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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: October 1, 1946

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
INTERNAL SECURITY - R
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The New York office has recently received inquiries from several other Field Divisions requesting that they be advised as to whether Custom and Immigration stops presently being maintained in those offices against the captioned subject should be continued.

For your information these offices have been informed that such stops should be retained until the Bureau instructs to the contrary. It is requested that, when the Bureau desires these stops to be removed, the New York Field Division be informed in order that all interested offices may be appropriately advised.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: September 30, 1946

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEKANDROVICH ADAMS
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

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Reference is made to your letter dated September 18, 1946 and to the New York letter to the Bureau of September 3, 1946 relative to the Customs stops being maintained on the above-captioned subject.

You are advised that the "recent conference" referred to in both letters was not the conference requested by the Bureau for closer coverage of the movement of Soviet nationals; for your information, the results of this latter conference have been set forth in the letter to the Bureau dated August 23, 1946 under the caption "Movement of Soviet Nationals; Internal Security - R." However, what was meant in reference letters was a series of conversations with Mr. F. B. LOUGHLIN, Assistant Collector of Customs at New York, who in July of 1946 stated that because of a shortage of personnel and the fact that the Customs Service no longer has control of the passengers' passports in advance of the sailing, they cannot effectively cover all departures. However, as a result of the conference concerning the arrival and departure of Soviet nationals, the Customs Service maintains a close observation of passengers departing on Soviet ships. For the purpose of following the movement of Soviet Nationals, this cooperation is very effective. Furthermore, an outgoing stop with Customs is effective if some information can be furnished them with respect to the ship or line and the probable date of departure. It will be noted also that the Immigration and Naturalization Service can and does maintain coverage of all outgoing passengers at the time of sailing and will delay a passenger, short of holding the vessel, in order that an Agent may get to the scene. At our request each of the Immigration Inspectors checks the names of departing passengers against his stop list. However, advance information cannot be given this Office on all passenger lists.

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Director, FBI
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ARTHUR ALEXANDROVITCH ADAMS
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You are advised that the information obtained through the interviews of the subjects in this case was furnished to the Criminal Division of the Department for its opinion as to prosecution. The Department has advised that the evidence presently available is not sufficient to warrant prosecution of Hiskey or Chapin.

This is furnished for the completion of your file.

RGF:ml

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
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October 29, 1946

Mr. John A. Cimperman
Legal Attache
American Embassy
London, England

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ARTHUR ALEXANDROVITCH ADAMS, was
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With reference to your cable dated October 14, 1946 in the
captioned matter, there are attached three photographs of the subject
bearing his description.

Attachments
RGF:ml

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
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- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Gurnea
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

cc-European Desk

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John A. Cimperman

DECODE OF DOUBLE CODE CABLE NUMBER 861 FROM SIS NUMBER 828 DATED OCTOBER 24, 1946 AT LONDON. RECEIVED VIA THE STATE DEPARTMENT.

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVITCH ADAMS, WAS, INTERNAL SECURITY R. PLEASE REFER TO YOUR LETTER DATED DECEMBER 17 LAST. PLEASE FORWARD IMMEDIATELY PHOTOGRAPHS AND DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT ANDAMS.

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If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.

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Director, FBI

November 6, 1946

SAC, Chicago

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN MILLER, was;
ZELMA BAKER MILLER.
INTERNAL SECURITY - R
Bureau File 100-344367

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, was
INTERNAL SECURITY - R
Bureau File 100-331280

Reference is made to the New York letter to the Bureau dated September 5, 1946, a copy of which was directed to the Los Angeles Field Division, which requested a comprehensive interview of BENJAMIN MILLER and his wife ZELMA BAKER MILLER. A copy of this letter has now been received by this office from Los Angeles, in view of the fact that the office of origin in the MILLER case has been changed from Los Angeles to Chicago. The MILLERS presently reside in Chicago.

After a review of referenced letter, it would appear that the interview in question could be conducted by this office with greater benefit to the ADAMS and the MILLER case if this office were furnished by New York or the Bureau with a specific outline of instructions and questions to be used in connection with this interview. It would be of particular value if the extent of the interview, insofar as ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS is concerned, could be outlined to this office. It is also possible that the New York office as a result of their interviews with other persons who have been in contact with ADAMS would have valuable suggestions to offer in connection with the interview of the MILLERS.

It is also requested that the Bureau advise this office as to whether it is desired that any of subjects MILLER's activities other than those connected with ADAMS be covered in connection with the interview.

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cc: New York
San Francisco
Chicago File 100-17493

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New York, New York
November 12, 1946

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Director, FBI

Re: DR. LOUIS MILLER
INTERNAL SECURITY (R)
(REFER 5 IS)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent John F. Malone dated July 9, 1946 at New York in captioned matter.

A review of this file reflects it was originally opened because of MILLER's association with ARTHUR ADAMS. MILLER was a close associate and personal physician for ADAMS.

Since MILLER has been interviewed, and since all investigation, both technical and physical surveillances, failed to reflect any activities of an espionage nature on the part of Subject, this case is being closed on the authority of the Special Agent in Charge.

Any further investigation conducted by this office concerning Subject, with a view toward finding ARTHUR ADAMS, will be reported under ADAMS' file. A Security Index Card has been prepared on the Subject and is on file in this office.

Very truly yours,

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ON A-25-78

Edward Scheidt, SAC

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. D. M. Ladd

FROM : J. C. Strickland

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ADAMS
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DATE: November 18, 1946

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- Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
- Mr. Clegg _____
- Mr. Coffey _____
- Mr. Glavin _____
- Mr. Ladd _____
- Mr. Nichols _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
- Mr. Tracy _____
- Mr. Carson _____
- Mr. Egan _____
- Mr. Gurnea _____
- Mr. Hendon _____
- Mr. Pennington _____
- Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Mr. Nease _____
- Miss Gandy _____

As you will recall the principal subjects in the Arthur Adams Case have all now been interviewed with the exception of Benjamin Franklin Miller and his wife, Zelma Baker Miller. These individuals have recently moved to Chicago and the Chicago Field Division is not equipped with background information to properly interview these individuals.

In view of the complex nature of this case, it is recommended that the Agent from the New York Field Division handling this case proceed to Chicago in order to handle these interviews.

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A letter to the Chicago and New York Field Divisions to that effect is attached.

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- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Gurnea
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

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CONF TO DIRECTOR AND SAC NEW YORK URGENT

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ARTHUR ALEXANDROVITCH ADAMS: BENJAMIN FRANKLIN MILLER, WA: ZELMA

BAKER MILLER, IS-R: REFER 5-15. RE N. Y. TEL. NOVEMBER TWENTYINE

NINETEEN FORTYSIX. ACCORDING TO NEWS PAPER REPORTS DR. DEBORAH V. DAUBER KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT NOVEMBER TWENTYONE NINETEEN FORTYSIX, CHICAGO. DEATH NOT YET RECORDED IN BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS, CHICAGO.

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DIRECTOR AND NEW YORK

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, IS-R, REFER FIVE IS. DR. BENJAMIN F.

MILLER INTERVIEWED AND ADVISED HE FIRST MET ADAMS IN NINETEEN FORTY WHEN LATTER TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED HIM AT UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO AND REQUESTED MEDICAL AID AND SAID HE HAD BEEN RECOMMENDED TO MILLER BY AN UNIDENTIFIED PHYSICIAN IN NYC. ACCORDING TO DR. MILLER HE TREATED ADAMS FOR A COLD AND THEN SUBSEQUENTLY MET HIM AGAIN IN ABOUT SIX MONTHS AT A DOWNTOWN CHICAGO HOTEL AT ADAMS' REQUEST. FROM TIME OF FIRST MEETING UP TO SEPTEMBER, NINETEEN FORTYTHREE WHEN MILLER LEFT CHICAGO HE STATES HE SAW ADAMS APPROXIMATELY SIX OR SEVEN TIMES.

ADmits THAT ADAMS VISITED AT HIS HOME AND MET HIS WIFE ZELMA BAKER MILLER. ALLEGES THAT SINCE THAT TIME HE HAS ONLY SEEN ADAMS ON ONE OCCASION, THAT WAS IN THE FALL OF NINETEEN FORTYFOUR WHEN SUBJECT

G.I.R.O

VISITED THE MILLERS AT THEIR HOME AT BETHESDA, MD. ACCORDING TO MILLER, ADAMS TOLD LITTLE OF HIS BACKGROUND EXCEPT THAT HE WAS BORN IN CANADA, EDUCATED AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO AND WAS ENGAGED IN THE ENGINEERING BUSINESS IN NEW YORK CITY. CLAIMS SUBJECT NEVER SPOKE OF PARENTS, OR PARENTS OF RUSSIAN BACKGROUND, OR TRAVELS IN ANY FOREIGN COUNTRY.

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MILLER DENIES EVER HAVING MET DR. CLARENCE F. HISKEY. ADMITS HAVING BEEN IN CHICAGO IN JANUARY OF NINETEEN FORTYFOUR AT WHICH TIME THE MEETING WITH ~~SEBASTIAN~~ HISKEY OCCURRED. ALSO ADMITS HAVING STOPPED AT THE HOTEL SHERMAN ON THAT OCCASION AND ADMITS POSSIBLE HE ATE AT THE RESTAURANT WHERE THE ALLEGED MEETING OCCURRED. ~~MILLER~~ MILLER CLAIMS

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THAT THE ONLY INDIVIDUAL THAT HE RECALLS DEFINITELY WORKING ON THE MANHATTAN PROJECT WAS ONE RICHARD ABRAMS WHO WAS FORMERLY EMPLOYED BY MILLER AS A RESEARCH ASSISTANT. DR. BENJAMIN MILLER ADMITTED BEING ACQUAINTED WITH DR. LOUIS MILLER, HAVING BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH HIM IN NEW YORK CITY IN NINETEEN THIRTYSEVEN AND NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT IN THE ACTIVITIES OF THE AMERICAN COMMITTEE FOR SPANISH FREEDOM. IDENTIFIES DR. LOUIS MILLER AS RESIDING ON WEST END AVENUE IN NEW YORK CITY AND BEING MARRIED AT THE TIME OF HIS FIRST CONTACT WITH HIM TO ONE IRENE MILLER. CLAIMS THAT HE HAS NO RECOLLECTION TO THE EFFECT THAT DR. LOUIS MILLER WAS THE NEW YORK PHYSICIAN WHO RECOMMENDED ADAMS TO HIM. CLAIMS HE LAST SAW DR. LOUIS MILLER IN THE SPRING OF NINETEEN FORTYSIX BUT DENIES THAT HE WAS TOLD THAT THE FBI WAS INVESTIGATING ARTHUR ADAMS AND INTERVIEWING ALL OF HIS ASSOCIATES. DR. B. F. MILLER ADMITTED RELATIONSHIP TO HARRY GRUNDFEST BUT DENIED ANY KNOWLEDGE THAT SUBJECT ADAMS WAS ACQUAINTED WITH GRUNDFEST. BENJAMIN MILLER LAST SAW GRUNDFEST SUMMER OF NINETEEN FORTYFIVE. ADMITS ACTIVITIES IN AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF SCIENTIFIC WORKERS, RUSSIAN WAR RELIEF, CHICAGO COUNCIL OF AMERICAN SOVIET FRIENDSHIP AND HAVING CONTRIBUTED TO THE JOINT ANTI FASCIST REFUGEE COMMITTEE. DENIES MEMBERSHIP IN COMMUNIST PARTY. ZELMA BAKER MILLER ADVISED HER HUSBAND MET ADAMS IN CHICAGO APPROXIMATELY IN NINETEEN FORTYONE WHEN HE CALLED AND DESIRED MEDICAL TREATMENT.

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SHE STATED ADAMS HAD BEEN AT THEIR HOME ON SEVERAL OCCASIONS. SHE KNEW LITTLE OF SUBJECT'S BACKGROUND OTHER THAN THAT HE HAD TRAVELLED IN RUSSIA AND OTHER ~~BY~~ EUROPEAN COUNTRIES DURING THE LAST TEN YEARS AND SHE CONSIDERED HE SPOKE WITH A ~~FOREIGN~~ FOREIGN ACCENT. FINALLY ADMITTED HAVING CONTACTED ADAMS IN NEW YORK CITY IN NINETEEN FORTY FOUR AND CLAIMS THAT WAS THE LAST TIME SHE SAW HIM. HAD NO INFORMATION AS TO THE NAME OF THE PHYSICIAN WHO RECOMMENDED ADAMS TO HER HUSBAND BUT ADMITTED BEING ACQUAINTED WITH DR. LOUIS MILLER OF NEW YORK CITY. SHE STATED HER HUSBAND MET LOUIS MILLER WHILE HE WAS INTERNING AT THE CORNELL HOSPITAL IN NEW YORK CITY. ADMITTED THAT SHE CORRESPONDED WITH ADAMS BUT COULD NOT RECALL THAT HE VISITED HER AND HER HUSGAND IN ~~ELIZ~~ BETHESDA. ALLEGED THAT HER ASSOCIATIONS WITH ADAMS BASED ON THE FACT THAT HE WAS VERY FRIENDLY PERSON AND APPEARED EXTREMELY INTERESTED IN HER CHILDREN AND FAMILY. DENIED ANY KNOWLEDGE OF CLARENCE HISKEY OR TO FACT THAT SHE CONTACTED HISKEY IN CHICAGO IN JANUARY OF NINETEEN FORTYFOUR; DENIED MEMBERSHIP IN COMMUNIST PARTY BUT ADMITTED ACTIVITIES IN RUSSIAN WAR RELIEF AND CHICAGO COUNCIL OF AMERICAN SOVIET FRIENDSHIP. STATED THAT SHE ~~PARTICIPATED~~ PARTICIPATED IN ACTIVITIES OF THE (A)ERICAN ASSOCIATION OF SCIENTIFIC WORKERS PRIOR TO MARRIAGE TO DR. MILLER AND CLAIMS POSSIBLY KNEW HARRY GRUNDFEST BEFORE SHE MET HER HUSBAND. JOSEPH DAUBER, HUSBAND OF LATE DR. DEBORAH V. DAUBER, INTERVIEWED BUT EMPHATICALLY DENIES ANY KNOWLEDGE OF SUBJECT ADAMS. DETAILS OF SURVEILLANCES ON WHICH ADAMS WAS SEEN TO CONTACT DR. DAUBER AND HER HUSBAND BROUGHT TO HIS ATTENTION BUT STILL DENIES ANY RECOLLECTION OF SUBJECT.

MC SWAIN

END ACK PLS

Swain att'd to NY

CC - Mrs J Fletcher



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ARTHUR ALEXANDROVITCH ADAMS, BENJAMIN FRANKLIN MILLER, WA, ZELMA
BAKER MILLER, ISR. REFER FIVE IS. REBURLET NOV NINETEEN LAST
F. X. PLANT NYFD WILL PROCEED CGO DURING WEEK OF DEC SECOND TO
VIEW MILLERS. IF POSSIBLE, AND BUREAU SO AUTHORIZED, SUGGESTED INTER-
VIEWS BE HELD AT SAME TIME WITH DR. DEBORAH V. DAUBER AND HUSBAND,
JOSEPH DAUBER. SUBJECT ADAMS CONTACTED DR. DAUBER AT TIME OF HIS VISIT
TO CGO IN SEPT, FORTY FOUR AND IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING HIS CONTACT WITH
JOHN CHAPIN ON SEPT TWENTY FIVE, FORTY FOUR. SUBJECT AGAIN CONTACTED
DAUBERS. WHEN THEY VISITED NYC IN OCT, FORTY FOUR.

Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Mr. Nease
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 11, 1946

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS;
INTERNAL SECURITY - R
REFER 5 IS
(Bureau File 100-331280)

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated October 24, 1946 in the captioned matter, wherein the New York Office was advised that the Department had declined prosecution in the case of JOHN HITCHCOCK, CHAPIN and CLARENCE F. HISKEY.

For the Bureau's information, HISKEY is now an Associate Professor of Chemistry at Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute and he is living with the family of MIRIAM SHERWOOD at 160 Cabrini Boulevard, New York City. CHAPIN is employed, as last reported, at M. W. KELLOGG COMPANY, Jersey City, New Jersey, and is residing at 36 Gramercy Park, New York City. Arrangements have been made with informants so that this office will be advised of any change of employment or residence on the part of HISKEY or CHAPIN.

Unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau, the individual case files on CLARENCE HISKEY and JOHN CHAPIN will be placed in a closed status in view of the Departmental decision, subject to being reopened if developments in the Adams case appear to warrant such action.

Appropriate closing reports will be submitted on HISKEY and CHAPIN providing the Bureau does not instruct us to maintain these cases in a pending status.

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SAC, Albany

February 19, 1947

Director, FBI

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Reference is made to Albany letter dated January 29, 1947, in the captioned matter requesting authority to interview Kenneth Durant, former manager of the Tass News Agency in New York City, who was apparently acquainted with Adams in 1921 and had Adams' wife's address in his possession in 1923.

It is noted that the Albany Office stated that no preliminary investigation would be conducted prior to this interview. It is pointed out that the Albany Office should make some effort to discreetly determine if Adams might be staying at the farm of Durant, and in this connection a check at the country store might produce information of value. In the event that a preliminary investigation along this line fails to reflect any information of value, Bureau authority is granted to interview Durant for any information he may have as to Adams' present whereabouts.

cc - New York

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: January 29, 1947

FROM : SAC, Albany

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS

Internal Security (R)
Bureau File 100-331280.

The New York Field Division by letter to this office dated January 21, 1947, stated that the subject ADAMS is quite possibly acquainted with KENNETH DURANT; former manager of the Tass News Agency in New York City, who is now retired and residing on his farm at Jamaica, Vermont.

According to referenced letter, this belief was predicated upon the fact that in 1923, when DURANT was on his way to Russia, a search of his effects by British authorities revealed that he possessed a list of names and addresses in Russian among which was that of the subject's wife, DOROTHEA KEEN ADAMS. Further, from about 1919 to 1921, DURANT was closely associated with LUDWIG K. MARTENS who was the unofficial Russian representative in the United States and who headed a group known as MARTENS MISSION. MARTENS along with others of this group was ordered to leave the United States in 1921. ARTHUR ADAMS was head of the Technical Department of MARTENS MISSION and departed this country with him. DOROTHEA KEEN ADAMS was also employed in this group in a secretarial capacity. K.C.
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Referenced New York letter states it is quite possible that ADAMS may be in contact with DURANT. New York requests that if the investigation of DURANT is in a current status, his file be checked to determine if he made any contacts which would be deemed pertinent to instant investigation. Likewise, a request was made to check DURANT's telephone toll calls during the pertinent period and inquiries be made in the vicinity of DURANT's place to learn if anyone answering ADAMS' description has been seen thereabouts.

For information purposes, a review of DURANT's file reflects he is most inactive and to all events and purposes is a man in ill health who has retired on his farm in Vermont. A check of DURANT's telephone toll calls during the pertinent period will be made. However, since his farm is in a remote location and not in view of any nearby neighbors, it is believed inadvisable to conduct any inquiries to determine if anyone answering ADAMS' description has been seen in the vicinity. m
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Since the activities of ARTHUR ADAMS have been reported in the press and since it is apparently obvious to any persons interested in ADAMS that his whereabouts are unknown to this Bureau or any other investigative agency in this country plus the fact that DURANT has been and is in a state of retirement, permission is requested by this office to interview DURANT about his acquaintance and possible knowledge of the activities or whereabouts of ARTHUR ADAMS. It is believed that

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Re: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
Internal Security (R)

such an interview could be conducted without any embarrassment to this Bureau, and it is likewise believed that there is a possibility that such an interview may produce some new investigative leads regarding the possible activities and whereabouts of ARTHUR ADAMS.

Bureau permission is therefore requested to interview KENNETH DURANT and no further action will be taken by this office until so advised.

JJO:rmk
100-9156
cc: 100-9068

NEW YORK FIELD DIVISION (100-63983)

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TO : MR. D. M. LADD

FROM : Mr. J. C. Strickland

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

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The New York Field Division has, by letter, requested Bureau authority to contact the Mexican Consul in New York City to ascertain whether Adams obtained a Mexican visa or the nature of his contacts with the Mexican Consulate.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that Supervisor Roach obtain approval of the State Department for the New York Office to make this contact in line with their attached letter.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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DATE: December 12, 1946

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS.
INTERNAL SECURITY (R)
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P ADAMS telephonically contacted the Mexican Consulate in New York City inquiring as to the record business in that country and further, visited that office on two occasions. It has also been brought to the Bureau's attention that MILDRED BISSO, Secretary at the KEYNOTE RECORDING CO., where subject was employed, was sent to the Immigration and Naturalization Service to ascertain "what procedure is necessary for a resident alien (Canadian) who has first papers, to obtain an exit and re-entry certificate for a business trip to Mexico." Q

All of the above contacts occurred prior to ADAMS disappearance in January, 1946, and the portion quoted was taken from a slip of paper given to Miss BISSO by ERIC BERNAY who explained that it was for "Mr. ADAMS." U

Miss BISSO advised that she brought back several forms to ADAMS and that was the last she ever saw or heard of them. U

A check of the subject's file as maintained in the New York office of the Immigration and Naturalization Service failed to reflect any information concerning this. U

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In view of the above, it is requested that Bureau authority be granted the New York Office to contact the Mexican Consulate in this city in an attempt to ascertain just what business was conducted by ADAMS during his visits. It is also suggested that photographs of the subject and of his handwriting be provided Bureau sources in Mexico in order that appropriate checks may be made for him there. U

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SAC, New York

February 4, 1947

Director, FBI

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

With reference to your letter dated December 12, 1946, you are advised that this matter has been discussed with the State Department and the State Department has granted approval for your office to contact the Mexican Consul in line with your request set forth in referenced letter.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. Ladd *llz*

FROM : E. G. *llz*

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

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Reference is made to Mr. Strickland's memorandum to you dated January 14, 1947, wherein the Liaison Section was requested to obtain the approval of the State Department for the New York Office to contact the Mexican Consul in New York City to ascertain whether Adams obtained a Mexican visa or the nature of his contacts with the Mexican Consulate.

Mr. Jack Neal of the State Department advised Special Agent F. P. Griffee that approval was given to interview the Mexican Consul.

RECOMMENDATION

It is suggested this memorandum be routed to the Internal Security Section.

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ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, IS R. REFERENCE IS MADE TO HOWARD RUSHMORE ARTICLE NEW YORK JOURNAL AMERICAN OF FEB. SEVEN, FORTYSEVEN. BUREAUS ATTENTION SPECIFICALLY DIRECTED TO IMPLICATION OF TIEUP BETWEEN ADAMS AND EISLER CASES. ONE RESULT OF THIS TIEUP MIGHT BE HOUSE UN AMERICAN ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE WILL SUBPOENA ADAMS CONTACTS KNOWN TO RUSHMORE. BUREAUS ATTENTION AGAIN DIRECTED TO INFO PREVIOUSLY FURNISHED IN INSTANT CASE THAT JOHN HITCHCOCK CHAPIN IS EMPLOYED ON AN ARMY AIR CORPS GUIDED MISSILE PROJECT AT M. W. KELLOGG CO., JERSEY CITY, N.J.

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: February 7, 1947

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: GERHARDT EISLER

ASAC Belmont called to bring the Bureau up-to-date on the New York publicity in this case. He stated that all of the New York newspapers are giving this story a big front-page play and that the FBI is stated in headlines very prominently throughout and in no instances is there anything derogatory.

In addition to other front-page stories in the Journal American, Howard Rushmore has a prominent, signed article taking off on the Eisler testimony and then tying it in with the Arthur Adams case. He now goes further than he has ever gone before in giving identifying data concerning alleged spies in this case and Belmont says that from the descriptive data it is apparent that the identities are those of several of our subjects.

In the World Telegram, Frederick Woltman has an article primarily dealing with the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee in which he plays up strongly the testimony concerning the Fascists in their payments to Eisler. Our technical coverage of the Joint Anti-Fascist League has resulted in the recording of a call between Dr. Edward K. Barsky, its Director, and Hannah Saxon, an employee, in which Barsky read a statement denying all the charges and giving what purports to be a legitimate reason for Eisler's receiving money from them as a refugee and pointing out if the FBI had come directly to them, they would have gotten these facts.

Nelson Frank has advised the New York Office that this afternoon he will have an article in the World Telegram concerning Ferruccio Marini (Ferruccio Marini, alias Fred Brown, Fred Alpi, Internal Security - R) who was named by Budenz yesterday before the Committee as a Comintern Agent. Frank is going to play up particularly the fact that Congressman Vito Marcantonio appeared in behalf of Marini some time ago when the latter was up for hearing on a charge of having failed to register as an alien enemy.

ACTION

The New York Office is sending in by teletype the contents of the contemplated press release by Barsky of JAFRC. In the meantime we are trying here to secure copies of the today's editions of the Journal American and World Telegram. If not successful, New York will be instructed to send in by teletype the pertinent portions of Rushmore, Woltman and Frank's articles.

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Assistant Attorney General T. L. Caudle
Criminal Division

February 14, 1947

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DIRECTOR, FBI

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
ESPIONAGE - R
(Dept. File 146-7-51-2052)

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With further reference to our previous memoranda on this case, there is attached a copy of a letter furnished by the Manhattan Engineering officials relative to the positions of Chapin or Hiskey with the Manhattan District.

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SAC, New York

February 17, 1947

Director, FBI

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
ESPIONAGE - R

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated September 27, 1946, requesting that consideration be given to interviewing Frank Fifer. A review of the Bureau files fails to reflect that this matter has been handled and it is desired that such be given attention without further delay.

It is further desired that consideration be given to interviewing Samuel Steingiser in connection with this case. It is also pointed out that this letter may be used as a basis for authority to interviewing any other individuals in connection with this investigation, which the New York Office deems desirable in properly winding up this case, with the exception of reporters or persons of this character. In the event there is any doubt as to whether a particular person should be interviewed, then specific Bureau authority should be requested.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: February 26, 1947

Jgk FROM : SAC, NEW HAVEN

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

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Reference is made to New York letter to the Bureau, dated February 24, 1947, a copy of which was designated for the New Haven office, advising that Agents of the New York Field Division will proceed to Storrs, Connecticut, sometime in March 1947, to interview SAMUEL STEINGISER. This letter also suggested that if the New Haven office has a pending case on STEINGISER reflecting any recent information which would make it inadvisable to talk to him, that such should be immediately brought to the attention of the Bureau.

For the information of the Bureau and the New York Field Division, this office presently has a pending file on STEINGISER which was opened upon receipt of a letter from the New York Field Division, dated December 11, 1946. This office has conducted considerable investigation concerning STEINGISER and considerable information of value has been developed.

A report will be dictated on STEINGISER in a few days and copies of this report should reach the Bureau and the New York office during the early part of the week of March 3, 1947. It is suggested that the Agents of the New York office who are to conduct an interview of STEINGISER may desire to first review this report. To the best knowledge of the New Haven office, there is no reason STEINGISER should not be interviewed.

The New York office is requested to advise the New Haven office when its Agents contemplate interviewing STEINGISER so that appropriate arrangements can be made to have a New Haven Agent present during this interview. The New Haven Agent who conducted the investigation concerning STEINGISER would be the logical representative of this office to be present during said interview since he is very well acquainted with the STEINGISER case and since he has developed certain very good informants concerning this matter.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ADAMS
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There is attached a newspaper clipping from the New York "Journal American" dated February 7, 1947, reflecting a news article by Howard Rushmore entitled "Red Atom Spy Teaching in Brooklyn." This article is a re-hash of the original articles written by Rushmore on the Adams case and they are no more accurate now than in their original phase and less accurate inasmuch as he has now erroneously connected Eisler with Adams, whereas our investigations of both of these individuals have failed to reflect a contact between them.

In this news release, Rushmore states that Adams used a German born Communist living in Queens as a courier for the spy ring. The Adams investigation shows that he used no such courier.

This article further states that a former key scientific worker in Chicago DSM Project was caught by the FBI passing top secret atomic data to Adams in 1943. This scientist to which Rushmore refers is Clarence Hiskey and he was not caught passing top secret atomic data to Adams. Hiskey has been interviewed and denied furnishing information to Adams, and facts relative to this have been furnished to the Department which declined prosecution.

The statement that Hiskey's wife was used as a mail drop between spies is only borne out by the fact that Chapin, a fellow scientist of Hiskey, who was introduced by the latter to Adams, sent Adams a letter through Hiskey's wife. This letter, according to Chapin, did not contain espionage information but was a personal letter.

Rushmore then states that another important spy who worked closely with Adams and Eisler is also in New York, and from his description it is apparent he is referring to Steve Nelson. There is no indication that Steve Nelson was connected with Eisler or Adams.

The American citizen who went to Chicago with Adams referred to by Rushmore is Eric Bernay. We have never proven that Bernay actually did espionage work for Adams.

Rushmore also refers to a woman as being involved in the Adams-Eisler network. This woman is Victoria Stone who was a very close contact of Arthur Adams, but we have never obtained definite proof that she assisted Adams in his espionage activities.

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Teaching in B'klyn

Reveal More Agents at Liberty

By HOWARD RUSHMORE
 An American scientist who was a member of a Russian espionage ring in which Gerhardt Eisler was an important figure, is now teaching at a Brooklyn private school, it was learned today.

This scientist and a dozen other members of the Moscow spy network are still at liberty although Eisler, charged yesterday by a Congressional committee with plotting to overthrow the U. S. Government, is under arrest.

SPY RING COURIER
 J. Edgar Hoover, FBI head, told the House Committee on Un-American Activities that Eisler, who first came to this country in 1933 as a Soviet agent, associated with people strongly suspected of Soviet espionage.

On Dec. 4, 1945, this newspaper revealed that Arthur Adams, head of Stalin's super-secret espionage network set up in America to steal the atom bomb, used a German-born Communist living in Queens as "courier" for the spy ring.

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 At that time the N. Y. Journal-American knew this man, was Gerhardt Eisler and had information showing that the FBI had been trailing him since 1943.

Despite complete FBI reports on the activities of Adams, Eisler and the other Soviet spies, reports which were read in the White House and State Department, no arrests were made and Adams was permitted to leave the United States.

The scientist, now teaching in Brooklyn, was also exposed by this

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Other Red Agents Still at Liberty

By HOWARD RUSHMORE
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This man, a former key scientific worker in the Chicago plant of the atom bomb project, was caught by the FBI passing top-secret atomic data to Adams in 1943.

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 Later, this scientist was drafted into the Army and sent to an isolated Pacific island. He was discharged from the Army last year and is now living in Brooklyn.

The scientist's wife, another member of the Adams-Eisler spy network, is now operating a small business shop also in Brooklyn.

It is known that her home was used as a "mail drop" by the spies and that Eisler visited her home several times to pick up atomic data mailed from various parts of the United States by the espionage agents.

He then took this data to the Russian embassy in Washington.

Another important spy who worked closely with Adams and Eisler is also in New York where he is operating as a member of the national committee of the Communist Party.

This man, who served as a commissar in the international

Brigade during the Spanish civil war, attempted to lure West Coast scientists into passing atomic bomb secrets.

Another American citizen who worked with Adams and went with the Russian spy on one occasion to Chicago is still at liberty here. He is a manufacturer of electrical products and operates a record shop on the side.

Also involved in the Adams-Eisler network is the woman owner of a Madison ave. jewelry shop who likewise has escaped arrest.

COMPLETE DATA
 When the N. Y. Journal-American revealed the complete details of Adams and his confederates in 1945, all names were withheld in expectation that the FBI would arrest all members of the Soviet network.

However, Hoover's demand that action be taken against the most dangerous spy ring in America's history was turned down both by the House and the State Department.

This newspaper has the addresses, complete names, and even telephone numbers of all members of the Adams-Eisler spy group who are still at liberty to mock the democratic form of government.

*Clipped from
 New York Journal-American
 February 7, 1947*

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: February 24, 1947

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Reference is made to Bureau letter of February 17, 1947 relative to the above-captioned subject. As to the interview with FRANK FIFER mentioned therein, this was delayed due to his absence from New York City. However, he has now been questioned and the results have been set forth in a report on EDWARD TIERS MANNING which is in the process of being typed and which will be forwarded to the Bureau in the immediate future. It might be noted that FIFER knew nothing as to the subject of instant letter.

The referenced Bureau letter further instructed that consideration be given to interviewing SAMUEL STEINGISER. In this connection attention is called to our letter of December 11, 1946 entitled SAMUEL STEINGISER; INTERNAL SECURITY - R, wherein you were advised that this individual was now working and studying at the University of Connecticut at Storrs, Connecticut. In view of this fact, and unless advised to the contrary by March 10th, Agents of the New York Field Division will proceed to Storrs, Connecticut, to interview STEINGISER.

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It is suggested that if the New Haven Field Division has a pending case on this individual reflecting any recent information which would make it inadvisable to talk to him, such fact be immediately brought to the attention of the Bureau. Further, if Agents of the New Haven Office desire to participate in the interview, it is requested that this Office be notified so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

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cc: New Haven
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : D. M. LADD *DL*

FROM : J. C. STRICKLAND *JCS*

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
INTERNAL SECURITY - R.

DATE: March 6, 1947

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Reference is made to the letter from the New York Office dated February 24, 1947, advising that Samuel Steingiser, who was a close friend of Clarence Hiskey and his wife, who were important subjects in this case, would be interviewed unless advised to the contrary by March 10, 1947. This interview would be conducted by Agents of the New York Field Division even though Steingiser is presently at Storrs, Connecticut, which is in the territory of the New Haven Office.

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the complex nature of the Arthur Adams case and the fact that the New Haven Office does not have sufficient information as a basis to conduct an intelligent interview it is recommended that such be conducted by the New York Office, which will be done unless we advise them to the contrary.

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To: Mr. John A. Cimperman
Legal Attache
The American Embassy
London, England

From: Director, FBI

Subject: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS

With reference to your Cable #046 dated March 17, 1947, there is attached one copy of the photograph of Pavel P. Mikhailov. He is described as follows:

Name:	Pavel Petrovich Mikhailov
Age:	43
Born:	December 23, 1903, at Kronstadt, Russia
Height:	5' 11"
Weight:	165 lbs.
Hair:	Sparse, blond, combed pompadour
Complexion:	Fair
Build:	Medium, slim, raw boned
Peculiarities:	Slightly pigeon-toed
Nationality:	Russian
Citizenship:	Russian
Languages:	Russian and English

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DECODE OF DOUBLE CODE CABLE NUMBER 946 FROM SIS NUMBER 828, DATED MARCH 17, 1947, AT LONDON ENGLAND. RECEIVED VIA STATE DEPARTMENT.

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, INTERNAL SECURITY R. REFERRING TO YOUR LETTER OF DECEMBER 17, 1945, PLEASE FURNISH PHOTOGRAPHS AND DESCRIPTION OF PAVEL P. MIKHAILOV, FORMER SOVIET CONSUL IN NEW YORK WHO WAS STATED BY IGOR GOUZENKO TO BE HEAD OF GROUP OF RED ARMY INTELLIGENCE ESPIONAGE AGENTS IN NEW YORK AREA AND WHO RETURNED TO RUSSIA DECEMBER 1945. [REDACTED] INQUIRING. JOHN A. CIMPERMAN

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REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE MAY 13 1947	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/10-4/18/47	REPORT MADE BY FRANCIS X. PLANT
TITLE ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, with alias		CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - REEFER 5 IS	

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No indication as yet as to subject's whereabouts. VICTORIA STONE and JULIUS HEIMAN, close associates of subject, continue to contact each other. MANYA KAHN who received telephone call from "Mr. ARTHURSON" identified as CP member. ERIC BERNAY also identified as such. ANN SHEPPARD, associate of STONE and ADAMS, interviewed and results set forth. SAMUEL STEINGISER, former Manhattan Project employee, made available his correspondence from EDWARD T. MANNING wherein latter explains his contacts with subject. Checks at Mexican Consulate, NYC, negative.

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DETAILS:

Since the submission of reference report of February 4, 1947, there has been no indication whatsoever as to the present whereabouts of the subject. Spot checks have been conducted of the activities of his chief associates, VICTORIA STONE, and JACOB B. ARONOFF, with, in the great majority,

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negative results. STONE continues to reside at 39 West 55th Street, and to operate her jewelry store at 510 Madison Avenue. From information supplied by the informants, T-1, T-2, and T-3, it is indicated that she continues to spend the greater part of her time with JULIUS HEIMAN and WILLIAM FITZRUGH. U

Information has been received that MANYA KAHN, who is a friend of STONE's, and who operates a beauty salon at 53 West 57th Street, was a member of the Midtown Club of the Communist Party as of December 3, 1946. It will be recalled that it was MANYA KAHN who received one of the telephone calls in April 1946 from a "Mr. ARTHURSON" asking that she have STONE call him at Jeffersonville, New York 156, which number is that of the Simmonds Hotel at Kenosha Lake, New York where ADAMS spent his vacation in the summer of 1945. U

It has also been learned that the salon of MANYA KAHN at 53 West 57th Street, was recently used for a lecture held under the auspices of the Public Relations Committee of the New York County Chapter of the Communist Party. The speaker at this lecture was JACK STACHEL, a prominent Communist Party functionary whose background is already well known to the Bureau. U

JULIUS HEIMAN, who is also a close associate of ADAMS while the latter was in New York City, continues to reside at the Esplanade Hotel, 305 West End Avenue, and as has been previously stated, he continues to be in almost daily contact with VICTORIA STONE. U

From information supplied by Confidential Informant T-4, it has been learned that Dr. JACOB HEIMAN and Dr. HELEN I. HEIMAN, brother and niece respectively of JULIUS, have been contacted by officials of the Soviet Consulate in New York City. As far as is presently known, these contacts are of a professional nature. However, on April 5, 1947, Mrs. LOMAKIN, wife of JACOB LOMAKIN, Russian Consul General, arranged to dine with Dr. HELEN HEIMAN. This informant also observed that the latter told Mrs. LOMAKIN that she (HELEN HEIMAN) was to go to Holland in June as a delegate of the Women's Medical Society, and she hoped to be able to visit the U.S.S.R. X

T-4 continued to advise that Mrs. LOMAKIN also recommended a "Dr. HEIMAN" to Mrs. GROMYKO for her husband, ANDREI, the Soviet delegate to the United Nations. On this occasion, Mrs. LOMAKIN remarked that Dr. HEIMAN was a capable physician who was friendly towards the U.S.S.R., having been there. X

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On another occasion, this informant reported that PAVEL FEDOSTANOV, who is the Russian Vice Consul in New York City, arranged to see Dr. JACOB HELMAN in the latter's office. S

It will be recalled that SAMUEL J. WEGMAN when interviewed concerning his connections with ARTHUR ADAMS, named a number of persons who had been present in JULIUS HELMAN's apartment on the various occasions when both he (WEGMAN) and ADAMS were there. Included among these were IDA FISCHER and MILLEN BRAND. L

It has now been determined that JULIUS HELMAN's address book reflects that IDA FISCHER presently resides at 30 Jones Street with one FRANCES ECKSTEIN. The New York indices were entirely negative as to IDA FISCHER, other than showing that she and FRANCES ECKSTEIN attended a dinner of the Committee for a Democratic Far Eastern Policy which was held in New York City on April 3, 1946. L

MILLEN BRAND has now been identified as a writer, who, according to the New York files, has been involved in the activities of any number of pro-Russian and Communist front organizations. His background in these organizations has been more fully reported in the investigation of JULIUS HELMAN. L

A review of the New York files has also recently established that NELLIE, wife of the aforementioned JULIUS HELMAN, was registered as a Communist in 1937 in Westchester County, New York. At the time of registration, she supplied her age as 57, and reported that her husband was one JULIUS whose occupation was that of Vice President of the Concord Steel Corporation. The files also showed that as of December 14, 1939 JULIUS HELMAN received a check through the Guaranty Trust Company of New York City in the amount of \$700 from the DeWentse Bank, N. V. Amsterdam, Holland. U

Information has also been recently received to the effect that as of December 13, 1946, ERIC BERNAY, who was a close associate of this subject, was a member of the West Midtown Club of the Communist Party. BERNAY is the operator of the Keynote Recordings Company where ADAMS was ostensibly employed during his stay in New York City. U

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Confidential Informant [redacted] recently advised that as of March 26, 1947, one NENIA MILLER had attended a meeting of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee held in the Grand Ballroom of the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York City. It is known that IRMA MILLER who was close to ADAMS, and his wife, DOROTHEA KEEN, has used this name, and from the description furnished by the informant, it is apparent that she is the individual who attended the above mentioned meeting.

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According to the informant, RENIA MILLER was apparently very well known by most of the participants in the program at this meeting such as Mr. RALPH INGERSOLL, Mr. DONALD OGDEN STEWART, Miss DOROTHY PARKER, etc. She advised that she was a "Polish-American" and enthusiastically expressed her favor of all "liberal" ideologies. She termed President Truman as a "traitor to the people of the United States"; the Congress "reactionary servants of capitalistic imperialism". The informant noted that when a collection was taken up RENIA MILLER first proceeded to write a check in the amount of \$25, but then destroyed same and executed another in the amount of \$50. At that time, she commented to the effect that she had already given her real contribution, but that she was taking this one from her petty cash. U

The description of RENIA MILLER given by the informant is as follows:

Hair	Brunette
Height	5' 5"
Weight	135 lbs.
Age	30 to 35
Residence	2 Horatio Street (This is the known address or IRENE MILLER.)
Speech	Not very talkative, but when she does speak, does so with very emphatic expressions.

The informant advised that RENIA MILLER disliked the Spanish dances on the program, but liked the Yugoslav songs and particularly VICTOR BORGE, the comedian. U

Dr. LOUIS MILLER, ex-husband of the aforementioned IRENE, and also a close associate of ARTHUR ADAMS, has recently received newspaper publicity in his position as a member of the Executive Committee of the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee. He has been indicted along with a number of others of that committee by the United States District Court at Washington, D. C. for contempt and conspiracy to commit contempt, due to the fact that HELEN BRYAN, Executive Secretary of the JAFRC refused to submit her books to the Committee on un-American Activities for examination. HELEN BRYAN advised that such refusal was based upon the advice of the members of the Executive Committee of the JAFRC. U

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Confidential Informant T-5 related on February 20, 1947 that HELEN BRYAN and LOUIS MILLER had been in contact, at which time she told him that ARNOLD (THURMAN ARNOLD) had withdrawn, which idea MILLER indicated that he did not like. HELEN told him further that the committee planned to have a meeting to discuss a new attorney, and she expressed the opinion that there would be no additional resignations. She added that ARNOLD had his own ideas. MILLER in turn said that he thought it was time to consider Mr. ENNIS, and further that his name should be added to the list as he had the same relationships as ARNOLD and was known as a liberal. He further commented that ENNIS was presently on top of the New York Democrats. However, the informant noted that HELEN BRYAN expressed the opinion that she did not feel that ENNIS would take the case. Finally Dr. MILLER remarked to the effect that no one had committed a crime, and the committee should stand up and fight. 2]

From the above, it is believed that this conversation dealt with the troubles the JAFRC is having with the Committee on un-American Activities, and the fact that THURMAN ARNOLD had resigned as their legal counsel.]

It will be recalled that it has been previously reported that a number of telephone calls had been made from the hotel room of ARTHUR ADAMS at the Peter Cooper Hotel during the period from March 1943 to April 1944. Included among these were calls made on March 4, 11, 1943, and February 13, and April 12, 1944, to a telephone found to be that of one ANN SHEPPARD, 36 West 84th Street. The background of this woman has also been previously reported in the investigation of VICTORIA STONE as well as in the instant investigation. 1)

Subsequently, however, it was learned that this woman visited at STONE's store and apartment and generally appeared to be a social acquaintance. It was further indicated that she knew ADAMS as she was seen in the company of him and STONE. She also visited STONE's apartment on occasions when it was known that ADAMS was likewise present.

Miss SHEPPARD was interviewed at her apartment at 36 West 84th Street by Special Agent John J. Malone and the reporting Agent. It might be pointed out that she is presently married to one PAUL MANN, and she is presently a free lance radio artist appearing on such programs as Inner Sanctum, Listening Post, Big Sister, etc. 11

Miss SHEPPARD advised that she had met ARTHUR ADAMS through VICTORIA STONE and she believed that the first time was in 1943. She stated that she had known VICTORIA since around 1936 or 1937, having been introduced to her by one AARON SAPIRO on the West Coast. She explained that she had gone to Hollywood to make pictures for RKO and Universal, and was there from 1935 to 1937. 12

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During that time, she continued, she and her husband became acquainted with AARON SAPIRO who was an attorney, and through him, she later met VICTORIA STONE. The latter as far as Miss SHEPPARD could recall was on the Coast for a vacation of approximately two weeks with another woman whose name Miss SHEPPARD could not remember. However, she did know that it was sometime during this period that she and STONE first met. U

As to AARON SAPIRO, this informant knew little of his background other than that he was a lawyer and apparently had an excellent practice. She claimed not to recall the details of her first meeting with SAPIRO, and also related that she had not seen him since she left the West Coast. U

Continuing, Miss SHEPPARD related that in the latter part of 1937 she returned to New York City. Sometime after this, she was unable to be more specific about the date or the circumstances, she met VICTORIA STONE on the street, and they renewed their acquaintanceship. Miss SHEPPARD claimed that she did not know which of them was the motivating factor of her friendship with VICTORIA, but said that they were together on infrequent intervals. She recalled that when VICTORIA was in California and even at the time of their first meeting upon Miss SHEPPARD's return to New York City, STONE did not have her present store but was located in a building on 5th Avenue. U

Continuing, Miss SHEPPARD said that as she previously mentioned, she thought that she had first met ADAMS in 1943. The circumstances surrounding this meeting she explained were very hazy, but she thought that VICTORIA had brought ARTHUR to her (Miss SHEPPARD's) apartment for dinner. At that time she related that she was residing at 310 West 55th Street. Subsequently, she saw ADAMS on a number of occasions, but at all times he was with VICTORIA. She advised that she had a vague recollection of having attended a birthday party for ADAMS, but could not say definitely when or where it was held or for that matter even what persons were present. To the best of her knowledge, Miss SHEPPARD never saw ADAMS alone, nor had he ever personally called her for any reason. She did remember that she had gone walking with STONE and ADAMS the night subsequent to ROOSEVELT's death and she thought that this was the last time she had ever seen him. U

As to ADAMS' background or just what he told her of himself, Miss SHEPPARD alleged that this was practically nothing. She considered ADAMS as having a Russian accent and based this opinion on the fact that her parents were Russian born, and he spoke as they did. She commented further that if in her work as a radio actress she was called upon to use a Russian accent, her opinion of such would be an accent like ADAMS'. She said that

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he never definitely told her of having been in Russia, but she always took it for granted that he had been. She explained this further by adding that ADAMS had often spoken of the Moscow Art Theater, the performances and actors he had seen there, the long lines at the Jewish National Theater, and also of the work of some Soviet film stars. From all of this, Miss SHEPPARD gathered that ADAMS had naturally been in Moscow. The subject according to Miss SHEPPARD also appeared to be rather interested in music and drama, and further, in her opinion, seemed to be well versed in these subjects. It was her recollection that ADAMS had also spoken of possessing some Russian records. U

However, as to his parents, education, travels, entry into the United States and his purpose and work here, Miss SHEPPARD said that ADAMS had told her nothing. She had no idea that he was an engineer and said that he had never mentioned this subject to her. U

She claimed that her contacts with ADAMS were purely social, and under those circumstances, a discussion of such subjects as mentioned above would not likely arise. She considered ADAMS as an "old man, intelligent and well educated, who was stuck on VICTORIA". Other than that, she gave him no more thought. U

Miss SHEPPARD thought that ADAMS had possibly spoken of having worked for Ford, but she said that she naturally presumed that such employment had been in Detroit, Michigan; that to the best of her knowledge, he had never actually named the place. U

She continued to describe ADAMS as being a nervous individual, an inveterate smoker, and as being not too well physically. Along these lines, she further thought ADAMS had spoken of having suffered some kind of a back injury. U

It has been previously reported that ANN SHEPPARD had borrowed a linguaphone machine and some Spanish records from ARTHUR ADAMS and later returned them to VICTORIA STONE's store. When questioned as to this, Miss SHEPPARD alleged that she really had forgotten this matter, but now recalled that at that time she was attempting to secure a part in a play wherein she needed some knowledge of Spanish. She mentioned this fact to VICTORIA who told her of this linguaphone and Spanish records which ARTHUR had, and it was arranged for her to borrow these. To the best of her recollection, Miss SHEPPARD picked these up at STONE's store, and some months later returned them there. She said that as a matter of fact, she never used these things and had really forgotten about them until VICTORIA called and asked if she was through with them. Miss SHEPPARD said she thought this had been sometime within the last year. U

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Continuing, this woman advised the interviewing agents that she had not seen ADAMS for sometime, and when she inquired of VICTORIA concerning him, the latter had merely commented to the effect that he was all right, or that she stated she had not seen him. Not being particularly interested in ADAMS, Miss SHEPPARD said that she accepted such an answer without giving it any further thought. She said that VICTORIA never told her anything about ARTHUR, nor had either she or her husband been aware of the fact that he was under investigation. Further, she denied that STONE had ever told her that ARTHUR was being investigated by the FBI or warned her of the fact that she might possibly be interviewed. []

Miss SHEPPARD advised that she had visited VICTORIA when the latter was recently hospitalized, and added that STONE and she had made a dinner date at some indefinite time in the future. []

[] viewed a photograph of the subject, but advised he had never seen him before. Both [] alleged that they would advise the New York Office in the event they should secure any information concerning ADAMS from their contacts with VICTORIA STONE. []

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On January 27, 1947, Informant T-3 observed that VICTORIA STONE contacted an unidentified woman and they arranged to meet for lunch the following day. Immediately thereafter, she (VICTORIA) told JULIUS HEIMAN of this luncheon date, and it was indicated that the same had been arranged at his suggestion, and he likewise would be present. STONE also warned JULIUS that this party was "theater" and it was, therefore, possible that she would call up on the next day stating that she had a radio program or something. Considering the latter information, it is possible that the unidentified caller was the aforementioned ANN SHEPPARD, who, as it has been previously stated, is a radio artist. []

One of the employees of the Manhattan Project who was familiar with CLARENCE HISKEY, MARCIA HISKEY, MIRIAM SHERWOOD, and EDWARD T. MANNING, was one SAMUEL STEINGISER. He has been previously referred to in these reports, and though it was never indicated that he knew ARTHUR ADAMS, the information received was to the effect that he talked about him and his activities on frequent occasions with MARCIA HISKEY. This information was established during about December 1945 when the stories appeared in the New York Journal American concerning ARTHUR ADAMS. At this time STEINGISER indicated that he had heard something of ADAMS' background and activities from EDWARD MANNING who is known to have associated with ADAMS on several occasions. Further, CLARENCE HISKEY when interviewed, claimed that MANNING had written him to the effect that he, MANNING, was suspicious of ADAMS as the latter had asked too many questions concerning the Manhattan Project.

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STEINGISER was understood to be a good friend of EDWARD T. MANNING's and was in contact with him while the latter was in the South Pacific in the Armed Forces. U

STEINGISER was interviewed by Special Agent Lloyd S. Goodrow of the New Haven Office and the reporting agent at his room at the University of Connecticut in Storrs, Connecticut. The full details of this interview have already been reported to the Bureau in connection with the investigation of SAMUEL STEINGISER. However, they are being repeated here inasmuch as considerable information is given concerning EDWARD MANNING which will be of interest to the Knoxville Office. U

SAMUEL STEINGISER advised that he was born on June 6, 1918 in Springfield, Massachusetts. His parents were DAVID and SARAH STEINGISER who were born in Hungary and Czechoslovakia respectively. He claimed that his parents have been naturalized in New York City, but he was unable to state as to just where or when. He supplied the address of his parents as 2157 Wallace Avenue, Bronx, New York. STEINGISER further reported that he had one brother, HERBERT SENIE of 67 West 157 Street, and one sister, Mrs. HARRY FRANK of 1490 Jessup Street, both New York City. He displayed evidence that he was registered with Local Board #108 at 1414 Metropolitan Avenue, Bronx, New York. U

STEINGISER advised the agents that he was now married to one BESS BORG who was presently studying at the South Shore Nurses Home, Chicago, Illinois. He requested that such information be kept confidential inasmuch as the fact that he was married was not known to his family. U

As to his present activities, STEINGISER related that he was employed by the University of Connecticut as a Research Associate in Chemistry under Dr. CHARLES E. WARING. He added that he was specializing in magneto-optics and added that though he now receives a stipend from the University, the work was going to be taken over as a Navy project and the salary would then come from there. U

A photograph of ARTHUR ADAMS was displayed to STEINGISER, but he emphatically denied that he had ever met the man. He did admit that he had heard of ADAMS first from EDWARD T. MANNING, and later from MARGIA and CLARENCE WILKEY. U

STEINGISER advised that he had first met EDWARD MANNING when the latter came to work at the S.A.M. Laboratory at Columbia University. He placed this to the best of his recollection as being in the early part of 1943. At the S.A.M. Laboratory he did not get to know MANNING too well, U

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and generally only saw him at work. However, in October of 1943, he said that he, MANNING, HISKEY, MALCOLM KATZ (now CLASE), MAXWELL SIDENOTT, and BERNARD PARASCH, were transferred as a group to the METLAB in Chicago, Illinois where they worked under CLARENCE HISKEY. After their arrival there, STEINGISER related that he became more friendly with MANNING and they spent a good deal of time together both socially and at work. U

At this point, STEINGISER interjected that it was about this period in Chicago that he and MANNING did something which they later regretted to a great degree. In explanation, he continued to state that they had wanted to study Russian, and to do so had gone to the Abraham Lincoln School, having learned that they could get a course in the language there. However, STEINGISER contended that he only attended about four of the classes when it became apparent to him that the place was just a cover for Communist activities, and consequently, he quit going. It was his opinion that his indiscretion in attending this school was the source of most of the trouble he had while working on the Manhattan Project. U

Returning to MANNING, STEINGISER related that EDWARD while in Chicago had been living at the Phi Gamma Delta House. STEINGISER said that he attended a number of parties which were held in HISKEY's apartment and at which MANNING was also in attendance. HISKEY, according to STEINGISER, was then living in a basement apartment alone, but he recalled that over a period, HISKEY did have a roommate by the name of JACK GOETT. STEINGISER said that he, of course, continued to work and associate with MANNING until the latter part of 1944, at which time he, STEINGISER, was transferred back to the S.A.M. Laboratory in New York City. However, he emphatically denied that ever during this period in Chicago had he ever heard of or seen ARTHUR ADAMS. U

As to his first knowledge of this subject, STEINGISER claimed that it came about in this manner: He said that sometime following MANNING's departure for the South Pacific, he wrote to him advising that he had seen MARCIA HISKEY. As a result of this remark, he said that MARCIA wrote to him as follows: (STEINGISER produced MANNING's letter from which this was copied.) U

He first briefly states that he is sorry to hear that STEINGISER has been in contact with MARCIA HISKEY, and indicates that he will explain just why. He continues, ".... I suppose you have heard of ARTHUR ADAMS-- I don't think you ever met the chap. I'm not quite sure how CLARENCE met him, and the explanation that they met through some mutual friends by chance is one that I question--just by hunch--and not by reason. ADAMS has had quite a background--mostly of technical and scientific work for the Soviets. U

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"He is a man hard to sound out politically, and is, I guess, a commie (who isn't these days?). Anyway he and HISKEY took to each other like a duck takes to water. They talked of many things. I am sure that the subject of nuclear physics was broached, and I'm equally sure that CLARENCE appropriately evasive in his conversation with ADAMS. But somehow ARTHUR knew what was going on at Columbia—generally—and what was going on at Chicago. His 'business' whatever it was brought him to Chicago several times, and even after HISKEY was gone, he managed to look me up and we had long chats—mostly concerning his experience in Russia—but occasionally he would swing the conversation to atomics and the strides made therein. He was well read on atomics—asmuch as the lay engineer could be. I got a definite impression that he was after information, but I wasn't at all sure whether or not this was natural curiosity or what. I know now that CLARENCE knew ARTHUR several months before CLARENCE was shipped out of metallurgy. U

"I met ARTHUR at CLARENCE's when CLARENCE was packing to go to war. MERIAM was also there at the time. So the times I saw ADAMS were times after HISKEY left. About coincident with my seeing ADAMS was my trouble with G-2.... U

"Subsequently, I was discharged from metallurgy, and went to New York. I had dinner with ARTHUR there and saw MARGIA too. ARTHUR was sort of taking care of MARGIA—I know he had gotten her a job. I know that he had personally taken care of some financial matters for her. I know I could credit this to a large heart which I believe ADAMS has (He gave me 30 bucks on that last trip of mine when I got the \$20 from you.)—but was that the only reason? On top of it all, I found on this last trip that ADAMS was being closely watched..... He himself told me that he was being followed every minute—that his phone was tapped—that he was in some sort of a scrape about which he did not care to say more except that it was connected with the same reason I was ditched from metallurgy. It could be that if he felt some responsibility for my discharge from metallurgy—and subsequently some responsibility for my state of affairs when I saw him in New York—that he would feel willing to give me 30 bucks—specially if he had sources and funds from which to draw for such purposes. U

"I know it sounds like ERIC ANDERSON (someone you ought to read), but the whole thing can be put into a nice story in which ADAMS is simply an agent for the Soviet government. And it fits so neatly that I am beginning to believe it.... U

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"Now a word of caution-- If HISKEY was kicked out--and if ARTHUR is being so closely watched--it is reasonable to assume that MARCIA (who has a record of liberal activities) is being watched because of her association with ADAMS....." U

From this point on, MANNING generally warned STEINGISER to stay away from the HISKEYS. U

Following the receipt of the above letter, STEINGISER again heard from MANNING in a letter dated December 16, 1945. A perusal of this, merely reflected that therein MANNING asked STEINGISER if he has seen the Journal American of December 3, 1945, and then he further comments, "Guess you are glad of my advice about staying clear of HISKEY--you will probably hear more about it." U

Then as of January 5, 1946, MANNING wrote STEINGISER again drawing his attention to an article by HOWARD RUSHMORE and stating as follows: U

".....To you and me. (I include you because I can't see how you would fail to think otherwise.) U

"The scientist mentioned must be HISKEY--or then we don't know as much about ARTHUR ADAMS associations in Chicago as we thought we did. As to the veracity of the accusations that HISKEY handed over secrets to ADAMS, we will have to keep an open mind--maybe he did--maybe he didn't-- I can't say. I didn't think that CLARENCE would do anything like that-- and I certainly hope that he didn't. I am not ready to believe that ADAMS is a Soviet spy, though it may be true enough that he is or was very anxious to secure the bomb secrets in order to sell them or give them to the Soviets. U

"To some small extent, I am perturbed over anything I might have said to ARTHUR, but try as I might, I can't recall much of our conversations except the many stories he used to tell me of Russia. I am indeed sorry that I should be in any fashion connected with such an affair, and hope it will resolve itself into nothingness though I think we have more to hear about it, and I lend some credence to RUSHMORE's story. If it is true, it is nothing that can be sloughed over." U

After this, it was noted that MANNING remarked to the effect: U

"The FBI is thorough. It is not ruthless like we hear the N.K.V.D. is....." U

He then advised STEINGISER to write him anything that he desires; that even if his mail is being censored, he has nothing which he would wish to hide from any government agency. U

STEINGISER's attention was drawn to the statement made by MANNING in this last letter, namely, "Or then we don't know as much about ARTHUR ADAMS' associations in Chicago as we thought we did," as compared with his own previous remark that he had never met or heard of ADAMS prior to the receipt of the aforementioned letter of October 29, 1945 from MANNING. In this respect, STEINGISER contended that he felt MANNING had erred in this remark as he still claimed no previous knowledge of this subject. Further, he stated that he felt that MANNING's long detailed account of ADAMS in the letter of October 29 would not have been given if he, STEINGISER, had known the man in Chicago. L

After the letter of January 1946, STEINGISER said that MANNING did not again mention this affair until a letter of July 9, 1946, when he asked that SAM advise him about "CLARENCE, MARCIA and the big New York Affair." STEINGISER claimed that he was unable to recall whether or not he ever answered this question for MANNING. L

In September of 1946, he advised that MANNING wrote to the effect that he was wondering if he would come back to the United States; that he would know definitely in ten days if he would get a particular civil service job he was trying for in Japan. He further indicated that he was a little afraid of returning to the United States for fear of being questioned by intelligence agents. L

Along these lines, STEINGISER explained that he had been trying to persuade MANNING to return to the States and join him in his work at the University of Connecticut. However, as stated above, the latter indicated that he was rather reluctant to come back to this country in view of the manner in which he had been discharged from the Manhattan Project and because he felt he might be questioned. L

STEINGISER further informed the interviewing agents that he felt that during his stay in Japan, MANNING had grown up and lost some of the young and silly ideas he had previous to his entrance into the Army. In substantiation of this, he exhibited a letter from MANNING dated February 10, 1947. It was noted that this letter bore a return address of EDWARD T. MANNING, W. D. C. - Hq 8th Army, S.S.O., Hotel Division, c/o Postmaster, San Francisco, California. In this letter, MANNING states briefly: L

"...A wise man will not flaunt freedom by saying things he does not heartily believe—or hasn't thoroughly thought out—or associate with 'tainted people' when he himself occupies a sensitive position. I am not hinting—I refer flatly to things like knowing the HISKEYS, or studying at the Abe Lincoln School and so on.... The fighting war is now over—a more important one is developing.... Man hasn't yet reached the conclusion

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"that he must take sides—he does not recognize the dangers once manifested by German-Nazism and now openly displayed by Russian Totalitarianism. This will probably cause you to chuckle, but it is the truth.... But having seen through the glorious revolution, after having once considered myself as having seen through the so-called sham of capitalist America—many people are being sold a bill of goods under the false label of 'liberalism' or what have you." U

It was further indicated from this letter that if MANNING took the Civil Service job which he referred to, it would be the same work that he had been doing while in the Army, and further, he will be in Japan for at least a year or more. U

With reference to the trip which MANNING made to New York City just prior to his being shipped overseas, STEINGISER said that he (MANNING) did come to see him and did actually borrow the sum of \$20, as mentioned in the letter. However, STEINGISER denied knowing that MANNING had seen ADAMS on that occasion. U

STEINGISER's attention was drawn to the use of the initials N.K.V.D. by MANNING, and he was questioned as to his knowledge of the meaning of the letters or of the organization which they represented. He alleged that all he knew of such an organization was what he had read in the papers, and he definitely felt that the same would apply to MANNING. U

As to CLARENCE HISKEY, STEINGISER said that he had, of course, known this man primarily because of having worked under him at Columbia and the University of Chicago. He explained that he first became associated with HISKEY when the latter came to Brooklyn Polytechnical School looking for men to work at Columbia, and he, STEINGISER, accepted the position. Later, as has been hereinabove mentioned, STEINGISER went to Chicago as a member of HISKEY's group. U

Since the latter's return from the Armed Forces, STEINGISER said that he had not seen him except for one or two occasions. He admitted that at these times some mention had been made of ADAMS, but he related that HISKEY indicated that he did not believe ADAMS to be a Soviet spy, and further, gave no indication as to whether or not he had actually worked with or for him. STEINGISER further admitted to the interviewing agents that he had thoroughly discussed the ADAMS case with MARCIA HISKEY and she too indicated doubt as to just what ADAMS' status was. U

STEINGISER was questioned as to whether he knew any reason why MANNING did not come and report ADAMS' activities to the intelligence authorities, especially when he was aware of ADAMS' background and was cognizant of his interest in atomics. He was further asked as to just why

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MANNING did not report ADAMS in view of his, MANNING's, own statement in the letter of October 29, 1945 to the effect that ADAMS had stated he was in some sort of a scrape about which he did not care to say more except that it was connected with the same reason for which MANNING was ditched from metallurgy. U

In answer to this, STEINGISER contended that MANNING had received such treatment during the time that he was on the project; that he was definitely not in a mind conducive to reporting anything. STEINGISER further stated that he himself definitely felt that he had received bad treatment from the Army authorities. U

He admitted his attendance at the Abraham Lincoln School was bad and possibly that some of his associations in Chicago had not been above suspicion. However, he alleged that if the Army inquired of him concerning these activities or even given him an opportunity to explain himself, the whole matter could have been appropriately cleared up. But, he went on, every attempt on his part to ascertain just what was his status and what was being held against him was met with stony silence. He claimed further that on any number of occasions the opportunity of interviewing him had been presented to the Army, and thus they could have gotten a full explanation of his associations. However, they never attempted to do so. STEINGISER expressed the opinion that they apparently preferred to systematically reject him for jobs with any secret aspects. This treatment he alleged led him to the conclusion that if the Army authorities were not interested in interviewing him to learn his side of the case, it was no concern of his to go to them. U

Interviewing agents then inquired as to just why STEINGISER had not come to the FBI with his information. He claimed that it had been his understanding that the intelligence authorities on the project and the FBI were one and the same, or were governed by the same policies. He was accordingly advised differently. U

However, STEINGISER continued to state that he knew MANNING received just as indifferent treatment from the Army authorities as he, and consequently, was just in the state of mind where he did not care if he ever talked to them. STEINGISER did state that he felt that MANNING's entire outlook had been changed as was indicated by his most recent letter. U

Mr. STEINGISER informed the interviewing agents that in his opinion if either HISKEY or MANNING were suspected of espionage activities that of the two HISKEY would be the more likely subject, because MANNING would lack the nerve to do such a thing. He also advised that he had

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much faith in MANNING that he was showing the latter's correspondence to the agents in order to clear him. He added to this by saying that if he thought that MANNING was engaged in espionage activities, he would never have made the letters available for review. U

SAMUEL STEINGISER claimed that prior to his being employed at the University of Connecticut on the Magneto-Optics Navy Research Project, that he had told his superior, Dr. WARING, of his contacts with HISKEY and MANNING and his difficulties on the Manhattan Project. He alleged that no one has ever contacted him directly or indirectly for information on this latter project, and he agreed that in the event he was ever contacted, he would immediately advise the FBI through the medium of the New Haven Office. U

In accordance with the Bureau authorization of February 4, 1947, the files of the Mexican Consulate in New York City were reviewed in an attempt to ascertain if the subject had secured any type of visa or passport for entrance into the country of Mexico. However, such review was entirely with negative results. X

On pages 5 and 6 of the reference report of September 15, 1945, there was set forth a number of names, addresses, and telephone numbers which according to a highly confidential source were in a notebook of the subject, ADAMS, which he had in his room. These were as follows: U

MARYN STUDIOS
ST 4-6265

MANNING (Recording)
57 Doxer Sta.
London S.W. England

National Educational Alliance
BR 9-6603

JACK MOORE----sale
S.W.
Salmon -1022 S.W.

Wisconsin Univ.----34
Phi Beta Gamma '02

B10
90 Seneca Lane

05 Somona Road

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Rev. ~~TROROW~~, Dr. Div.
Unity Church
Scranton, Pennsylvania

B. ~~POTNAM~~
Rt. 558

Mahwah, N. J. (This is known to be BEVERLY ~~POTNAM~~,
girl friend of EDWARD T. MORNING,
an associate of ADAMS.)

~~JAUNSEY~~ or possible J. ~~JAUNSEY~~
521 Buteford Avenue
2-5210

Professor BUNT ~~LAGROW~~
New Ann, N. J.

R. H. ~~JACY~~
O-2238 FI-2284
LA -4-6000

In an attempt to ascertain the identity of some of the individuals mentioned in the above list, investigation was conducted and the following has been learned:

Maryn Studios, ST 4-6265. There is no record of such a studio either in the New York indices, the New York telephone directories, or in the files of NYC 77. The telephone number of ST 4-6265 was ascertained to be listed to Mrs. ~~MARINA PEREGO~~, 45-57 39 Place, Long Island City, and has been solicited since December 1941. The New York files showed an alien enemy registration form on this individual dated February 16, 1942.

According to this form, Mrs. ~~PEREGO~~'s full name is ~~MARINA GIOVANA PEREGO~~, and her place of residence is as above. It was further stated that she was born August 2, 1875 and was a citizen of Italy. She stated that her occupation was that of housewife, and she had previously resided at 45-19 39 Place, Long Island City, New York. She listed the following relatives:

Husband	CAPLO PEREGO same address
Daughter	CHARLOTTE SCAVARDA 83-09 35 Avenue Jackson Heights, New York
Daughter	JULIA BESSI 33-15 84 Street Jackson Heights, New York
Sister	ROSINA VIANOLI TI Milano, Italy

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Mrs. PEREGO was described as being 5' 4" tall, weighing 155 pounds, and having brown hair, gray eyes, and a light complexion. U

It should be noted that Mrs. MARYANN O. AUSUBEL has telephone number ST 4-6254 at 41-29 46 Street, and has had such since approximately December 1943. This woman is known to be the wife of NATHAN O. AUSUBEL who has been previously identified as a contact of ADAMS. The subject on October 2, 1944 visited the AUSUBEL home where he remained approximately four hours. U

Investigation as to AUSUBEL's background was fully set forth in the reference report of December 29, 1944. Briefly, it can be recalled that AUSUBEL was employed as an editor by the Crown Publishing Company, 419 Fourth Avenue, and his file as maintained by Local Board #255 reflects a letter of reference from PAUL ROBESON. The New York file also showed that AUSUBEL in 1939 was on the Editorial Council of the magazine called "Equality", which was published at 220 Fifth Avenue. It is also known that AUSUBEL is a contact of JULIUS HEIMAN, and the latter had AUSUBEL's address in his personal address book. U

There has been no previous indication in this investigation that ADAMS was acquainted or had any contact with the aforementioned Mrs. MARINA PEREGO. U

MANNING (Recording), 57 Boxer Sta., London S.W. England. This individual is believed to be an associate of ERIC BERNAY, and is believed to have handled some recording business for him. The Bureau is being requested by letter to obtain additional information concerning MANNING and his activities. U

National Educational Alliance, BR 9-6603. According to the Manhattan telephone directory, this organization is located at 37 West 47th Street. There is no indication as to just why ADAMS would have to contact this organization. The New York files reflect that it is a subsidiary of the William H. Wise Company, book publishers, of 50 West 47th Street, and is used by the latter organization primarily to publish a book entitled, "Popular Educator". The files also reflected that a highly confidential source reported that HANS W. RITTER possessed an envelope bearing the return address of this organization, and addressed to SAMUEL GOLDBERG. RITTER was investigated along with FRITZ DUJESNE for German espionage activities. DUJESNE is also known to have received correspondence from the National Educational Alliance.

JACK MOORE—sale, S.W., Salmon -1022 S.W. The exact meaning of the above is not known, but it is believed that it is possibly an English address, and the Bureau is being requested to obtain any information possible. U

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Wisconsin Univ. ---34, Phi Beta Gamma '02. The meaning of the above is also unknown. However, it is known that CLARENCE HISKEY attended the University of Wisconsin from September 1933 to June 19, 1939. He was admitted to this school in September 1933 and received his Bachelor of Arts Degree in Chemistry as of June 24, 1935; he received his Master of Arts in Chemistry as of October 3, 1936, and his Ph. D. as of June 19, 1939. U

The Milwaukee Office is being requested by letter to make appropriate inquiries at this University to ascertain if possible whether or not the above has reference to HISKEY. U

B10, 90 Seneca Lane. It is believed that the above possible has reference to ZELMA BAKER MILLER who is known to have been a close associate of ADAMS. Her background and the results of interviews held with her and her husband, Major BENJAMIN FRANKLIN MILLER, concerning their connections with ARTHUR ADAMS were set forth in the reference report of February 4, 1947. It is known that ZELMA BAKER MILLER and her husband at one time resided at 90-05 Seneca Lane, Bethesda, Maryland, and ARTHUR ADAMS supposedly visited them there on one occasion. The significance of the "B10" is not known unless it perhaps pertains to the MILLERS apartment number. U

05. Somona Road. The exact meaning of this is unknown.

Rev. TROROW, Dr. Div., Unity Church, Scranton, Pennsylvania. In an attempt to identify this individual, the Philadelphia Office was requested to make appropriate inquiries at Scranton, Pennsylvania. However, in letter of February 20, 1947, that office reported that investigation reflected there was no church known in the vicinity of Scranton as the Unity Church, and the records of the Scranton Credit Bureau failed to reflect any such Rev. TROROW as ever having lived in that city. The telephone and city directories of Scranton were both checked with negative results. U

The Scranton Times Newspaper was contacted in order to ascertain the identity of the aforementioned minister, and the identity of the Unity Church, but with negative results. It was noted that the Scranton Times maintains a file on all churches of different denominations and the names of the pastors within the City of Scranton. It was felt that had the Rev. TROROW ever been in Scranton, his name would have been reflected therein. U

B. PUTNAM, Bx 558, Mahwah, N. J. This individual is known to have been the girl friend of EDWARD T. MANNING who has been mentioned previously in instant report. U

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JAUNSEY or possibly J. AUNSEY, 521 Buteford Avenue, 2-5210.
The exact meaning of the above has not as yet been determined. D

Professor BUNT LACROW, New Ann, N. J. The New York files were entirely negative of any information concerning this individual, and a check of the postal guide fails to reflect that there is any such place as New Ann, New Jersey. However, considering the possibility that the above should be Cape Ann, New Jersey, a letter is being directed to the Newark Office to ascertain any possible information. D

R. H. WATY, 38 Fl--2284, Ia-4-6000. The above is known to pertain to IRENE MILLER who formerly worked at the R. H. Macy Department Store, where she could be contacted either in her office or at times from a certain extension on the sales floor. D

One copy of this report is being designated for the Knoxville Office inasmuch as it contains information relative to EDWARD T. MANNING on whom the Knoxville Office has a pending case. D

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

The following Confidential Informants appear in the report of Special Agent Francis X. Plant made at New York and dated MAY 13 1947:

T-1 HERMAN HENSCHEL, Superintendent
39 West 55th Street
New York City

Mr. HENSCHEL is being carried as an informant due to his position.

~~T-2 NY 252.~~

~~T-3 NY 272.~~

~~T-4 NY 117.~~

~~T-5 NY 22.~~

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: June 13, 1947

FROM : SAC, Albany

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
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(Bureau File 100-331280)

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Re Bur let February 19, 1947.

On June 4, 1947, prior to interview of KENNETH DURANT, it was ascertained through the Postmistress at Jamaica, Vermont, that KENNETH DURANT was not known to have any number of visitors to his farm, nor did he seem to spend any time away from his farm.

DURANT was interviewed at his home, which is Gilfeather Farm, Jamaica, Vermont. It should be noted that the farm is in a very remote location, approximately two miles outside of the Village of Jamaica, and it consists of a very small house, which is occupied by DURANT and his wife, GENEVIEVE TAGGARD. GENEVIEVE TAGGARD is presently teaching at Bennington College, Bennington, Vermont.

DURANT was unable to recall knowing an ARTHUR ADAMS by name without any description, until he was shown a clipping from a Philadelphia newspaper dated February 26, 1920, which concerned LUDWIG K. MARTENS, a Soviet Agent in the United States, who was being investigated by a Senate Committee. This newspaper article listed the employees of MARTENS' MISSION and gave a short bit of background information pertaining to them. This list showed the following persons of interest in this investigation.

K. H. DURANT, Assistant Secretary of the Bureau, born in Philadelphia in 1889; citizenship - American; graduate of Harvard University; with the American Committee on Public Information, May 1917 to February 1919.

ARTHUR ADAMS, Director of the Technical Department, born in Russia; citizenship - British.

Miss DOROTHY KEEN, private secretary to SANTERI NUCRTEVA, Secretary to MARTENS, born in Boston in 1898; citizenship - American; New York high school graduate.

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After DURANT was shown this clipping, he readily recalled ARTHUR ADAMS and stated the reason he had not recognized him by name before was that ADAMS generally did not use his first name while working on the MARTENS MISSION, but merely used his surname. DURANT stated ADAMS returned to Russia shortly after this investigation by the Senate was completed and he, DURANT, has not seen

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ADAMS since 1923 when DURANT spent the night at ADAMS' apartment in Leningrad. DURANT stated that he had gone to Russia in that year with KARL BICKEL, Vice-President of the United Press. DURANT said that since that date he has never seen ADAMS or corresponded with him, nor heard of him nor did he know of anyone who has seen ADAMS or corresponded with him.

He stated in 1923 he believed ADAMS was very friendly with DOROTHEA KEEN, although he could not recall whether they were married at that time. He said DOROTHEA KEEN was in Russia at that time and he knows she has been to the United States on visits on several occasions, but that he has only heard this through mutual friends and has heard nothing whatsoever about either ADAMS or KEEN for many years.

DURANT under questioning denied that he had ever seen the press releases pertaining to the activities of ARTHUR ADAMS on the West Coast and claimed no knowledge whatsoever of anything pertaining to ADAMS since their last visit in 1923.

The only person DURANT could think of who would possibly be in a position to give information on DOROTHEA KEEN is one EVANS CLARK. He stated CLARK worked with DOROTHEA KEEN in the Economics Department of MARTENS' MISSION and seemed to be quite friendly with her. DURANT believed that EVANS CLARK is presently running a foundation in New York City which is known either as the American Foundation or the 20th Century Foundation.

It should be noted that in referenced newspaper clipping, EVANS CLARK was listed as a member of the MARTENS' MISSION and is described as Director of the Department of Information, born in Orange, New Jersey, in 1888; citizenship American; graduate of Amhurst College in 1910; post-graduate work at Harvard 1910-1911, Columbia University 1911-1913, instructor in Politics at Princeton University 1914-1915.

DURANT could offer no other information of value in connection with this case. It should be noted that during the interview, DURANT did not appear to be talkative but readily answered any questions put to him. He likewise commented on the fact that he believed his recognition of ADAMS was an achievement since so many years have elapsed since they were associated. He likewise

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Director, FBI

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advised that the recent illness he suffered, wherein he was near death, had made it difficult for him to recall certain events of the past. He stated that this was the reason he has retired to his small farm in Vermont.

It was the opinion of the interviewing Agents that DURANT could be contacted again for possible information of value in cases in which DURANT may have been involved, and that said contact would be made without embarrassment to the Bureau.

This matter is considered referred upon completion to the office of origin.

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cc. New York (100-63983)

SAC, Albany

June 11, 1947

Director, FBI

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
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It is requested that the Albany Field Division conduct the investigation requested by Bureau letter dated February 19, 1947, without further delay.

cc: SAC, New York

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September 6, 1947

Director, FBI

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With reference to the letter from the San Antonio office, dated July 25, 1947, in the captioned matter, it is pointed out that by letter from the Washington Field Division, dated April 25, 1947, captioned SODAC, a copy of the photograph of Aleksandrovich was furnished to the New York office, being listed as Archil Aleksandrovich Gogiberidze. Accordingly, it is desired that the New York office compare these photographs and advise the Bureau and San Antonio office as to the results.

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United States Department of Justice
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San Antonio, Texas
July 25, 1947

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO
FILE No. 100-6955

Director, FBI

Re: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, was
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REFER 5-IS (New York File #100-63983)

Dear Sir:

This office has been notified by Mr. C. E. COLBERT, Acting Officer in Charge, U. S. Immigration & Naturalization Service, Laredo, Texas, that on July 21, 1947, one ARCHIL ALEKSANDROVICH, Age 40, Soviet Government official, departed from the United States to Mexico. This individual was travelling on Russian Passport #47784/015382 and U. S. Visa #175, issued by the American Embassy, Moscow, Russia, on October 25, 1946. He had been admitted for duration of status at the Port of New York City. He was 40 years of age and his birthplace is given as Bakov, Russia.

The information concerning ALEKSANDROVICH's departure has been submitted to the Bureau separately under the caption, "SODAC; INTERNAL SECURITY - R". The attention of the Bureau and the New York Office is directed to this individual, because of the similarity of his name with that of ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS. It is noted that there is a considerable discrepancy in age between instant passenger and the subject of this case, inasmuch as ARTHUR ADAMS, according to information in the San Antonio file, was believed to have been born either in 1885 or 1890.

Because of the importance of instant case, it is suggested that the Bureau may desire to obtain, if possible, from the Visa Division of the State Department, any photograph of ARCHIL ALEKSANDROVICH for submission to the New York Office for comparison with the photographs of instant subject.

Very truly yours,

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI
FROM : SAC, Cincinnati
SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
INTERNAL SECURITY (R)
(Bureau file 100-331280)

DATE: September 9, 1947

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Mr. Quinn	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	

Special Agent JAMES L. McGOVERN who conducted extended surveillances of the subject while assigned to the New York Office has advised me that in reading the September 8, 1947 issue of LIFE Magazine he noted a photograph of the subject in the lower right hand corner of Page 31. In this photograph the subject appears as part of a group watching some of the horseplay of the American Legion Convention in New York City. The photograph was apparently taken from a second-story window, and the subject was undoubtedly unaware that the photograph was being taken.

A copy of the photograph clipped from LIFE Magazine is being transmitted to New York with a copy of this letter, with the suggestion that if the New York Office is still seeking the whereabouts of ADAMS that contact be had with the publishers of LIFE Magazine in an effort to secure the original photograph for closer study to determine if it is in fact a likeness of the subject.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: September 9, 1947

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, was;
INTERNAL SECURITY - R.

ReBulet September 6, 1947. Photograph of ARCHIL ALEKSANDROVICH SOGIBERIDZE has been examined and he is not identical with the captioned subject.

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TO : R. T. HARBO *RTH em*

DATE: 9-12-47

FROM : H. B. LONG

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There is attached the file which has been maintained in the Laboratory in connection with the above captioned matter. It is desired that this file be maintained as an enclosure behind the main file in the Records Section.

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ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, IS-R REFER FIVE IS. RE CINN LTR. SEPTEMBER NINE LAST. ENLARGED PHOTO OF SCENE IN QUESTION OBTAINED FROM LIFE MAGAZINE. FROM EXAM OF SAME NY AGENTS FAMILIAR WITH SUBJECT OF OPINION THAT PERSON IN QUESTION RESEMBLES SUBJECT BUT IS NOT IDENTICAL. POINTED OUT THAT ADAMS HAS MORE HAIR THAN PERSON IN PHOTO. IS NOT KNOWN TO HAVE WORN SUSPENDERS AS DOES THE INDIVIDUAL SHOWN, AND LOWER PART OF FACE IS DIFFERENT. FURTHER THIS PHOTO TAKEN ON SEVENTH AVENUE NEAR THIRTY THIRD WHICH IS IN GARMENT DISTRICT AND ADAMS HAS TYPICAL JEWISH APPEARANCE WHICH IS COMMON IN THAT AREA. THAT IS, IN THAT DISTRICT ONE WILL SEE ANY NUMBER OF MEN WHO RESEMBLE SUBJECT. SURVEILLANCE ON VICTORIA STONE HAS BEEN UNPRODUCTIVE AND IS BEING DISCONTINUED TONIGHT. INFORMANTS AT STONE-S RESIDENCE STATE THAT ADAMS HAS NOT BEEN SEEN THERE BUT THAT STONE CONTINUES RELATIONSHIP WITH JULIUS HEIMAN AND WILLIAM FITZHUGH.

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TO : MR. D. M. LADD

DATE: September 13, 1947

FROM : H. B. Fletcher

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You will recall in a letter from the Cincinnati Office dated September 9, 1947, it was reported that an Agent from the Cincinnati Office acquainted with the subject as a result of surveillances conducted had observed a photograph appearing in Life Magazine on September 8, 1947, taken during the course of the American Legion Convention and believed that one of the persons standing in the crowd closely resembled the subject.

At 5:30 p.m., September 12, 1947, I talked to Mr. Touhy of the New York Office who advised that several Agents of the New York Office acquainted with the subject had likewise observed this picture in Life Magazine and had reported considerable resemblance to the subject. He further stated that arrangements are being made with Life Magazine to secure the original photograph for the purpose of further study to make a final determination as to identity.

Supervisors Lamphere and Gregg, also acquainted with the subject, have checked the picture in Life Magazine and have stated that there is a resemblance to the subject but they cannot make a definite and positive identification.

The New York Office has been instructed to furnish the Bureau the opinion of the New York Agents after they have observed the original photograph which they are now obtaining from Life Magazine.

HBF:cmw

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: 9-15-47

FROM : MR. D. M. LADD

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
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Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Tele. Room	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Beahm	
Miss Gandy	

BACKGROUND:

By letter dated September 9, 1947, the Cincinnati Office advised that a Special Agent now assigned to that Office, who had conducted extensive surveillances on Adams, noted while reading the September 8, 1947, issue of Life Magazine, a photograph which appeared to be that of subject Adams. A copy of this picture in Life is attached.

ACTION:

The New York Office obtained the negative of this picture and upon enlarging the photograph, New York Agents familiar with Arthur Adams advised that the individual in question strongly resembled subject Adams, but is not identical with him.

No further action is being taken.

Enclosure

RGF:wma

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TRAPPED LEGIONNAIRE, hemmed in by crowd of New Yorkers, gets a robust kick in the pants from an aroused lady. He had just given her shock with his electric suitcase.

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SAC, Cincinnati

September 17, 1947

Director, FBI

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Re your memo of September 9, 1947. For your information, the New York Office has advised that they obtained from "Life" Magazine the negative of the photograph referred to in your letter. An enlargement therefrom was examined by several New York Special Agents familiar with the subject and they are of the opinion that the person in question resembles the subject but is not identical.

HBF:MJJ

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COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
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★ SEP 17 1947 P.M.
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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
- Mr. Clegg _____
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n^o Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : GUY HOTTEL, SAC, Washington Field Office
SUBJECT: ARTHUR ADAMS
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

DATE: October 14, 1947

Classified by: 2909 DSH
Exempt from GDS, Category 243
Date of Declassification Indefinite
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For your information, I am quoting below a copy of a letter furnished this office by Confidential Informant Z on October 13, 1947. Photostatic copy of same is being forwarded as an enclosure to the New York Office: *S*

"62 Harmon Ave
Pelham #65 New York
August 23rd 1947

"The Secretary of the
Embassy of the Federal People
Republic of Yugoslavia:-
Washington, D. C.

Reference:- #1637
Joseph Zerbe
Zagreb Yugo- Slavia

My dear Secretary:-

"Enclosed you will find the P. O. Money Order for \$2.00 as suggested on your Postal of today's Date.

"I sincerely Hope your Office will endeavor to Do everyting possible to release this person from the Camp.

"Awaiting your kind reply and Many Thanks for your kind effort.

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING
SLIP(S) OF *Class.*
DATE *6-6-78* *DGC*

Cordially:-
(Signed) ARTHUR ADAMS;-
62 Harmon Ave.
Pelham #65 New York

"A.A. /a.
"Enc. M. O.
\$2.00"

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 U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
 COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

Mr. Tolson	✓
Mr. E. A. Tamm	✓
Mr. Clegg	✓
Mr. Glavin	✓
Mr. Ladd	✓
Mr. Nichols	✓
Mr. Rosen	✓
Mr. Tracy	✓
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Mr. Pennington	✓
Mr. Quinn Tamm	✓
Mr. Nease	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

OCT 17 1947
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*W. G. ...
 Fletcher*

WASH FROM NEW YORK 29 17 11-15 P
 DIRECTOR URGENT

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, ISR, REFER FIVE IS. RE WFO LETTER TO
 NY OCT. FOURTEEN LAST. INVESTIGATION AT SIXTY TWO HARMON AVE., PELHAM,
 NY, REVEALS OCCUPANTS ARE HENRY W. ABRAMS, HIS WIFE HELEN, AND BROTHER
 AND MOTHER, NAMES NOT YET DETERMINED. BACKGROUND INVESTIGATION OF
 ABRAMS TO DATE HAS FAILED TO REFLECT ANY DEROGATORY
 INFO. HOWEVER, MAIL CARRIER HAS STATED THAT HE HAS DELIVERED
 LETTERS TO THIS ADDRESS ADDRESSED TO "ARTHUR ADAMS" AND SAME HAVE NOT
 BEEN REFUSED. SPOT CHECKS BEING CONDUCTED AT THIS ADDRESS AND
 INVESTIGATION CONTINUING. BUREAU WILL BE APPROPRIATELY ADVISED.

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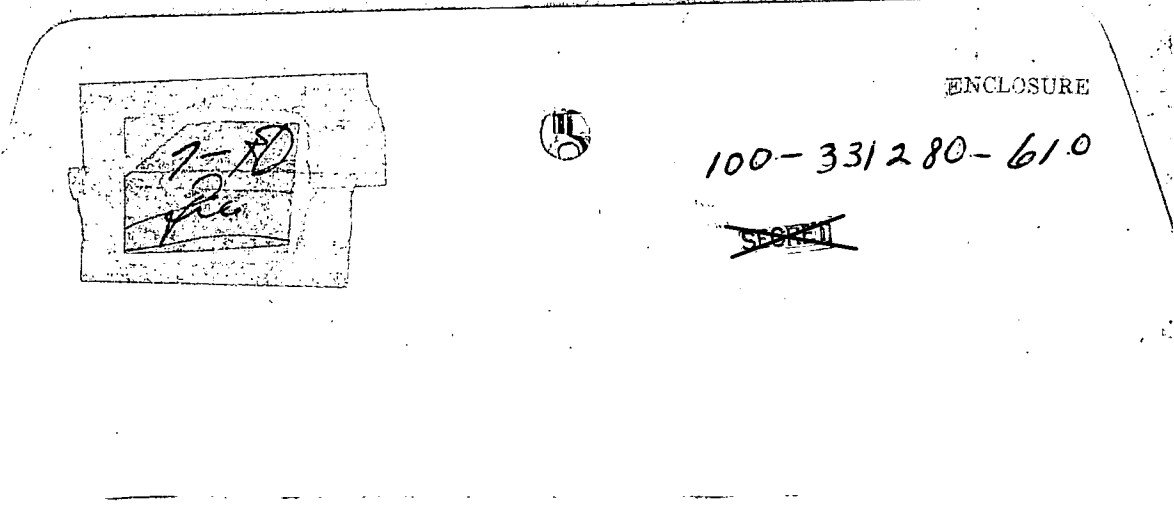
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GRAND

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The Secretary of the Embassy of the
Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia
Washington D.C.

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ARTHUR ADAMS:

62 Harmon Ave
Pelham #65 New York
August 23rd 1947.

The Secretary of the
Embassy of the Federal People's
Republic of Yugoslavia;-
Washington D.C.

Reference;- #1637
Joseph Zorbo;-
Zagreb Yugo- Slavia;-

My Dear Secretary;-

Enclosed you will find the P.O. Money Order for \$2.00 as suggested
on your Postal of today 's Date.

I sincerely Hope your Office will endeavor to Do overyhting possible
to release this person from the Camp.

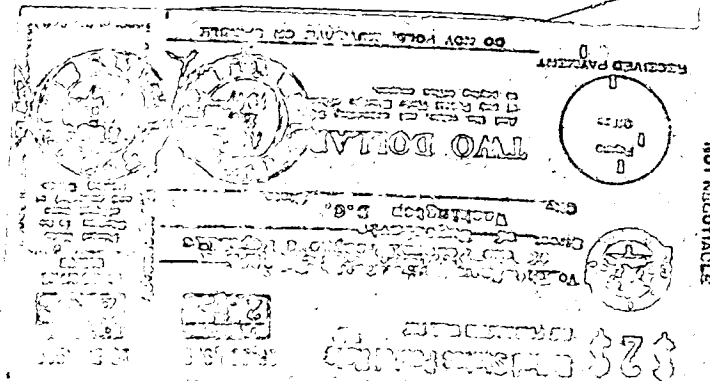
Awaiting your kind reply and Many Thanks for your kind effort.

Cordially;-

Arthur Adams
Arthur Adams;-
62 Harmon Ave
Pelham #65 New York.

A.A./a.

Arthur Adams

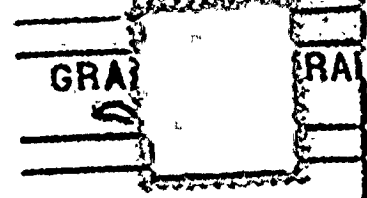


RE: NATHAN ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS

INTERNAL SECURITY. R

N.Y.F. 100-63983

D.F. 100-331280



The Secretary of the Embassy of the
Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia
Washington D.C.

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ARTHUR ADAMS:*

62 Harmon Ave
Pelham #65 New York
August 23rd 1947.

The Secretary of the
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Cordially;-
Arthur Adams
Arthur Adams;-
62 Harmon Ave
Pelham #65 New York.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Re: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

File # 100-331280 - 610 ✓
Lab. # D-73490 BE

LAB. FILE

Examination requested by: New York (100-63983)

Date of reference communication: Letter 11-8-47

Date received: 11/14/47

Examination requested: Document

Result of Examination

Examination by: Dahlgren

*No conclusion sig "Arthur Adams" Qc15
with known of subject (K15 → Hc19) because
of variations could not be acct. for.
No tw. prev. similar to Qc15 tw. X
Specimens submitted for examination*

*RD
12-14/47*

Qc15 One photograph and two photostatic copies of an envelope, accompanying letter and United States Postal Note, envelope bearing typewritten address "The Secretary of the Embassy of the Federal People's Republic of Yugoslavia Washington D.C.", postmarked "NEW YORK, N.Y. AUG 26 1947 7:30 AM"; Accompanying letter dated August 23, 1947, beginning "My Dear Secretary; Enclosed you will find the P. O. Money Order"; United States Postal Note dated August 25, 1947 for the amount of \$2.00. Letter bears the signature ARTHUR ADAMS. X

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Exempt from GDS, Category 2+3
Date of Declassification Indefinite
Date of Review Indefinite
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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1139
TO : Director, FBI Att: FBI Laboratory DATE: November 8, 1947
FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
INTERNAL SECURITY - R
Bureau file 100-331280

Classified by 2909 DJH 73490
Exempt from GDS Category 2-3
Date of Review Classification Indefinite
4-25-78

There is enclosed herewith a photograph of a letter addressed to "The Secretary of the Embassy of the Federal People Republic of Yugoslavia; Washington D.C." and signed "Cordially; - ARTHUR ADAMS; - 62 Harmon Avenue, Pelham #65, New York." The photograph also reflects an envelope also addressed as above and postmarked "7:30 a.m. Aug. 26, 1947, at N.Y., N.Y." and a \$2 U.S. Postal Note No. 16,258,919, payable to the addressee mentioned above. The note bears two Post Office stamps of "New York, N.Y. (Pelham Br.) Aug. 25, 1947." *S*

This photograph was received from the Washington Field Office, who in turn received it from their Confidential Informant Z on October 13, 1947. *S*

There are also enclosed two photostats of the same letter which were printed in this office. *S* ~~DEFERRED RECORDING~~

It is requested that the signature and typewriting reflected in these photographs be checked against the known handwriting and typewriting specimens of captioned subject presently on file in the Laboratory, and, if at all possible, an opinion be rendered as to whether or not they are identical. It might be stated that this opinion is being solicited not for any evidentiary purpose, but rather in an attempt to determine if the writer is identical with ARTHUR ADAMS, Soviet agent, and consequently if further investigation to identify the writer would be profitable. *S*

1139
G. I. R. 2

For your further information, it has been determined that this address shown in the letter, namely, 62 Harmon Avenue, Pelham 65, New York, is the residence of one HENRY W. and HELEN ABRAMS. The former's brother OTTO, and mother MARIA likewise reside there. Investigation has failed to show any definite connection between these individuals and the captioned subject, and no one resembling him has been seen at the building at that address or in the vicinity. Both HENRY W. and HELEN ABRAMS are reportedly native born United States citizens, while OTTO and MARIA ABRAMS are German born. *S*

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REPORT
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

December 11, 1947

SAC: New York

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of the evidences received from your office on November 14, 1947.

Classified by 2909 D.S.H.
Exempt from GDS, category 2.4.2
Date of Declassification Indefinite
4-25-78

John Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

Re: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES
AND FIELD OFFICES
ADVISED BY ROUTING
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DATE 10-10-78 DPT

YOUR FILE NO. 100-63983
FBI FILE NO. 100-331280-610
LAB. NO. D-73490 EE

Examination requested by: New York

Reference: Letter dated November 8, 1947

Examination requested: Document

Specimens:

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RESULTS OF EXAMINATION:

A definite conclusion could not be reached whether the signature "Arthur Adams" appearing on specimen Qc15 was written by ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, whose known handwriting has previously been submitted in this case, because of variation which could not be accounted for on the basis of the available writing. Included with the previously submitted known writing in this case are specimens K14 and K19 submitted by your office with a letter dated February 13, 1945.

- Tolson
- E. A. Tamm
- Clegg
- Glavin
- Ladd
- Nichols
- Rosen
- Tracy
- Carson
- Egan
- Gurnea
- Harbo
- Hendon
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- Miss Gandy

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U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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1- Laboratory

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If additional known signatures of the subject, prepared within the past two or three years are obtainable, it is suggested that they be transmitted to the Laboratory if a further examination is desirable. S

It was concluded that the typewriting appearing on specimen Qc15 was not prepared on any of the typewriters used to prepare previously submitted typewritten documents in this case. S

The evidence is retained.

Mr. Tolson _____
Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
Mr. Clegg _____
Mr. Glavin _____
Mr. Ladd _____
Mr. Nichols _____
Mr. Rosen _____
Mr. Tracy _____
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Miss Gandy _____

(TRANSLATION)

Hill 3-3813-4

Cable Address Alaric

HAMILTON ART METAL CORPORATION
230 Fifth Avenue
New York 1, N. Y.

Nassau Terminal-Jericho Turnpike
Plant: New Hyde Park, Long Island, N. Y.

Telephone
Fieldstone 7-0793

Mr. Arthur Adams
62 Harmon Ave.,
Pelham 65, N. Y.

October 20, 1947

Dearest cousin:

How is his lordship, Arthur Duke of Pelham?

I was happy to have heard from your own lips how much you know about Schnitz and Zwetschgen.* Yes, dear Arthur, thank God that you were not hooked. Imagine that you had married your friend Margaret.....

Things have gone badly for me; for Moppelchen had sold me on the Holy Prick.** However I could not prepare him(her) for this joy, so Moppelchen must again go industriously to church.

Also the idea of the Bettsaichers*** failed. My dear sir, you can't even suspect what you have had there (could have got yourself into)

Well, lets come back again to our prosaic life. Don't work too hard (advice which I fail to comprehend myself) and call us up some day. You see more at Times Square and so you can tell me.

Philosophically yours,

M

Monsignore

Translation of above by SA WILBUR LYNCH, NY OFFICE. Translator adds in respect to the items asterisked:

* Schnitz und Zwetschgen - obscure obscene slang reference, exact significance unknown. However Schnitz obviously refers to "Cunt" and Zwetschgen to "Balls".

** Alternative meaning, "However I could not make this joy possible for her(him)"

*** Bettsaichers - another obscure slang reference. However it applies, apparently, to certain bed activities, and possibly means "bed measure".

MURRAY HILL 3-3813-4

CABLE ADDRESS ALARIC

HAMILTON ART METAL CORPORATION

230 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK 1, N. Y.

PLANT: NASSAU TERMINAL-JERICO TURNPIKE
NEW HYDE PARK, LONG ISLAND, N. Y.

TELEPHONE
FIELDSTONE 7-0793

October 20, 1947.

Mr. Arthur Adams,
62 Harmon Ave.,
Pelham 65, N.Y.

Dearest cousin:

How is his lordship, Arthur Duke of Pelham?


I was happy to have heard from your own lips. how much you know about Schmitz und Zwetschgen. Ja, Arthurlein, danke Gott, dass du nicht gehooht bist. Stell' dir bloss vor, du haettest deine Freundin Margaret geheiratet.....

Mir selber waer's ja auch schlecht gegangen; denn Moppelchen haette mich sogar an den Heiligen Schwanz verkauft. Diese Freude moechte ich ihm aber nie bereiten und so muss denn Moppelchen weiter fleissig in die Kirche gehen.

Auch die Idee des Bettsaichers ist verfehlt. Mein lieber Herr, du ahnst ja gar nicht was du da auf dir haettest.

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Philosophically yours,


Monsignore.

PLEASE ADDRESS ALL COMMUNICATIONS TO OUR PLANT

Meyer,
71 West 92nd St.,
New York 25, N.Y.



Abrams

Mr. Arthur Adams
62 Harmon Ave.,
Pelham 65, N.Y.

Meyer,
71 West 92nd St.,
New York 25, N.Y.



Mrs. Maria Abrams
62 Harmon Ave.,
Pelham 65, N.Y.

Federal Bureau of Investigation - U.S. Dept. of Justice - NEW YORK FIELD DIV.

Hamilton Art Metal Corporation

COntlandt 7-8336-7-8-9

314 BROADWAY
NEW YORK 7, N. Y.

Mrs. Maria Abrams,
62 Harmon Ave.,
Pelham 65, N.Y.

October 21, 1947.

Dear Aunt:

We returned home at 9 p.m. thanks to Henry's good ride to the station.

Let me thank you and Arthur again for the lovely sweater which I received from you, as well as the beautiful birthday card.

It happened that my man was not driving on Monday, so I had to go by subway and bus to New Hyde Park where I spent a strenuous day and got home late. I could hardly read my mail with fatigue.

Just by chance, I glanced at Ruth's letter once more and discovered written finely in pencil on the reverse side of the typed page that Frau Kuebler has left on the 25 September. It appears to us that she has arrived by now but her son has not notified us thus far. In fact, he has not written for a long, long time. Whenever we shall be informed, you'll know it at once.

You have also made my mother very happy with her new hat, almost as happy as Ruth with her Furcoat. She says she does not know how to thank Pelham for that gorgeous gift. She is looking confidently ahead to wintertime.

Again our best thanks and kindest greetings,

ever

Wm and Mother

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **NEW YORK**

NY FILE NO. **100-52933** 98

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 11/5/47	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 10/15-27/47	REPORT MADE BY FRANCIS X. PLANT
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TITLE ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS	APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF DATE 1-10-48	CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - R
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SYNOPSIS 102188	APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF DATE 1-10-48
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Highly confidential source available to Washington Field provided letter addressed to Yugoslavian Embassy, Washington, D. C. from one "ARTHUR ADAMS, 62 Harmon Ave., Pelham 65, NY". Investigation reflects one HENRY W. ABRAMS, his wife HELEN, brother OTTO, and mother MARIA reside this address. NY indices negative on all. HENRY and HELEN ABRAMS native born with former being American Tel & Tel employee about 20 years. No derogatory information developed. OTTO ABRAMS believed employed as office manager, THALMEIMER BROTHERS, NYC. Additional letter obtained addressed to "ARTHUR ADAMS" at this address from individual identified as ERWIN HUGO MEYER. From contents MEYER indicated to be relative of MARIA ABRAMS and "ARTHUR ADAMS". MEYER subject of previous investigation for alleged German activities. Discreet display of subject's photograph has failed to reflect he has been seen at 62 Harmon Ave., Pelham, NY.

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REFERENCE: **BUFILE 100-231280**
Washington Field letter to Bureau, 10/14/47.

DETAILS: This phase of the investigation of ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS was instigated by the receipt of the referenced letter from the Washington Field Office which was furnished by their Confidential

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Handwritten: 100-331080-Call

NY 100-63983

Informant Z on October 13, 1947. This letter was as follows: \$ 11,2159

" ARTHUR ADAMS:"

62 Harmon Ave.
Pelham #65 New York
August 23rd 1947.

The Secretary of the
Embassy of the Federal People
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Washington, D. C.

Reference;- #1637
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Cordially;-
(Signed) ARTHUR ADAMS;-
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Pelham #65 New York

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Enc. M.O.
\$2.00 "

The above mentioned money order upon examination was determined
to actually be what is known as a United States Postal Note; it was numbered
16,258,919 and was for the amount of \$2.00. It was made payable to the
Secretary of the Embassy of the Federal Peoples Republic of Yugoslavia,
Washington, D. C., and bore the post office stamp of "New York, New York,
Pelham Branch", and the date of "August 25, 1947". The envelops for the

letter was addressed to the Secretary of the Embassy of the Federal Peoples Republic of Yugoslavia, Washington, D. C. and was postmarked at "New York, New York, August 26, 1947, 7:30 a.m., Grand Central". S

It might be noted that the New York indices were entirely negative on any person by the name of JOSEPH ZERBE, who is mentioned in the informant's letter. S

The Washington Field Office is being requested by letter to furnish any additional information it may have concerning the procedures set forth in the reference letter, that is, if the Yugoslavian Embassy has a policy of contacting certain individuals for contributions for the help of people being held in concentration camps. As will be shown later, the individuals involved in this instance are definitely of German extraction and it would seem rather peculiar that they would be in contact with the present Yugoslavian Government and would be solicited for funds for the aid of an individual apparently interned at Zagreb, Yugoslavia. S

At North Pelham, New York

It was first ascertained that one HENRY W. ABRAMS is listed in the Westchester County telephone directory as residing at 62 Harmon Avenue, Pelham 65, New York, with telephone number Pelham 8-3388. U

Inquiry of Chief of Police JAMES ROMANO (former Special Agent and a National Academy graduate) of North Pelham, New York, failed to reflect that this department had any record of HENRY W. ABRAMS or any other residents of 62 Harmon Avenue. U

Upon Chief ROMANO's recommendation, discreet inquiry was made of Mrs. JAMES HARPER, who resides at 66 Harmon Avenue and is the immediate neighbor of HENRY W. ABRAMS. Mrs. HARPER related that the ABRAMS family had resided next door, to the best of her recollection, about four or five years. The family, she said, consisted of HENRY W., his wife HELEN, and his mother and brother. However, she did not know the first names of either of the latter persons. U

HENRY ABRAMS, she understood, was an accountant for the American Telephone and Telegraph Company and was also a trustee of a Lutheran church located on Lexington Avenue in Manhattan. HELEN ABRAMS, she thought, was the daughter of a Lutheran minister and, according to Mrs. HARPER, the family had been raised as "strict Lutherans". She knew nothing of the brother other than that she had been told by HELEN ABRAMS that he was an accountant "in the

garment district". Continuing, Mrs. HARPER related that she has had little personal contact with the family, these generally being limited to conversations with HELEN ABRAMS while they were working in their respective yards. Mrs. HARPER knew nothing derogatory concerning the ABRAMS that would make her consider them other than "quiet and respectable neighbors". She knew nothing as to their political beliefs or social activities.]

A photograph of the subject of instant investigation was displayed to Mrs. HARPER and she stated she had never seen this individual in the ABRAMS home.]

Contact was also made with Mr. M. J. OPPENHEIMER, Superintendent of the U. S. Post Office, Pelham Branch, and through him, with DAN RUGGIERO, carrier for the route covering 62 Harmon Avenue. RUGGIERO reported that to his knowledge a Mr. and Mrs. HENRY ABRAMS lived at 62 Harmon Avenue along with an older woman whom he took to be the mother of either Mr. or Mrs. ABRAMS. Relative to ARTHUR ADAMS, RUGGIERO said he has delivered mail addressed to such a person at this address. However, he knew of no one by that name and upon being shown a picture of the subject, declared that he had never seen any such person. He was unable to state just how much mail he had handled which was addressed to "ARTHUR ADAMS", but did say that it was infrequent; that it had been going on, to the best of his recollection, ever since the ABRAMS lived there, which he thought was about four or five years. RUGGIERO claimed further that he has never noticed the source of any of the letters directed to ADAMS, but commented that none were ever returned to him so that they were apparently correctly addressed. As to the ABRAMS family, he related that they receive quite a bit of foreign mail but its source was unknown to him.]

Arrangements were verbally made with Mr. OPPENHEIMER for a mail cover on this address and such has now been confirmed by appropriate letter.]

Mr. WILLARD YOUNG, manager of the First National Bank of Mount Vernon, Pelham Branch, reported that no one by the name of ARTHUR ADAMS maintained an account in this institution. The records did reflect a joint savings account #4682 in the names of HENRY W. and HELEN ABRAMS, 62 Harmon Avenue, Pelham 65, New York. According to Mr. YOUNG, the balance in this account has always been small and at the present time approximates \$70.]

The signature card executed in relation to this account showed that it was opened July 7, 1942 and that Mr. ABRAMS described himself as a "United States citizen".]

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In conclusion Mr. YOUNG stated he himself had no personal knowledge of the ABRAMS family. U

At White Plains, New York

A check of the election records as maintained in the Westchester County Building at White Plains, New York, reflected first that the address in question is located in "Westchester County, 3rd Election District, 3rd Assembly District, Pelham". Examination was made of the registrations for 1945, 1946 and 1947. All gave the same general information concerning HENRY W. and HELEN ABRAMS. The latest registration, that of 1947, was made by both parties on October 11, 1947. At that time HELEN ABRAMS registered as a "Republican" and reported she was 46 years of age, was a United States citizen, and had lived 46 years in New York State, 14 years in Westchester County, and 5 years in this particular election district. Her husband HENRY likewise registered as a "Republican" and advised he was 48 years of age, had resided in the state for the same number of years, in the county for 15 years, and in the election district for 5 years. U

The aforementioned registrations of 1945 and 1946 differed only in that the figures given for the time of residence in the state, etc., were accordingly decreased. U

It was noted that there was no registration for an ARTHUR ADAMS or for any other individual residing at 62 Harmon Avenue. U

The files of the Westchester County Credit Bureau revealed a report dated in 1943 on HENRY W. and HELEN ABRAMS. According to this report, these individuals had previously resided at 20 Winyah Terrace, New Rochelle, New York and at 165 E. 89th Street, New York City. It is further shown that HENRY ABRAMS' occupation was that of "Accountant" at the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, 32 6th Avenue, New York City. In this respect it was previously reported in 1938 that Mr. ABRAMS claimed at that time to have been with the American Telephone and Telegraph Company for 20 years. Bank accounts of this individual were shown as being at the Central Savings Bank, New York and the National City Bank, Canal Street branch, New York City. U

At New York, N. Y.

It should be first stated that the New York files were entirely negative of any information pertaining to HENRY W. and HELEN ABRAMS. In an attempt to learn additional information concerning HENRY W. ABRAMS and, if possible, to determine the identity of his brother who was alleged to also

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reside with him, the Albany Office was requested to check the selective service records. As of October 23, 1947 they advised that HENRY W. ABRAMS had registered with Local Board 739 in Pelham, New York. In a questionnaire which he executed on April 21, 1942, he reported the following information: Social Security #088-07-9297; employed American Telephone and Telegraph Company, 32 6th Avenue, New York City, as accounting clerk; salary \$67 per week; claims eight years elementary schooling; Description: White, 5'10 1/2", 185 pounds; gray eyes, brown hair, light complexion, born April 5, 1899 at New York City; is United States citizen. U

Albany further reported that according to these records, HELEN ABRAMS was the wife of HENRY W.; she was 41 years of age and had married him on September 20, 1925 at New York City. She stated she resided at the same address as her husband, as did his mother, MARIE ABRAMS, age 69, whom he also claimed as a dependent. The final classification on this individual was 4A, granted him on April 5, 1944. U

Continuing, it was reported that the selective service records showed an OTTO ABRAMS as residing at 62 Harmon Avenue. The following descriptive information was furnished on this individual: Social Security #092-01-7550; education - 3 years accounting, CCNY; 1 year accounting, Packard Business School; employed as office manager, THALHEIMER BROTHERS, 251-255 W. 39th Street, New York City, button jobbers; born February 16 or 17, 1898, Germany; claims United States citizenship; no dependents claimed. U

In addition to the above it was further stated that WILLIAM J. KLEIN and IMBRE R. KLEIN of the aforementioned THALHEIMER BROTHERS, had requested a draft exemption for OTTO ABRAMS in a letter dated July 14, 1942. His description was given as 5'11", 175 pounds, gray eyes, gray hair, light complexion. He stated that Mrs. MARIA ABRAMS, no address given, was the person who would always know his whereabouts. U

The selective service file also showed that OTTO ABRAMS had been afforded a physical examination, as a result of which it was determined that he has myopia, nearsightedness, and possible separation of retina, choroiditis of the eyes. The file further contained the statement from a Dr. RUDOLPH DENIG, 56 E. 58th Street, dated July 15, 1942, in which the doctor claims that he had been treating OTTO ABRAMS as a patient since November 20, 1932 and he gave certain details regarding the treatment of this individual's eyes. U

OTTO ABRAMS was classified 4F on July 27, 1942. U

In conclusion, the Albany Office advised that the selective service files gave no indication that OTTO and HENRY ABRAMS were related,

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although both lived at the same address and gave "MARIE" and "MARIA" as their respective mothers, which fact would possibly indicate they were brothers. U

As to OTTO ABRAMS, the New York indices were entirely negative. They were likewise negative as to MARIE and MARIA ABRAMS. U

The Dr. RUDOLPH DENIG of 56 E. 58th Street, who submitted a statement relative to the physical condition of OTTO ABRAMS, was referenced a number of times in the New York files. Briefly, it was shown that Dr. DENIG had received German newspapers; that on October 30, 1940 he received a check in the amount of \$10 from the German Consul General in New York, and that his name and address appeared on the mailing list of the German Library of Information. Confidential Informant N also listed him on a "List of German Suspects" dated August 13, 1940. U

Finally, as of January 16, 1942, the Washington Field Office reported that a highly confidential source had advised that Dr. RUDOLPH DENIG had received birthday greetings through the German Embassy in Washington from the University of Wuerzberg. This source also indicated that DENIG was an "honorary senator" of the university and contributed a yearly sum of \$125 to it. U

The records of the New York City Department of Motor Vehicles were checked by Special Employee Clinton Pollock and revealed that HENRY W. ABRAMS of 62 Harmon Avenue, Pelham, New York, possesses New York State operator's permit #1330404. His business address was given as the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, 32 Avenue of the Americas, and he was described as: born April 5, 1899, 175 pounds, 5'10", gray eyes, brown hair. U

It was also shown that a 1938 Chrysler sedan (motor #35419) was registered in his name and had New York State license number 1V1198. U

As of October 22, 1947 a highly confidential source made available to the reporting agent and SA Frank J. Nolan two letters which are being set forth below. One, a letter addressed to "Mr. ARTHUR ADAMS, 62 Harmon Avenue, Pelham 65, New York". The envelope bore a return address in the upper left-hand corner of "MEYER, 71 W. 92nd Street, New York 25, New York". It was postmarked at 1:30 a.m., October 22nd, at New York, New York. It was noted that the aforementioned return address was typed on a small piece of paper which was pasted over the original return address on the envelope. The latter address was ascertained to be "Olympic Manufacturing Company, 100 Fifth Avenue, New York, New York". The letter itself was written under the letterhead of the Hamilton Art Metal Corporation, 230 Fifth Avenue,

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New York 1, New York. Further, according to this letterhead, the telephone numbers of this corporation were MU 3-3813-4 and its cable address was "Alaric". It was also indicated that the corporation had a plant at Nassau Terminal, Jericho Turnpike, New Hyde Park, Long Island, New York, telephone Fieldstone 7-0793. The letter reads as follows: U

"Mr. ARTHUR ADAMS
62 Harmon Avenue
Pelham 65, New York

October 20, 1947

"Dearest Cousin:

"How is his lordship, Arthur Duke of Pelham? I was happy to have heard from your own lips and how much you know about (beginning at this point the letter is written in German, which upon translation has been determined to be obscene).

"Well, let's come back again to our prosaic life. Don't work too hard (advice which I fail to comprehend myself) and call us up some day. You see more at Times Square and so you can tell me.

Philosophically yours,

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Monsignore "

The second letter was addressed to "Mrs. MARIA ABRAMS" at the same address as above. It bore the same return address and postmark as letter #1. This letter was on the letterhead of the Hamilton Art Metal Corporation, 314 Broadway, New York 7, N. Y., telephone number COrtlandt 7-8336-7-8-9. It reads as follows: U

"Mrs. MARIA ABRAMS
62 Harmon Ave.
Pelham 65, N. Y.

October 21, 1947

"Dear Aunt:

"We returned home at 9 p.m. thanks to Henry's good ride to the station.

"Let me thank you and Arthur again for the lovely sweater which I received from you, as well as the beautiful birthday card.

"It happened that my man was not driving on Monday, so I had to go by subway and bus to New Hyde Park where I spent a strenuous day and got home late. I could hardly read my mail with fatigue. U

"Just by chance, I glanced at Ruth's letter once more and discovered written finely in pencil on the reverse side of the typed page that Frau KUEBLER has left on the 25 September. It appears to us that she has arrived by now but her son has not notified us thus far. In fact, he has not written for a long, long time. Whenever we shall be informed, you'll know it at once.

"You have also made my mother very happy with her new hat, almost as happy as Ruth with her fur coat. She says she does not know how to thank Pelham for that gorgeous gift. She is looking confidently ahead to wintertime.

"Again our best thanks and kindest greetings,

ever

/s/ ERWIN and Mother "

Copies of both of these aforementioned letters are being enclosed with instant report. The German portion of letter #1 has been translated and due to its obscene nature is being transmitted in a sealed envelope appropriately marked. U

It was ascertained that at 230 Fifth Avenue, besides the Hamilton Art Metal Corporation, there was also listed the Simplex Tool and Die Company and ERIC WEDEMEYER, INC., Import and Export. The telephone number for all these corporations was the same, namely, MU 3-3813. There was no record in the New York telephone directory of a Hamilton Art Metal Corporation located at 314 Broadway, the address shown on the letterhead of letter #2. U

The New York indices showed that ERIC WEDEMEYER was the subject of considerable investigation for German espionage activities under the name of ERICH HEINRICH WILHELM WEDEMEYER. The New York files were not complete on the final disposition of the investigation involving this individual. However, Confidential Informant NYC-77 reported as of August 30, 1946 that: "Records of October 5, 1943 show that ERICH HENRICK WILHELM WEDEMEYER, with six others, was indicted in the United States District Court of Newark, New Jersey, charged with conspiracy to communicate, deliver and transmit vital information relating to the National Defense of the United States, to the government of the German Reich. On November 1, 1943 ERICH HENRICH WILHELM WEDEMEYER pleaded 'not guilty'. On December 15, 1943 a motion for dismissal

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"of the indictment and directing a verdict of acquittal as to WEDEMEYER was made. The decision was placed under advisement by the court, but on December 16, 1943 the motion was denied and the trial was discontinued. On December 17, 1943 ERICH HENRICH WILHELM WEDEMEYER was found 'guilty' as charged. On December 31, 1943 a notice to set aside the verdict was filed, returnable January 7, 1944. The motion was continued one week and subsequently postponed. On March 10, 1944 Judge THOMAS F. MEENY set aside the verdict of December 17, 1943 on the ground of insufficient evidence and a new trial was granted. Records show no further proceedings in the case pertaining to WEDEMEYER." U

A comprehensive review was made of the New York file on this individual and the only item which was ascertained to be of possible interest to the investigation at hand was that among the telephone contacts of ERIC WEDEMEYER was one DAVID WEXLER of 103 E. 86th Street, New York City. This individual is known to be a contact of JULIUS HEIMAN, an associate of ARTHUR ADAMS, Soviet agent, and also to be acquainted with VICTORIA STONE, the paramour of ADAMS. U

With reference to WEDEMEYER, Informant NYC-77 further reported as of January 7, 1947 that on January 2, 1947 HENRY WEDEMEYER, brother of ERIC, stated that his lease on the premises at 314-18 Broadway would expire as of July 30, 1947 and that gradually the plant now located at the Broadway address would be moved to New Hyde Park, Nassau County, New York, and the official headquarters of the showroom would be continued at 230 Fifth Avenue. U

An earlier report of the same informant, which was dated August 30, 1946 and which has been mentioned heretofore, reflected that the Hamilton Art Metal Corporation were manufacturers of metal products with offices at 314-18 Broadway, and a showroom at 230 Fifth Avenue. Its officers were listed as ERIC WEDEMEYER, President; HENRY WEDEMEYER, Vice President; Miss MARIE CAPIELLO, Secretary-Treasurer; Directors - the officers. U

The latter report sets forth in detail the business background of WEDEMEYER, but such is not considered of importance to instant investigation and will not be repeated here. It is stated that WEDEMEYER was born January 12, 1902 in Siegen, Germany and from 1920 to 1921 studied philosophy at Hamburg University. Following the completion of his studies, WEDEMEYER reported he was employed in a clerical capacity by several steamship companies until coming to the United States in March 1924. U

Inquiry at 71 W. 92nd Street, New York City, reflected that the "MEYER" listed on the above mentioned letters was one ERWIN HUGG MEYER, who

resides at this address with his mother. A check of the New York indices on this individual revealed that he was the subject of considerable investigation in the years 1942-1944. ERWIN HUGO MEYER was investigated inasmuch as it was suspected that he was attempting to get money of a German national out of the United States in violation of an Executive Order prohibiting same. ✓

During the course of the investigation it was ascertained that MARIA ABRAIMS of 62 Harmon Avenue, Pelham, New York, was MEYER's aunt and he and his mother had been residing at 71 W. 92nd Street about one and a half years (as of August 1943). Inquiry made at the time at this latter residence showed it to be a rooming house operated by one J. WARTHE, but failed to reveal any derogatory information concerning ERWIN MEYER or his mother. ✓

As a finale to this investigation, MEYER was interviewed on March 30, 1944 by agents of the New York Office, at which time he related considerable information concerning himself. He said he was born October 20, 1904 at Leutkrich, Germany and arrived with his mother on November 7, 1922 at New York City. The coming to America, he explained, was upon the invitation and proposition of Mrs. MARIA ABRAIMS, "now residing at 62 Harmon Avenue, Pelham 65, New York, then residing at 165 E. 89th Street". His education, MEYER related, was obtained partly in Germany and partly in the United States. It was noted he had attended the State School of Technology at Esslingen, Germany, 1925-1927; CCNY in New York City in 1928; MIT at Cambridge, Massachusetts in 1930; the University of Tuebingen Medical School at Tuebingen, Germany in 1934 and 1935, and the Albany Medical School at Albany, New York in 1935. ✓

ERWIN HUGO MEYER was naturalized in the Supreme Court of Long Island City on May 27, 1929. ✓

In his statement he listed quite a number of positions which he has held during the period from 1920 to 1942. It was noted that in Germany from 1920 to 1922 and again in 1925 he was employed by C & E FEIN at Stuttgart. In the earlier period he was a student receiving practical training, "a prerequisite for engineering courses", and in 1925 he was in the engineering office of C & E FEIN. ✓

In the United States MEYER reported, among others, that he had worked for Western Electric and the Rockefeller Institute for Medical Research. At the former place his job consisted of adjusting and testing and inspecting of machine switching telephone equipment, while at the latter he was a laboratory technician. At the time of the interview MEYER stated he was employed in the Shipping Department of the Hamilton Art Metal Company and had been so employed since 1942. ✓

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The aforementioned letters addressed to ARTHUR ADAMS and MARIA ABRAMS would indicate MEYER is still employed at this latter firm or has appropriated a quantity of their paper while so employed.]

Other than Germany and the United States, MEYER stated he has also lived in France, Switzerland, Italy, Austria, the Netherlands and England.]

It is noted that during the discussion of his various employments MEYER said that while he was at the Rockefeller Institute he worked for a time in the Physiological Department of Dr. LEONOR MICHAELIS. It should be noted that the name of this latter individual was found in the personal address book of JACOB B. ARONOFF, attorney for and close associate of the subject of instant investigation.]

In regard to political matters, MEYER related that while at the University in Stuttgart he was called upon to join the National Socialist Party. However, he claims to have declined on the grounds that he was an American citizen and openly stated that he "disagreed with the Nazi ideology". In 1935, he said, the Gestapo inquired concerning him in Stuttgart, and consequently on December 3rd of that year he left Germany at night for Switzerland.]

Relative to financial matters MEYER claimed he had used funds of his mother and had also been permitted to use some of the money deposited in a United States bank by a friend, one MARIE LOUISE MUELLER, of Dornach, Switzerland. The latter person was a friend of MEYER and visited him and his mother at a ranch called Mount Michael near North Creek, New York. However, when Miss MUELLER attempted to immigrate to the United States for permanent residence she met considerable difficulties which MEYER claimed are fully explained in the records of the National Conference of Jews and Christians and also by the State Department. He indicated that subsequently MARIE MUELLER was in the Argentine and it was MEYER's attempts to forward to her the sum of \$700 from her bank account in the United States that occasioned this investigation.]

With particular reference to the forwarding of this sum of \$700 to Miss MUELLER, it is to be noted that during the course of the investigation it was determined that MEYER apparently obtained this money from a Mr. ERNEST A. KUEBLER of Hackensack, New Jersey. In this respect attention is called to the aforementioned letter #2 written by MEYER to Mrs. MARIA ABRAMS, wherein he refers to the fact that "Frau KUEBLER has left on the 25 September". It is considered possible that the individual mentioned may be a relative of ERNEST KUEBLER.]

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Continuing, MEYER related that in the fall of 1942 he had returned to New York City where he encountered great trouble in securing a position, "presumably for reasons of health". Finally, "in despair I took a commercial job at the Hamilton Art Metal Corporation, 230 Fifth Avenue, offered by a little agency".

During this investigation an examination of the selective service records revealed that MEYER was a conscientious objector. When interviewed concerning this he gave a rather lengthy explanation of his position in this regard, which basically amounted to the fact that he was a member of a sect involving Karma which prohibited him from fighting. In conclusion MEYER stated "that his belief in the incarnate actions of man brought about his registration as a conscientious objector and ... it was not meant to imply a disloyalty to the United States". He professed loyalty to this country and denied any connection with any subversive organizations.

In view of the negative nature of the information developed by the investigation it was closed.

A description compiled from reports and informants of ERWIN HUGO MEYER is as follows:

Born	October 20, 1904
Height	5'11"
Weight	175
Hair	Black, combed straight back
Eyes	Blue
Characteristics	Prominent cheek bones; sometimes wears goatee, other times clean-shaven; known to use rouge on cheeks occasionally; well educated, fluent talker, speaks English flawlessly with no accent.

Since the receipt of the referenced letter from Washington, spot checks have been made at 62 Harmon Avenue but with negative results, that is, as far as the subject of instant investigation is concerned. The individual HENRY W. ABRAMS has been observed and has been surveilled to his place of business, the American Telephone and Telegraph Company. To date the brother OTTO ABRAMS or the mother MARIA have not been observed.

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It might be noted that 62 Harmon Avenue is a detached dwelling in a strictly residential area of a very good character. The description of HENRY W. ABRAMS as obtained during the course of the aforementioned surveillance is as follows: U

Height	5'10"
Weight	165-175
Complexion	Fair - somewhat pasty
Hair	Brown with some gray
Characteristics	Wears brown tortoise-shell glasses; clean-shaven; very bushy eyebrows; long nose; weak chin.
Peculiarities	Very slow walker and is pigeon-toed; appears to be undecided in his movements.

Appropriate checks are still being made at this address in order to view the brother OTTO ABRAMS and the mother, Mrs. MARIA ABRAMS. However, it will be noted that the description of OTTO ABRAMS as furnished in the selective service records does not coincide with the subject of instant investigation. Appropriate checks are also being made to ascertain all toll calls made from 62 Harmon Avenue in the past sixty days. U

The FBI Laboratory will be provided with a copy of the referenced Washington letter for their opinion as to whether the signature of "ARTHUR ADAMS" on this letter is possibly identical with the signatures of the subject of instant investigation already on file. U

ENCLOSURES -- BUREAU

Photograph of a letter addressed to Mrs. MARIA ABRAMS and signed "ERWIN and Mother".

Photograph of a letter addressed to Mr. ARTHUR ADAMS and signed "Philosophically yours, M., Monsignore".

A typewritten translation of certain portions of the aforementioned letter addressed to Mr. ARTHUR ADAMS.

A photographic copy of two envelopes, one of which is addressed to Mr. ARTHUR ADAMS and the other to Mrs. MARIA ABRAMS, both at 62 Harmon Avenue, Pelham, New York, and bearing the same return address of MEYER, 71 W. 92nd Street, New York 25, N. Y. U

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NEW YORK DIVISION

At Pelham, New York

Will conduct spot checks at 62 Harmon Avenue in order to view OTTO ABRAMS and determine his activities. ✓

Will recontact Mr. WILLIARD YOUNG, First National Bank of Mount Vernon, Pelham Branch, to ascertain if any accounts are maintained at this bank by OTTO ABRAMS or his mother MARIA. If so, such should be examined for any items deemed to pertain to the subject of instant investigation. ✓

At New York City

Will secure all toll calls made from the home of HENRY W. ABRAMS, 62 Harmon Avenue, Pelham, New York, telephone number Pelham 8-3388, during the period from August 1 to date. Will then ascertain the identity of the recipients of such calls. ✓

Will follow the results of the mail cover placed on this address for anything believed to pertain to ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS. ✓

A copy of instant report is being submitted to the Washington Office inasmuch as the investigation reported herein is based upon information obtained through a confidential source of that office and the results of such investigation may be of interest. ✓