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MR. JOHN GREENEWALD JR.
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FOIPA Request No.: 1380803-000
Subject: GOFMAN, JOHN WILLIAM

Dear Mr. Greenwald:

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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76 pages were reviewed and 75 pages 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.

You may file an appeal by writing to the Director, Office of Information Policy (OIP), United States Department of Justice, Suite 11050, 1425 New York Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20530-0001, or you may submit an appeal through OIP's FOIA online portal by creating an account on the following website: <https://www.foiaonline.gov/foiaonline/action/public/home>. Your appeal must be postmarked or electronically transmitted within ninety (90) days from the date of this letter in order to be considered timely. If you submit your appeal by mail, both the letter and the envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Please cite the FOIPA Request Number assigned to your request so it may be easily identified.

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

See additional information which follows.

Sincerely,



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

Enclosures

The enclosed documents represent the final release of information responsive to your Freedom of Information Act request.

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.

Due to the age and condition of the original documents, some of the reproduced copies are extremely difficult to read. While we realize the quality of some of the documents is poor, every effort has been made to obtain the best copies possible.

The material is being provided to you on CD-ROM at no charge.

This concludes the processing of FOIPA # 1380803.

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.

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

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

Part 3: General Information:

- (i) **Record Searches.** The Record/Information Dissemination Section (RIDS) searches for reasonably described records by searching those systems or locations where responsive records would reasonably be found. A reasonable search normally consists of a search for main files in the Central Records System (CRS), an extensive system of records consisting of applicant, investigative, intelligence, personnel, administrative, and general files compiled and maintained by the FBI in the course of fulfilling law enforcement, intelligence, and administrative functions. The CRS spans the entire FBI organization and encompasses the records of FBI Headquarters (FBIHQ), FBI Field Offices, and FBI Legal Attaché Offices (Legats) worldwide and includes Electronic Surveillance (ELSUR) records. For additional information about our record searches visit www.fbi.gov/services/information-management/foipa/requesting-fbi-records.
- (ii) **FBI Records.** Founded in 1908, the FBI carries out a dual law enforcement and national security mission. As part of this dual mission, the FBI creates and maintains records on various subjects; however, the FBI does not maintain records on every person, subject, or entity.
- (iii) **Requests for Criminal History Records or Rap Sheets.** The Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division provides Identity History Summary Checks – often referred to as a criminal history record or rap 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;
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
- (k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

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JOHN WILLIAM SOFMAN
aka Joseph Sofman, "Jack."
Special Consultant - Employee
Office of Personnel
U. S. Public Health Service,
Federal Security Agency
Washington, D. C.
LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYERS

Attention:
Mr. Archie D. Simpson
Records Administrative Branch

For your information, and in order that consideration might be given as to whether any Federal laws have been violated, there are transmitted herewith copies of reports reflecting the results of a loyalty investigation conducted by this Bureau regarding the above-captioned individual.

These reports are listed in the attached copy of a letter transmitting results of the investigation to the United States Civil Service Commission under provisions of Executive Order 9835.

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Date: February 16, 1951
To: Joseph E. McElvain
Chairman, Board of Inquiry on Employee Loyalty
Federal Security Agency
Washington, D. C.
From: J. Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Subject: JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN
Special Consultant - Employee
Office of Personnel
U. S. Public Health Service
Federal Security Agency
Washington, D. C.
LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

In accordance with your request of January 25, 1951, a full field investigation has been instituted regarding the above-named individual under the provisions of Executive Order 9835. Results of this investigation will be transmitted to the U. S. Civil Service Commission in the usual manner.

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TITLE JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN, aka Joseph Gofman, "Jack," Special Consultant - Employee, Office of Personnel, U. S. Public Health Service, Federal Security Agency, Washington, D. C.			CHARACTER OF CASE LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Investigation based on information received from Cleveland T-1 who advised that GOFMAN's brother-in-law, ISADORE GREENWALD, is extremely pro-Communist. GOFMAN born 9/21/18 at Cleveland, Ohio; attended University of California 1940 to 1946 (Ph.D. 1943, M.D. 1946); employed UC 1940 to 1944 and 1946 to date, part of his work being financed by the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission and by the U. S. Public Health Service. Highly regarded as a loyal American by associates, references, and neighbors. No record Berkeley PD or San Francisco PD. Nothing unfavorable Retailers Credit Association, San Francisco, or Alameda County Retailers Credit Association.

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- Bulet to San Francisco 8/16/51
- Cleveland teletypes to San Francisco 3/13/51 and 3/16/51
- New York teletype to San Francisco 3/13/51
- Washington Field Office teletype to San Francisco 3/14/51

The name JOSEPH GOFMAN is being added to the title of this report inasmuch as this name appeared on the employee's birth record at Cleveland, Ohio. The name "JACK" is added since employee has been known by this name in Cleveland.

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San Francisco, California
March 17, 1951

JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN
aka Joseph Gofman, "Jack,"
Special Consultant - Employee
Office of Personnel
U. S. Public Health Service,
Federal Security Agency,
Washington, D. C.
LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

I. PERSONAL HISTORY

Records of the University of California, Berkeley, California, reflect that JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN was born on September 21, 1918, at Cleveland, Ohio. His parents were DAVID GOFMAN (deceased) and SARAH GOFMAN, both natives of Russia. The employee stated on his personnel record that both of his parents had become United States citizens. He married HELEN ADELAIDE PAHL on August 10, 1940, at Wadsworth, Ohio. Her date and place of birth were recorded as May 18, 1917, at Wadsworth, Ohio. 9-21-1918

From 1935 to 1939 the employee was a student at Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio. From 1939 to 1940 he completed the first year of medical school at the Western Reserve Medical School, Cleveland, Ohio. From 1940 to 1943 he was engaged in graduate work in nuclear chemistry at the University of California at Berkeley, receiving his Ph.D. Degree in 1943. In 1943 and 1944 he was engaged in plutonium research at the University of California.

In 1944-1946 he was a student at the University of California Medical School, receiving his M.D. Degree in 1946. From 1946 to 1947 he was an intern at the University of California Hospital. From 1947 to date he has been employed in the Department of Medical Physics at the University of California and in 1950 and 1951 he has also been employed part time as a clinical instructor in medicine at the University of California Hospital.

II. BASIS FOR INVESTIGATION

This investigation was requested by the Federal Security Agency, Washington, D.C., based on information furnished by Cleveland T-1, of unknown reliability, who advised ISADORE GREENWALD, a brother-in-law of the employee, is extremely pro-Communist and that GREENWALD's

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antagonism towards democracy and the capitalistic system has caused ill feeling between GREENWALD and his lawyer associates. Cleveland T-1 added that GREENWALD apparently has a strong feeling of admiration for GOFMAN and that GOFMAN visited GREENWALD after attending many scientific conferences.

III. RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

AT BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

DOROTHY HURLEY, Registrar's Office, University of California, produced records which reflected that the employee was admitted as a graduate student in chemistry in August 1940 and received his Ph.D. Degree on February 6, 1943. He entered the University of California Medical School in 1944 and received his M.D. Degree in June 1946. The Registrar's records contained no information reflecting on the loyalty of the employee.

BLANCHE MILLER, Office of the Secretary of the Regents of the University of California, furnished the following information bearing on the academic employment of GOFMAN at the University of California:

From 1940 to 1942 he was employed as a teaching assistant in the Chemistry Department. In 1942 he was employed as a Research Associate in Chemistry. From 1947 to 1950 he was employed as an Assistant Professor of Medical Physics. From 1950 to date he has been employed as an Associate Professor of Medical Physics. From 1950 to date he has been employed part time as a Clinical Instructor in Medicine. The Regents records contain no information reflecting on the loyalty of the employee.

Mr. GEORGE EVERSON, Director of Scientific Personnel, University of California Radiation Laboratory, advised that from 1942 until 1944 GOFMAN was employed on a special project concerning plutonium research under the direction of the Chemistry Department at the University of California. He was reemployed during the summer of 1946 doing research work at the Donner Laboratory, University of California. He was again employed at the Donner Laboratory in July 1947 and has been continuously employed there to date.

Mr. EVERSON commented that in connection with the employee's work on plutonium research, he was instrumental in the

discovery of Uranium 233. EVERSON also advised that in connection with his recent research work at the Donner Laboratory the employee has made "historic discoveries" in connection with the importance of fatty proteins and their relationship to heart diseases. EVERSON stated that he offered this information because he felt that it reflected favorably on the employee's loyalty to the United States, inasmuch as all of GOFMAN's work has been conducted under the auspices of either the Atomic Energy Commission or the United States Public Health Service, resulting in comparatively minor financial gain for GOFMAN. EVERSON stated that he would recommend GOFMAN wholeheartedly as a loyal American.

Professor WENDELL LATIMER, Chemistry Department, University of California, advised that he was the employee's immediate supervisor from 1942 to 1944 when he was engaged in plutonium research. He stated that he has known GOFMAN continuously from 1940 and he would recommend him without hesitation as a loyal and patriotic American.

Professor JOEL H. HILDEBRAN, Chairman of the Department of Chemistry, advised that he has known GOFMAN since 1940 and that he considers him to be "an outstandingly patriotic American," inasmuch as he had made major contributions to American science. He said he has had no reason whatsoever to question GOFMAN's loyalty to the United States. He added that he is not acquainted with the employee's family.

Mr. JAMES MILLER, Assistant Business Manager, University of California, stated that he has known the employee casually for two or three years and he has had no reason to question his loyalty to the United States.

Dr. JOHN LAWRENCE, Director of the Donner Laboratory, stated that he has been closely associated with the employee for about five years and that he would recommend him highly as a loyal American. He stated that he is also well acquainted with GOFMAN's wife and has had no reason to question her loyalty to the United States. He also advised that he has no knowledge of the employee's relatives in the Cleveland, Ohio, area. He stated that GOFMAN is presently employed as a special consultant to the Public Health Service and he is also engaged in research work at the Donner Laboratory which is partially financed by Public Health Service funds.

Dr. HARDIN JONES, Assistant Director, Donner Laboratory, advised that he considers himself to be the employee's closest friend in the California area. He is also well acquainted with the employee's wife and he considers them both to be without a doubt loyal Americans. He offered information that GOFMAN is presently engaged in the study of the significance of fatty proteins in connection with heart diseases and that GOFMAN's discoveries in this connection will have important scientific significance in the near future.

JONES emphasized that the employee is completely disinterested in financial gain and has done most of his work under the auspices of the United States Government without any thought of personal gain. Dr. JONES advised that he is not acquainted with any of GOFMAN's family members other than his wife and child.

Mr. ROBERT A. SANS SOUCI, Administrative Assistant, Donner Laboratory, stated that he has been in close contact with the employee for over five years. He commented that he has had "absolutely no reason to question GOFMAN's loyalty." He also recommended GOFMAN's wife as a loyal American, but advised that he is not acquainted with any of the other relatives of the employee.

Professor RAYMOND BIRGE, Chairman of the Physics Department, University of California, advised that he has been well acquainted with the employee since about 1941 and stated he would recommend GOFMAN without hesitation as a thoroughly loyal American.

Professor LEONARD LOEB, Physics Department, stated that he has been acquainted casually with the employee since about 1942 and that he has had no reason to question GOFMAN's loyalty to the United States.

Mrs. HAROLD RANGLES, Manager of the apartment house at 1890 Arch Street, advised that her records indicate that the employee had resided at this address between 1941 and 1944, but she was unable to furnish the exact dates of his residence and was unable to recall him.

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The employee was unknown to the following persons at the above address, both of whom have resided there for eleven years: Miss MILDRED MITCHELL and Mrs. LAURA DERRING.

In connection with a previous investigation Mrs. BETTY NOAKES, 1878 Parker Street, advised that she was the Manager of the apartment house at 2339 Hilgard Street in 1940 and 1941. She stated that she recalled the employee as a former resident of this building and she furnished no information reflecting on his loyalty to the United States.

The employee is unknown to the following persons residing at 2339 Hilgard Street: Miss JOSEPHINE SEEDON and Mr. FREDERICK LEERS.

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

Dr. FRANCIS SMITH, Dean of the University of California Medical School, advised that he has been well acquainted with the employee since 1944 and advised that GOFMAN was one of the best students ever to attend this medical school and graduated number one in his class. He stated that the employee's wife is also a physician and is presently an Assistant Resident Physician in Pediatrics under Dr. SMITH's immediate supervision.

He stated that he felt he could recommend both the employee and his wife without reservation as loyal Americans. He commented that although GOFMAN is technically a clinical instructor in medicine at the University of California Hospital, all of his time in the past three or four years has been spent in research at the Donner Laboratory on the University of California Campus in Berkeley.

Mr. PETER MASON BOND, 1039 Clayton Street, advised that he has been a next-door neighbor of the employee for about three years and that he is also a social acquaintance of the GOFMANS. He stated that he sees very little of the employee, inasmuch as GOFMAN works night and day at the Donner Laboratory in Berkeley. He stated that he would not hesitate to recommend the employee and his wife as loyal Americans. He was unable to furnish the names of any other persons in this neighborhood who would know the employee in view of the fact that GOFMAN and his wife spend so little time at home.

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**AIR MAIL
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Director, FBI

**JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN
Special Consultant - Employee
Office of Personnel
U. S. Public Health Service
Federal Security Agency
Washington, D.C.
LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES**

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() You are instructed to conduct a full field investigation concerning the above-named individual. This investigation is to be assigned immediately and the results mailed to reach the Bureau by March 19, 1951.

() You are instructed to conduct a preliminary inquiry concerning the above-named individual. This investigation is to be assigned immediately and results mailed to reach the Bureau by _____. As you are aware, when a preliminary inquiry is conducted in an LGE case, you should determine whether there is sufficient information available to warrant a full field investigation. If so, the case should be converted into a full field investigation and the Bureau and auxiliary offices advised promptly by teletype. Any necessary leads should be set out. If not converted, your preliminary inquiry should be sufficiently complete to resolve the question of loyalty and sufficient information should be furnished the Bureau to justify your determination that no further action is warranted.

If it is determined that the captioned person is known by names other than those appearing in the caption, the Bureau and Washington Field Office should be advised so that the additional names may be checked against appropriate records.

Attached for your assistance is a photostatic copy of the Request for Report on Loyalty Data furnished to the Bureau on this individual.

Bureau files contain the following information regarding this person:

Reference is made to a letter from the Federal Security Agency dated January 25, 1951, entitled "John William Gofman." This agency requested that a full field loyalty investigation be conducted by the Bureau on this employee and specifically requested that the relationship between Gofman and his brother-in-law, Isadore Greenwald be thoroughly investigated.

cc: Cleveland (enc)
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The employee was unknown to the following persons in the vicinity of 1047 Clayton Street: MILDRED A. ROBERTSON, 1053 Clayton Street; ELEANOR J. SUMMERS, 1053 Clayton Street; and Mrs. F. R. GORSELINE, 1055 Clayton Street.

In connection with a previous investigation the following persons in the vicinity of 206 Judah Street were interviewed in 1947:

Mrs. A. SIEBRECHT, owner of the apartment house at 206 Judah Street, advised that the employee and his wife had resided there for about three or four years, that they were excellent tenants, and that she considered them to be loyal Americans.

Mrs. DOROTHY DAVIES stated that she had known the employee about three years and that both he and his wife were, in her opinion, loyal Americans. She had no knowledge of any of the employee's other relatives.

Miss J. F. KLAES, 206 Judah Street, stated that she had been acquainted with the employee for about two or three years, but that her acquaintance with him had been so slight that she could not comment on the question of his loyalty to the United States.

Mrs. GEORGE SHELLEY, 206 Judah, stated that she had been casually acquainted with the employee for two or three years and she furnished no information reflecting unfavorably on his loyalty to the United States.

There was no record of the employee or his wife at the San Francisco Police Department or the Berkeley Police Department.

The files of the Retailers Credit Association at San Francisco and of the Alameda County Retailers Credit Association at Oakland contain no disloyal information concerning the employee or his wife.

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San Francisco T-1, T-2, T-3, T-4, T-5, and T-6, all of known reliability, who are familiar with some aspects of un-American activities in the San Francisco Bay area, including Berkeley, California, have no information identifiable with the employee or his wife.

The records of the House Committee on un-American Activities contain no information concerning the employee.

The records of San Francisco T-7, a government agency conducting personnel investigation, contain no information concerning the employee pertinent to their investigation.

The records of San Francisco T-8, a government agency conducting personnel and security investigation, contain no information concerning the employee.

Employee's name was checked against the records of the Identification Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C., and no criminal record was located.

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Credit and criminal checks at Berkeley, California, were made by SE H. EUGENE DARLING.

Credit and criminal checks at San Francisco, California, were made by SE VINCENT H. LANGERS.

Rebulet to San Francisco dated 2/16/51, which referred to a Cleveland letter dated 4/11/50 entitled [redacted] Cleveland file [redacted] and which indicated that Bureau files reflected the San Francisco office to be in possession of a copy of this letter. A search of the files of the San Francisco office failed to reflect that this office received the above letter from Cleveland.

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The neighborhood investigation at 206 Judah Street and the interview of Mrs. BETTY NOAKES, 1878 Parker Street, Berkeley, were conducted by SA THOMAS B. WALTON, as reflected in his report dated 9/27/47 in the case entitled "JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN, AKA."

No comment as to the reliability of Cleveland T-1 is included in this report inasmuch as the San Francisco office is not in possession of sufficient information to make an evaluation of reliability.

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San Francisco, California
March 17, 1951

JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN,
aka Joseph Gofman, "Jack,"
Special Consultant - Employee
Office of Personnel
U. S. Public Health Service,
Federal Security Agency,
Washington, D. C.
LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

I. PERSONAL HISTORY

Records of the University of California, Berkeley, California, reflect that JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN was born on September 21, 1918, at Cleveland, Ohio. His parents were DAVID GOFMAN (deceased) and SARAH GOFMAN, both natives of Russia. The employee stated on his personnel record that both of his parents had become United States citizens. He married HELEN ADELAIDE FAHL on August 10, 1940, at Wadsworth, Ohio. Her date and place of birth were recorded as May 18, 1917, at Wadsworth, Ohio.

From 1935 to 1939 the employee was a student at Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio. From 1939 to 1940 he completed the first year of medical school at the Western Reserve Medical School, Cleveland, Ohio. From 1940 to 1943 he was engaged in graduate work in nuclear chemistry at the University of California at Berkeley, receiving his Ph.D. Degree in 1943. In 1943 and 1944 he was engaged in plutonium research at the University of California.

In 1944-1946 he was a student at the University of California Medical School, receiving his M.D. Degree in 1946. From 1946 to 1947 he was an intern at the University of California Hospital. From 1947 to date he has been employed in the Department of Medical Physics at the University of California and in 1950 and 1951 he has also been employed part time as a clinical instructor in medicine at the University of California Hospital.

II. BASIS FOR INVESTIGATION

of membership in subcommittee
This investigation *was requested by the Federal Security Agency, Washington, D.C.* is based on information furnished by Cleveland T-1 who advised ISADORE GREENWALD, a brother-in-law of the employee, is extremely pro-Communist and that GREENWALD's

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**United States Department of Justice
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Washington, D. C.
LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES**

Report of SA LEON F. SCHWARTZ

Dated: March 17, 1951, at San Francisco

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JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN, FSA, LGE. REPORT DELAYED TWO DAYS BY NEW INFORMATION DEVELOPED REQUIRING ADDITIONAL INVESTIGATION. GOFMAN APPOINTED JULY TWENTYSIX, FIFTY. UNLESS BUREAU ADVISES TO CONTRARY, REPORT WILL DESCRIBE HIM AS APPOINTEE RATHER THAN EMPLOYEE AS INDICATED BULET FEB. SIXTEEN, LAST.

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From: J. Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: **JOHN WILLIAM SOFMAN**
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There are transmitted herewith four copies of the following report covering an investigation conducted by this Bureau concerning the captioned individual under the provisions of Executive Order 9835:

Report of Special Agent Leon F. Schwartz, dated March 17, 1951, at San Francisco, California

Report of Special Agent F. John H. Beattie, dated March 23, 1951, at Cleveland, Ohio

Report of Special Agent John H. [redacted], dated March 28, 1951, at New York, New York

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Please advise this Bureau of the ultimate disposition which is made of this case.

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REPORT MADE AT CLEVELAND	DATE WHEN MADE 3/23/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 3/1,2,15-17, 12-22/51	REPORT MADE BY F. JOHN M. BEATTIE fmb/mls
TITLE JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN, Aka, "Jack", Joseph Gofman Special Consultant, U. S. Public Health Service Federal Security Agency, Washington, D. C.		CHARACTER OF CASE LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES	

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

No disloyal data developed from any source concerning appointee other than connection with ISADORE GREENWALD, brother-in-law, who is reported to be a Communist or Communist sympathizer, to associate with known CP members and to be a member of the National Lawyers Guild. Relations between appointee and brother-in-law cordial but contact described as infrequent for past fifteen years. Appointee born JOSEPH GOFMAN, 9/21/18, Cleveland, Ohio.

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Reference:

Bulet to San Francisco, 2/16/51.

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Reference is made to Cleveland letter dated April 11, 1950
entitled [redacted] Cleveland file [redacted]

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Bureau files reflect that the San Francisco Office is in possession of a copy of this letter. This letter reflects that Harry Christensen advised that Isadore Greenwald, the brother-in-law of this employee, apparently had a strong feeling of admiration for this employee and that Gofman visited Greenwald after he had attended many scientific conferences.

Christensen stated that Greenwald is extremely pro-Communist, and that Greenwald's antagonism toward democracy and capitalistic system has caused ill feeling between Greenwald and his lawyer associates.

This investigation should be directed toward establishing the closeness of association between the employee and his brother-in-law, Isadore Greenwald, and the Cleveland Office should set out any pertinent data concerning Greenwald. The San Francisco Office should set out the basis and the personal history data on this employee.

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JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN
Aka: "Jack", Joseph Gofman
Special Consultant
U. S. Public Health Service
Federal Security Agency
Washington, D. C.
LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

March 23, 1951
Cleveland, Ohio

IV Results of Investigation.

BACKGROUND DATA REGARDING APPOINTEE AND FAMILY

Personnel data concerning this appointee made available in connection with a previous investigation indicates that his father and mother are DAVE and SARAH GOFMAN, both born in Russia.

Cleveland directories reflect that appointee's family has resided at the following addresses in Cleveland:

3647 Scoville Avenue
11408 Hopkins Avenue
12515 Edmonton Avenue
11610 Hopkins Avenue
3293 Tullamore Avenue

Further reference to exact periods of residence will be made in later portions of this report.

Records of the Clerk of Court, Federal District Court for the Northern District of Ohio reflect the following:

DAVE GOFMAN, born November 22, 1888 in Grodock, Russia (Poland) residing at 3647 Scoville Avenue, came to the United States from Germany in 1907. After declaring his intention on December 16, 1920, DAVE GOFMAN filed Petition Number 18812 on March 10, 1924 and was admitted to United

States citizenship on September 11, 1924, Certificate Number 2104526. DAVE GOFMAN'S petition reflects that he had two children, JACK, born September 20, 1918, Cleveland, and IDA.

SARAH GOFMAN, born December 25, 1890, Grodno, Poland, came to the United States in 1907 as SORE KAPLAN. She married DAVID GOFMAN, Certificate of Naturalization 1924-C-2104526. After filing Petition Number 66326 she was issued Certificate of Naturalization 4703257 on July 7, 1939. At the time of application for naturalization she resided at 12515 Edmonton Avenue and had two children, JOSEPH, born September 21, 1918, Cleveland, and IDA.

The records of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Division of Health, City of Cleveland, Certificate Number 16361 reflect male child JOSEPH GOFMAN was born on September 21, 1918 to DAVE and SARAH GOFMAN, both born in Russia, residing at 3647 Scoville Avenue.

The general indices of the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Division of Health, contain no reference to any other child born to the GOFMAN family in 1918.

A search of the records of the Probate Branch, Court of Common Pleas, Cuyahoga County, was made but no record was found from 1918 to the present of any action or suit to change the name of JOSEPH GOFMAN.

At Page 214, Volume 173 of the Marriage Records of Cuyahoga County is maintained the Certificate of Marriage on June 30, 1936 of ISADORE GREENWALD, age 32, born Cleveland, Ohio, an attorney, residing at 10820 Earle Avenue, to IDA GOFMAN, residing at 12515 Edmonton Avenue. The application for marriage indicates that the grooms parents are SAMUEL GREENWALD and LOTTIE LANZ GREENWALD. ~~GREENWALD~~

In connection with information set out hereinafter concerning a brother of ISADORE GREENWALD, it is pointed out that the birth records of the Division of Health for the City of Cleveland reveal that LOUIS GREENWALD was born to SAMUEL GREENWALD and LOTTIE LANZ GREENWALD on October 16, 1910 at Cleveland, Ohio. So far as these records reflect, ISADORE and LOUIS are the only male children born to SAMUEL and LOTTIE GREENWALD.

ASSOCIATION BETWEEN APPOINTEE AND ISADORE GREENWALD

Upon recontact, Cleveland T-1, of unknown reliability, who does not wish his identity to be divulged by the FBI or any Loyalty Board, but who is willing to appear before a Loyalty Board if necessary, stated that he has no knowledge of JOHN WILLIAM GORMAN except as received from ISADORE GREENWALD, an Attorney, who is married to GORMAN'S sister, IDA. Cleveland T-1, who occupies a substantial professional position, stated that he has known GREENWALD personally and in business transactions for four years and on numerous occasions has heard GREENWALD make statements indicating that he preferred Communism to the Democratic form of Government and favored Russia over the United States. Specifically Cleveland T-1 recalls remarks by GREENWALD that Russia is a wonderful country, that STALIN is the greatest genius produced by the present generation; that under Communism persecution of minority groups would not be permitted; that the United States is not living up to the Yalta Agreement; and that free enterprise and individual initiative of the traditional American types are "all washed up".

Cleveland T-1 informed that in observing developments in Jugoslavia, GREENWALD originally took the position that MIHAILOVICH was a traitor and TITO a hero, but abandoned his admiration of TITO when TITO began to resist Russian domination.

However, Cleveland T-1 informed that he has no knowledge of organizations to which GREENWALD belongs.

Associates of GREENWALD known to Cleveland T-1 are SAMUEL RACZ, Attorney in the Society for Savings Building, 145 Public Square, where GREENWALD also has his offices; PHILLIP BARTELL, Attorney in the same building; and ~~ELISE TARCAI~~, likewise an Attorney in this building.

Cleveland T-1 stated that GREENWALD and RACZ lunch together frequently; that GREENWALD and BARTELL associate together constantly, and that GREENWALD and TARCAI engage in frequent conversations in the corridor of the Society for Savings Building. Cleveland T-1 further stated that he has heard RACZ make the same type anti-Democratic, pro-Communist statements as GREENWALD.

With respect to SAMUEL RACZ mentioned above, Cleveland directories reflect that SAMUEL RACZ, Attorney, Society for Savings Building, resides at 4109 West 161st Street, Cleveland. Cleveland T-3, of known reliability, advised in August of 1949 that SAMUEL RACZ of the above address was a member of the International Workers Order.

The International Workers Order has been cited by the Attorney General as within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

With respect to PHILLIP BARTELL, an Attorney at 614 Society for Savings Building, Cleveland, T-4, of known reliability, advised on June 2, 1941 that Mr. and Mrs. PHILLIP BARTELL were members of the Communist Party and that Communist Party meetings were held in their home. In March of 1949, Cleveland T-5, of known reliability, advised that BARTELL did not attend Communist Party functions at that time, but was regarded as a "Big Shot Communist".

With respect to ELSIE TARCAI, mentioned above, an Attorney with offices at 513 Society for Savings Building, Cleveland T-5 advised on December 18, 1947 that ELSIE TARCAI was a member of both the Communist Party and the Civil Rights Congress. On November 2, 1950, Cleveland T-5 advised that TARCAI was formerly active in the Communist Party and that current non-activity was probably due to national attention recently focused on the Communist Party.

The Communist Party and the Civil Rights Congress have been cited by the Attorney General as within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

Cleveland T-1 further advised that GREENWALD greatly admires the appointee as a man and regards him as one of the ranking Atomic Scientists in the United States. Regarding the association between the two men, Cleveland T-1 noted that appointee's mother lives with GREENWALD and his wife IDA, and that in visiting GREENWALD, appointee also visits his mother, Mrs. SARAH GOFMAN and his sister, IDA GREENWALD. Cleveland T-1 stated that he has gathered from conversations with GREENWALD that during appointee's college days he stayed at the GREENWALD home during summer and other vacations; that during summer vacations appointee and GREENWALD engaged in a joint venture in selling pencils on a wholesale scale; that in the summer or fall of 1948, appointee visited the GREENWALD family after attending a Scientific Conference, probably in New York; that GREENWALD had gone to California during the past five years, at least partially upon appointee's suggestion with a possible view to setting up a law practice; and that appointee maintains a regular correspondence with members of the GREENWALD household. Cleveland T-1 is also of the opinion that appointee may have contacted the GREENWALDS' on other occasions, but he does not have specific knowledge of such contacts. According to Cleveland T-1, he did not obtain from GREENWALD any impression that appointee was dominated by GREENWALD, or any information that appointee had confided to GREENWALD any restricted

data. In this regard Cleveland T-1 stated that he has no information bearing upon appointee's loyalty other than appointee's connection with GREENWALD.

Cleveland T-1 advised that GREENWALD has aroused some ill-feeling between himself and certain other lawyers and businessmen by means of his pro-Communist attitude.

In this connection, Cleveland T-2, of unknown reliability, a businessman who has known GREENWALD for twenty-five years, as a result of business relations, was interviewed and advised that he would prefer not to commit himself on the subject of GREENWALD'S loyalty to the United States. Cleveland T-2 stated that he had no reason to believe that GREENWALD favored a change in the form of Government of the United States by force and violence, but that in 1936 GREENWALD had made remarks to him which Cleveland T-2 described as "Socialistic". While disclaiming any exact knowledge of the term "Socialistic", Cleveland T-2 advised that to him it meant a system under which everyone had the same amount of dollars and there were no large accumulations of wealth. Cleveland T-2 stated that these and similar ideas had been voiced by GREENWALD in 1936. According to Cleveland T-2, since that time GREENWALD has made no statements reflecting on his loyalty unless a statement to the effect that he was a member of the National Lawyers Guild could be so considered.

In connection with information set out hereinafter concerning the brother of ISADORE GREENWALD, it is noted that Cleveland T-2 advised that ISADORE GREENWALD has one brother.

With respect to appointee, Cleveland T-2 stated that ISADORE GREENWALD admires his brother-in-law greatly but has given no indication to Cleveland T-2 that he exercises undue influence on appointee. Cleveland T-2 informed that a few years ago GREENWALD visited the appointee in California and possibly stayed with appointee at appointee's residence. Cleveland T-2 is also of the opinion that appointee visited GREENWALD possibly two years ago on his way to New York.

According to Cleveland T-2, the above information concerning the association between GREENWALD and appointee was obtained from GREENWALD.

The National Lawyers Guild, mentioned above was cited as a Communist front organization by the Special Committee on Un-American Activities, House of Representatives on March 29, 1944.

Cleveland T-6, of known reliability, states that the Communist Party considers the National Lawyers Guild to be a working ally.

Available Cleveland directories reflect that ISADORE GREENWALD, IDA GOFMAN GREENWALD and SARAH GOFMAN were listed at the same addresses as follows:

11408 Hopkins Avenue (1934-1935);

1251 Edmonton Avenue (1937-1939);

11610 Hopkins Avenue (1940);

3293 Tallamore (1947).

From 1934 to 1936 DAVID GOFMAN is also listed at the address indicated above and in 1939 and 1940 JOHN W. GOFMAN (student) is also listed at addresses indicated above for those years. Prior to 1937 IDA GOFMAN GREENWALD is listed as IDA GOFMAN. ISADORE GREENWALD is uniformly referred to as an attorney, Society For Savings Building, 145 Public Square, Rooms 206 (1934), 409 (1941) and 622 (1947). Directories from 1941 through 1946 do not refer to SARAH GOFMAN but indicate that ISADORE and IDA GREENWALD continued residence at 11610 Hopkins through 1942, after which they are listed at 3293 Tallamore.

Mrs. DAVID BENNETT, 12513 Edmonton Avenue, which is the suite below 12515 Edmonton, the two units constituting a duplex, advised that she is well acquainted with the appointee and his family and that she is of the opinion that they are all entirely loyal American citizens. Mrs. BENNETT volunteered that she was aware of the Russian background of the GOFMAN family but stated that she had never observed any other indication of a connection with a foreign country.

Mrs. BENNETT advised that the GOFMANS and GREENWALDS constituted a closely knit unit and did not associate closely with other persons in the neighborhood. With respect to appointee particularly, Mrs. BENNETT observed that he impressed her as an entirely reliable individual of unusual talents whose patriotism was beyond question. She noted that appointee was attending college during most of the time his family resided on Edmonton Avenue, but spent some time at home during vacations.

Mrs. GEORGE SCHNEIDER, 11612 Hopkins Avenue, advised that Mrs. GOFMAN owned the duplex house known as 11610 and 11612 Hopkins, and that the SCHNEIDERS had rented the lower portion of this house from her. Mrs. SCHNEIDER stated that she has known appointee's mother for many years and that she was very friendly with them during the early 1940s when they

resided at 11610 Hopkins Avenue. According to Mrs. SCHNEIDER, appointee, who is known as JACK, was away at college most of the time.

She stated that the normal degree of association existed between members of the family and in this connection observed that ISADORE and IDA GREENWALD were a part of Mrs. GOFMAN's family. Mrs. SCHNEIDER stated that she had never observed any indication by act or word that any member of this family group was disloyal to the United States. She had no knowledge of organizations to which any of them might belong.

Mrs. GEORGE MARKLEY, 3301 Tullamore, advised that she has known the GREENWALDS and appointee and his mother for approximately the past eight years. She stated that she regards Mrs. GREENWALD as entirely loyal to the United States. However, she stated that her knowledge of Mr. GREENWALD, appointee and his mother was too slight to warrant an expression of opinion as to loyalty.

According to Mrs. MARKLEY, appointee has visited his sister and mother very infrequently during the past few years and she was able to recall only one visit in the Summer of 1949 or 1950, at which time appointee left his baby with his relatives and proceeded on to New York. On this occasion, according to Mrs. MARKLEY, appointee spent a part of two days at the Tullamore address.

Mrs. MARKLEY, who advised that Mrs. GREENWALD speaks freely to her, informed that Mrs. GREENWALD had visited appointee in California several years ago and possibly was accompanied by Mr. GREENWALD on that trip. However, she was dubious as to whether Mr. GREENWALD had made this trip and indicated that while her contact with the GREENWALDS was close on a neighborly basis, she had no knowledge of any other personal contacts between appointee and the members of his family in Cleveland.

Mr. LOUIS H. FEDER, a retired clothing salesman, 3289 Tullamore, advised that he and his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. HERBERT H. KLEIN, are not on speaking terms with the GREENWALDS because of personal differences and have no use for the GREENWALDS. However, he stated that so far as he knew, all members of the GREENWALD household were entirely loyal to the United States. He advised that he is not acquainted with the appointee and had never observed him at the GREENWALD home.

INFORMATION RELATING EXCLUSIVELY TO ISADORE GREENWALD

Cleveland T-7, a local Governmental agency which collects information of a security nature, has advised in September, 1943 that

ISADORE GREENWALD, with offices at 409 Public Square Building, residing at 12515 Edmontan, was an attorney for all Communists and had been very active in organizing the picketing of the Italian Consul protesting the Italian intervention in the Spanish Civil War.

It was said by Cleveland T-8 that ISADORE GREENWALD had a brother who was active as a Communist.

Upon recontact, Cleveland T-7 advised that this information was old and that the available records did not reflect the original source of the reports.

In connection with this information, attention is called to the data set out before indicating that ISADORE GREENWALD formerly occupied Room 409 of the Society For Savings Building, 145 Public Square.

Cleveland T-7 advised that no information is available concerning the brother of ISADORE GREENWALD. Attention is directed to information set out hereinbefore that ISADORE GREENWALD has a brother, LOUIS GREENWALD. The records of the Cleveland Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation contain no information concerning any individual named LOUIS GREENWALD.

Cleveland T-7 furnished the following data and indicated that it was received from Cleveland T-9:

"There are fifteen members of the Communist Party whose duties are to become members of various organizations throughout the city and obtain control of the organization, and if successful in obtaining control then to try and discredit the organization...."

"I. GREENWALD and PHILLIP BARTELL who occupy the same office as attorneys in the Society For Savings Building, also have the duties described above and in addition distribute propaganda as to the great work of the Soviet Union and to discredit the United States."

Cleveland T-9, of unknown reliability, the origin of the above information, was interviewed and advised that he is highly prejudiced against ISADORE GREENWALD because of what he considers cheap professional conduct. However, he stated that this feeling in no way influenced his judgment concerning GREENWALD's patriotism.

Cleveland T-9 advised that because of his membership in the Socialist Party from 1915 to 1924, and his subsequent contact with the organization Iocr, he has acquired extensive knowledge concerning the

Communist Party and concerning the characteristics of Communists who may not be actual members of the Party. Cleveland T-9 indicated that his standards of judgment include such items as the common jargon utilized by all Communists and the attitude of the individual in question towards the Nazi-Russian alliance and termination of that alliance in the early days of World War II.

Cleveland T-9 stated that during the early days of World War II he frequently contacted ISADORE GREENWALD and PHILLIP BARTELL and from his knowledge of Communism concluded that both were "hardened and active Communists". He stated that he based this opinion upon their use of the conventional Communist jargon and upon the fact that they accused him of being pro-Italian and anti-United States because he stood out against Russia at all times during World War II.

According to Cleveland T-9, both BARTELL and GREENWALD made pro-Communist and anti-United States statements but he was unable to recall the exact statements made at this late date. However, he stated that he could remember that these individuals always appeared to follow the changes in the Communist Party line exactly.

It was pointed out to Cleveland T-9 that the original report made by him concerning GREENWALD and BARTELL was considerably more definite than his current information and he was apprised of the details of the data attributed to him. At this time Cleveland T-9 stated that he had made no such statements concerning GREENWALD and BARTELL as were attributed to him but that he recognized general propositions which he had given utterance to and which had apparently been specifically applied to GREENWALD and BARTELL, possibly in the official reporting of his remarks.

According to T-9, his long familiarity with the activities of Communists has familiarized him with their technique which he described as "boring from within", by which he stated he meant that Communists entered otherwise reputable organizations and attempted to take them over for the Communist Party by gaining control of offices, controlling elections, and so forth. T-9 stated that he had frequently described this technique of the Communists to official sources and in all probability had stated that there were approximately fifteen individuals who seemed to him to be Communists who would be suited by ability and temperament to practice the technique of "boring from within" in any organizations to which they might belong. He stated that in all probability he had named GREENWALD and BARTELL as persons who in his opinion would be engaged in such activities because of his feeling that they were "hardened and active Communists".

Cleveland T-9 advised that obviously the kind of information

attributed to him by Cleveland T-7 could only be supplied by a person within the Communist Party or by a person having sources within the Communist Party, and that he had never been a member of the Communist Party nor had he any sources of information who were members of the Party. It is Cleveland T-9's opinion that the data attributed to him by Cleveland T-7 no doubt originated with him but were misinterpreted or edited in the process of official reporting.

Cleveland T-9 asserted that he knew of no "propaganda" in the sense of literature distributed by GREENWALD and BARTELL, but that their oral remarks denouncing the United States and lauding Russia might be considered propaganda on an informal level.

It is noted that the organization Icor mentioned above, was cited as a Communist organization by the California Committee on Un-American Activities report of 1948, Page 26L.

In connection with the comments of T-9 on PHILLIP BARTELL, attention is called to information set out hereinbefore concerning PHILLIP BARTELL.

Cleveland T-7 has advised that on Sunday, July 5, 1942 the labor picnic committee of the Communist Party sponsored a picnic held at the Ranch, 11300 Turney Road, Garfield Heights, Ohio, and that this picnic was observed by Cleveland T-8, an employee of Cleveland T-7. According to information furnished by Cleveland T-7, speakers at this picnic were ROBERT ALNOR, JOSEPH BRANDT, DAISY BOLICH, and ARNOLD JOHNSON.

Cleveland T-7 advised that Cleveland T-8 observed a car bearing license number JW 792 among those entering the picnic grounds and that Cleveland T-8 determined that this license was registered to ISADORE GREENWALD, 11610 Hopkins Avenue.

Cleveland T-8 was recently contacted and advised that he specifically recalls that there were no other functions going on at the Ranch on July 5, 1942. However, he noted that liquor was being dispensed by an establishment on the grounds and that particular pains were taken to eliminate those cars which merely made contact with the liquor establishment and then drove away.

Listings were made only of those cars whose occupants gave tickets to the ticket taker and thereupon entered the grounds.

Cleveland T-7 has advised that a subpoena concerning information furnished by that agency will be honored.



FEDERAL SECURITY AGENCY
WASHINGTON

January 25, 1951

~~Personal and Confidential~~
Honorable J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington 25, D. C.

McElvain
BA-1

Dear Mr. Hoover: Subject: John William Gofman

This is to request a full field investigation of John William Gofman, born September 21, 1918, who is employed in the excepted position of Special Consultant, U. S. Public Health Service, Federal Security Agency, Washington, D. C.

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We request that you specifically investigate the relationship of Dr. Gofman with his brother-in-law, Isadore Greenwald, who is mentioned in your memorandum of transmittal to James E. Hatcher, which is dated December 21, 1950.

Sincerely yours,

Joseph E. McElvain
Joseph E. McElvain
Chairman
Board of Inquiry on Employee Loyalty.

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In connection with the above information received from Cleveland T-7, it is noted that Cleveland T-4, previously described, advised on July 5, 1942 that the entire Communist Party of Cuyahoga County turned out for this picnic, plus hundreds of its sympathizers. Cleveland T-4 stated that 3200 tickets were collected at the gate. Cleveland T-4 further noted that many Fellow Travelers and sympathizers attended the picnic whom he had not seen at any of the Party's affairs since 1937.

Cleveland T-4 furnished a copy of the program for this picnic, which program is captioned "Victory in 1942 Picnic" and indicates the speakers as follows:

Chairman, JOE BRANDT, State Secretary, Communist Party

DAISY LOLICH, Cuyahoga County Secretary, Young Communist League

ARNOLD JOHNSON, State Secretary, Communist Party

BOB MINOR, Member National Committee, Communist Party

Mr. WILLIAM A. WEISS, President of the Cuyahoga County Bar Association, 1950, with offices in the Keith Building, has advised that he has known ISADORE GREENWALD personally and professionally for a number of years and that nothing had come to his attention which would cast any doubt on GREENWALD's loyalty to the United States.

EDUCATIONAL DATA CONCERNING APPOINTEE

The records of Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio reflect that appointee attended that institution from September, 1935 to June 13, 1939, graduating with a major in Chemistry. These records contained no information concerning the loyalty of the appointee.

Mr. NED BOSWORTH, Dean of Men, advised that he would be willing to recommend appointee for a position of trust and confidence on the basis of his knowledge of appointee and further stated that he considered appointee to be a good, loyal American.

Professor HARRY N. HOLMES, 329 Reamer Place, retired Head of the Department of Chemistry, Oberlin College, advised that after working closely with appointee on research matters for several years, he had no reason to believe that appointee was not a loyal American.

Professor LUKE E. STEINER, Head of the Department of Chemistry, Oberlin College, named as a reference by appointee, stated that he would highly recommend appointee for a position of trust and confidence and had no hesitation in stating that appointee is a loyal American citizen.

The records of the Western Reserve Medical School reflect that appointee attended that institution from September, 1939 to June, 1940 when he transferred to the University of California. These records contained no information bearing upon appointee's loyalty to the United States.

From a review of the above college records, it was noted that appointee was uniformly known as JOHN WILLIAM GOFLAN.

MISCELLANEOUS

The records of the Retail Credit Mens Company in Cleveland and those of the Oberlin Credit Bureau, Oberlin, Ohio contained no record concerning appointee.

The records of the Cleveland Police Department, Common Pleas Court of Cuyahoga County Criminal Branch, and the Oberlin Police Department, Oberlin, Ohio, were searched but no record was found concerning this appointee.

There is no record of appointee in the files of Cleveland T-7, previously described.

Cleveland T-10, T-11, T-12 and T-13, all reliable confidential informants having knowledge of the activities of the Communist Party in the Cleveland area, have been recently contacted and have advised that the appointee and his brother-in-law, ISADORE GREENWALD, are both unknown to them.

ADMINISTRATIVE

Cleveland T-1 advised that ISADORE GREENWALD frequently and feelingly relates an incident of his school days when a schoolmate said to him, "Mike, get out of my chair". GREENWALD stated that such a remark would never be permitted in Russia. Cleveland T-1 believes that GREENWALD's bitterness to the United States is traceable to a considerable degree to this incident.

Cleveland T-1 advised that according to GREENWALD, appointee is trying strenuously to lose his Jewish identity and refrained from introducing GREENWALD to some of his friends in California to further this purpose.

The local Immigration and Naturalisation records concerning DAVE and SARAH GOFMAN (respectively 2530-P-18812 and 2530-P-66326) have been sent to Washington Headquarters.

Referenced Cleveland letter to Bureau dated April 11, 1950, captioned [redacted] sets out data received from CL-47 in September, 1941 as follows:

"Attorneys serving Communists in Cleveland:- GREENWALD, attorney for all Communists, was very active in organizing the picketing of the Italian Consul recently, protesting the American intervention in the Spanish Civil War. GREENWALD also has a brother who is a Communist."

Upon recontact by [redacted] advised that he had a vague recollection of turning over the above data to the FBI but had no idea whether it referred to ISADORE GREENWALD. [redacted] further stated that he did not recall the source of the information but that it might have been received from LOUIS BUDENZ or EDDIE CHEYFITZ, now an assistant to Mr. ERIC JOHNSTON in Washington, D. C.

In view of the above and further in view of the fact that identical data were received from the Subversive Detail of the Cleveland Police Department as specifically applying to ISADORE GREENWALD, 12515 Edmonton Avenue, no reference is made in the details to the information as supplied by [redacted]

Further, referenced Cleveland letter of April 11, 1950 quoted the following as received from the Subversive Detail, Cleveland Police Department:

"I. GREENWALD, Chairman, Legislative Committee, Cleveland Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild. Leader in the Workers Alliance. He is a member of the Communist Party by JOHN MOSSBERGER. He protested to Mayor BLYTHIN for rental of Public Hall to GERALD L. K. SMITH."

This information was received from the Cleveland Police Department in the form of two photostatic cards stapled together, the first reading, "I. GREENWALD, Chairman, Legislative Comm. Cleve. Chap., Natl. Lawyers Guild (#9); Leader, Workers Alliance (195)".

The second, which is without any name heading read: "The above is a member of the Communist Party by JOHN MOSSBERGER. He protested to Mayor BLYTHIN for rental of the Public Hall to GERALD K. SMITH".

When contacted recently by SA F. JOHN M. BEATTIE, JOHN MOSSBERGER denied any knowledge of an I. or ISADORE GREENWALD, attorney, but stated he had furnished data concerning E. C. GREENFIELD to the Cleveland Police Department.

A check of the original cards maintained by the Subversive Detail of the Cleveland Police Department on E. C. GREENFIELD revealed a card identical in every respect with that which was furnished to the Cleveland Division as relating to I. GREENWALD. The file of the Subversive Detail relating to I. GREENWALD contains no such card. It is therefore concluded that in furnishing information on I. GREENWALD to the Cleveland Division the Subversive Detail inadvertently combined cards relating to GREENWALD and GREENFIELD. Further proof may be deduced from the fact that the records of the Subversive Detail refer to the Cleveland "Press" on October 13, 1941 as carrying a protest to Mayor BLYTHIN against rental of the Public Hall to GERALD L. K. SMITH. A review of this paper and the Cleveland "News" and "Plain Dealer" of October 13 and 14, 1941 reveals that E. C. GREENFIELD, a field representative of the International Longshoremens and Warehousemens Union was uniformly listed as a signer of this petition. While there were numerous signers, it was noted that the name GREENWALD did not appear.

The above E. C. GREENFIELD is apparently identical with ELVADORE C. GREENFIELD, who has been well known to the Cleveland Division and was reported at one time as State Committeeman of the Communist Party.

A check of the original card indicating that I. GREENWALD was Chairman of the Legislative Committee of the Cleveland Chapter of the National Lawyers Guild and leader of the Workers Alliance, revealed that there was no additional identifying data to connect this information with

ISADORE GREENWALD. The available index cards reflected that the allegations were originally supported by Exhibits 95 as to the Lawyers Guild and 195 as to the Workers Alliance. However, Exhibit 95 did not connect the data with ISADORE GREENWALD and Exhibit 195 is lost or destroyed.

In view of the fact that ISADORE GREENWALD has been placed in the National Lawyers Guild by Cleveland T-3, no additional efforts have been made to verify this information furnished by the Cleveland Subversive Squad and the information is not utilized in the details of this report.

It is further noted that the Cleveland file on E. C. GREENFIELD reflects that he has been a leader of the Workers Alliance. It is therefore believed that the statement that I. GREENWALD is a leader in the Workers Alliance is a further scrambling of the information in the Cleveland Police Department files.

Cleveland T-9, who is JOSEPH MOLDAVER, attorney, Room 502 of the Engineers Building, 1365 Ontario, has advised that he was a very active, participating member of the Socialist Party from 1915 to 1924, Branch 17, 5610 Scovill Avenue. He indicated that at one time he was Financial Secretary of the Socialist Party in Cleveland.

MOLDAVER stated that over the period of years he observed the split-off of the left wing Socialists who eventually attached themselves to the Communist Party. In this connection he stated that at one time the left wingers of the Socialist Party threatened to kill him because of what they regarded as his conservative position. MOLDAVER advised that he fell out of favor with the Socialists because he refused to malign other groups, and charges were brought against him in the Party alleging that he had campaigned for someone outside of the Party for a position in the local Cleveland government.

In 1924 he stated he was officially "kicked out".

It is MOLDAVER's position that many of the techniques now utilized by the Communist Party were perfected in the Socialist Party and taken with the left wingers when they seceded from the Socialist Party.

MOLDAVER has been interviewed on numerous occasions by Agents of the Cleveland Division with respect to individual security matters and has furnished information of value. It is apparent that he has a storehouse of information concerning radical matters in Cleveland from prior to World War I up to possibly 1940, and consideration is being given to interviewing him on an overall basis.

MOLDAVER stated that even after he had observed the Communist Party members to take over the Jewish organization Icor by the usual Communist techniques, he accepted an invitation in approximately 1934 or 1935 to address the group on the subject of the NIRA. He stated that this was the second occasion on which he nearly lost his life to the Communists.

During the course of his speech he asserted that Roosevelt had accomplished more through the NIRA than Stalin had accomplished in five years, and was immediately barraged by insults and seized and nearly thrown out of the third story window of the building where he was speaking. According to MOLDAVER, he was saved through the intervention of a personal friend who was nonetheless a member of the left wing group of Icor.

INFORMANTS

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

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**JOHN WILLIAM GOSMAN
Alias: "Jack", Joseph Gosman
Special Consultant
U. S. Public Health Service
Federal Security Agency
Washington, D. C.
LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES**

**Report of Special Agent F. JOHN H. HARTER
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TO : S. J. TRACY

FROM : D. M. LADD *DML*

SUBJECT: JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN
Special Consultant - Employee
Office of Personnel
U. S. Public Health Service
Federal Security Agency
Washington, D.C.
LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYERS

DATE: February 16, 1951

Please search the name of the above individual through the records of the Identification Division and forward the results, in duplicate, to the Foreign and Domestic Coordination Unit, Room 4519, Department of Justice Building, Washington, D. C.

The following identifying data are listed for your assistance:

Maiden name, if married:

Date and place of birth: September 21, 1918, Cleveland, Ohio

Department and Agency for whom employed: Federal Security Agency, Washington, D.C.

Previous Government employment: None

Was case opened on Form 84 or Form 85: neither

If so, date form received:

Other pertinent identifying data: (Including Military service numbers and Alien Registration numbers)

Last known address: 1047 Clayton Street, San Francisco, California

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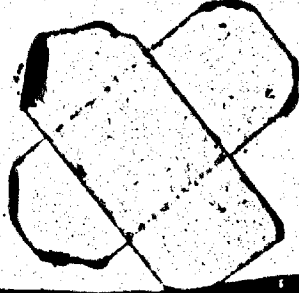
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Records at Navy Records Management Center, Garden City, NY, reflect that JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN, NSN 8883247, entered U.S. Navy 5/2/44, and was honorably discharged 6/30/47. Born 9/21/18 at Cleveland, Ohio. Navy record clear.

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REFERENCE:

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Special Consultant - Employee
U. S. Public Health Service
Federal Security Agency
Washington, D. C.
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March 16, 1951
New York, New York

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

A review of the Navy service record on file at the Navy Records Management Center, Garden City, Long Island, New York, for JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN, Navy serial number 8883247, reflects that he entered the United States Navy on May 2, 1944 at San Francisco, California as an Apprentice Seaman. He was honorably discharged on June 30, 1947 at Shoemaker, California as an Apprentice Seaman after attending the V-12 Program at the University of California from May 10, 1944 to February 2, 1946. He was released from active duty on February 5, 1946. His birth date was indicated as September 21, 1918 at Cleveland, Ohio. His Naval service record was clear and contained no information reflecting adversely on his loyalty. The employee's service record also reflects that his sister is IDA GOFMAN GREENWALD, who resides at 3293 Tullamore Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

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Investigation at the Garden City Navy Records Management Center was conducted by Special Employee JOHN W. DOBBINS.

Additional pertinent information contained in service record was furnished to the Cleveland and San Francisco Offices.

An information copy of this report is being furnished to San Francisco, the principal office, for completion of its file.

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 GREENWALD RESIDED THREE TWO NINE THREE TULLAMORE RD., CLEVELAND
 HEIGHTS, OHIO. MOTHER, SARAH GOPMAN MAY BE RESIDENT OF THIS
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STANDARD FORM 85
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REQUEST FOR REPORT OF LOYALTY DATA ON APPLICANTS AND APPOINTEES

THIS FORM TO BE USED ONLY FOR APPLICANTS AND APPOINTEES
WHERE RECORD CHECKS AND INQUIRIES ARE CONDUCTED
BY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION
(PART I - Executive Order 9835)

CASE SERIAL NUMBER
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TO: The Federal Bureau of Investigation, through the U. S. Civil Service Commission

The following information is furnished for identification purposes on the person named below. Kindly furnish a report on any loyalty information contained in your files. (The fingerprints of this person are attached.)

1. FULL NAME (initials and abridgments of full name are not acceptable).		(Surname)	(Given name)	(Middle or other names)
Gofman,		John	William	
2. ALIASES AND NICKNAMES			3. DATE OF THIS REQUEST	
None			7-31-50	
4. SPECIAL NUMBERS KNOWN TO REQUESTING AGENCY (FBI number or FBI file number, passport number, Army or Navy serial number, seaman's certificate of identification, alien registration number, Social Security number etc. Specify which)				
Navy No. 888-32-47				
5. PLACE OF BIRTH		6. DATE OF BIRTH		7. TITLE OF POSITION
Cleveland, Ohio		9-21-18		Special Consultant
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7-26-50				
13. ORGANIZATIONS WITH WHICH AFFILIATED OTHER THAN RELIGIOUS OR POLITICAL ORGANIZATIONS OR THOSE WHICH SHOW RELIGIOUS OR POLITICAL AFFILIATIONS				
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14. DATES AND PLACES OF RESIDENCE FOR THE LAST 10 YEARS				
<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Street</u>	<u>City</u>	<u>State</u>
1940	1941	2339 Hilyard St.	Berkely Calif.	
1941	1944	1890 Arch St.	Berkely Calif.	
1944	1947	206 Judah St.	San Francisco, Calif.	
1947	1950	1047 Clayton St.	San Francisco, Calif.	
15. DATES, NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF EMPLOYERS FOR THE LAST 10 YEARS				
<u>Date</u>	<u>Employer</u>	<u>Address</u>		
1940	1944	Dept. of Chemistry Univ. of Calif. Berkely, Calif.		
1944	1946	U. S. Navy Washington, D.C.		
1946	1947	Univ. of Calif. Med. School San Francisco, Calif.		
1947	1950	Univ. of Calif. Berkely, Calif.		
16. THIS AGENCY HAS LOYALTY INFORMATION REPORT(S) FURNISHED BY THE AGENCIES INDICATED				
AGENCY WHICH MADE THE LOYALTY REPORT	DATE OF REPORT	SEARCHED	INDEXED	REMARKS
17. THIS SPACE RESERVED FOR RETURN REPORT TO AGENCY WHERE NO DEROGATORY INFORMATION IS DEVELOPED		18. NAME AND ADDRESS OF REQUESTING AGENCY		
		Office of Personnel U. S. Public Health Service Washington, 25, D.C.		

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(Name of Reporting Agency)

INSTRUCTIONS ON PREPARATION OF STANDARD FORM 85

1. This form (Standard Form 85) is promulgated by the United States Civil Service Commission at the request of the Federal Bureau of Investigation for the purpose of carrying out the responsibilities with respect to applicants for Federal employment and persons appointed to Federal positions after September 30, 1947 as provided in Part I of Executive Order 9835.
2. A separate form (Standard Form 84) will be used for excepted employees when investigation is conducted by the agency.
3. The Fingerprint Chart (Standard Form 87) of the applicant or appointee must be submitted with the original and two copies of this form. The third carbon copy of the form should be retained by the agency.
4. If additional space is needed in filling in Items 14 and 15, use a separate sheet of paper, number the item to correspond with the item number of this form, and attach.
5. If the requesting agency has previously received loyalty information from any Government agency (including the Federal Bureau of Investigation) concerning the employee named in this form, the name of the agency which furnished the information and the date of the report should be shown in Item 16.
6. Item 17 is reserved for use in reporting on this request when no derogatory information is developed.
7. Whenever information is developed the report will be covered in Item 19 above.
8. For further details regarding the use of this form see the Federal Personnel Manual.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Callahan

TO : SAC, San Francisco

DATE: February 16, 1951

FROM : Director, FBI



AIR MAIL
SPECIAL DELIVERY

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SUBJECT: JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN
Special Consultant - Employee
Office of Personnel
U. S. Public Health Service
Federal Security Agency
Washington, D.C.
LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

100-1693-5, 100-1781-3204, 100-2704-17 B, John Gofman 100-1693-5b

(X) You are instructed to conduct a full field investigation concerning the above-named individual. This investigation is to be assigned immediately and the results mailed to reach the Bureau by March 19, 1951.

() You are instructed to conduct a preliminary inquiry concerning the above-named individual. This investigation is to be assigned immediately and results mailed to reach the Bureau by _____. As you are aware, when a preliminary inquiry is conducted in an LGE case, you should determine whether there is sufficient information available to warrant a full field investigation. If so, the case should be converted into a full field investigation and the Bureau and auxiliary offices advised promptly by teletype. Any necessary leads should be set out. If not converted, your preliminary inquiry should be sufficiently complete to resolve the question of loyalty and sufficient information should be furnished the Bureau to justify your determination that no further action is warranted.

If it is determined that the captioned person is known by names other than those appearing in the caption, the Bureau and Washington Field Office should be advised so that the additional names may be checked against appropriate records.

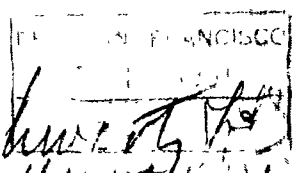
Attached for your assistance is a photostatic copy of the Request for Report on Loyalty Data furnished to the Bureau on this individual.

Bureau files contain the following information regarding this person:

Reference is made to a letter from the Federal Security Agency dated January 25, 1951, entitled "John William Gofman." This agency requested that a full field loyalty investigation be conducted by the Bureau on this employee and specifically requested that the relationship between Gofman and his brother-in-law, Isadore Greenwald be thoroughly investigated.

cc: Cleveland (enc)
New York (enc)
Washington Field (enc)

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(X) WFO will check records of appropriate Government agencies.
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Enclosure

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Reference is made to Cleveland letter dated April 11, 1950 7
entitled [redacted] Cleveland file [redacted] b3

Bureau files reflect that the San Francisco Office is in possession of a copy of this letter. This letter reflects that Harry Christensen advised that Isadore Greenwald, the brother-in-law of this employee, apparently had a strong feeling of admiration for this employee and that Gofman visited Greenwald after he had attended many scientific conferences.

Christensen stated that Greenwald is extremely pro-Communist, and that Greenwald's antagonism toward democracy and capitalistic system has caused ill feeling between Greenwald and his lawyer associates.

This investigation should be directed toward establishing the closeness of association between the employee and his brother-in-law, Isadore Greenwald, and the Cleveland Office should set out any pertinent data concerning Greenwald. The San Francisco Office should set out the basis and the personal history data on this employee.

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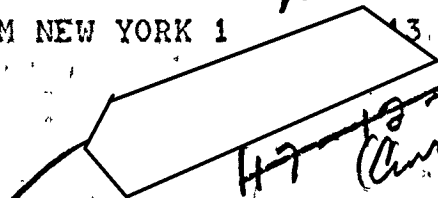
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **BUREAU**

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REPORT MADE AT SAN FRANCISCO	DATE WHEN MADE 3/17/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 2/21, 22, 27, 28, 3/5, 8, 9, 12-16/51	REPORT MADE BY LEON F. SCHWARTZ AL
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TITLE JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN, aka Joseph Gofman, "Jack," Special Consultant - Employee, Office of Personnel, U. S. Public Health Service, Federal Security Agency, Washington, D. C.	CHARACTER OF CASE LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:


Investigation based on information received from Cleveland T-1 who advised that GOFMAN's brother-in-law, ISADORE GREENWALD, is extremely pro-Communist. GOFMAN born 9/21/18 at Cleveland, Ohio; attended University of California 1940 to 1946 (Ph.D. 1943, M.D. 1946); employed UC 1940 to 1944 and 1946 to date, part of his work being financed by the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission and by the U. S. Public Health Service. Highly regarded as a loyal American by associates, references, and neighbors. No record Berkeley PD or San Francisco PD. Nothing unfavorable Retailers Credit Association, San Francisco, or Alameda County Retailers Credit Association.

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REFERENCES:

- Bulet to San Francisco 2/16/51
- Cleveland teletypes to San Francisco 3/13/51 and 3/16/51
- New York teletype to San Francisco 3/13/51
- Washington Field Office teletype to San Francisco 3/14/51

The name JOSEPH GOFMAN is being added to the title of this report inasmuch as this name appeared on the employee's birth record at Cleveland, Ohio. The name "JACK" is added since employee has been known by this name in Cleveland.

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San Francisco, California
March 17, 1951

JOHN WILLIAM GOPMAN
aka Joseph Gofman, "Jack,"
Special Consultant - Employee
Office of Personnel
U. S. Public Health Service,
Federal Security Agency,
Washington, D. C.
LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

I. PERSONAL HISTORY

Records of the University of California, Berkeley, California, reflect that JOHN WILLIAM GOPMAN was born on September 21, 1918, at Cleveland, Ohio. His parents were DAVID GOPMAN (deceased) and SARAH GOPMAN, both natives of Russia. The employee stated on his personnel record that both of his parents had become United States citizens. He married HELEN ADELAIDE FAYL on August 10, 1940, at Wadsworth, Ohio. Her date and place of birth were recorded as May 18, 1917, at Wadsworth, Ohio.

From 1935 to 1939 the employee was a student at Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio. From 1939 to 1940 he completed the first year of medical school at the Western Reserve Medical School, Cleveland, Ohio. From 1940 to 1943 he was engaged in graduate work in nuclear chemistry at the University of California at Berkeley, receiving his Ph.D. Degree in 1943. In 1943 and 1944 he was engaged in plutonium research at the University of California.

In 1944-1946 he was a student at the University of California Medical School, receiving his M.D. Degree in 1946. From 1946 to 1947 he was an intern at the University of California Hospital. From 1947 to date he has been employed in the Department of Medical Physics at the University of California and in 1950 and 1951 he has also been employed part time as a clinical instructor in medicine at the University of California Hospital.

II. BASIS FOR INVESTIGATION

This investigation was requested by the Federal Security Agency, Washington, D.C., based on information furnished by Cleveland E-1, of unknown reliability, who advised ISADORE GREENWALD, a brother-in-law of the employee, is extremely pro-Communist and that GREENWALD's

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antagonism towards democracy and the capitalistic system has caused ill feeling between GREENWALD and his lawyer associates. Cleveland T-1 added that GREENWALD apparently has a strong feeling of admiration for GOFMAN and that GOFMAN visited GREENWALD after attending many scientific conferences.

XIII. RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

AT BERKELEY, CALIFORNIA

DOROTHY HURLEY, Registrar's Office, University of California, produced records which reflected that the employee was admitted as a graduate student in chemistry in August 1940 and received his Ph.D. Degree on February 6, 1943. He entered the University of California Medical School in 1944 and received his M.D. Degree in June 1946. The Registrar's records contained no information reflecting on the loyalty of the employee.

BLANCHE MILLER, Office of the Secretary of the Regents of the University of California, furnished the following information bearing on the academic employment of GOFMAN at the University of California:

From 1940 to 1942 he was employed as a teaching assistant in the Chemistry Department. In 1942 he was employed as a Research Associate in Chemistry. From 1947 to 1950 he was employed as an Assistant Professor of Medical Physics. From 1950 to date he has been employed as an Associate Professor of Medical Physics. From 1950 to date he has been employed part time as a Clinical Instructor in Medicine. The Regents records contain no information reflecting on the loyalty of the employee.

Mr. GEORGE EVERSON, Director of Scientific Personnel, University of California Radiation Laboratory, advised that from 1942 until 1944 GOFMAN was employed on a special project concerning plutonium research under the direction of the Chemistry Department at the University of California. He was reemployed during the summer of 1946 doing research work at the Donner Laboratory, University of California. He was again employed at the Donner Laboratory in July 1947 and has been continuously employed there to date.

Mr. EVERSON commented that in connection with the employee's work on plutonium research, he was instrumental in the

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discovery of Uranium 233. EVERSON also advised that in connection with his recent research work at the Donner Laboratory the employee has made "historic discoveries" in connection with the importance of fatty protiens and their relationship to heart diseases. EVERSON stated that he offered this information because he felt that it reflected favorably on the employee's loyalty to the United States, inasmuch as all of GOFMAN's work has been conducted under the auspices of either the Atomic Energy Commission or the United States Public Health Service, resulting in comparatively minor financial gain for GOFMAN. EVERSON stated that he would recommend GOFMAN wholeheartedly as a loyal American.

Professor WENDELL LATIMER, Chemistry Department, University of California, advised that he was the employee's immediate supervisor from 1942 to 1944 when he was engaged in plutonium research. He stated that he has known GOFMAN continuously from 1940 and he would recommend him without hesitation as a loyal and patriotic American.

Professor JOEL H. HILDEBRAN, Chairman of the Department of Chemistry, advised that he has known GOFMAN since 1940 and that he considers him to be "an outstandingly patriotic American," inasmuch as he had made major contributions to American science. He said he has had no reason whatsoever to question GOFMAN's loyalty to the United States. He added that he is not acquainted with the employee's family.

Mr. JAMES MILLER, Assistant Business Manager, University of California, stated that he has known the employee casually for two or three years and he has had no reason to question his loyalty to the United States.

Dr. JOHN LAWRENCE, Director of the Donner Laboratory, stated that he has been closely associated with the employee for about five years and that he would recommend him highly as a loyal American. He stated that he is also well acquainted with GOFMAN's wife and has had no reason to question her loyalty to the United States. He also advised that he has no knowledge of the employee's relatives in the Cleveland, Ohio, area. He stated that GOFMAN is presently employed as a special consultant to the Public Health Service and he is also engaged in research work at the Donner Laboratory which is partially financed by Public Health Service funds.

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Dr. HARDIN JONES, Assistant Director, Donner Laboratory, advised that he considers himself to be the employee's closest friend in the California area. He is also well acquainted with the employee's wife and he considers them both to be without a doubt loyal Americans. He offered information that GOFMAN is presently engaged in the study of the significance of fatty proteins in connection with heart diseases and that GOFMAN's discoveries in this connection will have important scientific significance in the near future.

JONES emphasized that the employee is completely disinterested in financial gain and has done most of his work under the auspices of the United States Government without any thought of personal gain. Dr. JONES advised that he is not acquainted with any of GOFMAN's family members other than his wife and child.

Mr. ROBERT A. SANS SOUCI, Administrative Assistant, Donner Laboratory, stated that he has been in close contact with the employee for over five years. He commented that he has had "absolutely no reason to question GOFMAN's loyalty." He also recommended GOFMAN's wife as a loyal American, but advised that he is not acquainted with any of the other relatives of the employee.

Professor RAYMOND BIRGE, Chairman of the Physics Department, University of California, advised that he has been well acquainted with the employee since about 1941 and stated he would recommend GOFMAN without hesitation as a thoroughly loyal American.

Professor LEONARD LOEB, Physics Department, stated that he has been acquainted casually with the employee since about 1942 and that he has had no reason to question GOFMAN's loyalty to the United States.

Mrs. HAROLD RANGLES, Manager of the apartment house at 1890 Arch Street, advised that her records indicate that the employee had resided at this address between 1941 and 1944, but she was unable to furnish the exact dates of his residence and was unable to recall him.

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The employee was unknown to the following persons at the above address, both of whom have resided there for eleven years: Miss MILDRED MITCHELL and Mrs. LAURA DESGIONI.

In connection with a previous investigation Mrs. BETTY NOAKES, 1878 Parker Street, advised that she was the Manager of the apartment house at 2339 Hllgard Street in 1940 and 1941. She stated that she recalled the employee as a former resident of this building and she furnished no information reflecting on his loyalty to the United States.

The employee is unknown to the following persons residing at 2339 Hllgard Street: Miss JOSEPHINE SEEDON and Mr. FREDERICK LEERS.

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

Dr. FRANCIS SMITH, Dean of the University of California Medical School, advised that he has been well acquainted with the employee since 1944 and advised that GOFMAN was one of the best students ever to attend this medical school and graduated number one in his class. He stated that the employee's wife is also a physician and is presently an Assistant Resident Physician in Pediatrics under Dr. SMITH's immediate supervision.

He stated that he felt he could recommend both the employee and his wife without reservation as loyal Americans. He commented that although GOFMAN is technically a clinical instructor in medicine at the University of California Hospital, all of his time in the past three or four years has been spent in research at the Donner Laboratory on the University of California Campus in Berkeley.

Mr. PETER MASON BOND, 1039 Clayton Street, advised that he has been a next-door neighbor of the employee for about three years and that he is also a social acquaintance of the GOFMANS. He stated that he sees very little of the employee, inasmuch as GOFMAN works night and day at the Donner Laboratory in Berkeley. He stated that he would not hesitate to recommend the employee and his wife as loyal Americans. He was unable to furnish the names of any other persons in this neighborhood who would know the employee in view of the fact that GOFMAN and his wife spend so little time at home.

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The employee was unknown to the following persons in the vicinity of 1047 Clayton Street: MILBRED A. ROBERTSON, 1053 Clayton Street; ELEANOR J. SUMMERS, 1053 Clayton Street; and Mrs. F. R. GORSELINE, 1055 Clayton Street.

In connection with a previous investigation the following persons in the vicinity of 206 Judah Street were interviewed in 1947:

Mrs. A. SIEBRECHT, owner of the apartment house at 206 Judah Street, advised that the employee and his wife had resided there for about three or four years, that they were excellent tenants, and that she considered them to be loyal Americans.

Mrs. DOROTHY DAVIES stated that she had known the employee about three years and that both he and his wife were, in her opinion, loyal Americans. She had no knowledge of any of the employee's other relatives.

Miss J. F. KLAES, 206 Judah Street, stated that she had been acquainted with the employee for about two or three years, but that her acquaintance with him had been so slight that she could not comment on the question of his loyalty to the United States.

Mrs. GEORGE SHELLEY, 206 Judah, stated that she had been casually acquainted with the employee for two or three years and she furnished no information reflecting unfavorably on his loyalty to the United States.

There was no record of the employee or his wife at the San Francisco Police Department or the Berkeley Police Department.

The files of the Retailers Credit Association at San Francisco and of the Alameda County Retailers Credit Association at Oakland contain no disloyal information concerning the employee or his wife.

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San Francisco T-1, T-2, T-3, T-4, T-5, and T-6, all of known reliability, who are familiar with some aspects of un-American activities in the San Francisco Bay area, including Berkeley, California, have no information identifiable with the employee or his wife.

The records of the House Committee on un-American Activities contain no information concerning the employee.

The records of San Francisco T-7, a government agency conducting personnel investigation, contain no information concerning the employee pertinent to their investigation.

The records of San Francisco T-8, a government agency conducting personnel and security investigation, contain no information concerning the employee.

Employee's name was checked against the records of the Identification Division of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D. C., and no original record was located.

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Credit and criminal checks at Berkeley, California, were made by SE H. EUGENE DARLING.

Credit and criminal checks at San Francisco, California, were made by SE VINCENT H. LANGERS.

Rebulet to San Francisco dated 2/16/51, which referred to a Cleveland letter dated 4/11/50 entitled [redacted] Cleveland file [redacted] and which indicated that Bureau files reflected the San Francisco office to be in possession of a copy of this letter. A search of the files of the San Francisco office failed to reflect that this office received the above letter from Cleveland.

The neighborhood investigation at 206 Judah Street and the interview of Mrs. BETTY NOAKES, 1878 Parker Street, Berkeley, were conducted by SA THOMAS B. WALTON, as reflected in his report dated 9/27/47 in the case entitled "JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN, ABAE."

No comment as to the reliability of Cleveland T-1 is included in this report inasmuch as the San Francisco office is not in possession of sufficient information to make an evaluation of reliability.

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TITLE JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN, aka., Joseph Gofman, "Jack" Gofman, Special Consultant-Employee, Office of Personnel, U.S. Public Health Service, Federal Security Agency, Washington, D. C.			CHARACTER OF CASE LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Records at Navy Records Management Center, Garden City, NY, reflect that JOHN WILLIAM GOFMAN, NSN 8883247, entered U.S. Navy 5/2/44, and was honorably discharged 6/30/47. Born 9/21/18 at Cleveland, Ohio. Navy record clear.

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REFERENCE:

Bureau letter to San Francisco, 2/16/51.
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RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

A review of the Navy service record on file at the Navy Records Management Center, Garden City, Long Island, New York, for JOHN WILLIAM GOPMAN, Navy serial number 8883247, reflects that he entered the United States Navy on May 2, 1944 at San Francisco, California as an Apprentice Seaman. He was honorably discharged on June 30, 1947 at Shoemaker, California as an Apprentice Seaman after attending the V-12 Program at the University of California from May 10, 1944 to February 2, 1946. He was released from active duty on February 5, 1946. His birth date was indicated as September 21, 1918 at Cleveland, Ohio. His Naval service record was clear and contained no information reflecting adversely on his loyalty. The employee's service record also reflects that his sister is IDA GOPMAN GREENWALD, who resides at 3293 Tullamore Road, Cleveland Heights, Ohio.

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Investigation at the Garden City Navy Records Management Center was conducted by Special Employee JOHN W. DOBBINS.

Additional pertinent information contained in service record was furnished to the Cleveland and San Francisco Offices.

An information copy of this report is being furnished to San Francisco, the principal office, for completion of its file.