or Description of Information</u>	<u>File No. Where Located</u>
T-2 [redacted]	Subject began living with NIEVES TILLET	[redacted]
	NIEVES TILLET gave birth to baby daughter	[redacted]
	Subject associates with SAMUEL and MAY BROOKS and JOHN MILTON BRIGHT	[redacted]
	ANDERS OVERGAARD in contact with subject	[redacted]
	Arrest of OVERGAARDs on 9/8/58	[redacted]
	Documentation of SAMUEL and MAY BROOKS, JOHN MILTON BRIGHT, ANDERS and CLARINA OVERGAARD, ACGM	
T-3 [redacted]	NIEVES TILLET expecting in two weeks, subject elated	100-1298-262
	PHILIP STEIN did portrait of subject	[redacted]
	3/29/58, FIELD stated he is a Communist	100-1298-262
	Documentation of PHILIP STEIN, DAVID and ESTHER DRUCKER	
T-4 [redacted]	Subject moved to Calle Jardin 124; Subject moved to Calle Loma de la Palma 215	[redacted]

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T-5 [redacted]	Residence continues to be at Calle Loma de la Palma 215	[redacted]
T-6 [redacted]	Departure of ANDERS OVERGAARD	[redacted]

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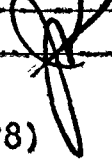
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TITLE OF CASE FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD		Report made by JOE C. SPARKS	Typed By: bs
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Synopsis:

Subject resides with his wife, NIEVES FIELD, and their child at Calle Loma de la Palma #215, Colonia Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D. F., Mexico. He is owner and manager of the business known as Compania de Promociones e Inversiones de Mexico, S. A., located at Calle Londres #87, office #201, Mexico, D. F., Mexico. Sources have reported the following: In 1958 subject was in hiding for a time in Mexico for fear of being arrested and/or deported by Mexican Immigration authorities. The subject's divorce from ANITA FIELD in 1958 was a serious disrupting influence in the ACGM. The subject and his wife were one of twelve families within the ACGM who planned to create an emergency fund for mutual assistance by making monthly contributions. For approximately a week during October-November, 1959, LEMENT HARRIS, who is associated with financial operations of the Communist Party, USA, was a house guest of the subject in Mexico City.

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Washington 25, D. C.

January 27, 1960

RE: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

RESIDENCE

On March 10, 1959, T-1 advised that as of February 18, 1959, FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD resided at Calle Loma de la Palma #215, Colonia Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D. F., Mexico, with his wife NIEVES and their child.

On August 6, 1959, T-1 advised that on July 28, 1959, he verified that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD's residence was unchanged.

On January 5, 1960, T-2 advised that FIELD continues to reside at Calle Loma de la Palma #215.

EMPLOYMENT

On March 10, 1959, T-1 advised that as of February 18, 1959, FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD was owner and manager of the business known as Compania de Promociones e Inverciones de Mexico, S. A., located at Calle Londres #87, office #201, Mexico, D. F., Mexico.

On August 6, 1959, T-1 advised that he verified that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD's employment was unchanged on July 28, 1959.

On January 5, 1960, T-2 advised that FIELD continues to be owner and manager of Compania de Promociones e Inverciones de Mexico, S. A.

ACTIVITIES

On October 2, 1958, T-3 advised that an associate of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) reported that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD was in hiding in Mexico City for fear of being arrested and/or deported by Mexican Immigration authorities.

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According to T-2, the ACGM is a loose association of a predominantly social nature of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for Communism and the Soviet Union.

On January 14, 1959, T-2 advised that on that same date DAVID DRUCKER was endeavoring to contact FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD.

T-2 has previously identified DAVID DRUCKER as an associate of the ACGM.

On January 5, 1959, T-2 advised that on New Year's Eve (December 31, 1958) SAMUEL and MAY BROOKS, as well as GEORGE and JEANETTE PEPPER, celebrated the occasion in the home of FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD. T-2 advised that these were the only guests of the evening.

T-2 has previously identified SAMUEL BROOKS, MAY BROOKS, GEORGE PEPPER, and JEANETTE PEPPER as associates of the ACGM.

On January 22, 1959, T-2 advised that on that same date DAVID DRUCKER was using the office of FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD located at Calle Londres #87. T-2 advised that FIELD was not in the office.

On February 2, 1959, T-2 advised that ANITA FIELD described SAMUEL BROOKS as being at least partially responsible for the failure of her marriage to FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD. According to ANITA, BROOKS had hired a detective to follow her and her boy friend and that he had photostats of letters which concerned her boy friend. BROOKS warned her to make a reasonable divorce settlement with FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD or he would expose the information he had collected. ANITA subsequently prepared a file on FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD's activities and showed it to BROOKS. At this time BROOKS explained that he had no real intention of using the information he had collected concerning ANITA and her boy friend.

On February 17, 1959, T-2 advised that at one time the four most important men in the ACGM under SAMUEL BROOKS were DAVID DRUCKER, FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, SAMUEL NOVICK,

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On April 15, 1959, T-2 advised that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD had told acquaintances that MORRIS SWADESH was invited to come to the FIELDS' residence on April 19, 1959, to discuss anthropology.

T-2 has previously identified MORRIS SWADESH as a former associate of the ACGM.

On April 27, 1959, T-2 advised that MAY and SAMUEL BROOKS, as well as KURT and CELIA ODENHEIM, were invited to spend Saturday afternoon, April 25, 1959, in the FIELD home.

T-2 has previously identified KURT ODENHEIM and CELIA ODENHEIM as associates of the ACGM.

On April 27, 1959, T-2 advised that in mid-1958 when the Mexican government was arresting "American progressives," KURT ODENHEIM feared that he might be arrested and as a result called a meeting at his home, attended by SAMUEL NOVICK, FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, SAMUEL BROOKS, and DAVID DRUCKER to discuss the advisability of attempting to "pay off" Mexican officials so as to avoid arrest.

On June 9, 1959, T-2 advised that on June 6, 1959, a preview showing of the motion picture "The Little Giants" was held at the San Angel Studios in San Angel Inn, Mexico, D. F., Mexico, at 5:00 p.m. According to T-2, the showing of the picture, which was produced by GEORGE PEPPER and HUGO BUTLER, was attended by slightly less than 200 people and included in this group was the largest collection of associates of the ACGM which had gathered together for almost a year. T-2 advised that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD attended this preview showing.

On July 6, 1959, T-2 advised that a meeting had been held recently at the ODENHEIM residence which was attended by SAMUEL BROOKS, SAMUEL NOVICK, CHARLES SMOLIKOFF, ASA ZATZ, FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, and KURT ODENHEIM. At this meeting it was decided that an emergency fund should be created to take care of any legal fees and hardship cases which might occur in the group who would contribute to the fund on a regular basis. It was decided that only twelve families would be included in

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this mutual assistance plan which would be financed by a contribution of 500 pesos (\$40 U. S.) per month from each family until a total of 60,000 pesos (\$4,800 U. S.) was collected. T-2 advised that FREDERICK and NIEVES FIELD were included as one of the twelve families.

T-2 has previously identified CHARLES SMOLIKOFF and ASA ZATZ as associates of the ACGM.

On July 15, 1959, T-2 advised that plans for the formation of an emergency fund which would be created from the contributions of twelve families selected from the ACGM had been halted due to arguments which arose within the group.

On August 17, 1959, T-2 advised that on August 15, 1959, WALDEEN VALENCIA presented a ballet at the Teatro del Bosque. Lighting for the performance was arranged by ASA ZATZ. T-2 advised that the performance was well attended by the "left wing element" in Mexico City. T-2 advised that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD attended the performance.

T-2 has previously identified WALDEEN VALENCIA as an associate of the ACGM.

On August 31, 1959, T-2 advised that on August 26, 1959, FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD notified some of his associates that he had recommended his Mexican friends avoid any demonstration on August 27, 1959, the first anniversary of the incident which involved Mexican railroad workers and teachers and precipitated numerous arrests.

On October 19, 1959, T-2 advised that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD assisted in establishing a new art gallery called "Galeria Kamffer" at Calle Florencia #51, Mexico, D. F., Mexico. T-2 advised that at the opening October 14, 1959, the featured paintings and lithographs were contributed by JOSE CHAVEZ MORADO, ANGEL BRAGHO, PABLO O'HIGGINS, ELENA HUERTA, FRANCISCO MORA, and DAVID ALFARO BIQUEIROS, all of whom have been previously reported by T-2 as being pro-Communist artists.

On November 2, 1959, T-2 advised that LEMENT HARRIS had been a house guest of FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD since approximately October 26, 1959.

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T-4 advised that LEMENT HARRIS has been associated with financial operations of the Communist Party, USA.

The Communist Party, USA, has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

On December 7, 1959, T-2 advised that upon returning from a visit in New York, MARGARET MALTZ reported that "party circles in New York City" have been critical of the "Mexico City group" because they have failed to contribute substantially to fund drives in the United States. According to MARGARET MALTZ, the only individual singled out for criticism was FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD because of his tendency to divorce himself from his previous close connections with the party in order to devote more time to his wife and child.

T-2 has previously identified MARGARET MALTZ as an associate of the ACGM.

MISCELLANEOUS

On November 18, 1959, T-2 advised that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD's child is attending a school in Mexico City named "La Nueva Escuela."

On November 23, 1959, T-2 advised that FIELD had remarked to associates that school matters in the coming year would take up an increasing amount of his time since he has been elected as head of the school board as well as treasurer of that board.

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Reference is made to the memorandum captioned as
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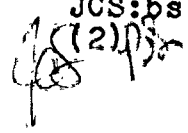
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From: Legal Attache
Subject: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD



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TITLE OF CASE FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD		Report made by JOE C. SPARKS	Typed By: MEMS
		CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C	

Synopsis:
The subject resides with his wife NIEVES FIELD at Calle Loma de la Palma #215, Colonia Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D. F., Mexico. He is owner and manager of the business known as Compania de Promociones e Inverciones de Mexico, S. A., located at Calle Londres #87, office #201, Mexico, D. F., Mexico. During the past year he has acted as treasurer of a private school known as La Nueva Escuela. Association with ACGM set out.

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Residence

On April 5, 1961, T-1 advised that the subject
and his wife NIEVES FIELD continue to reside at Calle
Loma de la Palma #215, Colonia Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D. F.,
Mexico.

This residence was previously verified by the
sources listed below and on the dates indicated:

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| T-1 | April 4, 1960 |
| T-1 | June 6, 1960 |
| T-2 | July 8, 1960 |
| T-2 | July 16, 1960 |
| T-2 | July 30, 1960 |
| T-2 | August 13, 1960 |
| T-2 | January 7, 1961 |
| T-1 | January 15, 1961 |

Employment

On April 5, 1961, T-1 advised, in addition to
being independently wealthy, FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD is
the owner and manager of of the business known as Compania
de Promociones e Inverciones de Mexico, S. A., located at
Calle Londres #87, Office #201, Mexico, D. F., Mexico. T-1
advised that in addition, during the past year, FIELD has
taken an active part in the activities of La Nueva Escuela,
a private school formerly known as the "Waldorf School" now
located at Paseo de la Reforma #2600, Mexico, D. F., Mexico.
T-1 advised that during the past year FIELD has acted as
treasurer for the school.

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In March, 1960, T-1 advised that in addition to being treasurer for La Nueva Escuela, FREDERICK FIELD occasionally teaches at that school.

In June, 1960, T-1 advised that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD allegedly had invested 500,000 pesos (\$40,000 U.S.) in La Nueva Escuela.

In April, 1960, T-1 advised that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD is reportedly one of the financial backers of the Galeria Kamffer located at Calle Florencia #51, Mexico, D. F., Mexico.

Activities

In May, 1960, T-1 advised that BART VAN DER SCHELLING had a showing of his paintings on the night of April 27, 1960, at the Kamffer Art Galeria, Florencia #51. T-1 identified BART VAN DER SCHELLING as an associate of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) and advised that the art showing was attended by approximately a dozen other associates of the ACGM. T-1 pointed out that the "Galeria Kamffer" is subsidized either wholly or in part by FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD.

(According to)
The ACGM is a loose association of a predominantly social nature of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for Communism and the Soviet Union.

In August, 1960, T-1 advised that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD was one of eight individuals described as being the "skeleton party organization" of American Communists that existed in Mexico prior to September, 1958, when the Mexican Government arrested several of the American Communists in Mexico.

In July, 1960, T-3 advised that according to two associates of the ACGM FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD was described as being "in good standing" so far as the ACGM is concerned.

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In October, 1960, T-1 advised that on October 9, 1960, SAMUEL and MAY BROOKS had a picnic in Chapultepec Park which was attended by approximately a dozen associates of the ACGM. Among those in attendance was the subject. T-1 identified SAMUEL and MAY BROOKS as associates of the ACGM.

In April, 1960, T-1 advised that FREDERICK FIELD's wife NIEVES was expecting another baby in October, 1960.

In October, 1960, T-1 advised that on October 13, 1960, NIEVES FIELD, wife of FREDERICK FIELD, gave birth to a baby girl at the ABC Hospital in Mexico, D. F., Mexico.

In November, 1960, T-1 advised that [redacted] daughter of the wife of FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, was scheduled to travel to England where she would be enrolled in school on approximately November 12, 1960.

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In January, 1961, T-1 advised that a New Year's Eve Party was given on December 31, 1960, at the home of KURT and CELIA ODENHEIM, identified by T-1 as associates of the ACGM, and attended by more than twenty-five associates of the ACGM. T-1 advised that subject was among those in attendance.

In February, 1961, T-3 advised that DAVID DRUCKER, who represents a Wall Street firm in Mexico City, recently invested some money for FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD in Mexican securities.

T-1 has previously identified DAVID DRUCKER as an associate of the ACGM.

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FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD
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ENCLOSURES

There are enclosed herewith seven copies of the report of SA JOE C. SPARKS, dated 5/2/61, at Mexico, D. F., together with seven copies of an evaluation memorandum.

REFERENCE

Report of SA JOE C. SPARKS at Mexico, D.F., dated 1/27/60.

ADMINISTRATIVE

The following information was obtained from a highly confidential source of the [redacted] Station in Mexico City. This information is classified "~~SECRET~~" and SHOULD NOT BE DISSEMINATED OUTSIDE OF THE BUREAU.

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While in conversation with CELIA ODENHEIM (Bufile 100-427869) MAY BROOKS (Bufile 100-414864) advised that she did not know DAVID ALFARO SIQUEIROS [redacted] well enough to call him to make an appointment for an interview but that she could have FRED FIELD make these arrangements.

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On 7/22/60, MAY BROOKS stated that she was having a small gathering at her house on the evening of Saturday, 7/23/60 which would be attended by ALBERT MALTZ (Bufile 100-7646), MARGARET MALTZ (Bufile 100-422317), LUIS LINDAU (Bufile 140-81793), ALMA UHSE [redacted] as well as NIEVES and FRED FIELD.

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On 7/26/60, MAY BROOKS remarked that according to FRED FIELD the financial condition of the Nueva Escuela was in terrible shape.

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On 7/27/60, MAY BROOKS stated that FRED FIELD and MILES BEACH RILEY [redacted] were among others who attended a parent's meeting at the Nueva Escuela the previous night. MAY BROOKS opined that MILES BEACH RILEY is much like FRED FIELD, stating "The same simple mind and the same appetite and a kind of an attachment to all the secondary things in life."

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On 8/2/60, NIEVES FIELD, the wife of FRED FIELD, invited MARGARET and ALBERT MALTZ to dinner at the FIELD home for the following Friday evening at 8:00 P.M.

On 8/5/60, MAY BROOKS announced her intention of visiting the FIELD home that same afternoon.

On 8/23/60, JEANETTE PEPPER (Bufile 100-427192) wife of GEORGE PEPPER (Bufile 100-254107) remarked that FRED and NIEVES FIELD had visited the PEPPER home that same date.

On 8/25/60, NIEVES FIELD stated that her daughter, [redacted] years of age, would probably enter preparatory school at Mexico City College.

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On 9/11/60, JEANETTE PEPPER advised that FRED FIELD had visited the PEPPER home that same day to say good-bye to GEORGE PEPPER, who was leaving for New York the following day.

On 10/16/60, MAY BROOKS stated that NIEVES FIELD had given birth to a baby girl and that she planned to visit NIEVES at the hospital later the same date.

On 10/13/60, FRED FIELD instructed [redacted] (daughter of FIELD's wife NIEVES) to advise "our friends" that NIEVES' baby, a girl, had been born. Thereafter, [redacted] contacted the following individuals in compliance with this instructions:

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Mrs. BASUETO (phonetic)

ESTHER and DAVID DRUCKER (Bufiles 100-343468 and [redacted])

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MARIE GATSKY (phonetic)

Mrs. ROSAURA ARACZEL (phonetic)

ROSA COVARRUBIAS (phonetic)

JEAN KHRENBERG (phonetic)

HUGO and JEAN BUTLER (Bufiles 100-321017
and 100-329416)

MILES BEACH RILEY

CARMEN CASTILLO

On 10/28/60, FRED FIELD made arrangements to talk with one Miss FORNITE (phonetic) concerning the possibility of "his daughter" [redacted] attending a school in Gloucester, England, the name of which was given as Winstones (phonetic).

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On 10/28/60, FRED FIELD contacted JEANETTE PEPPER to welcome her back to Mexico from the recent trip she had taken to the United States. JEANETTE PEPPER congratulated him on the birth of his new daughter and stated that she had "a pile of things for NIEVES." FRED FIELD invited the PEPPERS to the FIELD home for lunch on Sunday, 10/30/60.

On 10/30/60, MAY BROOKS stated that [redacted] was scheduled to arrive in London, England, the following Sunday and that FRED FIELD has written to JOAN RAKER (or ROCKER (phonetic)) asking her to meet [redacted] upon her arrival in London. BROOKS stated that she, herself, was writing to LUCAS HELLER and RUTH BLAKE (phonetic) to ask them to check with JOAN about meeting [redacted]. BROOKS indicated that [redacted] was going to Winstones (phonetic) School located at Gloucester.

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On 11/3/60, [redacted] told JEANETTE PEPPER that she was leaving for England either the following Friday night or Saturday morning.

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On 11/12/60, JEANETTE PEPPER notified MAY BROOKS that NIEVES FIELD had asked her to make arrangements to call for MAY BROOKS so the two could go together to the FIELD home for lunch the following day.

The following information obtained by [redacted] who have furnished reliable information in the past, is not being set out in the details of the report since to do so might compromise the informants.

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On 11/21/60, [redacted] furnished SA JOE C. SPARKS a report of that same date [redacted] which contained the information that BETTY MORA (Bufile 100-395934) advised [redacted] on 11/16/60 that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD had contributed only 100 pesos (\$8 U.S.) towards the 2,000 pesos (\$160 U.S.) collection she had been trying to raise for a Communist Party of Mexico project. MORA advised that FIELD told her that he had just been assessed for a very large donation by the CP, USA, and he was in no position to give her more at this time.

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On 1/1/61, [redacted] who have furnished reliable information in the past, furnished SA JOE C. SPARKS with a written report dated 12/31/60 [redacted] which contained the following information.

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At a New Year's Eve party held 12/31/60 in the home of KURT and CELIA ODENHEIM (Bufile - KURT ODENHEIM - 100-386282) FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD told the informants a long story of how after having been sentenced to eighteen months in prison for contempt of court for failure to divulge the source of bond money that was posted for the author DASHELL HAMMETT, he subsequently shared the same prison cell with HAMMETT and during the eighteen-month period was "conned" out of \$14,000 by HAMMETT as an advance on an alleged new book that HAMMETT was writing. The material that HAMMETT showed FIELD from time to time as proof of the fact that he was diligently at work on the "new book" subsequently turned out to be a word-for-word copy of an old novel HAMMETT wrote in 1922.

SOURCES

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T-1 [redacted] Used to characterize the ACGM, as well as SAMUEL and MAY BROOKS, DAVID DRUCKER, and KURT and CELIA ODENHEIM

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TITLE OF CASE FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD		REPORT MADE BY JOSEPH C. MICHELA	TYPED BY esc
		CHARACTER OF CASE SECURITY MATTER - C	

Subject continues to reside with wife, NIEVES FIELD, at Calle Loma de la Palma 215, Colonia Vista Hermosa, Mexico, DF, Mexico. He continues to be connected with Compania de Promociones e Inverciones de Mexico, S.A., Calle Londres 87, Office 201, Mexico, DF. Subject continues to associate with American Communist Group in Mexico.

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RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

On April 11, 1962, T-1 advised that the subject
and his wife, NIEVES FIELD, continue to reside at Calle Loma
de la Palma 215, Colonia Vista Hermosa, Mexico, DF, Mexico.
T-1 also advised that the subject continues his connections
with Compania de Promociones e Inverciones de Mexico, S.A.,
Calle Londres 87, Office 201, Mexico, DF.

MISCELLANEOUS ACTIVITIES

On June 1, 1961, T-2 advised that the subject is
currently involved in a fraud suit in New York.

The MEXICO CITY DAILY BULLETIN, dated June 16, 1961,
carried the following article concerning the subject:

"SUPREME COURT JUSTICE
REJECTS VANDERBILT FIELD MOTION

"NEW YORK, June 15--Supreme Court Justice
Samuel M. Gold has rejected a motion brought in
behalf of Frederick Vanderbilt Field in connection
with a dispute between Field and Henryk A.S.
Jordan, a Brazilian businessman.

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"Lawyers for Field asked the court in May to direct Jordan to appear for examination here. Justice Gold rejected the motion.

"The dispute is over an investment in a Brazilian firm made by Field in 1948, according to Field's lawyers. Most of the shares purchased by Field in the firm were later repurchased by Jordan, court records shows. Jordan vigorously denied any liability to Field."

ACTIVITIES

On October 25, 1961, T-3 advised that the subject and his wife, in the company of KURT LEO ODENHEIM and CELIA ODENHEIM, planned to travel to Mi Ranchito, Villa Juarez, Puebla, Mexico, over the week end of November 1, 1961.

T-3 has advised that KURT and CELIA ODENHEIM are members of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM).

According to T-3, the ACGM is a loose association of a predominantly social nature of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for communism and the Soviet Union.

Names of individuals which are followed by an asterisk (*) hereafter have also been identified by T-3 as members of the ACGM.

T-3 on October 16, 1961, advised that the subject and his wife were among those who attended the singing concert of ALVA ZATZ* on October 6, 1961, which was held at Bellas Artes Hall, Mexico, DF. T-3 stated that approximately 250 persons attended the concert, including the Cuban Cultural Attache, the Russian Commercial Attache, and the Polish Cultural Attache.

On February 7, 1962, T-4 advised that the subject

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visited CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF*, Mexico, DF.

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According to T-3, as of March 30, 1962, the subject continues to associate with members of the ACGM.

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REFERENCE

Report of SA JOE C. SPARKS 5-2-61 Mexico, DF.

ADMINISTRATIVE

The following information was obtained from a highly confidential source from the in Mexico City, is classified ~~SECRET~~, and SHOULD NOT BE DISSEMINATED OUTSIDE THE BUREAU:

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On October 7, 1961, subject called MARGARET MALTZ (BuFile 100-422317) and wanted to know if "tonight" was the night that they, the FIELDS, were to be at the MALTZes, and MARGARET replied in the affirmative.

In conversations on December 19 and 20, 1961, between HENRY DAVID PRENSKY (BuFile 100-88237) and CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF (BuFile 100-12632) mention was made that each of the named parties will see the other at a party to be given by the subject on December 21, 1961.

On January 27, 1962, LINI MOERKERK STOUMEN (BuFile 101-4782) contacted MARGARET MALTZ and stated that SUE

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HARDYMAN (MC File 100-2256) wants the opportunity of talking with the subject and his wife and with BERTHE MAK SMOLIKOFF (BuFile 100-421747) and CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF and wanted MARGARET MALTZ to arrange a get-together concerning her camp "up there/" On January 29, 1962, MARGARET MALTZ conversed with the subject and asked if he knew HUGH HARDYMAN (BuFile 100-361577). FIELD replied he had only heard of him. MALTZ said that SUE HARDYMAN was to be in town this week and wanted to talk "with a few of us about the school she is running up there." Subject was acquainted with the school and agreed to get together at the MALTZ home.

On February 1, 1962, MARGARET MALTZ attempted to contact SUE HARDYMAN at the Hotel Compostela. Later HARDYMAN contacted MALTZ, who advised her that the subject would be unable to come to the MALTZ house to meet with HARDYMAN the following night. HARDYMAN said that it could be postponed, as she would be returning to Mexico City soon anyway. MALTZ commented that the subject is in a poor financial situation, noting that CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF had commented that the subject was borrowing money from him.

The following information, obtained by [redacted] who have furnished reliable information in the past, is not being set out in the details of enclosed report since to do so might compromise informants:

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On April 18, 1961, informants furnished SAs WALLACE R. HEITMAN and JOE C. SPARKS a written report [redacted] which notes that on April 9, 1961, SAMUEL BROOKS (BuFile 100-290429) and MAY BROOKS (BuFile 100-414864) had lunch with the subject.

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On June 1, 1961, [redacted] furnished SAs WALLACE R. HEITMAN and JOE C. SPARKS a written report [redacted] which notes that the subject is currently involved in a fraud suit taking place in New York. He has brought this suit against a company he formed here in Mexico shortly after arriving in this country and in which he has one-quarter of a million dollars. He said he had received no return from

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this investment. He fears that he may have to travel to New York on this matter and is reluctant to do so because he does not want to leave his wife.

On June 20, 1961, [redacted] gave SA JOE C. SPARKS a written report [redacted] which notes that on June 18, 1961, GEORGE PEPPER (BuFile 100-254107) and his wife, JEANETTE PEPPER (BuFile 100-424192) visited with SAMUEL BROOKS on their way from a luncheon with the subject.

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On September 14, 1961, [redacted] furnished SA WALLACE R. HEITMAN a report [redacted] indicating that RUTH CONDE (MC File 100-2008) is moving to a new apartment and will stay temporarily at the subject's home.

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On October 16, 1961, [redacted] furnished SA WALLACE R. HEITMAN a written report [redacted] which noted that at the ALVA ZATZ [redacted] concert held on October 6, 1961, at Bellas Artes Hall, subject advised that he was building an addition to his home. Informants noted that on October 9, 1961, ELIZABETH CATLETT MORA (BuFile 100-395934) stated that she had dinner at the ALBERT MALTZ (BuFile 100-7646) home the previous Saturday night and SAMUEL J. NOVICK (BuFile 100-338889) and the subject and his wife were the other guests.

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On October 25, 1961, [redacted] furnished SAs RICHARD S. CLARK and WALLACE R. HEITMAN a written report [redacted] which notes that RICHARD GREENSPAN (BuFile 100-366389) spent the day of October 16, 1961, visiting with the subject. In the same report informants note that GREENSPAN was described by MAY BROOKS as being a particular friend of the subject, since subject knew GREENSPAN in New York. Also, it was noted that RUTH CONDE is seriously thinking about moving to Cuba to live; however, CONDE has stated that she has no family but the SAMUEL BROOKSES and the FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELDS.

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On November 15, 1961, [redacted] orally informed SAs RICHARD S. CLARK and WALLACE R. HEITMAN that RICHARD GREENSPAN spends several hours weekly with the subject. Informants commented that it seems unlikely that GREENSPAN wants to get subject to finance something, as subject appears to be very tight with his money.

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On December 15, 1961, [redacted] furnished SA RICHARD S. CLARK a written report [redacted] which reflects that MAY BROOKS had stated that the subject had recently spent six days in the United States, had gone by a labored route, and apparently had not been bothered because he was very careful. Informants noted that MAY BROOKS discussed ANITA BOYER FIELD (Bufile 106-3173) and her constant threat to turn the subject in to the FBI, and considered it was not an idle threat and that she might do just that. MAY BROOKS stated that subject claims to be broke, with all the alimony he pays her. BROOKS also noted that NIEVES FIELD is finding life dull, is becoming very restless, and that this marriage is not going well.

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In this same report informants advised that ELIZABETH CATLETT MORA is disgusted with ANGELICA SIQUEIROS, wife of DAVID ALFARO SIQUEIROS [redacted] who, MORA claims, was given 8,000 pesos (\$640) by CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF for the cause of the prisoners (DAVID ALFARO SIQUEIROS, et al.). This money was collected from the subject, ALBERT MALTZ, and visitors, and ANGELICA SIQUEIROS has not thus far given an accounting of this money. MORA said she had to raise 800 pesos (\$64) to pay a printer who was holding a poster for the rail workers and was threatening to turn it over to the police. MORA said ALBERT MALTZ gave her 400 pesos (\$32) and the subject gave her only 50 pesos (\$4) and complained that everyone imposes on him. MORA said that ALBERT MALTZ is one of the decent rich Americans here and she will never again ask the subject for money.

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On January 8, 1962, [redacted] furnished SA RICHARD S. CLARK with a written report [redacted] which notes that the subject maintains that he keeps daily office hours and seems offended that it is assumed that he does not work. It was noted that the subject is in a recorder (musical) group with DAVID PRENSKY.

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On February 15, 1962, [redacted] furnished SA RICHARD S. CLARK a written report [redacted] which reflects that on February 1, 1962, KURT ODENHEIM (Bufile 100-386282) and CELIA ODENHEIM (Bufile 100-427869) had a party, and among those attending were the subject and CHARLES SMOLIKOFF.

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On February 28, 1962, [redacted] furnished SA RICHARD S. CLARK a written report [redacted] which notes that during the course of the recent visit of movie actress MARILYN MONROE to Mexico a mutual infatuation arose between the subject and MONROE. It was noted that CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF said that the subject was completely infatuated with MONROE. RUTH CONDE said it was obvious that MONROE was completely enamored with the subject. CONDE said that MONROE thinks subject is rich, stable, intellectual, and dependable. CONDE added that the situation is very hard on subject's wife, NIEVES FIELD.

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SOURCES

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Three copies of the enclosed report, letterhead memorandum, and this communication are being forwarded to the Bureau for transmittal to the New York Office.

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At New York, New York. Will review pertinent

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court records pertaining to the legal action between the subject and HENRYK A. S. JORDAN, which is described in the enclosed report, and will report pertinent information developed, furnishing a copy of such results to the Mexico City Office.

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November 19, 1962

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RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

On November 7, 1962, T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the subject and his wife, NIEVES FIELD, continue to reside at Calle Loma de la Palma 215, Colonia Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D. F., Mexico.

T-1 noted that the subject continues his connections with Compania de Promociones e Inverciones de Mexico, S. A., Calle Londres 87, Office 201, Mexico, D. F.

MISCELLANEOUS

On April 3, 1962, T-1 advised that the subject's wife, NIEVES FIELD, was very bored with the subject.

On April 16, 1962, T-2 and T-3, who have furnished reliable information in the past, advised that the subject possessed a gray Jaguar, bearing Mexico, D. F., license plates number 17-54-37.

On May 1, 1962, T-2 and T-3 advised that the subject maintained office space at Calle Londres 87, Mexico, D. F., and noted that on April 25, 1962, the subject visited CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF at SMOLIKOFF's office, at Calle

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T-1 has identified CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF as being a member of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM).

According to T-1, the ACGM is a loose association of a predominantly social nature of present and/or past members of the Communist Party and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for Communism and the Soviet Union.

On May 15, 1962, T-2 advised that the subject visited CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF at SMOLIKOFF's office on May 7 and 9, 1962. At the time of the visits, the subject was driving a Mercedes-Benz, bearing Mexico, D. F., license plates number 14-14-55.

T-4, who has not furnished sufficient information on which to base a judgment as to his reliability, advised on June 18, 1962, that the subject, his wife, and their two daughters had been at the subject's New Hartford, Connecticut, estate for the preceding two weekends. T-4 noted that the subject had driven to New Hartford from Mexico City in his automobile, while the subject's wife and daughters had come by plane.

T-4 noted that the subject's wife and two daughters planned to return to Mexico City on June 22, 1962, by plane. T-4 noted that the subject planned to leave Connecticut to return to Mexico on June 25, 1962, apparently by automobile.

According to T-4, this was the subject's first visit to New Hartford, Connecticut, since he went to Mexico City about five years ago. T-4 noted that the subject was planning to sell his estate in New Hartford, because he had a number of outstanding bills to be met and because he had made some poor investments in recent years. It was T-4's opinion that the subject's sole purpose in visiting the United States at that time was in connection with the sale of the property.

On July 16, 1962, T-2 and T-3 advised that the subject had returned to Mexico sometime prior to July 9, 1962.

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On August 17, 1962, T-5 and T-6, who have furnished reliable information in the past, advised that, shortly prior thereto, three United States attorneys, not further identified, had arrived in Mexico to appear as friends of the court during an appeal being made by DAVID ALFARO SIQUEIROS. According to T-5 and T-6, the attorneys had come to Mexico specifically to see Mexican President ADOLFO LOPEZ MATEOS in connection with SIQUEIROS, but, to that date, the President had refused to see them.

T-5 and T-6 noted that, in addition to seeing President LOPEZ MATEOS, the attorneys also had wished to meet with the subject. T-5 and T-6 noted that the subject was embarrassed by a request to meet with the attorneys, because the subject was aware of the fact that the Mexican Immigration Service, Ministry of Interior, was alert to any Americans involved in the matter dealing with SIQUEIROS. T-5 and T-6 noted that the subject did, finally, meet with the attorneys. T-5 and T-6 were unable to furnish any information concerning topics discussed by the attorneys and the subject during the meeting.

The May 7, 1962, issue of "El Universal," a Mexico City daily Spanish language newspaper, disclosed that the "Communist painter" DAVID ALFARO SIQUEIROS had appealed from his sentence by a Mexican court to eight years imprisonment for the crime of social dissolution, along with other crimes, and had appointed several new defense attorneys, one of whom was VICENTE LOMBARDO TOLEDANO.

VICENTE LOMBARDO TOLEDANO has been publicly identified as the Secretary General of the Partido Popular Socialista - PPS (Popular Socialist Party).

The PPS has been publicly identified by VICENTE LOMBARDO TOLEDANO as a Marxist party.

On August 15, 1962, T-1 advised that, on occasion, the subject had been contacted in connection with the solicitation of funds for the Partido Comunista Mexicano - PCM (Mexican Communist Party). T-1 noted that on such occasions the subject would contribute only after long discussions with CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF, and then both the subject and

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SMOLIKOFF would contribute.

The published statutes of the PCM state: "The Communist Party of Mexico has as its final objective to construct socialism and to build the Communist society in Mexico."

T-2 and T-3 have advised that, as of September 17, 1962, the subject continued to drive a gray Jaguar, bearing Mexico, D. F., license plates number 17-54-37.

On October 30, 1962, T-1 advised that the subject had recently gotten into a dispute at the Derby Restaurant, Reforma #400, Mexico, D. F., when the owner of the restaurant demanded that the subject pay his bill. T-1 stated that the subject became furious at this, because it was not yet the end of the month and because he had always paid his bill properly. As a result of this situation, the subject stated that he would no longer go to the Derby Restaurant.

T-1 noted that the subject lunched almost every day at Restaurant Alfredo, Calle Genova 74-8, Mexico, D. F.

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ENCLOSURES:

Enclosed are eight copies of a letterhead memorandum dated and captioned as above.

REFERENCES:

Report of SA JOSEPH C. MICHELA, dated 4/24/62 at Mexico, D. F., and New York letter to Bureau 10/30/62.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

The following information was obtained from a highly confidential source of the [redacted] in Mexico City, is classified "~~Secret~~" and should not be disseminated outside of the Bureau:

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On 3/22/62, GEORGE PEPPER (Bufile 100-254107) contacted CHARLES SMOLIKOFF (Bufile 100-12632) and advised that a writer friend of his wanted to borrow \$2,000.00 for his younger brother. PEPPER stated he had already tried to get this money from DAVID DRUCKER [redacted] and from FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD, without success. SMOLIKOFF stated that the subject was particularly hard up and had given SMOLIKOFF a postdated check for \$100.00 U. S.

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During a conversation between HENRY DAVID PRENSKY (Bufile 100-88237) and CHARLES SMOLIKOFF on 6/11/62, SMOLIKOFF asked when FREDDIE (apparently the subject) was getting back and PRENSKY said he thought it would be in about a week. PRENSKY said that FRED was supposed to come back

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with enough money for the loan he was supposed to have paid in March. SMOLIKOFF stated that FRED had asked him for an advance check of \$500.00 in May and he (apparently SMOLIKOFF) had raised it finally. SMOLIKOFF stated that FRED was trying to get rid of his home in Connecticut. SMOLIKOFF said he believed FRED is still a millionaire but is not getting all the income he should.

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[redacted] who requested his identity be concealed.		
T-5 [redacted]	[redacted]	
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CLASSIFICATION:

The enclosed letterhead memorandum has been classified "~~Confidential~~" since it contains information from Bureau informants operating in Mexico who are furnishing information on matters relating to the internal security of the United States.



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Sources T-1 and T-2, referred to in referenced
memorandum, have furnished reliable information in the
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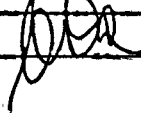
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Synopsis:
 Subject continues to reside with his wife, NIEVES, at Calle Loma de la Palma, Colonia Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D.F., Mexico. He continues his investment business located at Calle Londres #87-201, Mexico, D.F. Subject continues to associate with the ACGM.

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T-1 has advised on a number of occasions in the past year and most recently on May 6, 1963, that the subject continues to reside with his wife, NIEVES, at Calle Loma de la Palma #215, Colonia Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D.F., Mexico. He noted this is located about 18 kilometers out of town on the highway to Toluca. T-1 advised that subject continues to operate his investment business at Calle Londres #87, Room 201, Mexico 6, D.F.

T-1 has advised on a number of occasions throughout the past year, and most recently on May 6, 1963, that subject has, throughout this period, continued to associate with the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM).

According to T-1, the ACGM is a loose association in Mexico on a predominantly social basis of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for communism and the Soviet Union.

T-1 advised that on several occasions during the past year ELIZABETH CATLETT MORA has approached the various persons in the ACGM to collect money for various causes sponsored by the Mexican Communist Party. She has commented

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on these occasions that the wealthy American communists as a rule are very generous in their contributions with the exception of the subject. Subject reportedly claims to make all his contributions to the Communist Party USA.

The Communist Party USA has designated by the Attorney General of the United States under Executive Order 10450.

The published statutes of the Communist Party of Mexico state: "The Communist Party of Mexico has as its final objectives to construct socialism and to build the communist society in Mexico."

T-2, contacted on numerous occasions throughout the past year and most recently on April 15, 1963, confirmed that subject continues to go almost daily to his offices located at Londres #87. He advised that the subject drives a green Jaguar with Mexico, D.F., license 17-54-37. T-1 noted that subject frequently visits back and forth with CHARLES SMOLIKOFF, also known as CHARLES SMALL, who has a silver shop near subject's office at Niza 47.

T-1 has advised that CHARLES SMOLIKOFF is one of the leading personages in the ACGM.

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ENCLOSURES

Enclosed herewith are eight copies of the report of SA RICHARD S. CLARK at Mexico City, together with eight copies of a memorandum evaluating the sources utilized therein, both dated and captioned as above.

REFERENCES

Mexico City letter and letterhead memorandum dated 11-19-62.

ADMINISTRATIVE

The following information received from [redacted] is being reported herein rather than for dissemination to afford protection to sources:

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When MARILYN MONROE, the American movie actress, was in Mexico City in early 1962, she reportedly became infatuated with the subject. After her departure and at her request, informants purchased a number of articles for her. Following her instructions these purchases were turned over to ROBERT BOSSE, Bufile 100-438348, for shipping. Informants have advised that BOSSE is a shipping agent who works for CHARLES SMOLIKOFF and also associates with the subject. Informants advised that they were in contact with subject on 3-14-63 and he was very concerned about the estate of MONROE following her suicide. He said he had smuggled some very valuable pieces of pre-Columbian art into her apartment in New York. He wanted [redacted] to arrange for a friend to get these pieces out of the apartment and possibly put them in a museum. It is noted that it is contrary to Mexican law to take such pieces out of Mexico.

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On 1-29-63 CELIA ODENHEIM, Bufile 100-427869, confided that her husband, KURT ODENHEIM, Bufile 100-386282, had paid a considerable amount of money to a man named LUGO in the Mexican Ministry of Interior in order to expedite his citizenship application. She said that LUGO is in a silent partnership with the subject in a chain of drycleaning establishments in Mexico City. She said the subject has a lot of money invested in this business. As a result of this, she claimed the subject can write his own ticket with the Ministry of Interior and, therefore, with the Mexican Government.

This possibly refers to ROMAN LUGO, Attorney General for the Federal District of Mexico.

DONALD LAUTZ of the Embassy Protection Staff advised 2-12-63 that the subject had appeared in their office that date in response to a notice requesting his appearance published in local newspapers. LAUTZ advised that the Embassy had received a letter from a man in Texas interested in purchasing subject's oil leases in that state and requesting Embassy aid in contacting subject. He conveyed this message to subject, who said he would write the man that he was not interested in selling these leases. LAUTZ commented that subject was most gracious and cooperative.

The following information was received from [redacted] Mexico. It is classified "~~Secret~~" and is not to be disseminated outside the Bureau:

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Information from this source indicated that CHARLES SMOLIKOFF, Bufile 100-12632, has been aiding in the selling of subscriptions to the "National Guardian" in Mexico. At his request he was furnished a list of subscribers to this publication in Mexico. Among those listed was FRED FIELD, Londres 87, Room 201, Mexico 6, D.F., Mexico.

Information from this source revealed that WALDEEN VALENCIA, [redacted] and her husband departed for Cuba in the Spring of 1962. Prior to their departure, MARGARET MALTZ, Bufile 100-422317, gave them a farewell party. Some 30 persons were invited, all of whom have been identified by [redacted] as forming part of the ACGM. Subject was

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among those invited to this party. On 6-7-62 a letter signed "JESSICA" on the letterhead of the "New World Review," 34 West 15th, New York, New York, was directed to ALBERT MALTZ, Bufile 100-7646. The writer reported that she had heard from FRED, who was in New York with his wife and two lovely young children. The writer said FRED's wife is as beautiful as all who have visited Mexico have reported.

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TITLE OF CASE FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD		REPORT MADE BY NATHAN L. FERRIS	TYPED BY plb
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SYNOPSIS:

Subject and wife, NIEVES FIELD, continue to reside at Calle Loma de la Palma #215, Colonia Lomas de Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D. F. He continues his investment business at Calle Londres #87-201, Mexico, D. F. Subject continues to be an associate of the ACGM and traveled to the U. S. in August and September, 1963.

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REFERENCES: Report of SA RICHARD S. CLARK, Mexico, D. F., 5/8/63. Mexico City cables to Bureau 8/7/63 and 8/21/63.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

The following information has been received from Mexico, which is classified "~~Secret~~" and not to be disseminated outside of the Bureau: b3
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Contacts

On 7/2/63 LEONARD BOUDIN (Bufile 100-339869) contacted DAVID

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DRUCKER [redacted] and advised that he and VICTOR RABINOWITZ (Bufile 100-336105) were in Mexico City en route to Cuba. BOUDIN said that RABINOWITZ wanted to know FRED FIELD's telephone number. DRUCKER stated FIELD had no phone, but gave BOUDIN the office address for FIELD.

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On 7/5/63 FANIA ROEDER (wife of RALPH ROEDER, Bufile 100-393874) contacted BERTHE SMALL (Bufile 100-421747) and inquired if SMALL knew FRANK FOLSOM, who used to be the secretary at the League of American Writers (apparently in New York). ROEDER said FOLSOM was in town and needed to see FRED FIELD. SMALL made arrangements for FOLSOM to contact the subject.

On 7/24/63 DAVID DRUCKER arranged for a party on 7/26/63 in honor of the FRANK FOLSOMS. DRUCKER indicated that the FOLSOMS were friends of the subject, who was also invited. DRUCKER also indicated that FIELD would be leaving for New York City the following week.

On 7/31/63 DAVID DRUCKER advised HENRY PRENSKY (Bufile 100-88237) that FIELD had made a date with FRANK FOLSOM to photostat a book which was not further identified by the source. According to DRUCKER, FIELD's entire activities at that time were in connection with his pending trip to New York.

The source also indicated that the subject has maintained frequent friendly and business contacts with CHARLES SMALL (Bufile 100-12632), RUTH CONDE (Bufile 100-434224), JACK LEVINE (Bufile 100-408772), and JACOB HELLER (Bufile 100-440260).

Travel

Information from the [redacted] indicated that subject planned to travel to New York the first week in August, 1963.

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On 9/27/63 DAVID DRUCKER inquired as to whether ANGEL GONZALEZ knew if FRED FIELD had returned to Mexico City. According to GONZALEZ, he had encountered FIELD in Mexico City the preceding day. (GONZALEZ apparently is an official of Meximex, which according to [redacted] is a firm dedicated to importing office equipment from East Germany.)

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Further information from the [redacted] reflected that on 10/1/63 MAY BROOKS (Bufile 100-414864) stated FRED FIELD had returned to Mexico from the United States and that he had been

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delayed in New Orleans by the weather or a breakdown of his automobile or both.

The source further indicated that on 10/2/63 BERTHE SMALL told MAY BROOKS that when SMALL had arrived in New York in the early part of September, 1963, she had tried to locate FRED FIELD to tell him about the death of SAM BROOKS (Bufile 100-290429) but that he had just left New York for return to Mexico.

Business Contacts

Meximex

On 6/24/63 a Mr. GONZALEZ contacted DAVID DRUCKER and made arrangements for a meeting with FRED FIELD at the office of Meximex. The source indicated that this meeting would be relative to signing some unspecified documents.

On 8/6/63 GONZALEZ again contacted DRUCKER with regard to the payment of approximately 13,400 pesos (\$1,072 U.S.) due one of DRUCKER's clients, which apparently referred to a loan DRUCKER had made to FRED FIELD which FIELD in turn had loaned to GONZALEZ, apparently for Meximex.

On 8/23/63 GONZALEZ of Meximex again contacted DAVID DRUCKER with regard to payments due to JACOB HELLER and FRED FIELD. GONZALEZ indicated that ALEJANDRO GARCIA VAL would contact DRUCKER regarding the "FIELD matter." GARCIA VAL subsequently contacted DRUCKER and reported the inability of Meximex to pay the notes then due to FRED FIELD. It was indicated that the matter involved was in excess of \$5,000.

[REDACTED] have identified ALEJANDRO GARCIA VAL as a Spanish Communist who is one of the principal officers of Meximex.)

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Precisa

On 9/9/63 MAY BROOKS advised BERTHE SMALL that in connection with the settlement of the affairs of the Precisa Company, formerly managed by her late husband, SAM BROOKS, Precisa could not make any decisions without FRED FIELD's presence. It was noted at that time that FIELD was still in the United States.

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On 10/8/63 MAY BROOKS advised BERTHE SMALL that she was planning on contacting FRED FIELD regarding the settlement of the money owed her former husband by Precisa and that she was having to individually contact the persons involved in Precisa. She claimed that as far as FRED FIELD and his associates were concerned the settlement of the Precisa's affairs was not urgent, but BROOKS indicated that she had to reach some settlement with them in order to arrange her future plans.

Miscellaneous

On 11/30/63 FRED FIELD contacted CHARLES SMALL and reported that his wife, NIEVES FIELD, had given birth to a baby girl. According to the source, it appeared that the child had been born that day.

SOURCES

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Residence and Employment

On May 15, 1964, T-1 advised that FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD and his wife, NIEVES FIELD, continue to reside at Calle Loma de la Palma #215, Colonia Lomas de Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D. F.

On the same date T-2 advised that the subject continues to be engaged in the investment business with his office located at Calle Londres #87-201, Mexico, D. F.

Contacts

Since May 10, 1963, T-3 has advised on frequent occasions, the last one of which was April 20, 1964, that the subject continues to be one of the principal associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM).

According to T-3, the ACGM is a loose association in Mexico on a predominantly social basis of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for Communism and the Soviet Union.

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Activities

On September 30, 1963, T-3 advised that ELIZABETH MORA had stated that if the Communists are able to take over the Mexican Government in the future FREDERICK FIELD and some other American Communists resident in Mexico who have not been cooperative with the Communist Party of Mexico and who have exploited the Mexican workers would be among the first to be expelled from Mexico. MORA indicated that she believed the subject was mainly interested in his own personal welfare and not in the advancement of the Communist movement in Mexico. The source identified ELIZABETH MORA as a former member of the Communist Party, USA, who is now a naturalized Mexican citizen and a member of the Partido Comunista Mexicano (Communist Party of Mexico - PCM).

The published statutes of the PCM state "the Communist Party of Mexico has as its final objectives to construct socialism and to build the Communist society in Mexico."

Business Contacts

On August 27, 1963, T-3 advised that FREDERICK FIELD was the principal individual in control of the East German owned company Precisa of which SAMUEL BROOKS was manager prior to his death in August, 1963. According to the source, following SAMUEL BROOKS' death LUIS LINDAU was extremely worried because the bearer stock of the company could not be located and it appeared that the subject's accountant had the control of the books. The source identified LINDAU as a Spanish Communist who had been connected with associates of the ACGM. SAMUEL BROOKS was identified by the source as one of the leading associates of the ACGM.

On September 5, 1963, T-3 advised that, according to MAY BROOKS, the widow of SAMUEL BROOKS and also a prominent associate of the ACGM, ALEJANDRO GARCIA VAL had obtained a court order restraining the documents relating to the Precisa Company from being removed from SAMUEL BROOKS' office so that GARCIA VAL could contact FREDERICK FIELD before taking any action regarding the future of the company. MAY BROOKS indicated that GARCIA VAL was another subordinate of FIELD

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similar to the position occupied by her late husband. The source identified GARCIA VAL as a Spanish Communist who is one of the principal officers of the firm Meximex, which is engaged in importing East German manufactured office equipment into Mexico.

On September 30, 1963, T-3 advised that, according to MAY BROOKS, it had not been possible to arrange a settlement of the Precisa affairs, including the amount of money owed to her late husband, because FREDERICK FIELD was absent on a trip to the United States.

On October 8, 1963, T-3 advised that FREDERICK FIELD had returned to Mexico and that MAY BROOKS indicated she would receive a monthly sum from ROBERT ALLEN, who represented FREDERICK FIELD, as long as she would remain in Mexico, but that if she left the payments would stop. According to the source, those payments related to money due SAMUEL BROOKS by Precisa prior to his death. The source identified ROBERT ALLEN as a former American citizen who is now a naturalized Mexican and who has maintained contact with some of the leading associates of the ACGM, including FREDERICK FIELD.

On October 18, 1963, T-3 advised that MAY BROOKS had a full day's conference scheduled with FREDERICK FIELD on October 11 in which she hoped to work out arrangements with FIELD concerning the money owed to her husband's estate.

On April 23, 1964, T-3 advised that MAY BROOKS had still not settled her financial arrangements with ALEJANDRO GARCIA VAL concerning payments from Precisa since GARCIA VAL had taken over the management of that firm. She indicated that she was trying to obtain the sympathy and support of FREDERICK FIELD in order to obtain the financial assistance she needed. According to BROOKS, GARCIA VAL was planning to merge the firms Precisa and Meximex and that new managers would be coming from Europe, which she felt would jeopardize her efforts to obtain the money due her late husband. BROOKS felt that FREDERICK FIELD could halt such arrangements if he so desired, but she believed that he would probably not interfere.

Travel

On August 19, 1963, T-3 advised that FREDERICK FIELD

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had recently gone to New York, allegedly because he wanted to be there when the child he and his wife were expecting was to be born. According to the source, the subject intended to return to Mexico about September 15 unless his plans changed because of the death of SAMUEL BROOKS.

On September 9, 1963, the source advised that FIELD had been expected to return to Mexico on September 7, 1963. His arrival date, however, was indefinite because he was driving to Mexico by car.

On October 4, 1963, the source advised that the subject had returned to Mexico City on October 1, 1963, his delay having been caused by a breakdown of his European sports car in Louisiana.

Miscellaneous

On January 7, 1964, T-3 advised that the subject had arranged for private detectives to surveil his former wife, ANITA FIELD, in order to bring suit against her for adulterous behavior prior to their divorce and to nullify the financial agreement connected with that divorce. The source advised that FIELD had obtained the necessary information concerning ANITA FIELD's previous activities and had indicated that he believed she would not permit the case to go beyond an out-of-court settlement. The source further advised that ANITA FIELD had threatened to publicly disclose the subject's association with the Communist movement over previous years, but that the subject did not believe she would do so when she was confronted by the evidence he had obtained through the private detectives.

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SYNOPSIS:

Subject and wife, NIEVES FIELD, continue to reside at Calle Loma de la Palma No. 215, Colonia Lomas de Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D. F. Subject continues his investment business at Calle Londres No. 87-201, Mexico, D. F. He continues to be an associate of ACGM. He was involved in operation of East German optical importing firm, Precisa.

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REFERENCE: Report of SA NATHAN L. FERRIS, dated 6/15/64, at Mexico, D. F. and Mexico City letter 1/6/65.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

Information received from Mexico, classified ~~"Secret"~~ and not to be disseminated outside of the Bureau, shows that the subject continues to maintain social and friendly contacts with the following ACGM associates:

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CHARLES SMALL, Bufile 100-12632
BERTHE SMALL, Bufile 100-421747
FRANCIS WILLIAM & LIBBIE PARK, [REDACTED]
GEORGE PEPPER, Bufile 100-254107
JEANETTE PEPPER, Bufile 100-424192
MILES BEACH & MANNY RILEY, [REDACTED]
DAVID DRUCKER, [REDACTED]

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The following information has also been received from [REDACTED] Mexico, classified ~~"Secret"~~ and not to be disseminated outside of the Bureau, concerning subject's contacts and activities:

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The above ends the information received from
Mexico.

On 6/12/64, former advised that on that date informant had been at the art gallery operated by MAY BROOKS (Bufile 100-414864) with BROOKS, the subject, DAVID DRUCKER and RUTH CONDE (Bufile 100-434224), when CHARLES SMALL entered and made a facetious remark that this looked like a foreign branch meeting with the foreign agents and the underground agents present. According to informant, SMALL meant DRUCKER and the subject were the foreign agents and BROOKS, informant and CONDE were the underground agents. DRUCKER, however, did not consider the remark to be humorous and left forthwith.

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On the same date, MAY BROOKS advised informant that DAVID DRUCKER makes a one hour visit to the office of the subject daily for a business meeting. The nature of the "business" discussed at those meetings was not known to informant.

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RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

On May 4, 1965, T-1 advised that the records of the Mexican Immigration Department show that the subject was born on April 14, 1905, and arrived in Mexico on October 31, 1954. He was given an "inmigrado" (permanent residence) status on October 16, 1959.

On various occasions since June, 1964, the last being on June 1, 1965, T-2 has confirmed the subject's continued residence at Calle Loma de la Palma No. 215, Colonia Lomas de Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D. F., with his wife, NIEVES, and his continued operation of an investment business with offices at Calle Londres No. 87-201, Mexico, D. F.

CONTACTS AND ASSOCIATES

On various occasions since June, 1964, the most recent of which was on June 1, 1965, T-2, T-3 and T-4 confirmed the subject's continued association with the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM).

The ACGM, according to T-3, is a loose association of a predominantly social nature of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for communism and the Soviet Union.

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On June 12, 1965, T-3 confirmed the subject's close association with DAVID DRUCKER, MAY BROOKS, RUTH CONDE and CHARLES SMALL, all of whom were identified by the source as associates of the ACGM.

On November 30, 1964, T-2 confirmed the subject's continued association with CHARLES and BERTHE SMALL, identified by T-3 as prominent associates of the ACGM, and on various occasions, the last of which was on June 1, 1965, T-4 confirmed the subject's continued close contact with MAY BROOKS and continued association with ALEJANDRO GARCIA VAL, ROBERT F. ALLEN and ROBERT BOND. T-3 has identified ALEJANDRO GARCIA VAL as a Spanish communist who has been an important official of the East German office equipment importing firm, Meximex. T-3 identified ROBERT F. ALLEN as a naturalized Mexican of American origin who has also been involved with GARCIA VAL in the Meximex firm and assisted the subject in handling the affairs of the East German optical importing firm, Precisa, in 1963, following the death of SAMUEL BROOKS, the manager of that firm. T-3 has also identified ROBERT BOND as an individual who was in contact with many of the associates of the ACGM.

ACTIVITIES

On June 1, 1964, T-3 advised that MAY BROOKS, the widow of SAMUEL BROOKS, was having difficulties in obtaining money reportedly owed to her late husband by the firm Precisa as back salary. According to the source, MAY BROOKS looked to the subject as the person who controlled the affairs of that firm and she had been endeavoring to obtain a financial settlement from him. Source advised, however, that the subject had reportedly complained that BROOKS was too insistent on a financial settlement and that he at that time was experiencing financial difficulties although the subject was said to have at the same time purchased nearly 15,000 pesos (\$1,200 U.S.) worth of Mexican artifacts.

On June 8, 1964, T-3 advised that MAY BROOKS had again established friendly relations with the subject, taking the position that if she did not remain on friendly terms with him, she could expect no financial cooperation from him.

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On June 15, 1964, T-3 advised that MAY BROOKS reportedly had described the subject as a "figurehead" in the communist movement.

On June 18, 1964, T-3 advised that KURT ODENHEIM, in discussing a meeting which had been scheduled to change the management of the Meximex and Precisa firms, stated that SAMUEL BROOKS obtained the distributorship of optical products from the East German Government in order to set up the Precisa firm and also secured a loan of \$20,000 to establish the company. ODENHEIM reportedly indicated that the subject was the principal source for that loan.



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SYNOPSIS

Subject and wife, NIEVES FIELD, continue to reside at Calle Loma de la Palma 215, Colonia Lomas de Vista Hermosa, Mexico, DF. Subject continues his investment business at Calle Londres 87-201, Mexico, DF. He continues to be an associate of the ACGM.

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ADMINISTRATIVE DATA

Information received from [redacted] Mexico City, classified ~~SECRET~~ and not to be disseminated outside the Bureau, shows subject continues to maintain social and friendly contact with the following associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM):

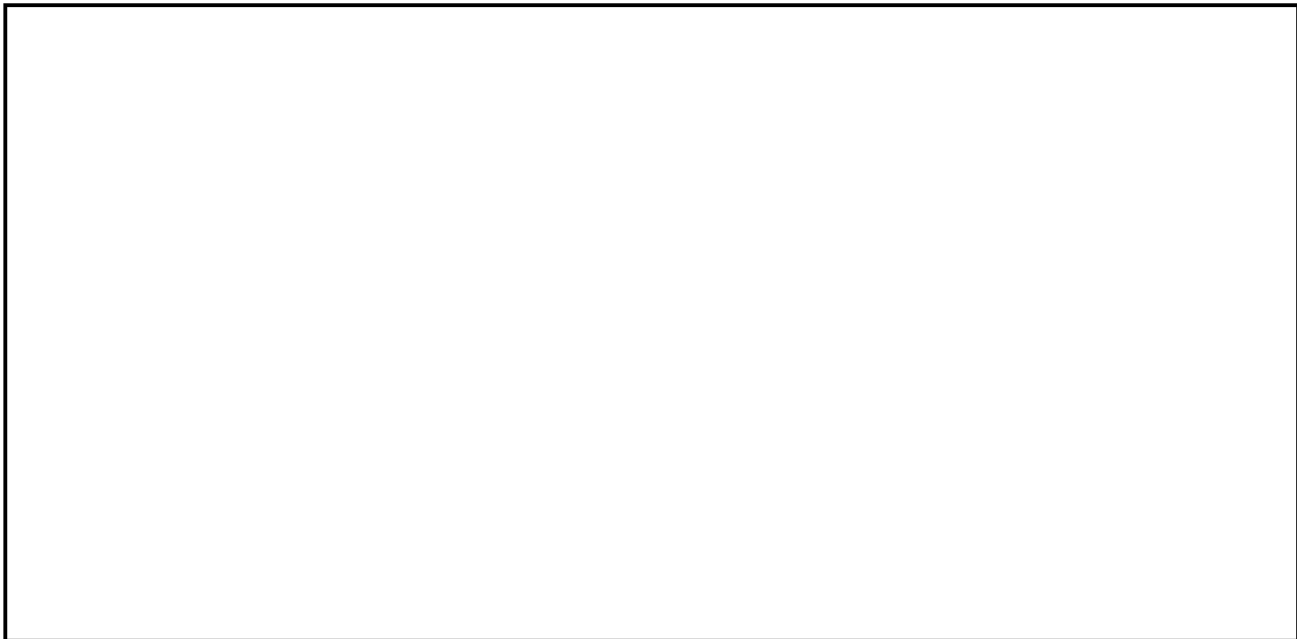
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- BERTHE SMALL (BuFile 100-421747)
- CHARLES SMALL (BuFile 100-12632)
- EDNA VAN DER SCHELLING (BuFile 100-398766)
- DAVID DRUCKER [redacted]
- MILES BEACH and MANNY RILEY [redacted]
- MARGARET LARKIN (BuFile 100-422317)
- KATHERINE LARKIN (BuFile 100-386895)
- HAROLD RICHARDSON (BuFile 100-363809)
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The following information received from [redacted] Mexico City, classified ~~SECRET~~ and not to be disseminated outside the Bureau, concerns subject's contacts and activities:

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The above ends information received from [redacted]
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Referenced New York letter set forth information indicating the subject made a trip to New York, New York, during September 1965.

On October 8, 1965, [redacted] were alerted concerning the possibility that subject had been visiting in the United States. These informants advised they had received no such information as of that date.

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On October 22, 1965, these same informants advised that they had not as yet received any information to indicate subject had made a trip to the US but they would continue to be alert for such information.

On September 30, 1965, [redacted] on subject's residence and office, advised that on September 20, 1965, they observed subject enter his office "for the first time in several weeks."

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This observation by these two informants suggests that perhaps subject was in fact visiting in New York during the time indicated by the New York Office in referenced letter.

On December 30, 1965, [redacted] advised they had received no information concerning subject's having visited in the United States during August or September 1965. They also advised they were unaware of any departure from Mexico by the subject during the past year.

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RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

On various occasions since June 1965, the last being on May 16, 1966, T-1 has confirmed the subject's continued residence at Calle Loma de la Palma 215, Colonia Lomas de Vista Hermosa, Mexico, DF, with his wife, NIEVES, and his continued operation of an investment business with offices at Calle Londres 87-201, Mexico, DF.

CONTACTS AND ASSOCIATES

On various occasions since June 1965, the most recent of which was on February 23, 1966, T-1, T-2, T-3, and T-4 confirmed the subject's continued association with the following individuals, all of whom, according to T-2, are prominently associated with the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM):

MAY BROOKS
CHARLES SMALL
BERTHE SMALL
DAVID DRUCKER

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ESTHER DRUCKER
MILDRED COY
HAROLD COY
HAROLD RICHARDSON
RENA RICHARDSON
MARGARET LARKIN
KATHERINE LARKIN

According to T-2, the ACGM is a loose association, of a predominantly social nature, of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for the international communist movement.

ACTIVITIES

On July 13, 1965, T-2 advised that MAY BROOKS periodically had financial difficulties with the art gallery which she operates in Mexico City. According to the source, at such times she was assisted by the subject in meeting her financial obligations.

On September 8, 1965, T-3 advised that at a recent gathering of ACGM associates, ELIZABETH MORA was critical of the subject for his failure to act decisively in emergency situations, but she described him as being indispensable in the long struggle and goal of international communism which lies ahead.

T-2 identified ELIZABETH MORA as a former member of the Communist Party, USA, who is now a naturalized Mexican citizen and a member of the Partido Comunista Mexicano (PCM - Communist Party of Mexico).

The published statutes of the PCM state, "The Communist Party of Mexico has as

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its final objectives to construct Socialism and to build the Communist society in Mexico."

On December 17, 1965, T-3 advised that during a recent gathering of ACGM associates, ELIZABETH MORA described the subject as at one time being a loyal friend and generous contributor to all liberal causes whenever she personally approached him for contributions for communist causes, in particular Red Chinese causes in Mexico. She commented that lately, however, subject had cooled off and appeared reluctant to continue his financial support, due primarily to the failure of New York City communists to pay rent on property which he owned. MORA believed, however, that the subject would return "to the fold" in due time.

According to this source, MORA also discussed the subject's personal background, commenting that he once worked for the United States Government, but, due to his sympathetic feelings for the working class, he was labeled a communist and was relieved of his official duties. MORA commented that the subject is happy living in Mexico and is married to a Mexican woman after two previous unhappy marriages ended in divorce.

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Sources T-1 through T-2, referred to therein, have
furnished reliable information in the past.

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TITLE OF CASE FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD		REPORT MADE BY JESSE C. PARKER, JR.	TYPED BY irg
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SYNOPSIS:

Subject and his wife, NIEVES FIELD, continue their residence at Calle Loma de la Palma 215, Colonia Lomas de Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D: F: Subject continues to conduct his investment company at Calle Londres No. 87-201, Mexico, D: F: Both subject and his wife also continue to participate to a limited extent in activities of the ACGM.

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REFERENCES:

- Report of SA RICHARD W. KAISER, 6/10/66, at Mexico City;
- Report of SA RONALD E. YOUNG, 6/8/67, at New York.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

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shows the subject continues to maintain social contact with the following associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM):

BERTHA SMALL
BUfile 100-421747

CHARLES SMALL
BUfile 100-12632

DAVID DRUCKER
BUfile [REDACTED]

DAVID PRENSKY
BUfile 100-88237

BRYNA PRENSKY
BUfile 100-424201

On July 23, 1966, ESTHER DRUCKER [REDACTED] was in contact with Dr. DAVID PRENSKY, during which they discussed at length plans of a "recorder group" (individuals who enjoy playing the antique musical instrument, the recorder), to go to Taxco for a musical festival beginning on August 6, 1966.

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DRUCKER and PRENSKY indicated that subject planned to go to Taxco for the get-together.

On September 5, 1966, CHARLES SMALL, in conversation with his wife, BERTHA SMALL, stated, "I left a note for FRED FIELD. I'll talk with him also about OWEN LATTIMORE."

The SMALLs were discussing their efforts to obtain for their son, ABBOTT SMALL (BUfile 100-441277) admission as a graduate student in a school in England.

On October 10, 1966, DAVID DRUCKER called the SMALL home and spoke to the SMALLs' [REDACTED] DRUCKER instructed [REDACTED] to tell his mother that he had a letter that FRED FIELD had given him which FIELD had received from Professor LATTIMORE about leads for universities in England.

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On October 22, 1966, DAVID and ROSALYN GOLDWAY, who were visiting in Mexico City, were in contact with DAVID DRUCKER. ROSALYN GOLDWAY commented that the GOLDWAYS had been out to lunch

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at FRED FIELD's residence and that FIELD had just brought them back to their hotel.

On February 14, 1967, subject contacted DAVID DRUCKER and suggested that the DRUCKERS meet the FIELDS at Bellinghausen Restaurant that evening for supper "with the KAMMAS" (phonetic). DRUCKER declined the invitation because he had invited guests to his home. Subject advised DRUCKER that the KAMMAS and FIELDS were probably going to Cuernavaca together the following day. Subject advised the KAMMAS were leaving Mexico the following Saturday, February 18, 1967.

On February 15, 1967, ESTHER DRUCKER, during a conversation with HAROLD COY (BUfile 100-420427), stated that she had met JEAN and ALEX MAURO the previous evening at the subject's home. The FIELDS had given the MAUROs a farewell dinner before the MAUROs' departure for Chiapas.

On April 8, 1967, CHARLES SMALL was in contact with ALFRED LAWRENCE (BUfile 100-412027) who, with his wife, was visiting in Mexico City. During conversation, LAWRENCE discussed pre-Colombian artifacts which he was interested in buying. SMALL admonished him to be careful lest he be swindled. LAWRENCE replied that he planned to rely upon a friend of subject who was actually staying with the subject at the time and was a curator at Princeton. LAWRENCE indicated that this curator had accompanied him to look at some artifacts.

On April 9, 1967, BERTHA SMALL contacted DAVID DRUCKER and invited the DRUCKERS over for drinks that evening. DAVID DRUCKER stated he had a previous invitation from the FIELDS for dinner that same evening at 8 PM but that this would permit him to accept SMALL's invitation at an earlier hour.

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RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

On June 26, 1967, T-1 advised that the subject and his wife, NIEVES FIELD, continue to reside at Calle Loma de la Palma 215, Colonia Lomas de Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D. F. Subject also continues to operate his investment company at Calle Londres No. 87-201, Mexico, D. F.

CONTACTS AND ASSOCIATES

On June 26, 1967, T-1 also advised that the subject and his wife continued to participate, to a limited extent, in some of the activities of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM).

According to T-1, the ACGM is a loose association of a predominantly social nature of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, USA, and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for the international communist movement.

On May 17, 1966, T-1 advised that on the previous day, the subject indicated he had agreed to buy a copy of the book which would soon be issued containing the history of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade which had fought in the Spanish Civil War. This book was to be issued by the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade (VALB) headquarters, of which were in New York.

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The VALB has been designated by the Attorney General of the United States under Executive Order 10450.

On July 19, 1966, T-1 advised that subject stated on July 16, 1966, he had just paid \$10.00 for his copy of the book on the VALB which was supposed to be published in the near future.

On September 27, 1966, T-1 advised that on September 20, 1966, CHARLES SMALL, one of the principal ACGM associates in Mexico City, while discussing the decreased participation by the subject in the activities of the ACGM, commented that some of the ACGM associates were "retired and some are just tired." SMALL said that subject fell in the latter category. He was still active "but tired."

On October 11, 1966, T-1 advised that on October 6, 1966, subject visited at the silver shop operated by CHARLES SMALL at 47 Niza Street, Mexico City, and during conversation with SMALL, remarked that he had ordered a book on the VALB but it had not been issued as yet.

On October 11, 1966, T-2 advised that on September 23, 1966, subject stated that he had visited in San Miguel de Allende the previous weekend and had seen FRED and NOVA TAYLOR. Subject stated that the purpose of his visit to San Miguel de Allende was to try to arrange for the holding of a "recorder festival" in that town. According to T-2, subject explained that he and Dr. DAVID PRENSKY, a dentist in Mexico City, had organized a recorder festival the previous year in Taxco but they were not satisfied with the Taxco site and desired to find a better one. Subject indicated he had been unable to make suitable reservations for the group in San Miguel de Allende and would try Oaxaca or Jalapa.

T-2 advised that the subject, as well as Dr. PRENSKY and ESTHER DRUCKER, all ACGM associates, enjoy promoting recorder music and the group formed by them met frequently to rehearse and give concerts.

T-2 identified FRED and NOVA TAYLOR as Canadian citizens now residing in San Miguel de Allende who associate with the ACGM.

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SYNOPSIS:

Subject and wife continue to reside at Calle Loma de la Palma 215, Colonia Lomas de Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D. F., and subject continues to be self-employed in his investment company at Calle Londres 87-201, Mexico, D. F. Subject and his wife maintain very limited contact with ACGM associates.

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REFERENCE:

Report of SA JESSE C. PARKER, JR., dated 7/3/67 at Mexico City

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RESIDENCE AND EMPLOYMENT

On April 10, 1970, T-1 and T-2 advised that subject and his wife, NIEVES FIELD, continue to reside at Calle Loma de la Palma 215, Colonia Lomas de Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D. F. Subject continues to be self-employed in his investment company located at Calle Londres 87-201, Mexico, D. F.

ACTIVITIES

T-1 and T-2 from 1967 through April 10, 1970, have advised that frequent and regular observation of subject's residence and place of business revealed no significant activity on the part of subject.

T-3 through T-7 have advised from 1967 through March 1970 that subject maintains only limited association with associates of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM), noting that these associates are CHARLES NELSON SMOLIKOFF, also known as Charles Small, his wife BERTHE MAE NEHAM SMOLIKOFF, also known as Berthe Small, DAVID DRUCKER, and his wife ESTHER DRUCKER.

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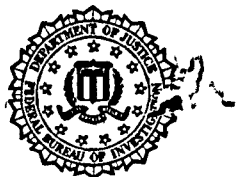
FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD

According to T-3, the ACGM is a loose association, of a predominantly social nature, of present and/or past members of the Communist Party of the United States and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for the international communist movement.

T-3 has also advised that subject is even reluctant to make financial contributions to communist causes in recent years.

However, on August 1, 1969, T-5 and T-6 advised that during 1968 when CHARLES SMALL was soliciting funds from associates of the ACGM residing in Mexico City and San Miguel de Allende, Guanajuato, Mexico, subject furnished an unidentified amount of money. In the opinion of T-5 and T-6, this amount was probably substantial since subject is always very generous in matters such as the purpose for this collection. These sources noted that SMALL was collecting money to be used for United States youth opposed to the war in Vietnam and additionally opposed to the draft.

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T-4 is a confidential source abroad.

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Re New York letter to the Bureau 12-29-70.

On 1-15-71, [redacted] (PROTECT - reliable) reported that on 1-14-71 he had conducted a pretext inquiry at Calle Loma de la Palma No. 215 in the Lomas de Vista Hermosa suburb of Mexico City located off Kilometer 18½ of the Mexico City-Toluca Highway. He advised that in talking with a young girl about 15 years of age at this address, he ascertained that Subject FIELD presently resided at that residence and that his occupation was that of antique collector.

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[redacted] advised that also on 1-14-71, he observed that the office building located at Londres 87 in Mexico City had been the location of an office previously maintained by Subject FIELD under the business name Promociones e Inversiones, S.A. It was determined that several months ago Subject gave up this office. [redacted] stated that he learned from a police officer who is stationed at the building located at Londres 87 that Subject was a collector of Mexican artifacts, that the business office Promociones e Inversiones, S.A. was probably used for the most part as a front for doing business in the field of purchasing archeological objects. The police officer contacted by [redacted] further advised that the Subject resides with his wife and two daughters, the latter about eight and fourteen years of age.

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[redacted] Mexico City, and [redacted] (PROTECT - reliable), both of whom regularly furnish information concerning individuals associated with the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM), have advised of no information in recent months to indicate the Subject is in contact with the ACGM.

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[redacted] (PROTECT - reliable) has advised that the ACGM is a loose association of a predominantly

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On January 15, 1971, a confidential source abroad advised that Frederick Vanderbilt Field was residing at Calle Loma de la Palma, No. 215, Colonia Lomas de Vista Hermosa, Mexico, D.F., and had given up his office at Londres 87, Mexico City, where he had maintained a business, Promociones e Inversiones, S.A., for the purchase of archeological objects. He is most recently described as an antique collector.

A second confidential source abroad and another government agency furnishing intelligence information have advised that there is no information in recent months to indicate that Field is in contact with the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM).

A third confidential source abroad had advised that ACGM is a loose association, of a predominantly social nature, of present and/or past members of the Communist Party, of the United States of America (CP, USA) and their friends and associates who share a common sympathy for the international communist movement.

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The third source has advised that Steve Nelson, in 1967, had said he had visited with Frederick V. Field and that when they met, Field's reaction was that Nelson was in Mexico to raise funds and Field had said he was then low in funds.

A confidential source who has furnished reliable information in the past, as has the other confidential source mentioned hereinafter, has made available copy of a letter on the stationery of the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, dated April 3, 1969, which bears the signature of Steve Nelson as Commander.

The Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade has been designated pursuant to Executive Order 10450.

A second confidential source advised on December 2, 1969, that Lement Harris was to leave New York on December 24, 1969, for Mexico City, there to stay at the home of Field, and staying in Mexico until January 8, 1970. While there, Harris was to possibly attempt to solicit funds for the CP, USA.

This source described Harris on May 13, 1969, as a highly trusted member of the CP, USA and most active in the financial apparatus of the CP, USA, and other confidential facets and phases of CP activity.

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Enclosed are five copies of letterhead memorandum setting out current residence and employment status in Mexico.

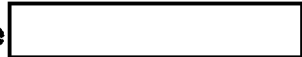
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The confidential sources abroad utilized in LHM are, in order:



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FROM : SA LAVERNE J. MOORE

SUBJECT: SECURITY INDEX SUBJECTS
RESIDING IN MEXICO

RIS
8/2/71

Reference Mexico City letter to the Bureau 7/2/70.

Referenced letter set out information to the Bureau to the effect that 3 x 5 cards would be prepared on Security Index subjects living in Mexico and that these index cards would be maintained under secure conditions.

The Bureau has lifted its moratorium on the submission of reports, LHM and letters on Security Matter - Communist investigations. It is noted, however, that there have been few requests from offices of origin for Security Index subjects who are believed to be currently residing in Mexico to verify residence and employment for these subjects.

In an effort to comply with recommendation made in referenced Mexico City letter and to bring up-to-date the files for Security Index subjects believed to be residing in Mexico, the below designated file, if not already reopened, should be reopened to:

1. Prepare 3 x 5 cards with pertinent data regarding the subject.
2. Verify residence and employment.
3. Determine the exact status of the subject on the Security Index.

The name of the subject was taken from a prepared list of the Bureau which was furnished to the Mexico City Office by routing slip dated 4/22/69 (see serial 116).

The 3 x 5 cards should be maintained by Legat's secretary and should be maintained in the Legat's safe.

FIELD, FREDERICK VANDERBILT
Calle Loma de la Palma 215
Colonia Vista Hermosa
Mexico, D. F., Mexico

Bureau 100-2278

MEXICO SEARCHED 100-1298

SERIALIZED FILED

JUN 29 1971

LEGAL ATTACHE - MEXICO

LJM:kvw
(24)

White Male
DOB: 4/13/05

OO: New York

Rec'd
6/29/71
[Signature]

100-1298-887



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : LEGAT, MEXICO CITY (100-1298)

DATE: 8-19-71

FROM : SA LA VERNE J. MOORE (C)

SUBJECT: FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD
SM - C

The file for the above-captioned Subject was reopened to prepare a 3 x 5 card on the Subject as an American residing in Mexico who is on the Security Index in the United States. This is in accordance with recommendation made to the Bureau on 7-2-70.

A review of the Subject's file discloses that his residence and employment were verified in January, 1971, and an LHM was submitted regarding the Subject on 3-29-71. Therefore, it is recommended that this case be placed in a CLOSED status at this time to be reopened on 1-17-72 to verify residence and employment and submit an LHM.

Chris

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4/1/72
See letter
for 1/17/72
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x
A. O'Connor J.P.O.
3/29/72*

*LJM:WR
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Date prepared

April 7, 1972

Date received

4/4 & 7/72

Received from (name or symbol number)

[Redacted]

Received by

J. O'Connor

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Method of delivery (check appropriate blocks)

in person by telephone by mail orally recording device written by Informant

If orally furnished and reduced to writing by Agent:

Date

Dictated _____ to _____

Transcribed _____

Authenticated by Informant _____

Date of Report

4/3 & 7/82.

Date(s) of activity

Current

Brief description of activity or material

Additional descriptive data obtained on JIMMY

BLOCK.

Residence of Fred Vanderbilt Field at Loma/de Palma # 215, Km 18 1/2, Mexico City Toluca Highway confirmed.

File where original is located if not attached

[Redacted]

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Remarks:

cc: 157-85 (J. Block)
100-1298 (Fred Field)

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100-1298-889

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[Signature]

ASUNTO: Informa que el Sr. FEDERICO FIELD, con su esposa e hijas, continúa viviendo en Loma de la Palma No. 215, Fraccionamiento Lomas de Vista Hermosa, kilómetro 18 1/2 de la Carretera México-Toluca. El dice ser Coleccionista, y vive de sus recursos.

México, D. F., a 7 de Abril de 1972.

En cumplimiento de las órdenes por Ud. recibidas, me trasladé a la calle Loma de la Palma No. 215, Fraccionamiento Lomas de Vista Hermosa, kilómetro 18 1/2 de la Carretera-México Toluca.

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Dicha casa, es de un piso, color rojo, con jardín y enredadera en la barda. Dentro, había una Camioneta Marca "Rambler", color rojo, con canastilla niquelada en la parte superior, y placas 296 AWL.

Freguntando por el Sr. FEDERICO FIELD, hablé con una jovencita como de unos [redacted] quien me expresó que el Sr. FIELD, era su papá, y se encontraba en esos momentos en su casa, pero al parecer dormía la siesta.

Le dije que no lo molestara pues únicamente iba a ratificar su domicilio, pues les iba a mandar una invitación mi Jefe, el Ing. DIAZ INFANTE.

Comprobé así mismo en plática que la mamá de la niña es la Sra. NIEVES OROZCO, con quien vive FIELD, así como que dicho sujeto es Coleccionista de antigüedades y tiene recursos propios para vivir

Posiblemente la niña de referencia, sea hijastra de FIELD, ya que su madre, la Sra. NIEVES, se casó con este individuo siendo ya divorciada y teniendo [redacted]. La jovencita no tiene ningún rasgo de Norteamericana. Estaba jugando en una bicicleta en unión de otros menores. Junto a los FIELD, viven en la casa de al lado los PEDRAZA.

ATENTAMENTE.

JORGE [redacted]

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DIRECTOR, FBI (100-2278)

5/4/72

LEGAT, MEXICO CITY (100-1298) (RUC)

FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD
SM - C

Reference New York letter to the Bureau dated 3/29/71.

Mexico City file reflects that the subject was included on the Security Index of the New York Office, Priority III.

On 4/7/72 [redacted] advised that he conducted inquiry at Loma de la Palma #215, in the Lomas de Vista Hermosa subdivision located at Kilometer 18½ on the Mexico City-Toluca Highway. He advised that in conversation with a young girl about [redacted] at that residence he determined that the subject continues to reside there together with his wife NIEVES OROZCO and children. He further ascertained that the subject continues to be a collector of antiques and Mexican archeological objects.

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[redacted] advised that it appeared that the subject is not actively engaged in remunerative employment but that he lives on his assets.

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The foregoing is submitted for the information of the Bureau and New York Division inasmuch as it is assumed that the subject is still currently listed on the ADEX of the New York Office.

5-Bureau
(1-Foreign Liaison Desk)
(2-New York) (100-14419)
1-Mexico City
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J. O'Connor

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Date of Report

~~2/24/73~~ 2/24, 26, 27/73

Date(s) of activity

Current

Brief description of activity or material

Mexican Immigration record located for Blanca Aguilar reflecting stay in Mexico 2/62 to 7/63. Aguilar reportedly employed as nurse at Hospital De La Nutricion, Mexico, D.F., 1964-66.

Frederick V. Field observed in Mexico City on 2/21/73.

File where original is located if not attached

[Redacted]

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Information recorded on a card index by _____ on date _____

Remarks:

cc: 77-309 (Blanca Aguilar)(SA O'Connor)
100-1298 (Frederick Field) (closed)

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C. L. A*

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100-1298-891

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ASUNTO: Manifiesta por vía de información que el día de ayer por la mañana, el Sr. FEDERICO FIELD VANDERBILT junto con su esposa y una pequeña hija como de [redacted] b6 de edad, al parece b7C transtornada mental, estuvieron varias horas en la CLINICA DE LA CONDUCTA, dependiente de la SEP.

México, D. F., a 27 de Febrero de 1973.

Por vía de información para la superioridad, y en vista de que desde hace muchos se ha venido checando al Sr. FEDERICO FIELD VANDERBILT, de nacionalidad Norteamericana, me permito comunicar lo siguiente:

El día de ayer, tuve que trasladarme desde las 8 a.m., a la CLINICA DE LA CONDUCTA, dependiente de la Secretaría de Educación Pública, con ubicación en la Avenida Presidente Masaryk No. 526, Colonia Polanco de esta Capital.

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Poco tiempo después, arribó al mismo sitio, primer piso, el Sr. FEDERICO FIELD VANDERBILT, acompañado de su esposa, la Mexicana del Estado de Hidalgo, NIEVES OROZCO SOBERANES, llevando a una pequeña hijita suya como de [redacted] de edad, quien, al parecer, está afectada mentalmente y su cuerpecito es anormal.

Mientras era atendida la referida menor acompañada por su madre, FIELD que estaba sentado a mi lado y no me reconoció, leía los monitos de THE NEWS. Vestía en forma descuidada lo mismo que la señora y la niña a quien constantemente le hacían cariños.

Cerca de las 12 horas terminaron su consulta y fueron a abordar su camioneta marca "Rambler", color rojo, modelo 1971, con placas de circulación 296 AWL.

Como se recordará, FIELD se dice Coleccionista de Antigüedades, y vive en el Fraccionamiento Lomas de Vista Hermosa, Loma de la Palma No. 215, Kilómetro 18 1/2 de la Carretera México-Toluca.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : FILE (62-156)

DATE: 3-28-79

FROM : ACTING LEGAT

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SUBJECT: DESTRUCTION OF FIELD FILES
AND RECORDS; ELSUR MATTERS

Re Bureau airtel, 3-12-79.

Pursuant to instructions in referenced Bureau airtel that files containing Elsur records and/or correspondence should be retained until the present moratorium on the destruction of Elsur records and/or correspondence can be resolved, DO NOT DESTROY THIS FILE.

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To: LEGAT

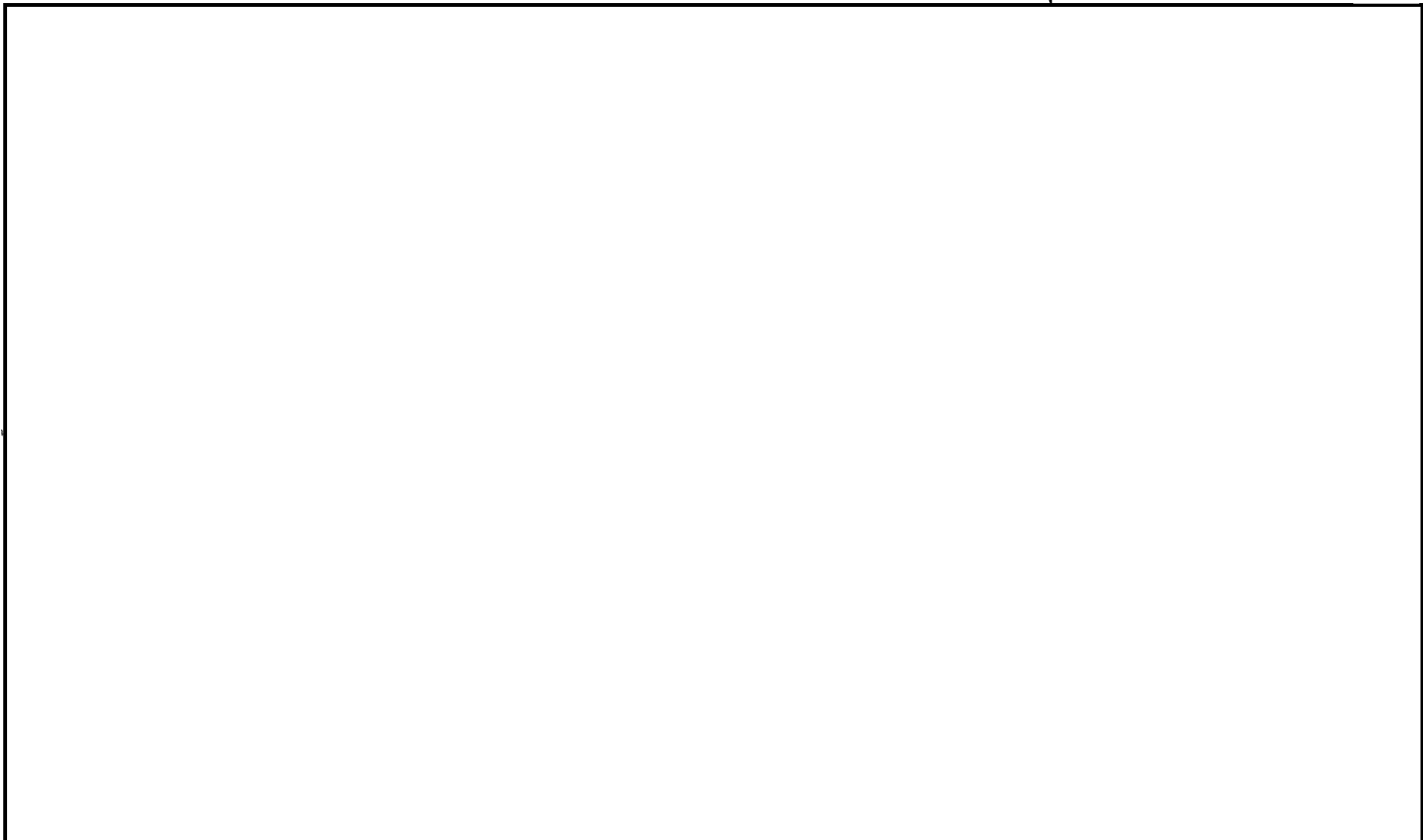
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JUNE - FREDERICK VANDERBILT FIELD
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Date: May 29, 1956

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To: Director, FBI

From: Legat, Mexico (66-54A)

Subject: RELATIONS WITH
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Date: September 13, 1956

To: Director, FBI

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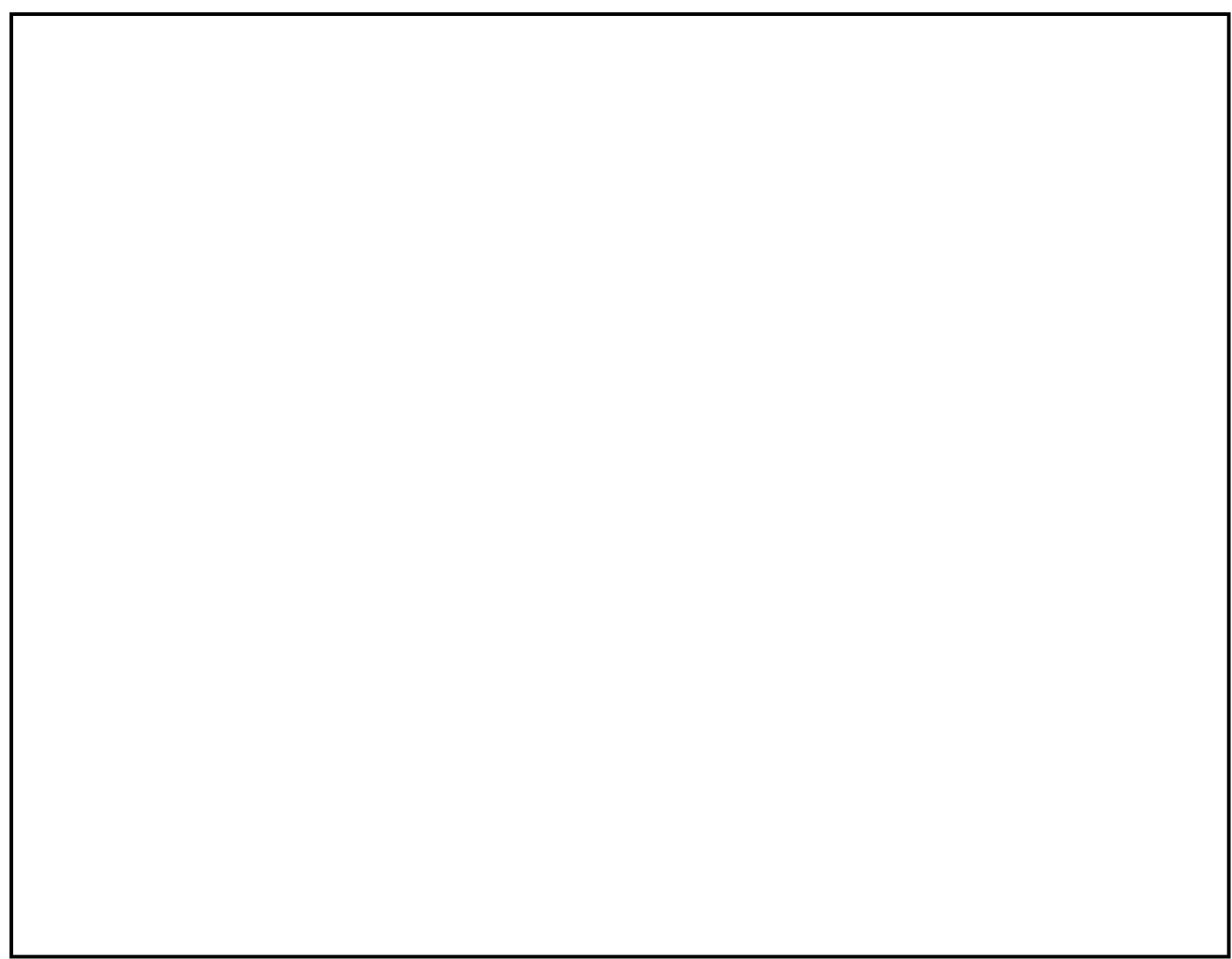
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Date: October 2, 1956

To: Director, FBI

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From: Legat, Mexico (100-1298A)

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