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FOIPA Request No.: 1416377-000  
Subject: ZWORYKIN, VLADIMIR KOSMICH

Dear Mr. Greenewald:

This is in response to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request. The FBI has completed its search for records responsive to your request. Please see the paragraphs below for relevant information specific to your request as well as the enclosed FBI FOIPA Addendum for standard responses applicable to all requests.

Material consisting of 15 pages has been reviewed pursuant to Title 5, U.S. Code § 552/552a, and this material is being released to you in its entirety with no excisions of information.

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

For questions regarding our determinations, visit the [www.fbi.gov/foia](http://www.fbi.gov/foia) website under "Contact Us." The FOIPA Request number listed above has been assigned to your request. Please use this number in all correspondence concerning your request.

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

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D Hardy", is positioned below the word "Sincerely".

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

Enclosed are five cross-references which are identifiable with the subject of your request. Cross-references are defined as mentions of the subject of your request in files to other individuals, organizations, events, or activities. In processing the cross-references, the pages considered for possible release included only those pages which mention the subject of your request and any additional pages showing the context in which the subject of your request was mentioned. The cross-reference pages were processed pursuant to the provisions of the FOIA and are being released to you in redacted form.

Records which may have been responsive to your request were destroyed on and before 08/12/2017. Since this material could not be reviewed, it is not known if it was responsive to your request. Record retention and disposal is carried out under supervision of the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA), Title 44, United States Code, Section 3301 as implemented by Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1228; Title 44, United States Code, Section 3310 as implemented by Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 1229.10.

For your information, a search of the indices to our Central Records System reflected there were additional records potentially responsive to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request. We have attempted to obtain this material so it could be reviewed to determine whether it was responsive to your request. We were advised that the potentially responsive records were not in their expected location and could not be located after a reasonable search. Following a reasonable waiting period, another attempt was made to obtain this material. This search for the missing records also met with unsuccessful results.

For your additional information, a record that may be responsive to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request has been transferred to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). You may desire to direct a request to NARA, 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001. Please reference the file number 100-NK-28390, 100A-PH-7303-A, 100A-PH-18441-A, 161-HQ-1626, 100A-PH-7190, 100A-PH-7303, 100-HQ-392380, 100-HQ-829, 100-HQ-37226, 100-HQ-305336, 100-HQ-190625, 100-HQ-346011, 123-HQ-9098, 100-HQ-202315, 100-HQ-334195, 100-HQ-138643, 100-HQ-829, 61-HQ-6759, 100-HQ-326 Sub 34, 100-HQ-352577, 100-HQ-360659.

The FBI is a criminal law enforcement agency as well as an intelligence agency. The records located, processed and released to you pertain to the FBI's criminal law enforcement mission and functions. In its capacity as an intelligence agency, the FBI compiles records while carrying out its responsibilities to investigate threats to national security and gather foreign intelligence. The nature of your request implicates records the FBI may or may not compile pursuant to these national security and foreign intelligence missions and functions. Accordingly, the FBI cannot confirm or deny the existence of any records about your subject as the mere acknowledgment of such records existence or nonexistence would in and of itself trigger harm to national security interests per Exemption (b)(1) and/or reveal intelligence sources and methods per Exemption (b)(3); 50 U.S.C. § 3024(i)(1).

Enclosure

## FBI FOIPA Addendum

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

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

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

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

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

### Part 3: General Information:

- (i) **Record Searches.** The Record/Information Dissemination Section (RIDS) searches for reasonably described records by searching those systems or locations where responsive records would reasonably be found. A reasonable search normally consists of a search for main files in the Central Records System (CRS), an extensive system of records consisting of applicant, investigative, intelligence, personnel, administrative, and general files compiled and maintained by the FBI in the course of fulfilling law enforcement, intelligence, and administrative functions. The CRS spans the entire FBI organization and encompasses the records of FBI Headquarters (FBIHQ), FBI Field Offices, and FBI Legal Attaché Offices (Legats) worldwide and includes Electronic Surveillance (ELSUR) records. For additional information about our record searches visit [www.fbi.gov/services/information-management/foipa/requesting-fbi-records](http://www.fbi.gov/services/information-management/foipa/requesting-fbi-records).
- (ii) **FBI Records.** Founded in 1908, the FBI carries out a dual law enforcement and national security mission. As part of this dual mission, the FBI creates and maintains records on various subjects; however, the FBI does not maintain records on every person, subject, or entity.
- (iii) **Requests for Criminal History Records or Rap Sheets.** The Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division provides Identity History Summary Checks – often referred to as a criminal history record or rap sheets. These criminal history records are not the same as material in an investigative "FBI file." An Identity History Summary Check is a listing of information taken from fingerprint cards and documents submitted to the FBI in connection with arrests, federal employment, naturalization, or military service. For a fee, individuals can request a copy of their Identity History Summary Check. Forms and directions can be accessed at [www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/identity-history-summary-checks](http://www.fbi.gov/about-us/cjis/identity-history-summary-checks). Additionally, requests can be submitted electronically at [www.edo.cjis.gov](http://www.edo.cjis.gov). For additional information, please contact CJIS directly at (304) 625-5590.
- (iv) **The National Name Check Program (NNCP).** The mission of NNCP is to analyze and report information in response to name check requests received from federal agencies, for the purpose of protecting the United States from foreign and domestic threats to national security. Please be advised that this is a service provided to other federal agencies. Private citizens cannot request a name check.

## EXPLANATION OF EXEMPTIONS

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

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

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

- (d)(5) information compiled in reasonable anticipation of a civil action proceeding;
- (j)(2) material reporting investigative efforts pertaining to the enforcement of criminal law including efforts to prevent, control, or reduce crime or apprehend criminals;
- (k)(1) information which is currently and properly classified pursuant to an Executive order in the interest of the national defense or foreign policy, for example, information involving intelligence sources or methods;
- (k)(2) investigatory material compiled for law enforcement purposes, other than criminal, which did not result in loss of a right, benefit or privilege under Federal programs, or which would identify a source who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(3) material maintained in connection with providing protective services to the President of the United States or any other individual pursuant to the authority of Title 18, United States Code, Section 3056;
- (k)(4) required by statute to be maintained and used solely as statistical records;
- (k)(5) investigatory material compiled solely for the purpose of determining suitability, eligibility, or qualifications for Federal civilian employment or for access to classified information, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished information pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence;
- (k)(6) testing or examination material used to determine individual qualifications for appointment or promotion in Federal Government service the release of which would compromise the testing or examination process;
- (k)(7) material used to determine potential for promotion in the armed services, the disclosure of which would reveal the identity of the person who furnished the material pursuant to a promise that his/her identity would be held in confidence.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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TITLE <b>WILLIAM REED HASELTINE, Physicist, US Naval Ordnance Depot Station, Department of the Navy, Inyokern, California</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES</b>

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Mr. GERVAIS W. TRICHEL stated he was acquainted with the Appointee from 1940 to 1943. During that time he felt that the Appointee's loyalty was unquestioned. The only organization with which the Appointee was affiliated, to his knowledge, was the American Physical Society.

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WILLIAM REED HASELTINE  
Physicist  
US Naval Ordnance Depot Station  
Department of the Navy  
Inyokern, California  
LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Detroit, Michigan  
January 19, 1949

III. RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

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Mr. GERVAIS W. TRICHEL, General Manager's Staff, Chrysler Corporation, 341 Massachusetts Avenue, Highland Park, Michigan, who resides at 616 Puritan Road, Birmingham, Michigan, stated that he was chief of the Fire Control Design Division of the Frankford Arsenal, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and WILLIAM HASELTINE was a lieutenant in the Army assigned to the Ordnance and Fire Control Laboratory of the Fire Control Design Division. Mr. TRICHEL stated he was acquainted with the Appointee from approximately spring of 1940 to the fall of 1943. During that time he never heard the Appointee make any statements which would cause him to question the Appointee's loyalty. The only organization with which the Appointee was affiliated, in his opinion and to his knowledge, was the American Physical Society, which is a scientific society.

Mr. TRICHEL stated the Appointee visited many times at his home in Philadelphia and he knew him from a social standpoint as well as a business standpoint. Mr. TRICHEL advised the Appointee might have contacted VLADIMIR ZWORYKIN because ZWORYKIN was Associate Director of Electronic Research for the Radio Corporation of America and the Appointee contacted civilians and companies with whom the Fire Control Design Division had contracts, one of which was the Radio Corporation of America. Mr. TRICHEL stated, however, that he did not know definitely that ZWORYKIN and the Appointee were acquainted.

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : H. E. Fletcher *HEF*

FROM : R. W. Wall *RW* *JK*

SUBJECT: ELAINE VLADIMIROUNA ZWORYKIN  
 Geologist - Appointee  
 Geological Survey  
 Department of the Interior  
 Washington, D. C.  
 LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

DATE: July 22, 1949

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**PURPOSE:** To have General H. H. Arnold (retired) interviewed concerning the appointee's father, Dr. Vladimir Kosma Zworykin.

**BACKGROUND:** A full field loyalty investigation was initiated on May 20, 1949, on the above captioned individual, the basis being a specific request from the Civil Service Commission in view of appointee's father's numerous contacts with representatives of the Russian Government. Bureau files reflect that Dr. Zworykin was the subject of an Internal Security R case opened in July, 1944, and which is presently in a closed status. Investigation disclosed numerous contacts between Dr. Zworykin and members of the Russian Consulate in New York City and of the Russian Purchasing Commission but did not disclose that he was engaged in espionage activities.

During the investigation of the appointee, which represents a complete and thorough investigation and which is very favorable to the appointee as well as her father, information was received from former Special Agent Howard R. Hawkins, now Assistant General Attorney for RCA, indicating that Dr. Zworykin had been requested by General H. H. Arnold during the past war to act as an intermediary in effecting an agreement with Russia to permit American scientists to enter Russia. If this information is true, and there is no reason to doubt its authenticity, the possibility exists that this would explain in part at least, if not completely, the reason for Dr. Zworykin's contacts with representatives of the Russian Government. It does not appear from the files that General Arnold was ever interviewed during the Internal Security investigation concerning this matter and in order to complete the loyalty investigation it is believed appropriate to interview General Arnold at this time. According to information available, General Arnold is presently at his home in Sonoma County, California.

If this interview is conducted and General Arnold does indicate that he had requested Dr. Zworykin to make these contacts with representatives of the Russian Government and gives Zworykin a "clean bill of health" instant loyalty case will be a good example of how the Bureau tries to prove a person innocent where they, in fact, are not guilty.

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DIRECTOR, FBI

ELAINE VLADIMINOUNA<sup>0</sup> ZWORYKIN, GEOLOGIST DASH APPOINTEE,  
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 GENERAL H. H. "HAP" ARNOLD, SONOMA, CALIFORNIA, STATES HE  
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 RECOGNIZE HER NAME OR THAT OF DR. VLADIMIR KOSMA ZWORYKIN  
 AS ACQUAINTANCES, AND HAS NO RECOLLECTION OF PARTICIPATION IN  
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 IN EFFORTS TO ARRANGE AGREEMENTS WITH RUSSIA WHEREBY AMERICAN  
 SCIENTISTS WOULD BE PERMITTED TO ENTER RUSSIA. RUC.

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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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TITLE <b>ELAINE VLADIMIROVNA ZWORYKIN, aka Ellen Zworykin Geologist-Appointee Geological Survey Department of the Interior Washington, D. C.</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE  <b>LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES</b>
<p style="margin-left: 100px;">SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p style="text-align: center; margin-left: 100px;">BVS records, Pittsburgh, reflect ELLEN ZWORYKIN born 12/1/26 at Pittsburgh, Pa.</p> <p style="text-align: center; margin-left: 100px;">- RUC -</p> <p style="margin-left: 100px;">REFERENCE: Newark teletype to Pittsburgh, 6/9/49.</p>			
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ELAINE VLADIMIROUNA ZWORYKIN,  
also known as Ellen Zworykin  
Geologist - Appointee  
Geological Survey  
Department of the Interior  
Washington, D. C.  
LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  
June 18, 1949

### III. RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

#### AT PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA

Miss B. STEWART, Clerk, Bureau of Vital Statistics, 715 Berger Building, furnished her records which reflected under Registry No. 15463 that ELLEN ZWORYKIN was born on December 1, 1926, at the West Penn Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Her parents were VLADIMIR and TATIANA VASILIEFF ZWORYKIN, 7333 Whipple Street, Swissvale, Pennsylvania. Mr. ZWORYKIN's occupation was listed as a Research Engineer, and his wife's occupation was listed as a housewife. Both parents were born in Russia. The father was 33 years of age at the time of the birth and the mother was 33 years of age. There were two other children living. The attending physician was Dr. A. C. WILLIAMSON, Highland Building, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and the birth record was filed on December 9, 1946.

There was no credit record for any member of the family at the Credit Bureau, Inc., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

There was no criminal record located for ELAINE, VLADIMIR or TATIANA ZWORYKIN at the Swissvale, Pennsylvania, Police Department, the Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Police Department or the Allegheny County Detective Bureau.

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 7/13/49	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 6/1, 2, 21, 22, 23, 24/49	REPORT MADE BY JAMES W. RYAN
TITLE ELAINE VLADIMINOUNA ZWORYKIN, Geologist - Appointee, Geological Survey Department of the Interior, Washington, D. C.			CHARACTER OF CASE LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:** Appointee's father, VLADIMIR ZWORYKIN, resigned from the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc. in January of 1948. The appointee's father is presently employed as Vice President and Technical Consultant of the Radio Corporation of America Laboratories at Princeton, N. J. Documentation of father set out. Neighbors and associates state that, to the best of their knowledge, appointee and her parents are loyal to the US. Mr. ALEXANDER BASIL advised that appointee's mother, TATIANA ZWORYKIN is "violently outspoken against Communism." Mr. BASIL stated that he believed the appointee and her parents are loyal to the United States. No record of appointee at NYCPD.

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REFERENCE: Bureau letter to Newark, 5/20/49.

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ELAINE VLADIMINOUNA ZWORYKIN  
Geologist - Appointee  
Geological Survey  
Department of the Interior  
Washington, D. C.  
LOYALTY OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES

New York, New York  
July 13, 1949

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION

Dr. JAMES L. DIXON, Headmaster, Kew Forest School, 119-17 Union Turnpike, Forest Hills, Queens, New York, advised that the appointee attended the above school from February of 1942 until she graduated in June of 1943. He stated that prior to this time the appointee had attended Forest Hills High School and, as a graduate of the Kew Forest School, received an education equivalent to that of a public High School. Dr. DIXON stated that he was in daily contact with the appointee during her school attendance and that he is acquainted with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. VLADIMIR KOSMO ZWORYKIN. He stated that he was the appointee's instructor in American History and that this relationship gave him a very good opportunity to observe the appointee's way of thinking. He stated that through the appointee he had learned that her father, VLADIMIR ZWORYKIN, was in custody at Ekaterinburg, Russia at the time Czar Nicholas was shot by the Reds. According to the appointee, her father was definitely opposed to the Lenin-Trotsky Bolshevik group and served in one of the anti-Bolshevik armies prior to immigrating to the United States. The appointee has stated that her father would not go back to Russia to live for anything because he is bitter against the Stalin regime.

Dr. DIXON stated that he is of the opinion that Mr. ZWORYKIN did not want to see Hitler's Germany defeat Russia but that any sympathy Mr. ZWORYKIN has for Russia is for the Russians as a people and not because of any sympathy he has for Communistic Russia. Dr. DIXON said, "ELAINE ZWORYKIN was intensely devoted to the United States war effort. I firmly believe that she is just as loyal to the United States as any other American-born girl. My contact with her parents was strictly in connection with their daughter's attendance at my school. Mr. ZWORYKIN is the famous scientist who is connected with the Radio Corporation of America. Nothing in the least has ever been

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suggested which would cause me to doubt the loyalty of any member of the ZWORYKIN family. I feel that they would not have any sympathy for Communism or the Stalinist Regime."

Confidential Informant New York City T-1, who has previously furnished reliable information, in February of 1948 advised that VLADIMIR ZWORYKIN was one of the foremost scientists in the field of electronics. The informant said that Dr. ZWORYKIN did work of a confidential nature for the United States Army Air Forces in the field of guided missiles.

In February of 1948, Confidential Informant New York City T-2, who is of known reliability, advised that VLADIMIR KOSMO ZWORYKIN is at present Vice President and Technical Consultant of the Radio Corporation of America Laboratories at Princeton, New Jersey, and that he is engaged in work of a confidential nature.

Confidential Informant New York City T-2 further advised that Mr. ZWORYKIN, on July 25, 1947, directed the following letter to Professor L. C. DUNN, Chairman, Science Committee, National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc., 114 East 32nd Street, New York, New York:

"Dear Professor Dunn:

"I find that my responsibilities and the demands made upon my time have been such that I have never been able to participate actively in, or follow the progress of, your organization.

"Under the circumstances, I do not feel that I should continue to serve as a member of the Executive Committee. I therefore ask you to accept this as a letter of resignation on my part.

"Sincerely

V. K. Zworykin."

The National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc. is an organization which has been declared by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 9835.

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According to Confidential Informant New York City T-3, an acquaintance and business associate of Mr. ZWORYKIN, the latter solicited contributions of scientific books as a member of Russian War Relief in 1944.

Confidential Informant New York City T-4, another government agency which conducts intelligence investigations, advised on April 3, 1942 that Russian War Relief was being conducted by Communists and, on April 2, 1942 this same informant stated that "it was becoming one of the organizations most valuable to the Communists."

It is noted, however, that another reliable informant, familiar with Russian War Relief, has advised that a number of prominent persons, of unquestionable loyalty, were members of Russian War Relief.

Confidential Informant New York City T-5, who is reliable, on February 23, 1943, furnished information that VLADIMIR ZWORYKIN was a sponsor of the magazine, "Soviet Russia Today". This publication was cited as a Communist front by the Un-American Activities Committee of the House of Representatives on June 25, 1942 and on March 29, 1944.

Confidential Informant New York City T-6, who is reliable, advised that "Soviet Russia Today" was an offspring of a Soviet Government publication begun at New York City in 1919. This information was received from the informant in June of 1943. Prior to June 23, 1941 this publication concerned itself solely with material affecting Soviet affairs. It is now "a medium of propaganda, vigorously supporting all Soviet Union policies."

Confidential Informant New York City T-8 further advised that the apparatus of the Communist Party is used in the distribution of the aforementioned publication.

Confidential Informant New York City T-7, a former Russian Military Intelligence Officer, advised that "Russian Intelligence had considered instructing agents to develop friendship with ZWORYKIN." According to the informant, "this was to be considered at a later date because of the known hostility to the 'Regime' of ZWORYKIN."

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the appointee's classmates during the time she attended the aforementioned school. Mrs. OWENS stated that she has only seen the appointee occasionally since June, 1943. She stated that in her opinion the appointee is loyal to the United States. Mrs. OWENS was not acquainted with the appointee's parents.

The appointee's application for Federal employment dated November 12, 1948, reflects that she gave as a reference Mr. ALEXANDER BASIL.

Mr. ALEXANDER BASIL, Sales Manager, United States Rubber Company, 1230 Sixth Avenue, New York City, advised that he has known the appointee and her parents for the past 20 or more years. He stated that he understands that the appointee's father, VLADIMIR ZWORYKIN, served in the White Russian Army prior to his <sup>imm</sup>igration to the United States in about 1920. Mr. BASIL said that the appointee's mother, TATIANA ZWORYKIN is "violently outspoken against Communism." Mr. BASIL stated that he (BASIL) came to the United States when a baby and that he, therefore, has no personal knowledge concerning the life of the appointee's father while in Russia. Mr. BASIL said, "I am very much opposed to Communism and I feel quite sure that Mr. ZWORYKIN is too. It just so happens that he and I have never discussed the subject of Communism."

3414-11 He stated that ELAINE ZWORYKIN recently advised him that in September of this year she will marry Lieutenant LOUIS KNUDSEN, who graduated from the United States Naval Academy in 1944. The appointee now resides at 34-14 P Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. Mr. BASIL said, "I firmly believe that ELAINE ZWORYKIN and her parents are loyal to the United States. I certainly have never seen or heard anything which would cause me to have any doubt as to their loyalty."

Miscellaneous: There is no record of the appointee at the following sources of information:

The Board of Elections, Borough of Queens, New York City;  
The Bureau of Special Services and Investigations, New York City Police Department;  
The Criminal Identification Division, Police Department, New York City.

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The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York City do not reflect any information pertinent to the appointee's loyalty.

The following Confidential Informants of the New York Division of the FBI, who are well acquainted with Communist Party activities in this area, were not acquainted with the appointee or her parents. These informants could not furnish any information pertinent to the appointee's loyalty:

Confidential Informants New York City T-8, T-9, T-10, and T-11.

Conf. Info. NYC T 7, another government agency engaged in conducting intelligence investigations, advised on 4/7/1943, that Dr. Vladimir Zworykin was reported to be a member of the Communist Party. T7 advised that it could not substantiate or furnish the original source of the foregoing information.

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Confidential Informant New York City T-7, another government agency, engaged in conducting intelligence investigations, advised on April 7, 1943, that Dr. VLADIMIR ZWORYKIN was reported to be a member of the Communist Party. T-7 advised that it could not substantiate or furnish the original source of the foregoing information.

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The Military Intelligence Division of the Army advised on April 7, 1943, that Dr. VLADIMIR ZWORYKIN was reported to be a member of the Communist Party. Investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation upon the basis of this information failed to substantiate ZWORYKIN'S Communist Party membership. The Military Intelligence Division of the Army advised that it could not substantiate or furnish the original source of the foregoing information. (See report of SA THOMAS J. ANDERSON, dated September 12, 1944, at New York, entitled "DR. VLADIMIR KOSMO ZWORYKIN", NY file 100-63169, serial 5.)

The records of the Board of Elections were checked by Special Employee CLIFFORD W. WICKMAN.

The records of the Police Department were checked by SA AUGUST J. MICEK.

The records of the Credit Bureau were checked by Special Employee RALPH G. MURDY.

The ND informants were interviewed by SAs EDWARD W. BUCKLEY and CHARLES F. HEINER.

The following individuals were interviewed by SA FRANK W. MULDERIG as reflected in the report of SA MULDERIG entitled, "ELAINE V. ZWORYKIN - WA - 1630, ARAA", and dated February 7, 1949 at New York (New York file 116-28646): Mrs. ANNA BENNETT, Mrs. CARINEL CHASE, Mr. SEAN O'SCANLAIN, Mrs. PAT SADLER, Mr. C. A. TIEDEMANN, Mr. MICHAEL KASHEL, Mrs. GEORGE ANDERSEN.

The documentation of the appointee's father, VLADIMIR KOSMO ZWORYKIN, as set out in the details of this report is taken from the report of SA ARTHUR V. HART entitled, "HARRY VAN TINE, Jr., aka," dated March 3, 1949 at New York (New York file 121-5946, serial 24).

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New York teletype to the Washington Field Office dated June 23, 1949 advised that the appointee now resides at ~~34-14~~ P Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. and that she will marry Lieutenant LOUIS KNUDSEN in September next.

New York teletype to Newark dated June 23, 1949, advised that the appointee's mother, on March 1, 1949, moved from 69-11 Yellowstone Boulevard, Forest Hills, New York to 212 Worthington Avenue, Spring Lake, New Jersey. (This information received from Mr. WILLIAM GROSSO, clerk, Queens Post Office, Queens Boulevard, Forest Hills, New York on June 22, 1949).