Assistant Attorney General Alexander M. Campbell Criminal Division

July 1, 1949

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Attention: Mr. Raymond P. Whearty

JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was. et al. PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R; INTERNAL SECURITY - R

There are attached hereto copies of the following investigative reports in this matter:

Report of Special Agent J. Edward Lawler dated June 27, 1949 at Richmond, Virginia

Report of Special Agent Erling W. Harbo dated June 28, 1949 at St. Paul, Minnesota

Report of Special Agent Frank G. Johnstone dated June 28, 1949 at Baltimore, Maryland

Report of Special Agent John J. Walsh dated June 28, 1949 at Washington, D. C.

Report of Special Agent John B. Van Etten dated June 28, 1949 at Washington, D. C.

Report of Special Agent Courtland J. Jones dated June 28, 1949 at Washington, D. C.

Report of Special Agent Donald D. Connors dated June 29, 1949 at Washington, D. C.

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There is attached hereto a copy of a letter addressed to Senator Honer Ferguson of Richigan from fare. B. Kartman, 1939 North Noodward, Birmingham, Michigan Gated June 28, 1949 the contents of which are self comlanatory. A copy of the Bureau's regly to Mrs. Martman is also attached.

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The Detroit division should insediately have an agent contect brs. Bartaan at Birmingham, Mohigan for any additional information she may have to offer in connection with the reported Commist Party membership of Mrs. Algor (Priscilla Miss.

This matter should be handled promptly and the Bureau and the Mer York Office should be advised. Bureau files contain no identifiable information concerning Mrs. W. Hartman.

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	FROM :	MR. E. H. WINTERROW	Time of call: 11:05
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ASAC Belmont called in your absence and stated that he wanted to advise the Bureau of the following article K. Nease on page 9 of the New York Journal American, dated July 8, 1949, by Leslie Gould, financial editor:

ited states I.S. OPPOSED ONE JUROR SECOND DAY OF HISS TRIAL

"Now that the Alger Hiss perjury case has gone to the Jury, it can be revealed for the first time that on the second day of the trial, the Government objected to one of the jurors.

In one of the closed sessions in the Chambers of Federal Judge Samuel H. Kaufman, who presided, Assistant United States Attorney Thomas Murphy told the Judge one of the jurors had expressed an opinion outside of the Court as to the innocence of the defendant.

Judge Kaufman reportedly told Mr. Murphy there was not sufficient evidence to punish this juror for contempt, and that all the prosecutor had at the most was hearsay and syspicion.

Lloyd Paul Stryker, Chief of the Alger Hiss Defense Counsel, was present at the session.

Hr. Murphy suggested that the Court substitute one of (the two alternates and excuse this juror. There reportedly was sickness in the juror's family.

Judge Kaufman turned down this suggestion, when Mr. Stryker objected, and the juror sat in the box for the balance of the case.

Hr. Hurphy, in protesting, contended a juror must be like Caesar's wife, above suspicion, and therefore this juror should be excused.

This whole episode of the juror is part of the court record and along with other discussions in the Chambers of Judge Kaufman will be included in the public report available on the rendering of the yerdict RECORVED - 8 INDEXED - 8

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Memorandum for Mr. Ladd

The first tip on this unusual happening came from John Shine and Howard Rushmore who have done an outstanding job of objective reporting on this case for the New York Journal American.

Judge Kaufman refused to discuss the matter even after the case had been handed to the Jury and they had retired to their guarters to deliberate on a verdict.

In light of the above, the closing remarks to the Jury of Prosecutor Murphy in his summation are significant: He said: 'The foreman, for instance, is here by virtue of chance. He is the juror known as Number One. He has no authority other than to announce the verdict..... or assuming that you told your wife - Mr. Foreman,-or neighbor, that you thought so-and-so was lying. Today is the day, you gave your oath on May 31 and today I ask you as a representative of the United States Government to come back and put the lie in that man's face.'

This is just one of the things that have made this case a strange, fantastic and unusual one. The conduct of the trial and the rulings from the bench will provide material for debates and discussions for months to come. The prosecutor in his summary told the jurors, "something you want to think about is whether two Judges of the Supreme Court could with propriety come into this Court". He was referring to the unusual - to say the least appearances of Justices Felix, trankfruter and Stanley Reed as character with esses for Hiss.

ASAC Belmont advised that he had very discreetly inquired as to where Gould could have obtained the information set forth in the above article without any results. He stated that so long as the Jury is still out and no decision has been reached that he was making no further attempt to trace the source of this information, but that if anything developed, he would immediately advise the Bureau.

Mr. Belmont further advised that there has been no word from the Jury as of the time of his call.

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While talking with ASAC Belmont at 12:40, P.M. today in connection with another matter he advised Mr. Laughlin that at 12:10 P.M. Judge Kaufman at the request of the jury read to them three pages of his charge relating to corroborative and circumstantial evidence. After this was done the jury was locked up again to continue its deliberations.

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ADDENDUM - 2:00 PM

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At 2:00 PM Mr. Belmont advised that the Jury had gone to lunch at 1:30 and would not be back until 2:30 PM. He stated that there had been no inkling of any kind as to how the voting is going in the Jury Room; that Agents are maintaining contact with the Marshal's office, as well as Mr. Donegan, and as soon as any information is available, the Bureau will be promptly advised.

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TO : FROM : SUBJECT:	MR. D. M. LADD MR. H. B. FLETCHER JAHAM	DATE: July 8, 1949

At 3:35 p.m. today Mr. Belmont called and stated that the jury came in at 3:27 P.M. and reported that they could not reach a verdict. They asked for a copy of the court's charge to the jury. The Judge said he couldn't give it to them. He sent them back to see if they couldn't reach a verdict.

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Mr. Peyton Ford called a few minutes ago and stated that the Judge did give to the Jury the so-called "Allen charge". I asked him what this was and he stated that it was the usual charge that was given the Jury which had been unable to reach a verdict; namely, that if all of the jurors are unable to agree those dissenting jurors should give great weight to the views of the majority of the jurors. Mr. Ford further advised that he had been unable to learn through any source how the jurors stood at this time.

Peyton Ford called at 4:15 p.m. and stated that Saypol . had just advised him that the gossip was that the Jury stood 10 to 2 for conviction.

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FROM NEW YORK URGENT

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JAHAM, PERJURY, ESP.-R., IS-R. RE DAVID VERNON ZIMMERMAN, UAS MRS. KENNETH BROWN, TWENTY PROSPECT AVENUE, ARDSLEY, NY, ADVISES THAT ROBERT REMPFER AND HIS WIFE, GERTRUDE REMPFER, NEE, GERTRUDE FLEMING, HAVE BEEN RESIDING AT THAT ADDRESS SINCE SUMMER, FORTY SEVEN. SAYS THEY FORMERLY RESIDED IN YONKERS, NY, EITHER WITH OR unrecorded copygfiled in 100-3 AS NEIGHBORS TO MR. AND MRS. DAVID CARPENTER. MRS. BROWN LDENTI-FIES THIS DAVID CARPENTER AS THE SUBJECT OF THIS CASE, DAVID VERNON ZIMMERMAN, FROM PHOTOGRAPHS SHE SAV IN THE NEWSPAPERS IN CONNECTION WITH THE HISS TRIAL. MRS. BROWN SAYS THAT DAVID CARPENTER HAD ORI-GINALLY STARTED TO TAKE THE APARTMENT AT TWENTY PROSPECT AVE., ARDSLEY, NY, BUT HAD CHANGED HIS MIND AND HAD THEN RECOMMENDED THE REMPFERS WHO TOOK THIS APARTMENT. ACCORDING TO MRS. BROWN, MR. AND MRS. DAVID ZIMMERMAN ARE FREQUENT VISITORS AND APPARENTLY ARE QUITE INTIMATE WITH THE REMPFERS, WHO MRS. BROWN TERMS PRO-RUSSIAN. FURTHER, MRS. BROWN SAYS THAT GERTRUDE REMPFER CLAIMED TO HAVE WORKED ON THE ATOMIC BOMB DURING THE WAR. ATTENTION IS DRAWN TO BUFILE 100 - 258431 333 ONE HUNDRED DASH TWO FIVE EIGHT FOUR T ROBERT JUL 1949 6 WEIR REMPFER, WA, MRS. GERTRUDE MALLORY EMING END OF PAGE ONE LAS Kisseloff-10663 63JUL19184

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Assistant Attorney General, Alexander H. Campbell Criminal Division Attention: Mr. Enymond P. Whearty Director, MRI JAY DAVID SHITTAKES CHAMBERS, etal. PTELIN VSPIONAGE - R

There is attached hereto one copy of the report of Special Agent Edward A. McShane, Jr., Albany, New York dated June 29, 1949 in the above captioned matter.

You will note that one copy of this report has been made available to Mr. T. J. Donegan, Special Assistant to the Attorney General in New York City.

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TANDARD FORM NO. 64 UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO MR. H. B. FLETCHE DATE: July 7, 1949 FROM Tolson Clegg Olavin MR. J. E. MILNES, Time of call: 10:35 P.M. Nichola SUBJECT: JAHAM ESPIONAGE R

Supervisor Al Touhy of the NY Division called. He said that the Judge had called the Jury into court at 10:30 P.M. He inquired of them if there was a possibility of their reaching a verdict tonight. He said that he did not desire to interfere with their deliberations, but if there was no chance of their reaching an immediate verdict that it might be well for them to retire for the night. The foreman of the jury indicated that there was no chance of their reaching an immediate verdict, whereupon court was adjourned until 10:00 A.M. tomorrow and the jury was placed in a hotel for the night:

I immediately advised Mr. Ladd of the foregoing per his instructions.

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Office Memorandum

MR. TOLSON

• UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: June 13, 1949

FROM

TO

: L. B. NICHOLS

SUBJECT:

SAMUEL.H.

I was confidentially advised by a newspaper contact that Senator McCarran had pointed out to judge Kaufman nine instances wherein there was bias on the part of the judge in the Hiss-Chambers case. Two were specific instances where a psychiatrist was present in the court room which McCarran thought was tantamount to the intimidation of a witness and the action of the judge in granting Stryker access to the Grand Jury proceedings He stated further that McCarran told Judge Kaufman that he hoped it would not be necessary for the Senate Judiciary Committee to make inquiry as to how the judge functions in the Hiss-Chambers case.

I was further advised that in connection with McCarran's demands on the files of certain aliens that the man behind this was Otto Dekom who was very close to Isaac Don Levine and who is also very close to Ben Mandel of the Un-American Activities Committee.

As a matter of interest my informant further told me Judge mood of the House Un-American Activities Committee is not expected to remain Committee Chairman for too long a period of time as on two or three occasions lately he has started drinking late in the afternoon with a girl in his office and has had to be carried out around 2:00 or 3:00 A.M.

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TO THE DIRECTOR. FROM : D. H. Ladary Ø JAHAM SUBJECT:

> Mr. Belmont just advised that at 4:50 PM the Jury sent in a note to the Judge advising that they were unable to agree to a verdict. The Judge then conferred with Murphy and Stryker as to the action to be taken. Murphy stated he would accept the word of the Jury if that was the verdict. The Judge then asked Murphy if he would make a motion to have the Jury discharged. Murphy stated that he would not do so inasmuch as that might raise a question of double jeopardy and that he would stand mute.

At 4:55 PM the Judge sent for the Jury, advised them that this case had extended over a long period of time and had been conducted at great expense and that they owed it to the public to endeavor to arrive at a verdict. He asked the Foreman if he thought they could continue in an effort to arrive at a verdict and the Foreman stated that he thought they could try again. Therefore, the Jury returned to its deliberation.

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PREVIOUSLY AND WHICH WAS GIVEN BACK TO HIM PRESUMABLY AFTER GOVERN-MENT EXAMINATION. PAPER RECEIVED INTO EVIDENCE. TESTIFIED HE WAS LATER GIVEN ANOTHER PORTABLE WHICH HE STILL HAS. STATED HAS BEEN A LIFE LONG EPISCOPALIAN AND STRYKER BROUGHT OUT THAT THE RECTOR WHO BAPTIZED HISS HAS BEEN IN COURT. ALSO THAT PRISCILLA IS A QUAKER. HISS THEN DENIED HE HAD EVER HELPED ARRANGE AN AMBUSH FOR ANY ONE . DENIED HE EVER GAVE CHAMBERS A ROLLING PIN FOR CHILD. STATED NEITHER CHAMBERS EVER AT VOLTA PLACE. DENIED ANY SUCH CONVERSATION AS CHAMBERS TESTIFIED TO RE ATTEMPT TO BREAK HISS FROM CP AND DENIED EVER TRANSPORTING FOR CHAMBERS ANY FURNITURE OR ARTICLES ANY TIME. STATED HE HAS NEVER BEEN IN ANY RESIDENCE OF CHAMBERS AND THAT NEITHER CHAMBERS WAS EVER AT THIRTIETH STREET AND THAT HE NEVER ATTENDED LITTLE THEATRE IN BALTIMORE WITH CHAMBERS AND THAT ONLY AUTO TRIP HE EVER MADE WITH CHAMBERS WAS TRIP TO NYC ALREADY DESCRIBED BY HISS. DENIED PRISCILLA EVER TOOK AUTO TRIP WITH EITHER CHAMBERS AND STATED CHAMBERS NEVER ASKED HIM TO SEE COLONED LAMB. STATED WHEN HE LUNCHED WITH CHAMBERS CONVERSATION CONCERNED MAINLY WORK OF ANYE COMMITTEE AND THAT THEY ALSO DISCUSSED LITERATURE AND BOOKS. HISS VOLUNTEERED THAT CHAMBERS SEEMED TO HIM TO BE A JACK LONDON OR JIM TULLY, WHICH OBSERVATION WAS STRICKEN ON OBJECTION. END OF PAGE TWO

PAGE THREE DECLARED HE NEVER INDICATED TO CHAMBERS IN ANY YAY THAT HE WAS CP MEMBER OR SYMPATHIZER. DENIED EVER GIVING CHAMBERS ANY BOOKS OR ARTICLES OF FURNITURE WHATSOEVER. TESTIFIED HE CONSULTED NO RECORDS PRIOR TO HOUA APPEARANCE AUGUST FIFTH LAST AND SO INFORMED HOUA AT HEARING AUGUST SIXTEEN BUT COMMITTEE INSISTED HE TESTIFY TO BEST OF HIS RECOLLECTION. ON STRYKER-S QUESTION, HISS THEN DESCRIBED THE VARIOUS HEARINGS HELD BY HOUA INCLUDING DESCRIPTION OF NEWS-REEL AND TELEVISION LIGHTS AND DISCOMFORT TO VIINESSES. STATED THAT AT TIMES INTERROGATED BY ONE OR MORE MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE WHO TOOK TURNS QUESTIONING HIM. STATED HE HAD APPEARED BEFORE HOUA ON ALL OCCASIONS EXCEPT ONE WITHOUT COUNSEL AND HAD BEEN CONGRATU-LATED BY COMMITTEE FOR THIS ACTION. STATED AT EXECUTIVE SESSION OF COMMITTEE ON AUGUST SIXTEEN LAST HE WAS TOLD HE COULD NOT HAVE COUNSEL AND HAD NO NOTICE THAT THIS WAS ACTUALLY TO BE A HEARING. STATED ON AUGUST TWENTYFIFTH LAST HE HAD COUNSEL WHO MADE A FEW STATEMENTS BUT WAS TOLD TO KEEP QUIET ON TWO OCCASIONS BY MEMBERS OF COMMITTEE AND COUNSEL HAD NO N OPPORTUNITY TO INTERROGATE HIM. STATED THAT SOME OF HIS MOST IMPORTANT RECORDS HAVE BEEN SUBPOE-NAED BY COMMITTEE WERE NOT IN PROPER PLACE IN BUREAU OF MOTOR VEHICLES AND NOT AVAILABLE FOR EXAMINATION BY HIM. ON FINAL QUESTION STATED THAT HE HAS ENTERED A NOT GUILTY PLEA AND REAFFIRMED HIS INNO-CENCE. CROSS BY MURPHY COMMENCED ELEVEN FIVE AM. MURPHY ASKED END OF PAGE THREE

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IF HISS DESIRED TO AMPLIFY OR CHANGE ANY STATEMENTS MADE TO DATE. HISS REPLIED HE KNEW OF NONE AT THAT TIME. MURPHY TOOK HISS THROUGH SERIES OF MEETINGS WITH CHAMBERS, COMMENCING WITH FIRST MEETING AT SENATE OFFICE BUILDING WHICH HISS PLACED AS LATE DEC. THIRTYFOUR OR EARLY THIRTYFIVE. HISS STATED HE DID NOT CONSIDER CHAMBERS DRESS PARTICULARLY SHABBY AND HAD NOT NOTICED LATTER-S LINEN. STATED SECOND MEETING AT HISS -S OFFICE IN SENATE BUILDING TEN DAYS OR TWO WEEKS LATER. THIRD MEETING WAS LUNCHEON PURSUANT TO CALL FROM CHAMBERS ON WHICH OCCASION HE MET CHAMBERS AT RESTAU-RANT ACROSS PLAZA FROM SENATE OFFICE BUILDING. STATED HE BELIEVED FOURTH MEETING WAS IN APRIL THIRTYFIVE OR LATE MARCH AT WHICH TIME DURING LUNCHEON DISCUSSION OF SUBLEASING OF TWENTY EIGHTH STREET APARTMENT TOOK PLACE. DESCRIBED FIFTH MEETING AS INSPECTION OF TWENTYEIGHTH STREET APARTMENT BY CHAMBERS DURING PERIOD FROM APRIL FIFTEEN TO NINETEEN, THIRTYFIVE. DESCRIBED SIXTH MEETING WITH CHAMBERS AS ENTIRE PERIOD OF TWO OR MORE DAYS WHEN CHAMBERS STAYED OVERNIGHT AT HISS-S P STREET APARTMENT. DESCRIBED SEVENTH MEETING AS DISCUSSION CONCERNING RENT. UNABLE TO FIX DATE BUT BELIEVED DURING OCCUPANCY BY CHAMBERS OF TWENTYEIGHTH STREET APARTMENT AT WHICH TIME MURPHY BROUGHT ANSWER FROM HISS THAT DESPITE HIS LEGAL EXPERIENCE, HE HAD MADE NO DEMAND FOR RENTAL AT BEGINNING OF TENANCY. DESCRIBED END OF PAGE FOUR

EIGHTH MEETING AS BEING IN FALL OF THIRTYFIVE AT WHICH TIME DISCUSSION OF RENT OCCURRED, BUT HISS COULD NOT RECALL WHO RAISED ISSUE. DES-CRIBED NINTH MEETING AS BEING ONE ON OCCASION WHEN CHAMBERS TRAVEL-LED TO NEW YORK WITH HIM WHICH HE PLACED IN EARLY PART OF THIRTYFIVE IN COLD WEATHER. STATED DISCUSSION ON THIS TRIP WAS GENERAL AND STATED THAT HE CALLED CROSLEY BY LAST NAME. POSSIBLY ON OCCASIONS CALLED HIM GEORGE. HISS DENIED CHAMBERS ADDRESSED HIM AS HILLY AND DENIES THAT HE CALLS WIFE, PRISCILLA, BY NICKNAME, DILLY. DES-CRIBED TENTH MEETING AS POSSIBLY ONE OR MORE MEETINGS IN FALL OF THIRTYFIVE WHEN CHAMBERS BORROWED FORD CAR FOR PERIOD OF SEVERAL MONTHS AND POSSIBLY AT TIME CHAMBERS RETURNED KEYS IN NOVEMBER. STATED THAT HE GAVE CERTIFICATE OF TITLE TO CHAMBERS WHEN LATTER FIRST PICKED UP CAR. SUBSEQUENTLY STATED HE MAY NOT HAVE GIVEN HIM THE TITLE CERTIFICATE UNTIL HE FINALLY TURNED CAR OVER TO HIM. STATED HE NEVER SAW ANY ARTICLES WRITTEN BY CHAMBERS OR CROSLEY DURING THIS PERIOD AND STATED HE MAY HAVE RECEIVED A TRANSLA-TION, POSSIBLY OF FAUST, FROM CHAMBERS. STATED ELEVENTH MEETING WITH CHAMBERS IN SPRING OF THIRTYSIX WHEN LATTER BROUGHT RUG AS GIFT. STATED CHAMBERS CAME ALONE CARRYING RUG AND RECALLS NO STATEMENT BY CHAMBERS THAT RUG WAS IN REPAYMENT FOR DEBTS OWED BUT GATHERED FROM IMPLICATION OF GIFT ITSELF THAT THIS WAS PURPOSE OF END OF PAGE FIVE

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GIFT. DESCRIBED RUG AS LARGE, NINE BY TWELVE FEET, BRIGHT RED WITH FRINGE, OF ORIENTAL .PATTERN OR TYPE. COULD NOT RECALL CONVER-SATION ON EVENING OF DELIVERY OF RUG. STATED TWELFTH AND LAST TIME HE SAW HIM WAS END OF MAY OR EARLY JUNE, THIRTYSIX, PROBABLY AT "P" STREET HOUSE WHEN CHAMBERS CAME TO PICK UP FORD CAR FOR GOOD. ADMITTED THAT ALTHOUGH AT THIS TIME HE BELIEVED CHAMBERS WOULD NEVER REPAY DEBTS, HE DELIVERED TITLE AND KEYS OF CAR TO CHAMBERS. STATED HE DID THIS BECAUSE OF PRIOR PROMISE TO CHAMBERS. STATED SUBSEQUENTLY THAT THERE MAY HAVE BEEN A FINAL CONVERSATION WITH CHAM-BERS EITHER IN PERSON OR BY TELEPHONE CONCERNING A SMALL LOAN. RECALLED ON CROSS THAT CHAMBERS MAY HAVE REPAID ONE OR MORE OF SMALL LOANS BUT WAS CERTAIN THAT BALANCE OF TWENTYFIVE TO THIRTY DOLLARS DUE. STATED NEXT OCCASION HE SAW CHAMBERS WAS AUGUST LAST AT HOTEL COMMODORE. HISS STATED HE FIRST HEARD NAME WHITTAKER CHAMBERS IN MAY, FORTYSEVEN, AND NEXT IN WINTER OF FORTYEIGHT, AND FINALLY THE NIGHT BEFORE CHAMBERS TESTIFIED BEFORE HCUA. HISS TESTIFIED HE HAD REREAD THE COMPLETE HCUA REPORT, ALSO ALL OF BALTIMORE DEPOSI-TIONS, AND HAS REREAD FBI STATEMENT OF DECEMBER FOUR LAST. ADMITTED HE HAD DISCUSSED TESTIMONY WITH WIFE AND HAS REVIEWED NOTES WHICH HE PREPARED DURING GJ TESTIMONY. ADMITTED THAT CONDITIONS SIMILAR FOR ALL WITNESS WHO TESTIFIED BEFORE HOUA AND HAS NO KNOW-LEDGE THAT A NY COUNSEL PERMITTED TO INTERROGATE WITNESSES BEFORE THIS END OF PAGE SIX

PAGE SEVEN COMMITTEE. STATED FIRST OCCASION HE HEARD CHAMBERS NAME WAS WHEN INTERROGATED BY FBI AT HIS OFFICE IN WASHINGTON, MAY, FORTYSEVEN. SECOND OCCASION WAS IN FEB. OR MARCH, FORTYEIGHT, WHEN PERSONAL FRIEND TOLD HIM CHAMBERS WAS NAMING HIM AS COMMUNIST. STATED HE DID NOTHING CONCERNING THIS BECAUSE HE SUBSEQUENTLY HEARD FROM THE SAME PERSON THAT THE PRIOR STATEMENT WAS UNTRUE. TESTIFIED CONCERNING HIS CON-VERSATION WITH BYRNES OF ALLEGATIONS BEING MADE BY MEMBERS OF CON-GRESS AND SUBSUEQUENT INTERVIEW AT OFFICE AT HEADQUARTERS OF FBI WITH ASST. DIRECTOR LADD AND ASSISTANT. ADMITTED HE DID MOST OF TALKING ON THIS OCCASION. STATED HE WAS ASKED IF HE KNEW VARIOUS PEOPLE AND WAS EITHER ASKED OR VOLUNTEERED INFO CONC VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS WITH WHICH HE WAS CONNECTED AND WHICH MIGHT HAVE LED PERSONS TO BELIEVE HE WAS COMMUNISTICALLY INCLINED. WHEN ASKED TO NAME THESE ORGANI-ZATIONS NAMED VARIOUS COLLEGE CLUBS, BAR ASSOCIATIONS AND EDITORIAL CLUB IN NYC KNOWN AS INTERNATIONAL JURIDICAL SOCIETY. STATED HE WAS NOT GIVEN ANY CERTIFICATE OF CLEARANCE BY FBI AND VOLUNTEERED THAT HE HAD NEVER HEARD OF FBI GIVING SUCH A CLEARANCE TO ANYONE. RE INTERVIEW OF MAY, FORTYSEVEN, STATED HE WAS QUESTIONED RE FORTY OR FIFTY PERSONS SOME OF WHOM HE HAD HEARD OF, OTHERS HE HAD NEVER HEARD OF. STATED CHAMBERS NAME WAS ONE OF THESE. STATED HE DID NOT TYPE, ALTHOUGH MAY HAVE PREPARED ONE OR TWO PAPERS IN COLLEGE DAYS, END OF PAGE SEVEN

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AND STATED THAT TIMOTHY HOBSON MEMO WAS PROBABLY TYPED BY MRS. HISS. QUESTIONED RE HIS STATEMENT TO GJ THAT HE COULD HAVE TYPED IT, HE STATED THAT HE MEANT TO IMPLY THAT IT WAS PHYSICALLY POSSIBLE FOR HIM TO HAVE TYPED IT, BUT HE DENIED THAT HE DID. STATED HE REMEM-BERS TYPEWRITER, NOW KNOWN TO BE WOODSTOCK, VERY WELL AND RECALLED THAT HE TOLD FBI THAT THIS TYPEWRITER WAS DISPOSED OF IN THIRTY EIGHT. CONFRONTED BY HIS SIGNED STATEMENT IN WHICH HE STATES IT WAS DISPOSED OF SUBSEQUENT TO THIRTYEIGHT, HE ADMITTED THAT THAT WAS HIS BEST RECOLLECTION AT THAT TIME. STATED THIS RECOLLECTION WAS BASED ON DISCUSSIONS WITH HIS WIFE CONCERNING THE DISPOSAL OF IT AND ALSO THAT HE BELIEVED HE COULD RECALL SEEING THE TYPEWRITER AT THE VOLTA PLACE ADDRESS. QUESTIONED RE MRS. HISS-S TYPING, HE STA-TED HE DOES NOT KNOW IF SHE USES ANY SYSTEM AND DESCRIBED HER AS NOT A PROFICIENT TYPIST BUT A CAREFUL AMATEUR. RECALLS HER TYPING UP TO AND INCLUDING THIRTYEIGHT AT THE PRESENT ADDRESS. STATED UPON EXAMINATION THAT FRANCIS BY SAYRE WAS HIS SUPERIOR IN THIRTYSEVEN, . THIRTYEIGHT AND HE BELIEVED THAT HE IS BACK IN THE U.S. STATED HE VISITED EUROPE TWICE PRIOR TO OFFICIAL TRIP, ONCE IN TWENTYFOUR WHEN HE MET MRS. HISS, AND IN TWENTYNINE, BOTH PLEASURE TRIPS. QUES-TIONED RE BALTIMORE DOCUMENTS ONE TO FOUR, INCLUSIVE, STATED HE NOW BELIEVES THEY ARE ALL UNDOUBTEDLY IN HIS HANDWRITING. STATED THAT END OF PAGE EIGHT Kisseloff-10680

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HIS HESITANCY IN IDENTIFYING BALTIMORE ONE BEFORE GJ WAS THAT HE AND ASSOCIATES HAD BEEN UNABLE TO LOCATE ORIGINAL STATE DEPARTMENT DOCUMENT WHICH IT PARAPHRASED AND ALSO THAT HANDWRITING WAS NOT AS CLEARLY HIS AS IN OTHER DOCUMENTS. STATED THAT UPON INTRODUCTION OF ORIGINAL STATE DEPARTMENT DOCUMENT, HIS MEMORY WAS CLARIFIED AND HE RECALLED THE CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER WHICH HE WOULD HAVE WRITTEN BALTI-MORE ONE. ADMITTED THAT BEFORE GJ HE HAD BEEN ASKED THREE OR FOUR TIMES RE BALTIMORE ONE AND HAD BEEN DOUBTFUL ON ALL OCCASIONS. CONCERNING SUBLEASE, OF TWENTYEIGHTH STREET APARTMENT, STATED THAT HE PAID ALL UTILITY BILLS SO THAT ACTUALLY INSTEAD OF LEASING APART-MENT TO CHAMBERS FOR COST, HE WAS LOSING MONEY ON THIS ARRANGEMENT. MORNING SESSION CONCLUDED AT ONE PM.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64 UNITED TO MR. D. M. IADD DATE: July 7, 1949 FROM MR. H. B. FLETCHE Ø_{JAHAM} SUBJECT: At 3:45 P.M. today, Supervisor Touhy of the New York Office called in and stated that the court is now charging the jury in the titled matter. He stated that Assistant Director Connelley has reported that Murphy, the Government's attorney, has done a very good job in the summation of the Government's case. The case is expected to go to the jury this afternoon. HBF:mer RECORDED - 34 ADDENDUM The case went to the Jury at 4:20 PH. H. B. Fletcher 0 **ĒX-19** . 51 JUL 201949 Kisseloff-10683
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JAY DAVID CHITTAKER CHANBERS, was. etal. PERJURY ESPIONACE - R INTERNAL SECURITY - R (Bureau file 74-1333) Res. Abraham Coorge Silverman

Reference is made to your letter dated June 15, 1949, requesting Bureau permission to interview David Meintraub, Director of the Division of Economic Stability and Development, United. Nations, for information pertaining to Abraham George Silverman. You advised that Meintraub formerly was employed with Silverman in the government and that Meintraub was also employed on the same WPA project on which Whittaker Chambers was employed as a writer.

A review of the files in the Bureau reflects that a confidential informant advised in 1936 that David Weintraub of the National Research Project of the WPA in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, had been known by the informant in 1930 as a Communist Party organizer who was then research assistant in the Research Department of the Amalganated Clothing Workers Union. A review of the files also reflects that David Weintraub is acquainted with the following individuals:

Alfred K. Stern (100-57453-295

Stern as you know is a principal subject in Mocase.

Alfred J. Van Tassel (100-57453-153 pg 5; 100-57453-278 pg 66) As you know Van Tassel has also received attention in Mocase. He is presently at the United Nations employed under Weintraub.

Beatrice Heiman (100-33100-73) ogh3) 121102 She wan formerly secretary to the Russian Ambassedor, Constantine Oumansky. 8551450-7 9001

George Perazich (101-4732-258 pg 5125.65-56402-1862 pg.68)

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Lauchlin Currie 55-56402-1473 pg 169)

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Dorothy and Irving Keplan (65-56402-2592 pg/4) Kaplan is now Economic Affairs Officer for the United Nations Secretariat: (74-1333-3059 pg 83-85)

Edward Joseph Fitzgerald (65-56402-464 pg 5)

Solomon Lischinsky (65-56402-1-929; 65-56402-2477 pg 97-98)

Harry Dexter White (65-56402-1-906)

Ferol Cornelison (65-56402-1-991 pg 2) Cornelison was a friend of Edward Joseph Fitzgereld and Harry Magdoff in Washington, D. C.

Harry S. Magdoff.

(65-56402-1862 pg 68)

Anatoli Borisovich Gromov (65-56402-234 pg 36) As you know Gromov was identified as "Al" in the Gregory case. A Mr. Meintranb called Gromov on December 28, 1944, for a luncheon appointment. On January 3, 1945, Gromov lunched with David Weintranb at the Carlton Hotel.

Leonard Data Hierenberg and wife, Margaret (65-56402-811 pg 65; 121-560-10 The Micronberge were contacts of Edward Fitzgerald and Harry pg 3-5) Magdoff in Sashington, D. 0.

Lurray Latiner (65-56402-1909 pg 34)

Arthur and Annie Stein (65-56402-811 pg90-91; 100-3-65-445;100-3-65-279 Arthur Stein is a reported Communist in Washington, D. C. pg 2) and a prominent subject in the Cogog case. His wife, Annie, and David Weintrauble wife, Sylvia, are sisters. A close family relationship exists. (100-3-65-891)

Max Lowenthal (62-25733-2-69)

Herbert S. Schimmel

Soloman Adler (121-4089-24 pg 8; 121-4089-8)

(100-355363-2 pg 3)

Schimmel as you know from the Gregory case was a contact of numerous Gregory subjects in Washington such as Charles Kramer, Irving Kaplan, etc.

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Carl Preston Green (100-356697-3) Green is an alleged Communist in Washington, D. C. and is believed to be presently employed by Radio Station FQQW in Washington, D. C.

Mary Jans Keeney (a possible acquaintance)

- Mary Jane has advised that Dr. Isadore Alpher was her physician in Washington, D. C. and that his wife, Rose Alpher, is the sister of David Weintraub.

As you recognize from the above list George Perazioh, George Silveman, Lauchlin Currie, Irving Kaplan, Edward Joseph Fitzgerald, Solomon Lischinsky, Harry Dester white, Harry S. Magdoff, Anatoli Borisovich Gromov and Soloman Adler were all subjects in the Gregory case.

For your information David Weintraub was Director of the National Research Project, WPA in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. It is interesting to note that his associate director was Trving Kaplan and that the following individuals above listed were employed under Weintraub in this projects

Alfred Van Tassel, George Perasich, Edward Joseph Fitzgerald, Solomon Lischinsky, Harry S. Magdoff, Leonard and Margaret Micronberg, Soloman Adler, Herbert S. Schimsel and Carl Preston Green.

It is interesting to note that Weintraub found employment at UNNEA where he reached the position of Deputy Director General prior to his resignation. Thereafter he obtained his present position as Director of the Division of Economic Stability and Development, Department of Economic Affairs at the United Nations.

It is interesting to note that Weintraub endeavored to obtain a position for Beatrice Heiman at UNNRA: (100-33100-73 pg 3)

Further it is to be noted that Solomon Lischinsky and. George Ferazich were employed at UNNHA.

It is of further interest that Kaplan and Van Tassel are presently employed in the Department of Economic Affairs at the United Nations. It may be that these men received their positions through the assistance of Weintraub. It is also possible that Mary Jane Keeney received her position with his assistance.

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In view of the afore-going information, it is not believed that Weintraub should be interviewed for any information he possesses concerning George Silverman. (It may be noted that he has been interviewed on two occasions in the past one in connection with the application of Harry S. Magdoff for a position with the Federal Government and the second during the course of a Hatch Act investigation of Thomas H. Tippett. On both occasions Weintraub furnished favorable information.) Instead you are instructed to initiate a thorough and exhaustive investigation to ascertain the background of David Weintraub 🕅 and his past and present acitivities. You are requested to determine whether this man is engaged in any espionage activities at this time and you should consider all techniques which may be used to accomplish this end. Of course, you should request Bureau authority for the employment of these techniques when same is required.

The information which has been set forth above in connection with David Weintraub is not a summary of the information on him contained in the files of the Bureau. You will be furnished with such a summary at a later date.

Further communications concerning David Weintraub should bear the caption "David Weintraub, Espionage - R."

This matter must receive your immediate attention.

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Re: ABRAHAM GEORGE (SILVERMAN

It is requested that permission be granted, if the Bureau deems it advisable, to interview DAVID WEINTRAUB, Director of the Division of Economic Stability and Development, United Nations.

WEINTRAUB formerly was employed with SILVERMAN in the Government. He also was employed on the same WPA project on which WHITTAKER CHAMBERS was engaged as a writer.

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SAMUEL H.

The attached are several pages of transcript of the proceedings in the chambers of Judge Kaufman on the morning of July 5, 1949, dealing with a discussion as to how Judge Kaufman was chosen to handle the Hiss trial. Tom Donegan thought the Director might be interested in reading this transcript which Donegan is keeping for possible future reference as he feels that there was an attempt to pin on him the responsibility for the selection of Kaufman to handle this trial.

Sincerely,

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And while we are here, I want to take up another matter. One of the newspapers has created quite a mystery as to how this case came on for trial before me. I want to state the facts on the record, and if either you or Mr. Donegan agrees with me as to the facts, I would like to have you state them on the record.

During the week of May 16th, I believe it was on a Wednesday, Mr. Donegan came to see me and told me, while I was assigned to 318, the criminal term, that the Hiss case was set for trial the 23rd of May, on a Monday, that both the Government and the defendant were very anxious to try the case, and he asked whether I could undertake the trial so that the parties could get ready.

In substance, I asked him how long the case would take to try and he told me from two to three weeks. I told him that I could not undertake the case during the week of the 23rd because I had several hearings in the Third Avenue Transportation matter for that week; that on his representation that the case would take two or three weeks to try, an arrangement would have to be made with the Chief Judge to arrange for my assignment in the admiralty term

Later that day or the following day Mr.Murphy called on me and he told me the same thing, and I told him substantially what I had told Mr. Donegan. I told him to go Kisseloff-10696

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and arrange with Judge Goddard - I told him that an arrangement would have to be made with Judge Goddard in the absence of Judge Knox, to take care of the admiralty term so that I could continue with the criminal term to dispose of this case if I was wanted for that purpose.

Nr. Murphy then went to see Judge Goddard and reported back to me that Judge Goddard would take care of the criminal term by either assigning someone else or taking the admiralty term himself. I told Mr. Murphy that under those circumstances I would proceed with the trial of theease, commencing the 31st of May after the call of the calendar in the criminal term, but that I would check the matter first with Judge Goddard, which I did.

Is that a correct statement of the facts, Mr. Murphy and Mr. Donegan?

MR. DONEGAN: I would like, your Honor, to make a statement if I may with reference to my visit to you. The purpose of myvisit to you was in connection with the Coplon-Gubitehev case. That afternoon or that morning the matter was coming up with reference to an application for restrictions on the bail - I am not quite clear - but in the course of my visit with you a discussion came up with reference to the Hiss case. I said that we were quite anxious to get the Hiss case started, that it was being handled by Mr. McGohey's office, and that I thought Kisseloff-10697

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I would be with Mr. Murphy on the case.

There was some discussion concerning the availability of judges and you said you thought you might be available for the case. I said, well, I hoped that you would, because we are anxious to get the case started, it has been postponed so many times. I think I at that time made reference to the fact that I undersbood that Judge Knox was sick and that Judge Hulbert had been sick but was just coming back, and in substance that it didn't look very bright as to whether we could get a judge. And at that time you stated that you were occupied with the Third Avenue and that there was something concerning admiralty, in substance what you said, your Honor, but you thought that you would be available.

I mentioned that I would tell Mr. Murphy about my conversation with you, since the case was being handled by the United States Attorney's office.

I think that is in substance the conversation. But I did want to clear one point.

THE COURT: I said that I would be available or Iwould make myself available if it was in the interest of the court's business. What did I say, Mr. Donegan?

MR. DONEGAN: The only point I wanted to make was that my purpose of going up to your chambers was with reference to the Gubitchev matter -- Kisseloff-10698 4oh

THE COURT: Wasn't that a previous time?

MR. DONEGAN: No, your Honor, if I may beg to differ.

THE COURT: You may be right.

NR. DONEGAN: It was to go up and talk to you about the Gubitchev case. I was handling the Gubitchev-Coplon matter at that time and that was the reason I went to your chanbers, because we had appeared before two or three other judges, and I thought I should give you some background since Gubitchev did not have a lawyer but was represented by the first secretary of the ---

THE COURT: Ithink you are right. I had forgotten that Gubitchev --

MR. DONEGAN: The Hiss case came up in the discussion at that time, and I discussed my concern over the fact that it had been delayed so long. And I think at that time we had even a reference to Mr. NoLean, and I said I had been in touch with Mr. McLean in the past and it had been postponed and postponed, and it was being handled by Mr. McGohey's office, by Mr. Murphy, and that the judge situation in the Southern District looked sort of hopeless because there wasn't anybody available.

THE COURT: And didn't I tell you that I had done much more than my share, that I was --Kisseloff-10699

MR. DONEGAN: That is correct.

THE COURT: That I was doing the Third Avenue at the time.

MR. DOWEGAN: Third Avenue, and I believe you mentioned admiralty.

THE COURT: Admiralty, commencing the 6th of June, but that if I was wanted in this case I would yield my own personal convenience. Did I tell you that?

MR. DOWEGAN: I believe you said that, your Honor. But I just did want to make it clear that my purpose in going up to your office was not to - if I may take the liberty to say this - to ask for a judge, because the case was being handled by the United States Attorney's office and I certainly would be going out of my field if I went up and sought, or if I went to ask for a judge to be assigned, because my only business, legitimate business, if I may say so was on the Coplon-Gubitchev case, because I was handling that for the department.

THE COURT: That is right. Now that you mention the Gubitchev case, Ithink you are quite right about that. You did talk about that first and then you started to talk about this, and then it was later that day or the next day that Mr. Murphy came to see me. Is that correct, Mr. Murphy?

MR. MURPHY: Well, I am not too sure on the date, your Honor, but it was shortly after I came back after Kisseloff-10700 Oh

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THE COURT: That is right.

MR. MURPHY: But really, Judge, I don't want to get into a discussion because I don t think it is anybody's business at all.

THE COURT: Well, I think how that a mystery has been made about the situation that it ought to be clarified. It was before the 25th and after Mr. Donegan called me.

MR. MURPHY: Oh, I know definitely, because Mr. Donegan had told me something which prompted me to go to your chambers.

THE COURT: That is right.

MR. MURPHY: But, Judge, I will be only too glad to tell you in private what my recollection is.

THE COURT: Is it different from mine?

MR. MURPHY: Well, I didn't know what your conversation was with Mr. Donegan at all, but I hesitate to do it in chambers.

MR. STRYKER: I will step out, Mr. Murphy, if you wish.

THE COURT: This has nothing to do with the public. I just want a record made of this situation.

MR. MURPHY: Well, if you ask me, Judge, my recollection is as follows: that I was out for a considerable period of time because of my illness, and when I came Kisseloff-10701 back Mr. Donegan told me that you had suggested to him that you would be available for the case, and I went either the day that I came back or the day after, and I was very happy, and I said that I understand you will be available, and you said yes, that you will, that you will have the calendar in 318, that you were going to be extremely busy there and you thought that what you had better do would be to put the case - mark it ready on the 23rd and you would try it on the lst of June. And you asked me to go across the hall to see Judge Goddard. And I went across the hall and I told Judge Goddard that you would be available for the Hiss --

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THE COURT: That I would be, or that I would make, myself available.

MR. MURPHY: I cannot remember, your Honor, but I did say that you would be available if it was agreeable to him, in the absence of Judge Knox, and Judge Goddard said if Judge Kaufman said he could handle it it would be all right with him.

THE COURT: And then I talked with Judge Goddard.

MR. MURPHY: I don't know about that, but that was my only talk with you on that day.

THE COURT: You came back and reported to me after you had seen Judge Goddard.

MR. MURPHY: That is right. I came back to tell your girl -- I stuck my head in the door and said that Judge Goddard said it would be all right.

MR. McLEAN: There is one other matter, your Honor, --

MR. STRYKER: Will you state that, Mr. McLean, please.

MR. McLEAN: A couple of days before we adjourned over the weekmend, Mr. Murphy called a Mr. Solandt, who testified that he was a resident of Mrs. Wickes' apartment house in Chestertown, Maryland, in the summer of 1937, and that he had not seen Mr. or Mrs. Hiss there.

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JAHAM. HISS TRIAL SUMMARY AM SESSION, JULY SIXTH. ON RECONVENING OF COURT MAURICE ALYNN, COURT RÉPORTER UNO ACCOMPANIED MURPHY, MCLEAN AND SA SPENCER TO CHESTERTOWN, MD. LAST EVENING TO TAKE DEPOSITION OF ON DIRECT MRS WICKES TESTIFIED SHE IS PERSON-MRS. WICKES, READ SAME. ALLY ACQUAINTED WITH ALGER AND PRISCILLA ALGER SUBLET AN APT. IN HER HOUSE FROM DR. DOLE IN SUMMERS OF THIRTY SIX AND THIRTY SEVEN AND HISSES WERE THERE IN JULY AND PART OF AUG., THIRTY SEVEN. STATED HOBSON TIMMY AT NEARBY CAMP THAT SUMMER WITH BROKEN LEG AND PRISCILLA AT SUMMER SCHOOL. IDENTIFIED CHECK FOR ONE DOLLAR AND FIFTY FIVE CENTS ISSUED TO HER BY ALGER DATED NOV. SIXTH, NINETEEN FORTY SEVEN AND GUESSED IT WAS FOR PHONE CALL THAT SUMMER. ON CROSS MRS. WICKES ADMITTED SHE HAD DISCUSSED CASE FOR HALF HOUR WITH MC LEAN PRIOR TO DEPOSITION LAST EVENING. ADMITTED SHE DID NOT KNOW FOR WHAT ABOVE CHECK WAS ISSUED. STATED ALGER AND PRISCILLA MAY HAVE RESIDED THERE ALL OF JULY AND AUG., THIRTY SEVEN BUT SHE IS ONLY POSITIVE ABOUT PART OF THAT PERIOD AND ADMITTED SHE COULD NOT SAN THEY WERE THERE ADMITTED TOLD FET HISSES THERE IN THIRTY EVERY DAY. SIX BECAUSE SHE MANDANEDLY SON EROKE HIS EACK THAT YEAR BEL PEVED T NOU REALIZES SHE WAS MISTAKEN AND THE YEAR WAS THIRTY SEVEN. Kisseloff-10704 DEC 22 1964 ONE 348

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KNOWLEDGE OF IT EUT QUOTE SOLANDT WAS LED IN TO HIM BY THE FBI UNQUOTE. STRYKER THEN STATED THAT HE DID NOT LIKE THIS SITUATION BECAUSE THE FBI HAD PEEN ALL OVER CHESTERTOWN, MD., SAV ALL OF THE CHESTERTOWN WITNESSES, KNEW FROM THE RECORDS OF THE UNIV. OF MD. THAT PRISCILLA HISS HAD A CHESTERTOUN ADDRESS IN THE SUMMER OF THIRTY SEVEN AND COMM-ENTED THAT THE GOVT. WOULD HAVE ALLOWED THIS TO GO TO THE JURY WITHOUT BEING CLARIFIED UNLESS THE DEFENSE HAD NOT GONE TO GREAT TROUBLE TO OB-TAIN THIS INFO FOR THE LURY. STRYKER THEN COMMENTED IN A SIMILAR VEIN CONCERNING THE VILMINGTON HOSPITAL RECORDS. HE CONCLUDED THIS PHASE BY STATING THAT ALL OF THIS WAS CARRIED OUT BECAUSE CHAMPERS GAVE THE FANTASTIC STORY CONCERNING PETERBOROUGH. STRYKER COMMENTED RE ALLEGED TRIP TO BOUCOT COTTAGE AT SMITHTOWN, THAT STRESSED THIS TO DEVELOP ASSOCIATION DETWEEN CHAMBERS AND HISS FAMILIES, AND THAT IF CHAMBERS TESTIMONY IS TO BE ACCEPTED, HISS FAMILY COULD NOT DO ENOUGH FOR CHAMBERS. STRYKER SAID IT WAS AS THOUGH BENEDICT ARNOLD HAD OPENLY FLAUNTED HIS ASSN WITH ANNEXCREY, AND SAID THE CLAIM OF FRIENDSHIP IS BABSURD. STRYKER THEN WENT INTO HOUA TESTIMONY OF CHAMBERS THAT HE LEFT CP IN THIRTY SEVEN AND SAID IF SO CHAMBERS COULD NOT HAVE BEEN CONSPIRING TO RECEIVE DOCUMENTS IN FED. AND MARCH THIRTY EIGHT. MENTIONED ACCORDING TO COWLEY TESTIMONY CHAMBERS TOLD HIM HE LEFT CP IN THIRTY SEVEN AND SWORE MANY TIMES THAT WAS CORRECT YEAR. STRYKER END OF PAGE FOUR Kisseloff-10714

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OBSERVED THAT PART OF THE ALLEGED TURMOIL THROUGH WHICH CHAMPERS SUFFERED WAS DUE TO HIS REALIZING THAT HE WAS ON RECORD MANY TIMES AS SAYING HE LEFT CP IN THIRTY SEVEN, YET DOCUMENTS IN THIS CASE DID NOT EVEN COME INTO EXISTENCE, UNTIL EARLY THIRTY EIGHT. HE THEN REFERRED TO TESTIMONY OF CLAUDIE MCATLETT WHO HE SAID WAS COMPLETELY TRUTHFUL, AND HER TESTIMONY WAS UNCONTRADICTED TO EFFECT THAT CHAMBERS NEVER CAME TO THIRTIETH ST. OR VOLTA PLACE. POINTED OUT THAT CHAMBERS TRIED TO GET INFO FROM CLAUDIE AT FBI OFFICE FEW MONTHS AGO RE ART-ICLES OF FURNITURE OWNED BY HISS. HE SAID IF THAT WAS NOT TRUE, WHY DID THE FBI AGENT WHO WITNESSED THE INTERVIEW NOT REPUDIATE HER TESTIMONY TO THAT EFFECT, AND WHY WAS CHAMBERS NOT BROUGHT BACK TO DENY SO QUESTIONING CLAUDIE. CONCERNING DOCUMENTS ONE THROUGH FOUR, STRYKER SAID THE INNUENDO IS THAT ALGER TORE OFF THE PRINTED STATE . DEPT. LEGEND ON TOP OF SHEETS. STATED THAT IF SUCH LEGED REMAINED ON THOSE SHEETS IN POSSESSION OF WADLEIGH OR SOME OTHER THIEF WHO HAD NO CONNECTION WITH PARTICULAR STATE DEPT. OFFICE CON-CERNED, IT WOULD BE VERY UNUSUAL AND SUCH A THIEF WOULD UNDOUBTEDLY TEAR OFF LEGEND.

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STRYKER THEN DECLARED THAT TO BELIEVE CHAMBERS, JURY HAS TO BELIEVE ALGER IS BELOW NORMAL INTELLIGENCE, AND THAT IT IS AESURD TO THINK ALGER WOULD HAVE GIVEN NOTES IN HIS HANDWRITING TO CHAMBERS TO IN-CRIMINATE HIMSELF. STRYKER THEN REFERRED TO DOCUMENT NO. TWO AND READ CORRESPONDING ORIGINAL STATE DEPT. DOCUMENT AND SAID THAT THE BRILL-IANT ALGER HISS WOULD HAVE INCLUDED ENTIRE TEXT, PARTICULARLY AS IT REFERRED TO RUSSIA, RATHER THAN SMALL PORTION HE DID WRITE OUT, AND STRYKER SAID HE COULD CITE NUMEROUS SIMILAR INSTANCES. REMINDED JURY HE SAID IN HIS OPENING THAT DEFENSE HAD TYPEURITER AND FBI COULD EXAMINE IT AND SUCH INVITATION NOT ACCEPTED. INSTEAD, MR. FEEHAN, AN EXPERT, TESTIFIED AS TO IDENTITY OF MACHINE, BUT NEVER SAID IT WAS A WOODSTOCK OR HAD PICA TYPE. STRYKER REFERRED TO TESTIMONY OF FEEHAN AS PURPORTING TO IDENTIFY TYPING ON DOCUMENTS. SAID REASON HE DID NOT CROSS EXAMINE FEEHAN WAS BECAUSE HE KNEW THEN THAT HISS DID NOT HAVE TYPEVRITER WHEN INSTANT DOCUMENTS CAME INTO EXISTENCE. HE SAID THIS SO CALLED EXPERT TESTIFIED WITHOUT EVER HAVING LOOKED AT WOODSTOCK TYPEWRITER, AND THAT HE DOES NOT CARE IF DOCUMENTS WERE TYPED ON HISS MACHINE, BUT AS A LAYMAN HE WAS NOT AT ALL CONVINCED THAT THEY WERE. SAID EVIDENCE

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SHOUS TYPEWRITER LEFT HISSES ON MOVE TO VOLTA PLACE, AND THAT IT IS HIGHLY SIGNIFICANT THAT LAST SPECIMEN FROM IT, WHICH FBI COULD LOCATE WITH ALMOST ALL OF US TREAS. RESOURCES IN BACK OF IT, WAS LETTER DATED MAY TUENTY FIFTH, NINETEEN THIRTY SEVEN. POINTED OUT DEFENSE HAD GIVEN GOVT. ALL TYPING STANDARDS THEY COULD FIND, BUT GOVT. FAILED TO MEN-TION THAT IN ITS CASE. E CATLETT VERE IGNORANT BUT SAID PAT AND HONEST AND CORROBORATIVE TESTIMONY THEY GAVE WAS COMPLETE AND MADE IT CLEAR WOODSTOCK NOT IN HOUSE AFTER MAY THIRTY SEVEN. AT THIS POINT STRYKER INQUIRED IF HE MIGHT HAVE MORE TIME. THE JUDGE GAVE HIM ADDL HOUR COMMENCING TEN AM TOMORROW. STRYKER SAID NO EXPERT TESTIFIED THAT CHAMBERS DID NOT TYPE DOCUMENTS OR WRITE INTERLINEATIONS IN THE DOCU-MENTS, AND INQUIRED AS TO WHAT GOVT. THEORY IS ON THOSE INTERLINEAT-IONS, AND ASKED QUOTE WHERE IS FEEHAN ON THAT UNQUOTE. STRYKER STATED HE DOES NOT KNOW WHERE CHAMBERS GOT DOCUMENTS, BUT ASKED WHY, IF MOST OF THEM WERE TYPED, ARE SOME OF THEM HANDWRITTEN. HE SAID LATTER OB-VIOUSLY RETRIEVED FROM WASTE BASKET OR TOP OF SOME DESK IN STATE DEPT. SAID WADLEIGH OR SOME OTHER THIEF GOT COPY OF DOCUMENTS APPEAR-ING ON MICROFILM AFTER THEY LEFT HISS DESK, AND THAT ENTIRE STORY IS PREPOSTEROUS. ADJOURNED UNTIL TEN AM JULY SEVENTH.

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FREQUENTLY AND THAT HE WAS NOT QUESTIONED AS TO HISS-S CHARACTER. MURPHY REFERRED TO STRYKER-S OPENING TO THE EFFECT THAT HE WAS GLAD TO BE HERE AWAY FROM THE KLIEG LIGHTS AND TELEVISION AND THAT HE REFERRED TO CHAMBERS AS A MORAL LEPER, THIEF AND INCOME TAX EVADER. MURPHY POINTED OUT THAT HERE WAS A PAL OF HISS TO WHOM HISS HAD GIVEN AN APARTMENT AND A FORD CAR AND IN COMPARING CHAMBERS AND HISS STATED THAT ON THE FACTS OF THIS CASE HISS IS A TRAITOR. MURPHY STATED THAT REFERENCE WAS MADE TO CHAMBERS LIVING WITH PROSTI-TUTES, INCLUDING ONE-EYED ANNIE IN NEW ORLEANS AND WITH IDA DAILES AND THAT STRYKER WAS ACTUALLY MISQUOTING CHAMBERS TESTIMONY. HE POINTED OUT THAT CHAMBERS HAD A HIGH REGARD FOR WOMANHOOD, INAS-MUCH AS HE WAS MARRIED IN THIRTYONE AND HE PRESENTLY HAS TWO CHIL-DREN. MURPHY COMMENTED THAT STRYKER FAILED TO CALL BERLE TO TESTIFY RELATIVE TO HIS CONVERSATION WITH CHAMBERS IN THIRTYNINE, ALTHOUGH STRYKER HAD INFERRED THAT CHAMBERS DID NOT TELL BERLE THAT HISS WAS A COMMUNIST. STILL REFERRING TO STRYKER-S OPENING, MURPHY STATED STRYKER WAS TRYING TO IMPRESS THE JURY THAT CHAMBERS WAS A THIEF, INASMUCH AS HE HAD BOOKS OWNED BY COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, AND THAT HE WAS STEALING ARTICLES FROM NEWSPAPERS OR CLASS ANGLING. HE POINTED END OF PAGE TWO
OUT THAT CHAMBERS HAD NO MOTIVE FOR BRINGING FORWARD THE DOCUMENTS IN THAT HE HAD A THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLAR A YEAR JOB AT TIME, INC., AND THAT HE WOULD GAIN NOTHING IN THE EVENT HISS WAS CONVICTED. HE POINTED OUT THAT THE DEFENSE ATTORNEYS KNEW EVERYTHING ABOUT CHAMBERS IN THIS CASE EEFORE THE TRIAL BEGAN, INASMUCH AS THIRTEEN HUNDRED PAGES OF TESTIMONY OF MR. AND MRS. CHAMBERS WAS TAKEN IN THE LIBEL SUIT IN BALTIMORE. MURPHY STATED THAT THE JURY HAD TO BELIEVE CHAMBERS IN THAT THERE WAS TESTIMONY THAT CORROBORATES HIS TESTIMONY. MURPHY POINTED OUT THAT MRS. CHAMBERS SUCCESSFULLY DESCRIBED THE VOLTA PLACE AND THE THIRTIETH STREET ADDRESSES OF HISS AND THAT MOST OF HER TESTIMONY IN THIS REGARD WAS CORROBORATED BY THE HISS-S DESCRIPTION OF THESE HOUSES. HE COMMENTED UPON THE CON-FRONTATION OF CHAMBERS AND HISS AT THE COMMODORE HOTEL, NYC, WHICH DEALT WITH THE VOICE OF CHAMBERS, THE CONDITION OF HIS TEETH, AND THE FACT THAT HE ASKED CHAMBERS WHETHER HE OCCUPIED HIS TWENTYNINTH STREET APARTMENT. STATED THAT AT THIS CONFRONTATION, CHAMBERS SAID THAT HE AND HISS WERE COMMUNISTS TOGETHER AND AT THAT TIME HISS RECOGNIZED CHAMBERS AS THE PERSON HE KNEW AS GEORGE CROSLEY, NOT FROM A VISUAL RECOLLECTION, BUT FROM WHAT CHAMBERS HAD SAID. END OF PAGE THREE Kisseloff-10720

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HE POINTED OUT THAT AT THIS TRIAL HISS TESTIFIED THAT HE RECOG-NIZED CROSLEY AS CHAMBERS WITHOUT HESITATION AT THIS CONFRONTATION. HE STATED HISS TESTIFIED BEFORE THE HCUA THAT THE NAME WHITTAKER CHAMBERS MEANT NOTHING TO HIM BUT AS A RESULT OF TESTIMONY IN THIS TRIAL, HISS ACTUALLY HEARD THIS NAME BEFORE THE GRAND JURY IN MARCH, FORTYEIGHT, AND THAT A FRIEND OF HIS TOLD HIM ABOUT WHITTAKER CHAMBERS. HE POINTED OUT THAT HISS MUST HAVE KNOWN THE IDENTITY OF CHAMBERS. MURPHY STATED THAT HISS GAVE THE TWENTYEIGHTH STREET APARTMENT TO CHAMBERS, ALTHOUGH HE DID NOT KNOW CHAMBERS ADDRESS, HIS EMPLOYMENT, OR ANY OTHER FACTS ABOUT CHAMBERS-S_IDENTITY, THAT HISS ALSO THREW IN A CAR WITH THIS APARTMENT, AND THAT THEY HAD AN ORAL LEASE ON AN APARTMENT IN WHICH THE RENT WAS NOT PAID IN ADVANCE. HE POINTED OUT THAT AT THIS TRIAL HISS TESTIFIED HE GAVE CHAMBERS THE FORD CAR IN THE SUMMER OF THIRTYSIX AS A RESULT OF A PREVIOUS PROMISE TO HIM, BUT THAT ACTUALLY THE ASSIGNMENT OF TITLE INDICATES THAT ALGER HISS SIGNED A TRANSFER OF THIS CAR TO THE CHERNER MOTOR CO. MURPHY POINTED OUT THAT CHAMBERS BOUGHT FOUR RUGS WITH MONEY HE RECEIVED FROM BYKOV, WHICH PURCHASE WAS AR-RANGED THROUGH MEYER SCHAPIRO. STATED THAT THE RECORDS REFLECT THAT THIS RUG WAS DELIVERED TO SCHAPIRO ON DECEMBER TWENTYNINTH, THIRTYSIX, END OF PAGE FOUR

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WHO AT CHAMBERS REQUEST FORWARDED THESE RUGS TO A MAN WHOSE LAST NAME STARTED WITH SILVER. STATED THAT CHAMBERS TESTIFIED HE GAVE ONE OF THESE RUGS TO HISS., WHICH-RUG WAS FROM THE RUSSIAN PEOPLE IN GRATITUDE. THAT HISS ADMITTED RECEIVING A RUG FROM CHAMBERS. WITH REFERENCE TO THE TYPEWRITER, MURPHY STATED THAT WHEN THE DOCU-MENTS WERE INTRODUCED IN BALTIMORE ON NOVEMBER SEVENTEENTH, THE TYPEWRITER BECAME IMPORTANT AND HE POINTED OUT THAT IN MANY INSTANCES HISS ATTEMPTED TO CONTACT THE AG RELATIVE TO THE DOCU-MENTS, TO FURNISH SPECIMENS TO THE GOVERNMENT OF TYPING AND TO MAKE THE SPECIAL TRIP TO BALTIMORE TO SEE THE FBI. HE BROUGHT OUT THAT HISS ALWAYS WANTED TO BE FIRST, WHICH HISS FELT WOULD BE AN INDICA-TION OF HIS INNOCENCE. HISS TOLD THE FBI THAT HE SOLD THE TYPE-WRITER TO A SECONDHAND DEALER, THAT CLAUDIA CATLETT WAS DEAD, AND THAT HE APPARENTLY DECIDED TO HELP THE FBI BUT ACTUALLY HIS INFOR-MATION, IN FACT, DID NOT ASSIST IN THE LEAST. MURPHY STATED THAT PARRY CATLETT RECALLED HE RECEIVED THE TYPEWRITER EITHER BEFORE, DURING OR AFTER ONE OF THE HISS-S MOVES, AND THAT SHORTLY THERE-AFTER HE TOOK THE TYPEWRITER TO A COMPANY ON CONNECTICUT AVE. AND K STREET TO HAVE IT FIXED. MURPHY POINTED OUT THAT INVESTIGATION END OF PAGE FIVE



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SHOWED THAT THERE WAS A WOODSTOCK CO. ON THIS CORNER, BUT THAT ACTU-ALLY THEIR LEASE BEGAN ON SEPTEMBER FIFTEENTH, THIRTYEIGHT. HE ALSO STATED THAT THE DEFENSE INTIMATED THAT CATLETT COULD HAVE TAKEN THE TYPEWRITER TO ANOTHER SHOP A FEW BLOCKS AWAY, BUT MURPHY POINTED OUT THAT THIS SHOP DID NOT COME INTO EXISTENCE UNTIL MAY, THIRTY-EIGHT. HE ALSO STATED THAT CATLETT-S OWN TESTIMONY REFLECTED THAT THEY DID NOT MOVE TO P STREET UNTIL JAN. SEVENTEEN, THIRTYEIGHT AND THEY DID TAKE THE TYPEWRITER FROM HISS TO THEIR HOUSE ON P STREET. MURPHY POINTED OUT THAT STRYKER THEREUPON ATTACKED THE FBI AND HE STATED THAT IF ANY JUROR THINKS THE EBL WAS UNEALS IN ANY WAY, THAT HISS SHOULD BE ACQUITTED. HE THEN DISCUSSED THE PETER-BORO TRIP AND STATED CHAMBERS ONLY REASON FOR MENTIONING THIS TRIP AND THE CIRCUMSTANCES WAS BECAUSE IT WAS THE TRUTH. STATED HE HAD NO DOUBT HISS WAS IN CHESTERTOWN DURING THIRTYSEVEN BUT THE QUESTION WAS AS TO WHETHER HISS WAS THERE EVERY DAY DURING THE SUMMER OF THIRTYSEVEN. IN REGARD TO THE FOUR HUNDRED DOLLAR LOAN MURPHY STATED THAT CHAMBERS WOULD HAVE TO BE PSYCHIC TO KNOW THAT IN THE FIRST WITHDRAWAL FROM HISS-S SAVINGS ACCOUNT, THAT FOUR HUNDRED END OF PAGE SIX

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DOLLARS WAS WITHDRAWN FROM THIS ACCOUNT. HE POINTED OUT THAT SHORTLY THEREAFTER CHAMBERS PURCHASED A CAR WITH THIS MONEY AT THE SCHMIDT MOTOR CO. HE STATED THAT BEFORE GJ MRS. HISS SAID THAT SHE WAS A LONGHANDER AND THAT SHE COULDN-T TYPE. HE POINTED OUT THAT MRS. HISS WROTE A LETTER TO THE UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND AS AN APPLI-CATION TO TAKE COURSES AT THE MERCY HOSPITAL. HE STATED THAT MRS. CHAMBERS TESTIFIED THAT MRS. HISS TOLD HER OF THIS FACT AND SUCH A THING MUST HAVE HAPPENED. HE BROUGHT OUT THE FACT THAT CHAMBERS WAS A MAN OF COURAGE AND HE TOOK HISS-S CHALLENGE TO STATE THAT HISS WAS A COMMUNIST. HE REFRESHED THE JURY-S RECOLLECTION OF MISS LINCOLN-S TESTIMONY AND TO THE MANNER IN WHICH SHE HANDLED THE ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS IN SAYRE-S OFFICE. MURPHY POINTED OUT THAT WADLEIGH-S TESTIMONY CORROBORATED CHAMBERS TESTIMONY WHICH PROVES THAT CHAMBERS WAS TELLING THE TRUTH AS TO HIS ACTIVITIES. IN REFERENCE TO DULLES -S TESTIMONY, MURPHY POINTED OUT THAT HISS LIED ON THREE SEPARATE OCCASIONS AS TO DULLES ASKING HISS TO RESIGN, THAT HISS HAD SATISFIED THE FBI AS TO WHETHER HISS PERSONALLY CHECKED WITH BYRNES. MURPHY EXHIBITED THE BALTIMORE EXHIBITS ONE TO FOUR AND POINTED OUT THAT HISS WAS INCONSISTENT RELATIVE TO HIS WRITING OF THESE SUMMARIES. STATED THAT NOTE NUMBER ONE WAS A VERBATIM END OF PAGE SEVEN

COPY OF A TELEGRAM AND POINTED OUT THAT THIS NOTE WAS CREASED VERY CAREFULLY AND WAS NOT CRUMPLED IN SUCH A WAY THAT THIS NOTE COULD HAVE BEEN THROWN IN THE WASTE BASKET. HE FURTHER STATED THAT THESE SUMMARIES DID NOT RELATÉ TO TRADE AGREEMENTS, AND THAT HISS HAD NO EXPLANATION FOR THEM. STATED THAT HE OBJECTED TO THE TESTIMONY OF DR MBINGER AND ALTHOUGH BINGER, A PSYCHIATRIST, WATCHED CHAMBERS FOR SEVEN DAYS, HE DID NOT BOTHER CHAMBERS BECAUSE CHAMBERS WAS TELLING THE TRUTH. MURPHY STATED THAT THIS WAS THE SECOND JURY THAT WAS HEARING THIS TESTIMONY AND HE WISHED THIS JURY TO RECALL THAT THE GRAND JURY HAD INDICTED HISS. MURPHY-S SUMMATION WAS COM-PLETED AT THREE FIETEEN PM. THEREAFTER; JUDGE KAUFMAN CHARGED THE JURY RELATIVE TO DISREGARDING COMMENTS OF THE PRESS AND RADIO AND INSTRUCTING THEM ON THE TWO COUNTS OF THE INDICTMENT. STATED THAT THE JURY SHOULD BRING IN A DECISION ON THE BASIS OF THE EVIDENCE PRESENTED AND HE READ THE PORTIONS OF THE STATUTE APPLICABLE TO THIS CASE. HE STATED IN ORDER TO GAIN A CONVICTION, IT WAS NECESSARY FOR THE JURY TO BELIEVE WHITTAKER CHAMBERS AND THAT THE TESTIMONY OF THE WITNESSES SHOULD BE CONSIDERED TO CORROBORATE THE END OF PAGE EIGHT

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TESTIMONY OF CHAMBERS. ON THREE SEPARATE OCCASIONS HE ADVISED THE JURY THAT CHAMBERS IS AN INTERESTED WITNESS IN THIS CASE INASMUCH AS A LIBEL SUIT IS PRESENTLY OUTSTANDING AGAINST HIM, WHICH SUIT WAS BROUGHT BY ALGER HISS. HE STATED THAT THE TESTIMONY OF HISS AND THE CHARACTER TESTIMONY SHOULD BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION INASMUCH AS EVIDENCE OF GOOD' CHARACTER MAY BRING ABOUT A REASONABLE DOUBT. THE JURY RETIRED AT FOUR TWENTY PM. TUFMAN SCHEIDT HOLD PLS SAMUEL aibre 2000 Kisseloff-10726

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PAGE TWO POSSESSES AS TO IDENTITY AND LOCATION OF "CHARLOTTE", WHO APPARENTLY REPLACED HER AS LIEBER-S SECRETARY, AND ALSO FOR ANY INFORMATION SHE POSSESSES AS TO ANY ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES ON PART OF MAXIM LIEBER. IF "CHARLOTTE" IS IDENTIFIED BY PERKINS, BOSTON SHOULD REQUEST PER-MISSION FROM BUREAU FOR INTERVIEW OF "CHARLOTTE" REGARDING INFORMATION SET OUT IN REFERENCED REPORT DATED MAY ELEVEN FORTYNINE. STANDARD FORM NO. 64

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ffice Memorandum . UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT MR. D. M. IADD TO

MR. H. 'B. FLETCHE

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DATE: July 8, 1949

ASAC Belmont at 11:55 A.M. advised that the jury had just requested the court to re-state that part of his charge relating to corroboration and circumstantial evidence. The court is arranging to re-state the charge with reference to the subject matter indicated.

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Night Supervisor J. R. Adams of the New York Office called at 12:40 AM, July 10, 1949, to advise that an inquiry had been received from the Associated Press in that city as to whether the FBI had any comment on a story in the Chicago Tribune stating the FBI was investigating the four jurors who voted to acquit Alger Hiss. Adams had answered the inquiry with "no comment."

At 1:00 AM, same date, Sidney Roberts of the AP in Washington called the Bureau. He said the Chicago Tribune was carrying a story, attributed to no one, that the FBI was investigating the four jurors who stood for acquittal of Hiss. He asked if we had any statement on it and I told him "no."

At 8:00 AM, same date, I spoke to Mr? McGuire about these calls. He suggested that any further inquiries as to whether the Bureau had any comment should be similarly answered, and that he be notified of such further inquiries.

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TO DIRECTOR, FBI FROM SAC. WASHINGTON FIELD SUBJECT: JAHAM PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R

INTERNAL SECURITY - R Bureau file 74-1333

It will be recalled that on Thursday, July 7, 1949, Mr. GEORGE WEDDERBURN of Wedderburn Station, Virginia, telephonically contacted the Bureau and desired to impart some information in connection with HENRY JULIAN WADIEIGH. WEDDERBURN's call was switched to Special Agent IAMBERT G. ZANDER, who advised him that he would be contacted by agents of this office.

On Friday, July 8, 1949, WEDDERBURN was interviewed by Special Agents JOHN E. HOWARD (who is a long time acquaintance of WEDDEREURN) and DONALD D. CONNORS, JR.

WEDDEREURN advised at this time that several years ago he had been told by an itinerant carpenter, whose name he could not recall, that this carpenter believed WADIEIGH to be a Communist. WEDDERBURN, who was unable to fix the exact date of this conversation, stated that the carpenter had been doing some work on the house of one M. L. LITEMAN in whose home WADIEIGH was renting a room. The carpenter upon entering WADIEIGH's room in connection with his work, saw numerous pamphlets, books and other periodicals, most of which appeared to the carpenter to be Communist Party publications.

At the time Mr. WEDDERBURN was interviewed with him was one JOSEPH P. GRAY who is employed by the Army Map Service and who resides at Wedderburn Station, Virginia. GRAY advised that some time ago he was renting a house from Mr. WEDDERBURN, which house was then occupied by WADIEIGH. GRAY when he entered the house to inspect it prior to his moving in noted that among WADIEIGH's effects was a 35 mm enlarger. GRAY, who is a photographer, mentioned to WADLEIGH that this was a useful mechanism but WADIEIGH was non-committal and GRAY stated that WADIEIGH did not reveal to him to what use he was putting this enlarger. GRAY could add no further information. He stated he saw no films, cameras, documents or any other photographic supplies.

This data is furnished for the information of the Bureau and the New York Office. This office will take separate action in connection with MAX_L. LIEMAN. It is noted that it has been ascertained that LIEMAN is currently employed in the patent section of the Ordnance Department, U.S. Army, with offices in the Pentagon.

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THE DIRECTOR

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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D. M. LADD FROM SUBJECT: JAHAM (HISS-CHAN PERJURY; ESPIONAGE - R; INTERNAL SECURITY - R

PURPOSE:

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To set forth the facts concerning the disclosure of the name Lillian Jaeger in the public press as the person giving information concern the Foreman of the Jury in the Hiss trial.

BACKGROUND:

A teletype from the Newark Office, dated July 10, 1949, to record that Miss Lillian Jaeger called the Newark Office and complained because her name had been mentioned in the New York Sunday Mirror as the person giving information regarding the foreman of the Jury to the effect that he was favorable to the Hiss defense: She inquired as to why the Bureau did not protect her identity. She was informed that the Bureau had not given out any information concerning her.

STATEMENT OF FACTS:

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On June 2, 1949, a man by the name of David Whitehead called the office of Mr. Donegan and Mr. Murphy and talked to a Special Agent in the absence of Donegan and Murphy. He explained that on a previous evening he had visited a health resort and a patient, Iillian Jaeger, had told him she had overheard a conversation between Mr. and Mrs. Geddis and a Mrs. James, who was the wife of the foreman on the Hiss Jury. Mrs. James indicated that her husband was sympathetic to the defense.

Mr. Murphy reported this matter to Judge Kauffman, advising of the call of Whitehead to the effect that a patient, whom he did not name, had reported she had overheard this conversation as indicated. Subsequently, a man by the name of LeRoy Sampbell, an attorney, called Mr. Murphy and stated that a Miss Bradford, who resided at the same address as Lillian Jaeger, had made a report similar in character based on a report of information which Miss Jaeger had furnished Miss Bradford.

On June 6, 1949, a conference was held in the Court chambers, at which Judge Kauffman, Mr. Murphy and Mr. Strycker were present. At that time there was a discussion as to what action the Court would take toward replacing the foreman, James, with an alternate juror. At that time the name of Jaeger was mentioned as the true informant. The Judge decided at that time that he PECORDED - 3 745-1333536444

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would not replace the foreman, James.

On July 6, 1949, in one news column it was noted that the name of Lillian Jaeger was reported as the informant. On July 8, 1949, Judge SAMVEL, H. Kauffman issued an order permitting the newspapers to purchase the transcript from the court reporter relating to the James incident.

During the period June 2 and June 6, the Bureau did make a preliminary, discreet inquiry concerning the allegation and did interview Lillian Jaeger. A memorandum regarding the results of the brief investigation was furnished to Mr. Murphy, who, in turn, made the memorandum available to Judge Kauffman. It appeared that the <u>Court caused</u> the name of Lillian Jaeger to appear in the minutes of the Court, and he also authorized the release of the transcript covering this particular material.

CONCLUSION:

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The Bureau at no time made any unauthorized disclosure of the name, of Lillian Jaeger.



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Mr. Lapping of the Hearst Syndicate called advising that Congressman Velde has been quoting the FBI as having furnished Judge Kaufman in the Hiss case with two reports made by the Bureau concerning the foreman of the jury in that case.

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Lapping wondered if this was true. I told him there was no comment whatsoever that we would make.



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Mr. Alexander M. Campbell July 8, 1949 Assistant Attorney Deneral Attention: Mr. Raymond P. Whearty Director, FBI JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, was. et al PERJURY, ESPIONACE - R: INTERNAL SECURITY . There are stached hereto copies of the following reports in this matters Report of Special Agent James L. Kirkland dated. June 30, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Report of Special Agent William C., Pfeiffer dated July 1, 1949 at Baltimore, Maryland. gent Pail R. Alker dated July 6, 1949, Report of Special New ark. rse - 33 **NED** Atta COMMINIC F B 45 JUL 12 1949 FX-1 M ar JUL 3 1919 PM FEDERAL CHREAU OF INVESTIGATIO U: S::C PARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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: DIRECTOR, FBI

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FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, WFO

SUBJECT: JAHAM (DAVID VERNON ZIMMERMAN, was) Bufile 65-14920

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated June 27, 1949 to the New York Office, cc Washington Field Office, in the above captioned matter, wherein it is reflected that DAVID VERNON ZIMMERMAN allegedly made a statement to SIMON ANSADY that he had visited Russia in 1934. It was pointed out in the letter that ZIMMERMAN, when interviewed on December 8, 1948, stated that he had never been in Russia. The Washington Field Office was requested to check the records of the Passport Division of the State Department to determine if a passport was issued to DAVID VERNON ZIMMERMAN under that name or his known aliases.

Accordingly, the records of the Passport Division, State Depart-. ment, were checked under the names DAVID VERNON ZIMMERMAN, was DAVID CARPEN-TER, STEVE POTTER, HAROLD WILSON, and no record was found.

CC: New York (info.)

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SECURITY MATTER-C.

Please be advised that in connection with the trial of ALGER HISS in New York City, the above-captioned individual, who is an alleged free-lance editor and book reviewer and former editor of the NEW REPUBLIC appeared as a surprise witness. He testified as to an alleged conversation he had with WHITTAKEN CHAMBERS in 1940. In this conversation, COMMEY alleged that CHAMBERS told him FRANCIS B. SAYRE was a leader of a Communist underground group in Washington in the late thirties. COMMEY over the objections of the United States Attorney was allowed to introduce a memo of this conversation which he allegedly prepared on the same evening that the conversation took place. This memo was contained in a notebook in which COMMEY alleges he maintains memoranda concerning items of interest from conversations in which he engages. The memo was contained on pages 66 and 67.

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A review of the remainder of this book by an agent of this office reflected numerous instances wherein COWLEY indicates a highly antagonistic attitude toward the FBI. One of these instances is being set forth as an example as follows:

On page 108 COWLEY has written a memorandum entitled "Mashington Hirings--":

"A man asked to accept a Government job might prepare the following statement for the FBI:

"The never an anti-Fascist. I favored Franco's side in the Spanish civil mat. Until Pearl Harbor I believed that the United States could and should stay out of war. Labor should be kept in its place.

Top: "I never liked that man Roosevelt and have always voted against him. I am mot public-spirited and never supported any cause or signed any petitions. I am not relegious either, but I go to church 20 or 30 times a year for the looks of things.

"I hate all foreigners. I believe that this is a war for the defense of American capitalism."

The above captioned memo is undated. Since this memo appears on page 108 and the previous referred to memo appears on page 67 and was dated December 13, 1940, it is presumed that COWLEY prepared this memo re the FBI after his alleged break with the Communists in 1939. As the Bureau is aware, this COWLEY was the subject of a previous investigation of the Bureau in the case entitled MALCOLM COWLEY, SPECIAL INQUIRY, OFFICE FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT. 52 JUL 28 1945. INDEXED - 28

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO

Director, FBI

JAHAM

SAC, New York

DATE: July 15, 1949

SUBJECT:

PERJURY; ESPIONAGE -R; INTERNAL SECURITY - R

In accordance with instructions set forth in Washington Field Office letter dated June 23, 1949, there is attached original record card number 3756 from the Georgetown Hospital relative to TIMOTHY HOBSON and microfilm spool of medical records of the Georgetown Hospital from case number 3749 to case number 4757.

It is to be noted that neither of the above mentioned items were introduced as evidence during the trial of this case. However, prints from the microfilm were introduced. It is not believed that it will be necessary to subpoend this material at the time of the next trial of the HISS case.

Washington Field is requested to return the enclosed record card to Georgetown Hospital.

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Congressman Thomas H. Werdel (California), called and stated that the Congressman wanted to know the name of one of the attorneys who was representing Alger Hiss. She said the Congressman did not know the name of the attorney and did not know whether he is presently representing Hiss, but felt that when the case first broke the attorney had represented Hiss. I told Miss Beales that I did not know the identity of the attorney to whom she had reference.

She then stated that she had another question. She said the Congressman wants to know whether Justices Frankfurter and Reed were subpoenaed to testify or whether they voluntarily appeared as character witnesses for Alger Hiss.

I informed Miss Beales that I did not know whether the two Supreme Court Justices had been subpoenaed and suggested that she call the office of the Attorney General for an answer to her questions. She thanked me and stated that she would call the office of the Attorney General. $\pi/1/1222$

None. The above is for your information UL Itois suggested this memorandum be referred to the Espionage Section.

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DATE: June 20, 1949

Dokex RAMOS C. FEEHAN appeared before the Federal Court for the Southern' District of New York, June 16, 1949 to testify in regard to identifications of handwriting appearing on four slips of paper as being in the handwriting of ALGER HISS and typewriting appearing on 64 pages of documents as having been typed on a typewriter purportedly in the HISS household at one time and that 58 frames of the famous "pumpkin" micro-film were directly connected with corresponding pages of State Department documents.

At 10:25 on the morning of the 16th, FEEHAN was asked to take the chair and was qualified as a Document Expert without opposition. Upon starting to testify in regard to the handwriting appearing on four slips of paper as having been written by ALGER HISS, Defense Counsel LLOYD PAUL STRYKER conceded the handwriting as having been written by ALGER HISS. FEEHAN testified to the typewriting appearing on 64 pages of documents as having been typed on a machine that had typed four standards that he had used for examination purposes, namely a-letter addressed to Miss/HELLINGS, signed DAISY/FANSLER, who is the sister of ALGER HISSI-wife; a document headed with the caption "Description of the Personal Characteristics of TIMOTHY HOBSON", dated 1936; a document entitled "President's Report for the Year 1936 - 1937"; and a letter which was addressed to a Mr. HILLEGEIST, Director of Admissions, University of Maryland, Baltimore, Maryland and was dated 1937. A special platform had been built nearly five feet high in one corner of the court room just to the left of the jury and this was the place that part of Mr. FEEHAN's demonstration was given. After half of the demonstration was made the big five-time photographic enlargements of the typewriting were taken from this platform and moved down to the floor directly in front of the jury. Judge KAUFMAN took a seat as near as possible to watch the demonstration. As soon, as this was finished, Defense Counsel Stryker said that he wished Mr. FEEHAN to go on with a demonstration of the micro-film before he started cross-examination. Noon recess took place at this time. At the start of the afternoon session, the Document Expert began direct testimony regarding the micro-film and State Department documents. Within less than a minute Mr. STRYKER said that he wished to concede but desired that not only the conclusions be

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given but he wished the Bureau's Document Expert to give a little resume of all the conclusions that were reached. After the Examiner had done this, Mr. THOMAS MURPHY, Assistant United States Attorney, made a side remark to Mr. STRYKER to the effect that he, STRYKER, probably wanted the photographic enlargements moved aside so that the cross-examination could begin. Mr. STRYKER's reply came forth very loudly in that he said he did and that "now he was going to get down to business". After the charts had been moved Mr. STRYKER approached Mr. FEEHAN and very loudly said "Mr. FEEHAN", very dramatically and giving the full assurance that a terrific cross-examination was about to start, "No questions", and smiled in a self-satisfied manner.

Mr. THOMAS DONEGAN, Special Assistant to the Attorney General and Mr. THOMAS MURPHY, Assistant United States Attorney appeared to be well pleased with the testimony provided by the Document Examiner.

Special Agent FREDERICK E. WEBB took the stand at approximately 3:40 PM, June 16, 1949 to testify that two rolls of 35 mm negatives which have previously been referred to as the "pumpkin" micro-film were originally exposed in a Leica 35 mm camera belonging to FELIX AUGUSE INSLERMAN. Assistant United States Attorney MURPHY qualified WEBB as an expert witness and WEBB had explained the procedure followed in comparing the two rolls of micro-film with the camera when the Judge called for a conference of the Prosecution and Defense Counsels. At this conference, the Defense Counsel stated that he would object to the testimony that WEBB was to give and the Judge overruled the objection. Thereupon the Defense Counsel stated that in order to save time he would concede the testimony of the Witness on the stand being that as a result of his examination he found that the two rolls of micro-film are exposed in the Leica camera belonging to INSLERMAN and that if INSLERMAN were there he would also testify to that fact.

INSLERMAN had been called by the Prosecution as a witness and was to follow WEBB on the stand but it was not known exactly what he would testify to. He had never made any statement or admission regarding the photography of documents for CHAMBERS. It is also pointed out that INSLERMAN did not voluntarily turn his camera over to the Bureau, but that it was necessary to obtain a search warrant in order to get the camera.

Dokex FEEHAN arrived in Washington, D. C. 7:15 PM Eastern Standard Time and Dokex WEBB arrived at 8:25 PM Eastern Standard Time.

Memo for Mr. Harbo

RUREAU OF INVESTIGATION EPARTMENT OF JUSTICE INICATIONS SECTION JUL 13 Cm Mr. Rosen TELETYPE WASHINGTON 2 AND NEW YORK 1 FROM BOSTON 7-13-49 DIRECTOR AND SAC..... U R G E N T JAHAM, PERJURY, ESPIONAGE R. RE QUOTE CHARLOTTE UNQUOTE. RE NY TE JULY SEVEN LAST. MRS. ELIZABETH PERKINS, SOUTH DARTMOUTH, MASS TERVIEWED AND ADVISED SHE WAS WELL ACQUAINTED WITH MAXALIEBER IN NINETEEN THIRTYONE AND THIRTYTWO, AT, WHICH TIME SHE WAS ON THE EDITORIAL STAFF OF SCRIBNERS MAGAZINE. IN NINETEEN THIRTYFOUR, MRS. PERKINS MET WHITTAKER O CHAMBERS, AT WHICH TIME A SYNDICATE WAS FORMED BY LIEBER, BUT SHE DE-CLINED TO JOIN THE SYNDICATE BECAUSE IT WAS HER IMPRESSION THAT THE SYN-DICATE WAS SOME SORT OF LEFT WING UNDERGROUND ACTIVITY. HOWEVER, SHE COULD NOT FURNISH ANY SPECIFIC REASON FOR THIS IMPRESSION. SHE ALSO RE-CALLED THAT SHE HAD MET AN INDIVIDUAL BY THE NAME OF CHASE IN CONNECTION WITH THIS SYNDICATE, HOWEVER, SHE WAS UNABLE TO IDENTIFY CHASE, OTHER THAN THE FACT THAT SHE BELIEVED HIM TO BE ABOUT FIFTY YEARS OF AGE IN NINETEEN THIRTYFOUR, HAD AN EGG SHAPED, NEARLY BALD HEAD AND A WHITE PINK FACE. MRS. PERKINS STATED THAT SHE WAS ASKED TO JOIN THE COMMUNIST PARTY BY WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, WHO STATED THAT THIS REQUEST WAS INITIATED BY MAX LIEBER. MRS. PERKINS REFUSED TO JOIN THE CP. SHE HAD NO KNOW-LEDGE OF LIEBER OR CHAMBERS BEING INVOLVED IN ANY ESPIONAGE ACTIVITY. END OF PAGE OF PAGE ONE <u>-1333-3650</u> RECORDED - 43 43 Eller Plana

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CONCERNING QUOTE CHARLOTTE UNQUOTE, MRS. PERKINS STATED THAT SHE COULD NOT IDENTIFY THIS INDIVIDUAL AND HAD NEVER HEARD OR KNOWN THE NAME. SHE FURTHER ADVISED THAT THERE WERE A NUMBER OF GIRLS IN THE OFFICE WHO CAME IN TO WORK FOR LIEBER, WHOSE IDENTITY SHE DOES NOT KNOW. FURTHER-MORE, THAT THERE WAS ONE GIRL WHOM LIEBER CONSIDERED TO BE A VERY IN-TELLECTUAL TYPE BECAUSE OF HER KNOWLEDGE OF GREEK, BUT THE DESCRIPTION OF THIS GIRL DID NOT FIT THAT OF QUOTE CHARLOTTE UNQUOTE. RE NY LET TO BOSTON DATED JUNE TWENTYFOUR LASPIN CAPTIONED CASE, REQUESTING INTER-VIEW BE CONDUCTED WITH SUSAN BX ANTHONY, SECOND. ANTHONY INTERVIEW JULY EIGHT LAST. SHE IS PRESENTLY MARRIED TO CLIFFORD MCAVOY, LEGISLATIVE AGENT FOR DISTRICT TWO, UERMWA, CIO. CURRENT INVESTIGATION CONDUCTED ON MCAVOY-S ACTIVITY, BUFILE ONE HUNDRED DASH THREE NAUGHT FIVE SEVEN ANTHONY ADVISED THAT SHE HAD NO KNOWLEDGE OF ANY ACTIVATY IN THE FIVE. CP OF HER FORMER HUSBAND, HENRY HELL COLLINS, OR OF HIS ASSOCIATION WITH ALGER HISS, LEEPRESSMAN, NATHANWITT, JOHNABT, OR VICTOR PERLOW. STATES SHE DID MEET A NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS IN WASHINGTON, D. C. IN NINE-TEEN FORTY DASH FORTYONE, BUT HAD NO KNOWLEDGE THAT HENRY HILL COLLINS END OF PAGE TWO

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HAD EVER COLLECTED ANY DUES FOR CP MEMBERS OR THAT HE ENGAGED IN ANY ESPIONAGE ACTIVITIES WITH ALGER HISS OR ANY OTHER INDIVIDUALS IN WASHINGTON, D.C. CLAIMS THAT SHE HERSELF IS NOT A MEMBER OF THE CP, OR EVER ATTENDED ANY CP MEETING. REPORT FOLLOWS.

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Your letter dated June 28, 1949 addressed to Senator Homer Forguson has been referred to no for appropriate attention.

In view of the matter which you referred to in your lotter, I am instructing a Special Agent of this Bureau assigned to our Detroit division to call upon you in the near future for any additional information you may have to offer.

Sincerely, J. Edgar Boovur 5 John Edgar Hoover Director ohe Hd Et RECEIVED RUAS S. DEP FLJ:hmb in 07 00 16.200% No identifiable information in Bureau files re Mrs. W. HartmanZ 5 COMMUNICATIONS SECTION d Da Ĩ MAILED 16? ST. JCE 1/ 1949 P:M JIJL ☆ 10 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE 11 K2 JUL 271949 25 W ." Kisseloff-10755
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Honorable Homer Ferguson United States Senate Washington, D. C.

My dear Senator:

Assistant Director L. B. Nichols has called to my attention the receipt of your communication dated July 1, 1949, which enclosed a letter from Mrs. W. Hartman, 1339 North Woodward, Birmingham, Michigan dated June 28, 1949.

I want you to know that I appreciate your referring this matter to this Bureau and I have directed that Mrs. Hartman be interviewed by one of our Special Agents attached to the Detroit Field Division.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards.

Sincerely yours. J. Idgar Hoover 6h, Hd ee E FLJ:om gint COMMUNICATIONS SECTION MAILED 16 ichol 1949 P:M: 311 * , 10⁰³ FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION .. PennIr .79 Chilm U S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Que Kisseloff-10756

QQ 00 1339 D. Grodman 42941 Birmingham Mich Dear Senator: June 28 - 1949 I have just been told by a reliable person that mrs. alger Hiss told her sister-in-law (at that time) that she had goot joined the Communist Party that day. This sister in law is miss Kathering Hobson 7 16 East gich Street, new York City. ho I understand it, mr. Hiso mas there mrs. Shayer Hobson. I was led to believe that miss Hober. i would testify if called upon. THELUSIA On the surface of things 11-1333-3651 Just 1. 11 m H1. To many people that Mr. Hiso is so calin and confident because he has so many friends high up in administration circles. What about the typemiter The Communist Cause so Hiss as well as Chambers might be quilty of false statements - Kisseloff-10757 w Hantinan. Source.

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Mr. Louis Nichols Assistant Director Federal Bureau of Investigation Washington, D. C.

Dear Louie:

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This letter just come into our office and I thought that you might like to have the information contained therein.

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1339 N. Woodward Birmingham, Mich. June 28 - 1949

Dear Senator:

I have just been told by a reliable person that Mrs. Alger Hiss told her sister-in-law (at that time) that she had just joined the Communist Party that day.

This sister-in-law is Miss Katherine Hobson of 16 East 96th Street, New York City. As I understand it, Mrs. Hiss was then Mrs. Thayer Hobson.

I was led to believe that Miss Hobson would testify if called upon.

On the surface of things, it appears to many people that Mr. Hiss is so calm and confident because he has so many friends high up in administration circles. What about the typewriter?

All Communists believe in lying to protect the Communist Cause so Hiss as well as Chambers might be guilty of false statements.

> Very sincerely yours. Mrs. W. Hartman.



FD-72 43 BUREAU OF INVE O (1-10-49), Form No. 1 THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT BUREAU FILE NO. 74-94 REPORT MADE AT PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE REPORT MADE BY DATE WASHINGTON, D.C. 5-11;6-10,14-49 THOMAS J. BARRY, SA TJB:NB CHARACTER OF CASE Ð JAY DAVID WHITTAKER CHAMBERS, Was, ET AL PERJURY ESPIONAGE - R INTERNAL SECURITY - R SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: WILLIAM C. JOHNSTONE, JR., Director of Office of Education Exchange, State Department; ROBERT T, GREENFIELD, who was a messenger in the Assistant Secretary of State's office during HISS' employment there; and REDVERS SPIE, Brookings Institute, Washington, D.C., interviewed. Brent CC AAG Comptill Report of ROBERT F.X. O'KEEFE dated 6-21-49 FLJCAN DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D.C. Reference is made to report of FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN made at Boston, April 12, 1949, in which it was reported that Mrs. JOHNYFAIRBANKS of Cambridge, Massachusetts, stated that WILLIAM JOHNSTON, JR., Director of the Office of Education Exchange, State Department, was acquainted with AIGER HISS. WILLIAM C. JOHNSTONE, Director of the Office of Education Exchange, State Department, was interviewed by Special Agent JOHN B. VAN ETTEN on May 14, 1949: SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR DISSEMINATION APPROVED AND PECIAL AGENT DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES FORWARDED IN CHARGE RECORDED -COPIES OF THIS REPOR - Bureau TRB 3 - New York INDEXED - 43 dilla 1910/ - SAAG Donegan, New York Washington Field Office OPIES DESTROYED 60 DEC. 17 1964 PROPERTY OF his confidential report and its contents are loaned to you by Kisseloff-10760



JOHNSTONE first became acquainted with ALGER HISS while HISS was working for the Nye Committee. At that time, JOHNSTONE was an instructor at George Washington University. He did not recall how or where he met ALGER HISS but thought it probably was at a meeting of some sort. In 1935 JOHNSTONE took up residence on 35th Street, NoWo, at which time he was a neighbor of the HISSES who were residing on P Street. JOHNSTONE recalled that Mrs. HISS invited the JOHNSTONES to dinner on one occasion during this period, but he was unable to recall if anyone else was present. The evening was spent discussing library science, as JOHNSTONE recalls Mrs. HISS seemed quite interested in this particular subject. JOHNSTONE did not recall being a guest of the HISSES since that time, and has never had the HISSES in his home as his guests.

JOHNSTONE advised that at best, he knew HISS only slightly and that their paths crossed only occasionally when HISS spoke at various meetings at which JOHNSTONE was in attendance. In 1940, there was a local commission under a Dr. SHOTWEIL which was organized to study the organization of peace. In or about the year 1940, ALGER HISS was a guest speaker representing the State Department. Prior to the war, JOHNSTONE was affiliated with the Foreign Policy Association, which organization had meetings once a month, although the association was primarily a mailinglist proposition in which literature on foreign policy and related affairs was made available to members. EDGAR TURLINGTON, a local attorney, ran these affairs, and at the time discussions concerning Far Eastern affairs were taking place, ALGER HISS was invited in and JOHNSTONE saw him casually there.

On one occasion in 1944 when JOHNSTONE was writing a book on Japan, he had lunch with ALGER HISS and at that time, discussed the Japanese situation. JOHNSTONE recalls that HISS was an assistant to STANLEY HORNBECK at the time of this luncheon engagement. HISS and JOHNSTONE were not in agreement for the post-war plan for Japan, but as it turned out, the plans ultimately put into effect for Japan were similar in accordance with the ideas of HISS indicated at that time.

Other than the infrequent casual meetings between HISS and JOHNSTONE as indicated above, JOHNSTONE has had no close contact with AIGER HISS and advised he could furnish no information concerning HISS' close friends, political ideologies, or shed any light on matters indicating HISS was engaged in espionage activities.

It is noted that JOHNSTONE did not become a State Department employee until 1946, and in his position there, he had no contact with HISS officially or otherwise. As an instructor at George Washington University, however, JOHNSTONE specialized in Far Eastern Affairs, and

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because of this, HISS and JOHNSTONE had a number of mutual friends through their common interests.

At the time AIGER HISS was made Assistant to STANLEY HORNBECK in the State Department, JOHNSTONE recalled there was considerable raising of eyebrows among JOHNSTONE'S friends, in that HISS had not had the prior experience considered necessary for that position. JOHNSTONE did not know who was responsible for HISS' getting this position.

On occasion JOHNSTONE has discussed the HISS case with a number of persons who are perhaps no better acquainted with HISS than JOHNSTONE himself. It is JOHNSTONE'S opinion that although the allegations of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS were incredible, still they created a reasonable doubt in the minds of these persons as to the innocence of ALGER HISS.

JOHNSTONE was unable to identify WHITTAKER CHAMBERS and advised he had not heard of him nor seen him prior to the hearings before the Un-American Activities Committee. He has on no occasion received any correspondence from ALGER HISS. He had no knowledge of ALGER HISS being connected with Communist affairs or the Party, and no reason to believe he was playing around with Communists. Since being employed in the State Department, JOHNSTONE has heard of nothing unfavorable concerning HISS' reputation in the State Department.

Reference is made to the telephone call of Assistant SAC ALAN BELMONT of the New York office on June 10, 1949, in which Mr. BELMONT requested that ROBERT T. GREENFIELD, former messenger for SAYRE at the State Department, be interviewed.

ROBERT T. GREENFIELD was interviewed by Special Agent THOMAS J. BARRY on June 10, 1949, at his home at 5416 C Street, S.E. Mr. GREENFIELD advised that he, at the present time, is a distribution clerk in the State Department. He was a messenger in the Assistant Secretary of State's office from 1931 to 1940. During this period he had worked for different Assistant Secretaries of State but he recalled very well working for Mr. SAYRE and also recalled ALGER HISS very well.

He was not assigned to work specifically for HISS but he did run errands for HISS and said he always considered HISS to be a "gentleman". HISS had a small room to himself but did not have a private secretary. He did dictate to the stenographers who were assigned to the Assistant Secretary of State's office.

GREENFIELD sat on a little seat outside the Assistant Secretary of State's office and in addition to acting as a messenger

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would also act as a receptionist. He did not recall any of HISS' visitors.

Mr. GREENFIELD described to the Agent his part in the handling of confidential documents. He said he always brought the confidential documents from the DCR room to the Assistant Secretary of State's office in a locked "suitcase". He said one key to this suitcase was held in the DCR room and the other was held by Miss. EUNICE LINCOLN, the private secretary of Mr. SAYRE. He believed the confidential documents at night were locked in the filing cabinets of the office and the keys to these filing cabinets were kept by the "ladies" in the office. He did not know where they kept them but he thought possibly in their desk. He also recalled a "big red safe" in the private office of the Assistant Secretary of State. He said this was a combination safe and he believed the combination was known by Mr. SAYRE and Miss LINCOLN. He did not know if it was known by anyone else in the office. He believed that some classified documents were also kept in this safe.

Mr. GREENFIELD advised further that it was the duty of the last one to leave the office to lock the door and window and to leave the key to the door at the guard's desk at the entrance of the State Department building. No one person was assigned to this duty, according to Mr. GREENFIELD. He said he himself at times was the last one to leave and he also recalls at times HISS would work late and would be the last person in the office.

HEMRY JULIAN Mr. GREENFIELD said he had neither seen nor heard of WHITTAKER CHAMBERS until the present case broke in the newspapers. He said that the name WADLEIGH was familiar to him but he was unable to recall the person. He was shown a picture of WADLEIGH and he said also the picture appeared to be familiar but he could not recall where he had seen that person before.

Mr. GREENFIELD stated the last time he had seen AIGER HISS was sometime in 1944 but that about two or three months ago a man whose name he could not remember, who represented himself as an attorney of HISS' interviewed him at the State Department concerning his knowledge of HISS and WADLEIGH and names of other personnel in the office and his handling of the confidential documents in the office. He has not been subpoenaed to testify at the trial in New York, Mr. GREENFIELD said. Mr. GREENFIELD advised he had no knowledge of any espionage activities and said that no one ever approached him to obtain documents for them from the State Department nor had anyone ever asked him to join the Communist Party. WFO 74-94

Mr. GREENFIELD said he was born in Washington, D.C., on June 15, 1910. He appeared to the interviewing agent to be a reliable, well spoken, intelligent negro.

Mr. REDVERS OPIE, former employee of the British Embassy, who was Minister in charge of economic matters, advised Special Agent EDWARD M. MUILIN on June 14, 1949, that he is now senior staff member of the Brookings Institute and a U.S. citizen. OPIE further advised that while an employee of the British Embassy he had, during the course of duty, met and associated with many individuals of the State Department. At this time, however, he did not know ALGER HISS but believes there is a possibility that he may have met him through routine duties. However, during August, 1947, when HISS was President of the Carnegie Endowment and he, OPIE, was staff member of Brookings Institute, he became intimately associated with HISS. This was due to the fact that the Institute drew funds both from the Rockerfeller Funds and the Carnegie Endowment and consequently officers of both were actively associated with the institute. OPIE became actively associated with ALGER HISS during the annual Seminar at Stanford College during late June of 1948. This Seminar is a yearly event which takes place at some noted institute of learning and the representatives are chosen from Army, Navy, Air Corps, Army War College, Economic Cooperation Administration and State Department, and other Government agencies. These Seminars are for the purpose of discussing major problems of U.S. foreign policy and a critique of the best yearly publications on U.S. foreign policy.

It was OPIE'S opinion that at no time during this contact with HISS did he openly espouse any ideas which would be considered un-American. Further, it was OPIE'S opinion that the allegations of Mr. CHAMBER were the result of a somewhat distorted mind and he, CHAMBERS himself, was certainly in no position to make allegations regarding un-American associations by another individual.

OPIE did not know DONALD HISS and to the best of his' knowledge had never met him on any occasion. Further, that while ALGER HISS was in the State Department circles, he, OPIE, did not know him or any of his associates or contacts. The last time he saw HISS was in March of 1949 in the Yale group in New York City at which time OPIE went up and renewed his acquaintanceship with HISS. This was primarily for the reason that he did not desire to ignore HISS due to the allegations of CHAMBERS. The allegations of CHAMBERS came as a complete surprise and shock to Mr. OPIE. OPIE could furnish no pertinent information relative to HISS' background or associates during the period in question.

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This case is under continuous investigation in this office and leads are given expeditious attention.

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JAHAM, PERJURY, ESP.-R, IS-R. MRS. ARTHUR L. PAWLIGER, WIFE OF ARTHUR PAULIGER, WHO WAS ONE OF THE FOUR JURORS WHO VOTED FOR ACQUITTAL OF ALGER HISS IN RECENT TRIAL, TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THIS OFFICE THAT SINCE TERMINATION OF HISS TRIAL SHE AND HER HUSBAND HAVE RECEIVED ABOUT THIRTEEN .TELEPHONE CALLS WHICH SHE TERMED OF A MOLES-TING OR THREATENING NATURE. IN THE FIRST TELEPHONE CALL, RECEIVED AT SIX PM: ON JULY NINE, FORTYNINE, A MAN SAID, "YOUR HUSBAND IS A COMMUNIST AND HE IS ONE OF THE FOUR AND HE IS GOING TO GET HIS". MRS. PAWLIGER SUSPECTED THAT ONE OF THE JURORS MADE THIS CALL, BUT DID NOT SPECIFY ANY PARTICULAR JUROR. TEN TELEPHONE CALLS WERE RECEIVED OVER THE WEEKEND OF JULY NINE AND TEN, ALL OF WHICH WERE OF THE "GET THE HELL OUT OF THE COUNTRY" TONE. MR. PAULIGER ANSWERED THE MAJORITY OF THESE TELEPHONE CALLS, WHICH WERE APPARENTLY MADE BY ABOUT SEVEN MEN AND THREE WOMEN. ON JULY AELEVEN OR JULY TWELVE, A POST CARD IN RED INK WAS FORTYNINE, **BEIVED B** SAID CARD STATED, "YOUR ARE A COMMUNIST HELL THE MAIL. GO BACK TO RUSSIA". ANOTHER POST CARD RECEIVED COUNTRY. DOPIES / DESTROYED + Kisseloff-10770 END OF PAGE ONE 848 DEC 17 1964 ASB

REQUESTED THAT THE PAWLIGERS BE INTERVIEWED TO SECURE EXACT FACTS AND ALSO THAT THE ABOVE POST CARDS RECEIVED BY PAWLIGERS BE SECURED. ATTEMPTS HAVE BEEN MADE TO ARRANGE FOR INTERVIEW WITH PAWLIGERS TODAY BUT SAID ATTEMPTS UNSUCCESSFUL. ATTEMPTS WILL BE MADE TO INTERVIEW THE PAWLIGERS JULY FIFTEEN. HOLD PLS

PAGE TWO BY PAWLIGER STATED THAT LINCOLN AND JEFFERSON KNEW THEIR DUTY AND YOU DID YOURS. BOTH POST CARDS WERE SIGNED, "AN AMERICAN CITIZEN". ABOVE FACTS DISCUSSED WITH THOMAS F. MURPHY AUSA SDNY, WHO ADVISED THAT THESE FACTS DID NOT CONSTITUTE A VIOLATION OF FEDERAL LAW BUT

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Director, FBI

DATE: July 7, 1949

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> Colonel WINFIELD JONES, 1030 Los Angeles Avenue, N. E., Atlanta, Georgia, advised that in the book captioner "KARL MARY, HIS LIFE AND WORK", written by OTTO RUHLE, and printed by the Viking Press, New Home Library, 14 West 49th Street, New York City, contained reference to an individual named HESS, on pages 48, 49, 69, 87, 88, 98, 99, 100, 102, and 287. JONES stated that he was of the opinion that the HESS referred to was a relative of ALGER HISS.

For the Bureau's information, Colonel JONES is seventy five years of age, and a retired Army officer. JONES displayed letters of recommendation he had received from Senator RUSSEEL and other prominent Senate leaders, and stated he wanted the above information supplied to New York for instant HISS trial, and that he intended to write to various Senators on the Un-American Activities Committee, supplying this information.

In view of this, this information is being called to the attention of the Bureau and the New York office.

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TANDARD FORM NO. 64 Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT July 15, 1949 MR. H. B. FLETCHER TO DATE: FROM MR. L. L. LAUGHEIN 42942 (1) SUBJECT: JAHAM Mr. Gus Miller of the City Desk of the Washington "Times-Herald" advised Mr. J. J. McGuire of the Bureau today that information had come to his attention indicating Alger Hiss was scheduled to make a talk before the "Holiness_School" operated by the Quakers at Plymouth, New Hampshire. Mr. Miller did not have information as to the date this was to occur. LLL:mer 3655 **RECORDED - 43** INDEXED - 43 52 JIIL 271949 Kisseloff-10775







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10.30 tomorrow morning.

I don't have to repeat my admonition not to discuss this case with any person or permit anybody todiscuss it with you.

(The jury retired.)

(The following proceedings were had in chambers):

THE COURT: Counsel for the Government has given me two statements made by the witness Chambers to the F.B.I., the first dated May 14th, 1942, and the second dated June 26, 1945.

MR. MURPHY: May I interrupt at that point? They are not statements made by Chambers to the F.B.I. Those are F.B.I. reports by the F.B.I. agents to the main office in Washington predicated in part on statements made by Chambers.

THE COURT: I think that is a fair statement of what they are. At the same time it must be assumed that the agent who had the interview accurately reported it. Otherwise it might require the calling of those agents.

In the first statement Chambers stated--

MR. MURPHY: May I interrupt at this time? The reason I am so fussy about this is, one, they are not statements as such of the witness Chambers. Kisseloff-10779

THE COURT: They are not.

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MR. MURPHY: They are confidential reports of the F.B.I.

THE COURT: Made by the agents, predicated on statements made to the agents by Chambers.

MR. MURPHY: In part.

THE COURT: I am only referring to those parts where they refer to statements made by Chambers.

MR. MURPHY: Yes. Now let me press it a little further: Assuming your Honor is confining your statement for the record to those parts of the statement which your Honor believes represents the agent's reporting of the conversation with Chambers, ^I still claim further that that does not bring it within the character of any of the decisions following the Krulewich case, because if it is yourHonor's intention to permit these counsel to see any part of the F.B.I. report in which an agent reports a prior contradictory statement, I submit that is entirely different than a prior written inconsistent statement. and the only way to confront the witness would be, "Did you say something different to an agent of the F.B.I. on such and such a date ?", and I submit that he would be bound, that is, the counsel would be bound, by the witness's answer, and it does not reach the dignity of the prior written inconsistent statement.

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THE COURT: I don't agree with you, Mr. Murphy.

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One of .the crucial things in this ease is the testimony of Chambers as to when he left the Communist Party. If he made the statement once there might be some possibility of misuderstanding, but here in the statement of May 14, 1942, "Mr.Whittaker Chambers advised that he was a member of the Communist Party from 1924 until the spring of 1937 at which time he ceased connections with the party."

There is an administrative observation of the person which would be binding on him.

MR. MURPHY: I don't think it is even relevant for our purposes and that you can disclose it to counsel for the defendants.

THE COURT: I think I can because I am going to consider this overnight.

MR. MURPHY: May I say this, because the Department of Justice is very, very anxious because of what is going on in Washington and perhaps other places --

THE COURT: I have that fully in mind --

MR. MURPHY: And I cannot consent, and as a matter of fact I would have the agent here who made the statement refuse, pursuant to directions to submit the statement to the Court and test the accuracy of that rather than to have your Honor disclose now to these counsel what is in it.

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THE COURT: Mr. Murphy, we are trying a lawsuit

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MR. MURPHY: Your Honor, I will permit and waive any examination these lawyers want to make concerning the date, but the observation in an administrative part of a report seems to me a breach of the injunction --

THE COURT: This is what I am going to read (indicating to Mr. Murphy). From there down to here.

MR. STRYKER: We will step out if your Honor wants us to?

THE COURT: No. You don't have to. We are not breaching any confidences at all. I am not going to permit the use of any names in this.

MR. MURPHY: Your Honor, with the part you have indicated you are going to read my position is this: that that expresses a conclusion of the agent that is binding on no one; that it forms a part of a confidential report in the Department of Justice and that the agent should be given the opportunity to refuse to submit it either to your Honor's eyes or anybody else. I say that so the question can be squarely raised.

THE COURT: Mr. Murphy, I have it now, and this has been called to my attention, and in the interests of justice --

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MR. MURPHY: But may I get my point clear on the

record?

THE COURT: I have it.

MR. MURPHY: But I want to say when I gave it to you I said, "This is a report of the agent and I am handing it to you at your request but it contained many matters of administrative functions of the Department of Justice," and I did not think it was relevant, but from that point it is entirely in your hands.

THE COURT: A11 right. I am going to read the following statement: "He" (referring to Chambers) "was advised that it might be deemed appropriate to secure more detailed information on one or more parts of his above discussion, but it is pointed out that this individual pft the party in 1937."

In addition it appears from the reading of this report that Chambers made no reference to the giving of any documents to him by Hiss or any other person.

MR. MURPHY: Let me interrupt there. The duty, as I understand your duty, is to point out whether in this statement he is making any contradictory statements to those he made on the witness stand. I think his testimony on the stand is he did not tell this particular grand jury or in the Baltimore deposition did not say that to anybody. THE COURT: But where he made a statement, and

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where he was under a duty to speak and he did speak --

MR. MURPHY: Where? Before an F.B.I. agent? THE COURT: Yes.

MR. MURPHY: I question whether he was under a duty to speak.

THE COURT: Whether he was under a duty to speak or not is immaterial. The fact is he did speak and he did speak about many things, and one of the things that he did not speak about is his knowledge of espionage and made no reference to the fact that Hiss, the defendant here, gave him any of the documents andthat is material and that is knowledge the defendants are entitled to have.

MR. MURPHY: I have to again record my disagreement with that. Your function is not to determine the materiality, but your function, under the cases, is to determine whether or not there was a prior inconsistent statement in writing. You have presented that and you feel you are entitled to go into the question whether there is a prior inconsistent statement. I think the statement you have now referred to is not a prior inconsistent statement as to the witness's testimony on the trial. Whether it might be material or not might be something else.

THE COURT: I don't agree with you, Mr. Murphy, and I have ruled on that. Kisseloff-10784 mp

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Now with respect to the statement of June 26, 1945, he again stated that he was a member of the Communist Party from 1924 to 1937.

MR. MURPHY: I have no quarrel with that inconsistency no matter where it is, except to add your Honor is again reading from an F.B.I. report as distinguished from a signed statement by the witness.

THE COURT: I understand. He also stated on page 15 of the statement of June 26, 1945: "With further reference to the courier activities Chambers was asked whether he had any indication during the time that he was so employed as to whether he was not actually participating in the activities of a Russian espionage ring or some branch of the Soviet Intelligence Service. He stated he did not at any time suspect this nor did he have any reason to believe that his activities were concerned with other than the regular promotion of the Communist movement. He pointed out that he did not at any time consider himself a Comintern agent or agent of the OGPU."

I think it is unnecessary to point out that in describing his activities he did not refer to one of his duties having been that of getting of documents from any person. On the contrary, he denied it again in this report. He states that he joined the party in 1924 and left it in the spring of 1937. Without reading these Kisseloff-10785

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reports I think the defendants are entitled to make use of that information.

Are there any statements made by Chambers to the F.B.I. prior to December of 1948?

MR. MURPHY: My recollection is, your Honor, that he gave three after these two you just read which were not written statements, but in 1948, commencing in December, he gave three written statements to the F.B.I., and those were the only written statements he gave. Is that correct?

MR. DONEGAN: That is correct.

THE COURT: With respect to those written statements, a request has been made that they be inspected.

MR. MURPHY: Again, your Honor, I must renew what I conceive the state of the law, and that is that a mere request without showing a prior inconsistency should be denied instanter, but I take it that your Honor's conception is entirely different from mine and a mere request permits the Court to inspect?

THE COURT: I did not hold any such thing, but I say in the light of the background of this case and the evidence thus far adduced where Chambers has made inconsistent statements at the trial, inconsistent with previous statements in the deposition at Baltimore, inconsistent statements before the grand jury, that I don't Kisseloff-10786

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think the defendant has to go any further to show the real likelihood that there was some information or evidence lurking somewhere they might be entitled to see.

MR. MURPHY: I disagree, because you are in the realm of the Hadley case, but be that as it may I have no other choice but submit to your Honor's direction. Does your Honor want me to submit the three signed statements of Chambers which I said he signed on successive dates, almost all in 1948?

THE COURT: Yes.

MR. MURPHY: Your Honor, I wonder in view of what you have said, that the defendants are entitled to use, namely, the inconsistent statement he made to an agent in the course of the interviews in 1942 and 1945, what you had in mind as far as the mechanics of the defendant's use of such statements might be?

THE COURT: Either a concession by the Government that he did make those statements to the agent of the F.B.I., the calling of Mr. Chambers or the calling of the agent; one of the three.

MR. MURPHY: I don't know how you can call an agent to contradict the witness.

THE COURT: He certainly can call the agent in that case if he wants to. They certainly can recall Mr. Chambers if they want to. Kisseloff-10787 MR. STRYKER: Can I save time, Mr. Murphy? I don't want to interrupt. It seems to me that subject to the further thought I would be willing not to call Mr. Chambers back for further cross-examination nor the agentsbut take your concession on the record that when interrogated at whatever those dates were he said the things or omitted the things which the Judge has put on the record. I believe I would be satisfied with that.

> MR. MURPHY: That seems the most sensible way. THE COURT: It seems that way.

MR. STRYKER: That is the easiest and less complicated and gives all of us less trouble and of course if it is satisfactory to the Judge, I think that is what we will do.

MR. MURPHY: All right, Judge, I will send those others up to you this afternoon.

(Adjourned to June 14, 1949, at 10.30 a.m.)

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