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January 7, 1946.

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Director, FBI.

RE: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS,  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R  
(Bureau File 100-331280)

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Dear Sir:

The services of [redacted] have been  
utilized during the period December 6, 1945 to January 5, 1946 at the  
captioned subject's place of residence, the Peter Cooper Hotel, 130 East  
39th Street, New York City.

As an example of the information being submitted by the  
informant, it is noted that he was able to advise on December 21, 1945  
of a contact between the subject and MARCIA HISKEY, wife of DR. CLARENCE  
HISKEY. According to the informant, MARCIA HISKEY told ADAMS that she  
hadn't heard from him in some time and desired to know if there was any-  
thing wrong. ADAMS, informant stated, replied to the effect that there  
was plenty wrong and that she should hang up and he would call her.  
Informant stated that despite the fact that MARCIA HISKEY indicated that  
she wanted to converse with ADAMS, he was very reluctant to talk to her  
and replied to her efforts to draw him out merely by stating that she  
should hang up and he would call her. Informant observed that MARCIA  
HISKEY had attempted to reach ADAMS on a number of occasions subsequent  
to the article which appeared in the JOURNAL AMERICAN relative to the  
subject. However, informant noted the above contact was the first time  
that she had been able to contact the subject.

This informant has also aided considerably the physical  
surveillance presently being maintained on the subject by advising as to  
his intended activities and movements. Consequently, in view of the  
aid being supplied by the informant his services are being retained.

Very truly yours,  
*E. E. Conroy*  
E. E. CONROY,  
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ARTHUR ADAMS, IS-R. FOLLOWING STORY APPEARED IN WALL STREET EDITION OF  
TODAYS JOURNAL AMERICAN. HEADLINE ACROSS PAGE ONE "RUSSIAN ATOM SPY  
TRAILED BY FBI HERE, G-MEN LINK PLOTTER WITH SCIENTIST". BY LINE  
HOWARD RUSHMORE REPORTER FOR JOURNAL AMERICAN.

FOLLOWING IS THE STORY. "

- 1 "FOR THE PAST TWO YEARS, THE FBI HAS BEEN TRAILING A RUSSIAN SECRET
- 2 SERVICE AGENT WHO, IT IS BELIEVED, MAY HAVE OBTAINED ATOMIC BOMB SECRETS,
- 3 IT WAS LEARNED BY THE NY JOURNAL AMERICAN TODAY.
- 4 SURROUNDED BY A SQUAD OF FBI MEN, OPERATING ON A 23-HOUR BASIS, THIS
- 5 RUSSIAN IS NOW LIVING IN A MIDTOWN HOTEL.
- 6 WE WILL CALL HIM ALFRED ADAMSON, ALTHOUGH THAT IS NOT HIS NAME.
- 7 THE REAL NAME UNDER WHICH HE OPERATES AND THE NAME OF THE HOTEL IN WHICH
- 8 HE IS STAYING ARE KNOWN TO THE JOURNAL AMERICAN.
- 9 HE ENTERED THE US ILLEGALLY FROM CANADA IN NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT. HE
- 10 CARRIED FORGED PASSPORTS. HE FIRST APPEARED IN THIS COUNTRY IN NINE-
- 11 TEEN THIRTYONE AS A MEMBER OF A SOVIET PURCHASING COMMISSION, BUT RE-
- 12 TURNED TO MOSCOW THE SAME YEAR.
- 13 UNDER CONSTANT WATCH BY THE FBI
- 14 SINCE SEPT NINETEEN FORTYTHREE, EXCEPT FOR A FEW HOURS WHEN HE ESCAPED
- 15 SURVEILLANCE, ONLY TO BE LOCATED ON A TRAIN BOUND FOR THE WEST COAST AND
- 16 A SOVIET SHIP, ADAMSON HAS BEEN UNDER CONSTANT WATCH BY THE FBI.
- 17 A SMALL, GNOME-LIKE MAN WEARING HUGE, HORN-RIMMED SPECTACLES. ADAMSON

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18 IS ABOUT FORTYFIVE YEARS OF AGE. HE HAS A FURTIVE WALK, A PAIR OF DEEP-  
19 SET PIERCING EYES AND A NERVOUS HABIT OF ALWAYS LOOKING OVER HIS SHOUL-  
20 DER.

21 ALTHOUGH THE FBI HAS REFUSED COMMENT, IT IS KNOWN HIS EVERY MOVE, HIS  
22 LETTERS AND EVEN HIS CABLES TO HIS RUSSIAN WIFE ARE RECORDED BY  
23 THE AGENTS. WITH THE HELP OF THE HOTEL MANAGEMENT, THE AGENTS HAVE  
24 BEEN ABLE TO KEEP ADAMSON-SROOM UNDER CONSTANT GUARD.

25 ADAMSON OPERATES WITH VIRTUALLY UNLIMITED FUNDS. DESPITE THE FACT THAT  
26 HE IS "EMPLOYED" BY AN OBSCURE COMMUNIST MUSIC SHOP ON FIFTH AVENUE  
27 AT SEVENTYFIVE DOLLARS A WEEK, ADAMSON HAS BANK ACCOUNTS RANGING INTO  
28 THE THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN A NUMBER OF MANHATTAN BANKS.

29 HE FIRST ENTERED THE CASE IN CHICAGO IN NINETEEN FORTYTHREE.  
30 THE DISCOVERY OF HIS IMPORTANCE AND THE REASON FOR HIS ILLEGAL ENTRY  
31 WAS NOT KNOWN UNTIL THAT DATE.

32 A SCIENTIST, WORKING ON ATOMIC BOMB DEVELOPMENT IN A CHICAGO LABORA-  
33 TORY, HAD BEEN SUSPECT BY MILITARY INTELLIGENCE OFFICIALS. UNWITTINGLY,  
34 THIS SCIENTIST LED THE FBI TO ADAMSON.

35 HANDS SECOND MAN A PACKAGE IN PARK.

36 THIS SCIENTIST -- WHOSE NAME IS IN POSSESSION OF THE JOURNAL AMERICAN --  
37 HAD GONE FOR A WALK THROUGH THE PARK. HE WAS TRAILED BY TWO MILITARY  
38 INTELLIGENCE OFFICERS ASSIGNED TO WATCH ALL HIS ACTIVITIES.

39 THE SCIENTIST WAS SEEN TO STOP AND HAND A SECOND MAN A PACKAGE. NO  
40 WORDS WERE EXCHANGED AND THE SECOND MAN WENT ON HIS WAY.

41 THE FBI WAS CALLED INTO THE CASE AFTER THE ROOMING HOUSE ADDRESS OF  
42 THE STRANGER HAD BEEN ASCERTAINED BY THE MILITARY INTELLIGENCE OFFICER  
43 WHO HAD TRAILED HIM.

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44 THE MAN WAS REGISTERED AS ALFRED ADAMSON.

45 THAT NIGHT, WHILE ADAMSON WAS OUT OF HIS ROOM, THE FBI ENTERED IT AND  
46 FOUND THE PACKAGE.

47 THIS PACKAGE WAS RUSHED TO WASHINGTON AND INSPECTED BY SCIENTISTS AS-  
48 SIGNED TO THE ATOMIC BOMB PROJECT.

49 IT WAS FOUND TO CONTAIN HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL DETAILS OF ATOMIC  
50 DEVELOPMENT.

51 PROOF OF THIS IMPORTANT "LEAK" SENT ALL COUNTER-ESPIONAGE GOVT GROUPS  
52 INTO IMMEDIATE ACTION.

53 THE SCIENTIST WAS IMMEDIATELY INDUCTED INTO THE ARMY, AS WERE MORE THAN  
54 ONE HUNDRED OTHER PERSONS SUBSEQUENTLY BELIEVED GUILTY OF PASSING OUT  
55 INFO ON THE ATOMIC BOMB.

56 THIS SCIENTIST IS NOW STATIONED ON AN OBSCURE SOUTH PACIFIC ISLAND  
57 WHERE HE CAN BE WATCHED.

58 ADAMSON-S ACTIVITIES SINCE THE MEETING IN THE CHICAGO PARK READ LIKE  
59 A SPY THRILLER.

60 HIS LISTS OF CONTACTS INCLUDE MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY-S NATIONAL  
61 COMMITTEE, DOCTORS, LAWYERS, AN ELECTRICAL MANUFACTURING EXECUTIVE,  
62 WORKERS IN THE SOVIET EMBASSY, SOVIET VICE-CONSULS AND NUMEROUS OTHER  
63 PERSONS IN EVERY WALK OF LIFE.

64 THE WIFE OF A PROMINENT RUSSIAN-BORN DOCTOR LIVING ON WEST END AVE.

65 SENDS CABLES TO THE ADAMSON-S WIFE IN MOSCOW. THIS CONTACT-S NAME IS  
66 IN POSSESSION OF THIS NEWSPAPER.

67 THE OWNER OF A MADISON AVE. JEWELRY STORE SERVES AS AN INTERMEDIARY FOR  
68 ADAMSON, AND ACTS AS A GO-BETWEEN FOR HIS MORE SECRET CONTACTS. HER NAME  
69 AND THE ADDRESS OF THE STORE IS IN POSSESSION OF THIS NEWSPAPER.

70 THE WIFE OF THE CHICAGO SCIENTIST NOW SERVES AS ADAMSON-S "POSTOFFICE"

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71 FROM HER BROOKLYN HOME, WHERE SHE RECEIVES MAIL FROM OUT-OF-STATE CON-  
72 TACTS. THIS MAIL, IN TURN, IS DELIVERED TO ADAMSON.  
73 NAMES OF ALL THESE PERSONS HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO GOVERNMENT AGEN-  
74 CIES BY THE NY JOURNAL AMERICAN.  
75 ADAMSON IS AWARE HE IS BEING WATCHED. TWICE HE HAS TRIED TO EVADE THE  
76 CORDON OF FBI MEN SURROUNDING HIM. ONCE HE NEARLY SUCCEEDED.  
77 A YEAR AGO ADAMSON MADE HIS FIRST EFFORT TO PASS ON INFORMATION BELIEVED  
78 GIVEN HIM BY HIS MANY CONTACTS THROUGHOUT THE US.  
79 CHASED THROUGH RED LIGHTS FOR AN HOUR.  
80 LEAVING THE APARTMENT OWNED BY THE JEWELRY STORE PROPRIETOR, ADAMSON  
81 LATE ONE NIGHT DASHED INTO A CAR WAITING FOR HIM AT THE CURB NEAR FIFTH  
82 AVE. AND SPED AWAY.  
83 TWO FBI AUTOS FOLLOWED DOWN ONE-WAY STREETS AND THROUGH RED LIGHTS FOR  
84 MORE THAN AN HOUR.  
85 WHEN ADAMSON ENTERED THE CAR, HE HAD A BRIEFCASE IN HIS HAND.  
86 GOVERNMENT AGENTS SUSPECTED ATOMIC BOMB SECRETS WERE IN THE BRIEFCASE.  
87 AFTER A WILD CHASE, THE ADAMSON CAR SLOWED DOWN AND THE SOVIET AGENT  
88 LEFT IT AT HIS HOTEL.  
89 HE WAS NOT CARRYING THE BRIEFCASE.  
90 WHILE ONE FBI CAR HAULTED TO WATCH ADAMSON, THE OTHER 6 MEN FOLLOWED  
91 THE CAR WHOSE LICENSE PLATES SUBSEQUENTLY REVEALED IT WAS OWNED BY AN  
92 EXECUTIVE OF A COMPANY WHICH DURING THE WAR MANUFACTURED SECRET RADAR

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93 EQUIPMENT.

94 THIS CAR PROCEEDED FOR A FEW BLOCKS, STOPPED AT THE CURB, AND A SOVIET  
95 VICE-MCONSUL IN NY WAS SEEN TO ENTER IT.

96 THE CAR THEN DROVE TO THE SOVIET CONSULATE.

97 THE SOVIET OFFICIAL WAS SEEN TO LEAVE THE CAR, CARRYING THE BRIEFCASE

98 WHICH ADAMSON HAD IN HIS HAND WHEN ADAMSON ENTERED THE CAR AN HOUR

99 BEFORE.

100 THE FBI CONSIDERED THIS A MAJOR DEVELOPMENT IN THE CASE AND NOTIFIED THE  
101 STATE DEPT IN WASHINGTON.

102 WHAT, IF ANY, ACTION THE STATE DEPT TOOK IS NOT KNOWN.

103 THE SOVIET OFFICIAL, LEFT THE US FOR MOSCOW SHORTLY AFTER THE INCIDENT

104 MENTIONED ABOVE. HE HAS NOT RETURNED. THE NY JOURNAL AMERICAN KNOWS

105 HIS IDENTITY.

106 THE FBI REDOUBLED ITS WATCH ON ADAMSON.

107 AGENTS LISTENED IN ON MEETINGS OF THE JEWELRY STORE OWNER AND ADAMSON.

108 THEY KNEW THIS JEWELRY STORE EXECUTIVE HAD A FRIEND IN THE SOVIET EM-

109 BASSY IN WASHINGTON. THE FBI ALSO BELIEVED THAT THIS WAS ONE OF

110 ADAMSON-S LINKS WITH HIS RUSSIAN SUPERIORS.

111 THE G MEN ALSO WATCHED LETTERS RECEIVED AT ADAMSON-S BROOKLYN "MAILDROP,"

112 AS THEY CALLED THE INTERMEDIARY CONTACT.

113 IT WAS ALSO LEARNED THAT A PROMINENT CALIFORNIA COMMUNIST WAS IN CON-

114 STANT TOUCH WITH ADAMSON.

115 ATTEMPTED TO BUY ATOMIC SECRETS

116 IN CHECKING ON THIS WEST COAST RED, THE FBI DISCOVERED THE COMMUNIST

117 HAD ATTEMPTED TO BUY ATOMIC SECRETS FROM SCIENTISTS ATTACHED TO THE

118 UNIV. OF CALIFORNIA.

119 THE FBI SOON ESTABLISHED THAT THIS RED WAS ONE OF ADAMSON-S MAIN CONTACTS.

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120 THEY LEARNED THE COMMUNIST WAS A FORMER POLITICAL COMMISSAR OF THE  
121 ABRAHAM LINCOLN BRIGADE IN SPAIN AND WAS SERVING AS ADAMSON-S LIAISON  
122 IN WEST COAST ATOMIC BOMB ESPIONAGE.  
123 AT ONE TIME, ADAMSON ALSO ELUDED HIS WATCHERS.  
124 LEAVING THE APARTMENT OF A "CONTACT" AT ONE AM EARLY LAST JANUARY,  
125 ADAMSON TOOK THE FRIEND-S DOG FOR AN AIRING. TWO FBI CARS WERE PARKED  
126 AT BOTH SIDE STREETS.  
127 ADAMSON LEAPED INTO A PASSING TAXI AND BEFORE THE FBI MACHINES COULD  
128 CIRCLE THE BLOCK AND TAKE UP HIS TRIAL, THE SOVIET AGENT HAD DISAPPEARED.  
129 THE FBI HURRIEDLY ALERTED MORE THAN FOUR HUNDRED AGENTS IN THE NY AREA.  
130 BY DAWN, DESPITE A FINE-TOOTH COMBING OF THE CITY, ADAMSON HAD NOT BEEN  
131 FOUND.  
132 THE FBI NOTIFIED ALL AGENTS THROUGHOUT THE NATION.  
133 TWO FBI MEN ON THE LOOKOUT IN CHICAGO-S UNION STATION SPOTTED ADAMSON  
134 THIRTYSIX HOURS LATER.  
135 WITH HIM WAS THE EXECUTIVE OF THE RADAR MANUFACTURING CO. BOTH WERE  
136 CARRYING LUGGAGE AND BRIEFCASES.  
137 THE FBI LATER ESTABLISHED THAT THE RADAR EXECUTIVE HAD MET ADAMSON AT  
138 GRAND CENTRAL TERMINAL AN HOUR AFTER HIS ESCAPE IN NY AND HAD GONE WITH  
139 HIM TO CHICAGO.  
140 WHILE ONE G MAN TRAILED THE PAIR THROUGH THE CHICAGO STATION, ANOTHER  
141 CALLED THE FBI OFFICE. A DOZEN MORE FBI MEN WERE SENT TO AID.  
142 SOON ADAMSON AND HIS CONFEDERATE DISCOVERED THEY WERE BEING WATCHED.  
143 THE LATTER RETURNED TO NY, AND ADAMSON PRCHASED A RAILROAD TICKET TO  
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144 PORTLAND, ORE.

145 UPON HIS RETURN HERE, ADAMSON-S COLLEAGUE TELEPHONED "CONTACTS"  
146 AND DECLARED "THE FBI SPOTTED US IN CHICAGO. WE ALMOST GOT AWAY. ADAM-  
147 SON IS TRYING TO MAKE THE WEST COAST GET ABOARD A SOVIET SHIP."  
148 PART OF THE LUGGAGE WAS BROUGHT BACK BY THE SOVIET AGENTS CONFE-  
149 DERATE. THE REST WAS CARRIED BY ADAMSON.

150 THE FURTIVE, LITTLE SOVIET AGENT CONTINUED ON TO DENVER, HIS TRAIN *Wagon*  
151 SWARMING WITH FBI MEN. WORD HAD GONE OUT OVER NATIONAL FBI TELETYPES  
152 THAT ADAMSON WAS TRYING TO MAKE A BREAK.

153 TO AVERT SUSPICION, FBI MEN WERE CHANGED AT EVERY STOP. SOME WERE DIS-  
154 GUISED AS CONDUCTORS AND BRAKEMEN. OTHERS RODE AS PASSENGERS IN  
155 SEATS BEHIND AND IN FRONT OF HIM.

156 WHEN HE ARRIVED IN PORTLAND, ADAMSON CHECKED PART OF HIS LUGGAGE AND,  
157 CARRYING A BRIEFCASE, TOOK A CAB TO THE DOCKS.

158 MEANWHILE, THE FBI HAD NOTIFIED THE STATE DEPARTMENT THAT ADAMSON WAS  
159 ATTEMPTING TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY, AND IT WAS BELIEVED HE MIGHT HAVE  
160 ATOMIC BOMB SECRETS IN HIS POSSESSION.

161 THE FBI REQUESTED PERMISSION TO ARREST ADAMSON FOR ESPIONAGE.

162 ADAMSON WAS NOT ARRESTED.

163 WHEN HE ARRIVED AT THE DOCKS, HE EYED SEVERAL SOVIET SHIPS TIED  
164 UP THERE, THEN LOOKED AT THE CORDON OF MORE THAN ONE HUNDRED SHARP-  
165 EYED G MEN LINED UP NEAR THE GANGPLANK.

166 MANY OF THEM HAD THEIR HANDS IN THEIR POCKETS.

167 ADAMSON TURNED AWAY FROM THE DOCKS, MADE ONE OR TWO FUTILE ATTEMPTS  
168 TO SHAKE THE TRAILING GOVERNMENT CARS AND THEN TOOK A TRAIN BACK TO

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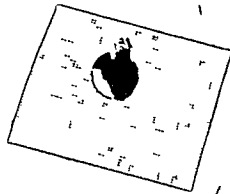
170 RESUMES HIS WORK WITH "CONTACTS"  
171 HE WAS TRAILED BACK ACROSS THE CONTINENT.  
172 FBI MEN, ANGERED BY WASHINGTON-S REFUSAL TO TAKE ACTION, PRIVATELY  
173 HOPED HE WOULD SHOOT IT OUT WITH THEM.  
174 HOWEVER, ADAMSON MADE NO FURTHER EFFORTS TO ESCAPE AND RESUMED HIS  
175 CAUTIOUS WORK WITH "CONTACTS" UPON HIS RETURN HERE.  
176 THROUGH HIS DEVIOUS AND HIGHLY-CORRELATED SYSTEM OF "CONTACTS," STOOL-  
177 PIGEONS, BRIBED GOVERNMENT PERSONNEL AND COMMUNIST PARTY POTENTATES,  
178 HE HAS HAD ACCESS TO SOME OF THE MOST CAREFULLY-WATCHED SECRETS IN  
179 AMERICAN MILITARY HISTORY.  
180 THE ARREST OF ADAMSON CANNOT BE MADE WITHOUT THE SANCTION OF THE STATE  
181 DEPT, WHICH MUST RULE ON THE SEIZURE OF AGENTS WORKING FOR A FOREIGN  
182 POWER  
183 PROOF OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THIS KREMLIN VASSAL WAS GIVEN THE STATE  
184 DEPT TWO YEARS AGO, SINCE THAT TIME THE FBI HAS BEEN IN CONSTANT COMMUNI-  
185 CATION WITH OFFICIALS OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT REGARDING HIS OPERATION.  
186 YET ADAMSON AND HIS CONFEDERATES ARE STILL NOT UNDER ARREST."

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Director, FBI

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Dear Sir:

~~DEFERRED RECORDING~~

Reference is made to the telephonic instructions received by the writer from the Bureau, through Supervisor LISH WHITSON, to contact, in company with a representative of the [redacted] General D. C. DRAPER, Chief Constable, City Police, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, in connection with the case of ARTHUR ADAMS.

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In accordance with Bureau instructions, the writer, accompanied by [redacted] of the [redacted] contacted General DRAPER on Thursday, December 20, 1945, at Toronto. In accordance with the Bureau's desires, the necessary background information regarding ADAMS was explained to General DRAPER in the strictest confidence, after which [redacted] explained the specific details with regard to the Canadian angles of the ADAMS case. After a discussion of the matter, General DRAPER stated that, although he would, of course, furnish the fullest cooperation to the Federal Bureau of Investigation and [redacted] in any way possible, he did not feel that he was in a position to render an opinion as to what, if any, violation had been committed by ADAMS during the latter's stay in Toronto in 1936. This statement, of course, was made specifically with regard to the false birth certificate obtained by ADAMS. General DRAPER referred the writer and [redacted] to the Senior Crown Attorney for the City of Toronto, J. W. MC FADDEN.

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Mr. MC FADDEN was contacted, therefore, and, in view of the fact that General DRAPER and [redacted] stated that Mr. MC FADDEN was absolutely and unquestionably trustworthy, the matter was gone into with Mr. MC FADDEN in line with the Bureau's desires. The necessity for extreme confidence in the matter was appreciated by Mr. MC FADDEN. At the conclusion of the interview, Mr. MC FADDEN rendered his opinion, as the Senior Crown Attorney for the City of Toronto, as follows:

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Director, FBI

December 26, 1945

RE: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, was.  
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He feels that there is insufficient evidence at the present time to prosecute ADAMS in Canada for the offense of making a false affidavit, at the same time stating that his opinion is subject to revision should a confession be obtained from ADAMS or other principals, such as MAURICE SHELL MILLSTONE, of Toronto, at some future date. S

The above confirms the advice telephonically furnished on December 26, 1945, to Supervisor LISH WHITSON, at the Bureau. No further action is contemplated in the absence of specific Bureau instructions. S

Very truly yours,

*Jeremiah F. Buckley*  
JEREMIAH F. BUCKLEY  
Assistant Special Agent in Charge

JFB:MD  
100-9635

cc: New York City



Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
New York, New York

January 10, 1946

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Director, FBI

Re: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS;  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R  
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(Bureau File 100-331280)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to our letter of January 7, 1946 in which you were given information as submitted by a Confidential Informant concerning the above captioned subject.

It has been observed that the Informant in this matter was erroneously designated as [redacted] when in fact it should have been NYT-244. Care will be taken to avoid such errors in the future.

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Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY  
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United States Department of Justice

New York, New York

January 3, 1946

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Director, FBI

Re: JUSTIFICATION LETTERS  
ARTHUR ADAMS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter of December 19, 1945 relative to the above captioned subject matter. Reference letter requested that the New York Office advise as to the period covered in justification letters submitted on December 5th and December 6th on Confidential Informants NYT-244, 281, 269 and 314. The desired information is being set forth below:

✓NYT-244	--	Period covered	11-6-45	to	12-5-45
✓NYT-281	--	"	"	"	"
✓NYT-269	--	"	"	"	"
✓NYT-314	--	"	"	"	"

Very truly yours;

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December 27, 1945

SAC New York

John Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Dr. Louis Miller  
Internal Security - R  
Your file #100-40396

Reference is made to your letter dated December 5, 1945 in connection with the above-entitled case wherein you request that a photographic copy of a one-page letter written in Spanish dated "18 de junio de 1945" from "Fernando Ferraz, Avenida Chapultepec #25, Cuernavaca" previously examined in the Laboratory be forwarded to your office.

In accordance with your request, a photographic copy of this letter, which is designated as Q12 and Q13 (Bureau file #100-331280), is attached.

Enclosure

cc: Bureau file #100-331280

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New York, 7, New York

December 5, 1945

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Director, FBI  
Att.: FBI Laboratory

ARTHUR ALEXANDRICH ADAMS

Re: DR. LOUIS MILLER  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R  
Lab #D-41153 BE  
CR-9443 DW  
PC-14890 AZ

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the report of F.B.I. Laboratory dated August 11, 1945 in regard to the above captioned.

It is reflected in said report that a photostatic copy of a one-page letter written in Spanish dated "18 de junio de 1945 from Fernando Ferraz, Avenida Chapultepec #25, Cuernavaca" to Dr. LOUIS MILLER, 400 West End Avenue, New York City was made by the Laboratory.

It is requested that a photographic copy of the questioned letter be forwarded to this office.

Very truly yours,

E. E. CONROY,  
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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: January 21, 1946

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: SABINA ROTHKOFF ADAMS, with aliases: Sabina Rotkoff Adams, Bina Rotkoff Adams, Sabina Rothkopf Adamoff, Sabina Rotkoff Adamoff, Rina Adams, Sabina Ratkoff, Sabina Rothkoff, Sabine Rotroff, Sabina Rotcoff, Sabina Rotkoff  
INTERNAL SECURITY (R)  
(REFER 5 IS)  
Bureau file 100-331280

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Reference is made to letter from the New York Office to the Bureau in the above captioned matter dated August 7, 1945, in which letter is set forth information obtained from an interview with SABINA R. ADAMS. It is noted that SABINA was questioned at that time as closely as deemed advisable, nothing being mentioned to arouse her suspicions of the current investigation of ARTHUR ADAMS. It was suggested in reference letter that should circumstances change so as to indicate the advisability of doing so, SABINA could be reinterviewed at a later date for further specific data which she may have.

A review of the file in instant case and of the file on ARTHUR ADAMS reflects that SABINA ADAMS has had no personal contact with ARTHUR ADAMS or any of his close associates and that there is no indication that SABINA is aware of ARTHUR ADAMS' present address in New York City.

In view of the above, this case is being closed, subject to being reopened in the event ARTHUR ADAMS' arrest is authorized by the Bureau or in the event circumstances have so changed as to make it advisable to reinterview SABINA relative to ARTHUR ADAMS' birth place and background.

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

*JAC*

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CONF WASH 7 AND LOS ANGELES 1 AND SAN FRANCISCO 1 FROM NEW YORK 25  
 7-43 PM  
 DIRECTOR AND SACS U R G E N T

*W. J. ...*

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, WAS., IS - R. SUBJECT LAST SEEN NYC APPROXIMATELY FIVE PM JANUARY TWENTY THIRD LAST. ALL INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE HERE TO DATE NEGATIVE. BUTTE OFFICE REQUESTED TO ATTEMPT TO ARRANGE FOR APPROPRIATE CHECK OF ALL RUSSIAN PLANES STOPPING OR LEAVING GREAT FALLS, MONTANA DESTINED OUT OF THE UNITED STATES, FOR SUBJECT. HOWEVER, EXTREME CARE SHOULD BE TAKEN THAT BUREAU INTEREST OR IDENTITY OF ANY BUREAU AGENT IS NOT DISCLOSED. FURTHER, NOTHING SHOULD BE DONE TO DELAY DEPARTURE OF ANY PLANE. PORTLAND, SAN FRANCISCO, AND SEATTLE SHOULD ARRANGE FOR APPROPRIATE CHECKS OF PASSENGERS OF ALL RUSSIAN SHIPS PRESENTLY IN PORT OR DESTINED TO LEAVE IN IMMEDIATE FUTURE FROM U.S. DALLAS, HOUSTON AND EL PASO SHOULD ARRANGE FOR APPROPRIATE STOPS AT ALL BORDER EXITS. STOPS ALREADY PLACED ON NATIONAL SCALE WITH US CUSTOMS. HOWEVER, ALL OFFICES SHOULD ALERT CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS SO THAT THEY MAY BE ADVISED OF ANY ATTEMPT OF SUBJECT TO LEAVE U.S. APPROPRIATE BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT ALREADY IN POSSESSION OF ALL OFFICES. PRIOR BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS AS SET OUT IN OURTEL THREE ONE FORTY-FIVE TO THE EFFECT SUBJECT SHOULD BE PREVENTED FROM BOARDING ANY SOVIET PLANE OR VESSEL STILL STAND. WARRANTS PREVIOUSLY ISSUED IN NYC FOR SUBJECT-S ARREST STILL OUTSTANDING.

HANDLED BY STOP

CONROY

BUTTE, DALLAS, EL PASO, HOUSTON, PORTLAND, SEATTLE, AND SAN DIEGO ADVISED.

NYR 7 WA  
 TRANSMITTED TO LOSA AND SANF  
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*cc: Mr. Ladd  
 Mr. Whitson*

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

*to JJ*

TO : E. A. Tamm

FROM : D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ADAMS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

*DM Ladd*

DATE: December 3, 1945

Call: 3:40 pm

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

*W. J. [Signature]*

At the above time, ASAC Donegan, New York, called regarding the article in the "Journal American" regarding the subject. He stated the article reads just like our reports and everything is set out perfectly.

I advised that Mr. Nichols had received a call early this morning about the article and it had been agreed to kill the part about telephone coverage. I stated I told Mr. Conroy to be sure to discontinue the physical surveillance.

Mr. Donegan stated the physical is off. He advised further the article has everything in it. He stated they still have technicals on Victoria Stone and on the jewelry store and her home. They also have a technical at the hotel on Peter Cooper.

I told Mr. Donegan these technicals could remain in operation for the time being if they are secure and Mr. Donegan stated they are secure. Mr. Donegan advised he will be in Washington, D. C. tomorrow around noon.

*We must find out where this came from.*

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JOHN EDGAR HOOVER  
DIRECTOR

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice

Washington, D. C.

January 28, 1946

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

FROM: MR. STRICKLAND

RE: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. E. A. Tamm	_____
Mr. Clegg	_____
Mr. Coffey	_____
Mr. Glavin	_____
Mr. Ladd	_____
Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tracy	_____
Mr. Acers	_____
Mr. Carson	_____
Mr. Harbo	_____
Mr. Hendon	_____
Mr. Mumford	_____
Mr. Starke	_____
Mr. Quinn Tamm	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Mr. Nease	_____
Miss Beahm	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

Special Agent Granville of the New York Office phoned at 9:20 AM January 28, 1946, and stated that Arthur Alexandrovich Adams still has clothing at Victoria Stone's apartment and that investigation in New York reveals that Adams tried to get a room at the YMCA there on the night of Wednesday, January 23, 1946, and has been tentatively identified as an individual who attempted to get a room at the Allerton Hotel on the night of Thursday, January 24, 1946.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. D. M. LADD

FROM : J. C. STRICKLAND

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ADAMS;  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

DATE: January 29, 1946

5:30 PM  
1-28-46

- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- 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 Beahm \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

Special Agent R. J. Lynch of the Baltimore Office called and advised that it is quite definite that the SACONA will sail about noon today and he inquired as to having an Agent go on the boat to process the crew and passenger list with Immigration before the ship sails.

I advised Mr. Lynch not to have an Agent go on board the ship but to do the best they can as to identifying Adams. Mr. Lynch inquired as to picking up Adams if I&NS should find him on board, and I advised him that according to a teletype from the New York Office, the indictment was still outstanding, but I suggested he check with New York on that. Upon inquiry, I told Mr. Lynch they might display Adams' photograph to Immigration without telling them who he was and that they should not let Immigration take the picture on board.

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- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_
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- Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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WASH 15 CHICAGO 1 FROM NEW YORK 25 5-27 PM  
DIRECTOR AND SAC U R G E N T

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH <sup>①</sup>ADAMS. INTERNAL SECURITY R. RE CHICAGO TELEPHONE CALL TODAY. COVERAGE OF RAILROAD STATIONS AND AIRPORTS IN ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE SUBJECT MAY BE DISCONTINUED AT TWELVE MIDNIGHT, SATURDAY, JANUARY TWENTY-SIX, UNLESS BUREAU INSTRUCTS TO THE CONTRARY. IF SUBJECT LOCATED PRIOR TO THAT TIME, CHICAGO WILL BE ADVISED. CHICAGO, HOWEVER, SHOULD BE ON THE ALERT FOR ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM TECHNICAL SOURCES OR OTHER INFORMANTS FOR INFORMATION AS TO ADAMS WHEREABOUTS.

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*cc Mr. Housh*

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

*D.S.*

*W.H.T.*

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WASH FROM NEW YORK 2 20 6-26 PM

DIRECTOR URGENT

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS INTERNAL SECURITY - R REFER FIVE I. S. FOR YOUR INFORMATION SUBJECT CLOSED HIS ACCOUNT AT CORN EXCHANGE BANK DECEMBER EIGHTEENTH FORTY-FIVE BY DRAWING CHECK FOR ENTIRE BALANCE PAYABLE TO ERIC BERNEY. SURVEILLANCE REFLECTS SUBJECT STILL CONTINUES REGULAR ROUTINE. IN ACCORDANCE WITH PREVIOUS BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS, ADAMS WILL BE PLACED UNDER ARREST IF HE ATTEMPTS TO LEAVE THE UNITED STATES FOR ANY FOREIGN COUNTRY OTHER THAN CANADA. IN THE EVENT HE ATTEMPTS TO GO TO THE LATTER COUNTRY, THE BUREAU WILL BE APPROPRIATELY NOTIFIED IN ORDER THAT THE SURVEILLANCE MAY BE TAKEN UP BY THE APPROPRIATE CANADIAN OFFICIALS.

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CONROY

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*cc: Mr. Whitehead*

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. D. M. Ladd *DL*

FROM : J. C. Strickland *JCS*

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

DATE: January 25, 1946

Mr. Tolson	✓
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 Beahm	✓
Miss Gandy	✓

At 12:45 p.m., January 25, Supervisor Granville of the New York Office phoned and stated that the New York Office had requested the West Coast Offices, Philadelphia, and Newark to cover all Soviet vessels. He stated that the New York Office was still watching planes and trains for Adams. He asked whether Victoria Stone's contacts in Philadelphia and the Leof family were being checked to see if Adams was staying with them. He stated that he would ask Philadelphia to check the addresses to see if Adams could be staying there.

At 2:30 p.m., ASAC Hinze phoned from Philadelphia with regard to checking the residences of Victoria Stone's relatives and the Leof family, and was told a discreet spot check and if possible neighborhood inquiries should be made to determine whether Adams was staying with any of those people.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

LW:FVB

TO : Mr. D. M. Ladd *DL*

FROM : J. C. Strickland *JCS*

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

DATE: January 29, 1946

Mr. Tolson	_____
Mr. E. A. Tamm	_____
Mr. Clegg	_____
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Mr. Glavin	_____
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Mr. Nichols	_____
Mr. Rosen	_____
Mr. Tracy	_____
Mr. Carson	_____
Mr. Egan	_____
Mr. Hendon	_____
Mr. Pennington	_____
Mr. Quinn Tamm	_____
Tele. Room	_____
Mr. Nease	_____
Miss Beahm	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

At 5:10 P. M., January 28, 1946, Special Agent Granville phoned from New York City and stated that William Fitzhugh, a friend of Victoria Stone, had taken the Commodore Vanderbilt Limited from New York on the 28th to Chicago. Prior to his departure, Victoria Stone had taken a suitcase from her store and had given it to Fitzhugh. The agent who was surveilling Stone made inquiry of the porter on the train and the porter was told by Fitzhugh that he was taking this suitcase to Chicago for a friend. Inasmuch as the agent was surveilling Victoria Stone, he did not board the train with Fitzhugh.

The New York Office requested Albany to check the train for Fitzhugh and the suitcase and requested the Chicago Office to board the train prior to its arrival in Chicago and to cover the delivery of the suitcase to Fitzhugh's friend.

ACTION: The New York Office was advised to continue their coverage in New York and not assume that Fitzhugh's friend was Adams and that Adams was actually in Chicago. However, the possibility of Adams being in Chicago should under no circumstances be discounted.

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FIVE*DL*

**Federal Bureau of Investigation**  
**United States Department of Justice**  
**New York, New York**

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

January 16, 1946

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Director, FBI

Re: **ERIC BERNAY**  
**INTERNAL SECURITY - R**

Dear Sir:

For your information, this is to advise that ~~Confidential~~ Informant NYT-269, whose identity is known to the Bureau, reported on January 15, 1946 that the above captioned subject contacted IRVING LERNER and indicated that the latter individual was now employed with the Keynote Recordings Company, 521 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

It will be recalled that IRVING LERNER was involved in the investigation of ARTHUR ADAMS when it was observed on December 19, 1944 that ADAMS and VICTORIA STONE attended a private showing of the film "Tomorrow the World" which was released by IRVING LERNER and LOUIS LOBER, both officials of the overseas branch of the Motion Picture Bureau of OWI. At that time it was ascertained that LERNER was a former employee of the Antorg Trading Company and a film critic of the "New Masses". He also had attempted in his position of making motion pictures for OWI to take photographs of the cyclotrons at the University of Berkeley in California. The complete background of IRVING LERNER has been previously furnished the Bureau in the report of former Special Agent H. H. Hinderaker dated April 28, 1945 at New York City.

Very truly yours,

DECLASSIFIED BY 2909 D/ll  
ON 4-19-74

E. E. CONROY  
SAC

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
SLIP(S) OF  
DATE 6-5-78

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cc NY File 100-63983



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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice



New York, New York

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO  
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~~PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL~~  
December 4, 1945

Director, FBI

Attention: Assistant Director, D. M. Ladd

RE: ARTHUR ADAMS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is the "Latest News" edition of the "New York Journal-American" for December 4, 1945, containing additional data concerning the expose article on ARTHUR ADAMS in yesterday's paper.

The Bureau's attention is specifically directed to the section of the article marked in ink, the facts of which closely resemble the ANDREI I. SCHEVCHENKO case.

Very truly yours,

DECLASSIFIED BY 2909 D/S/H  
ON 4-19-76

E. E. CONROY  
SAC

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
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Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Egan \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_  
 Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
 Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

*1/26/46 8:45 PM*  
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*WFO*

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FBI SAN FRANCISCO 1-26-46 1-50 PM JHL  
 DIRECTOR AND SACS, NEW YORK AND PORTLAND U R G E N T

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH <sup>①</sup>ADAMS, WAS, INTERNAL SECURITY - R.  
 RE CONFERENCE TELETYPE OF JANUARY TWENTYFIVE LAST. APPROPRIATE  
 STOPS PLACED WITH CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS, SAN FRANCISCO,  
 AS WELL AS MOORE-MCCORMACK LINES, AGENTS FOR SOVIET VESSELS,  
 SAN FRANCISCO WHEREBY THIS OFFICE WILL BE ADVISED IN EVENT ADAMS  
 ATTEMPTS TO BOARD SOVIET VESSEL HERE. IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS WILL  
 ALSO ADVISE IN EVENT ADAMS ATTEMPTS TO BOARD ANY VESSEL CLEARING  
 FROM SAN FRANCISCO. LAST SOVIET VESSEL DEPARTED SAN FRANCISCO  
 JANUARY TWENTY LAST AND NONE PRESENTLY IN THIS PORT. CUSTOMS OFFICIALS  
 ADVISE MOST SOVIET VESSELS CLEARING FROM PORTLAND.

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*HAIR*  
*[Signature]*

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 ✓ NY OK FBI NYC LED  
 ✓ PD OK FBI PD DEJ  
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*cc Mr. [Signature]*

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SAC, New York

February 12, 1946

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

ERIC BERNAY  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R  
Refer 5 IS

Reference is made to your letter dated January 30, 1946, in which you state that unless advised to the contrary, the mail covers will be continued for the next thirty days on the subject at 160 Bennett Avenue and at 522 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Authorization is hereby granted to continue the mail covers on the subject at the addresses above mentioned for the next thirty days.

*Handwritten signatures and initials:*  
- Large cursive signature (possibly "Guth")  
- "L. J. P. H."  
- "g. h. g."

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Memorandum  
FEB 15 1946

- Mr. Tolson
- 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
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: ERIC BERNAY  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R  
Refer 5 IS

DATE: January 30, 1946

*HANNA*

Unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau, mail covers on the above subject are being continued for the next thirty days at 160 Bennett Avenue and at 522 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

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Director, FBI

February 1, 1946

Through the cooperation of the night Chief House Officer of the Drake Hotel arrangements were made for a confidential examination of FITZHUGH'S rooms, as well as his luggage. Examination of the luggage brought to FITZHUGH by VICTORIA STONE disclosed that it contained nothing but women's clothing consisting of several dresses, lingerie, a pair of shoes, a hand-bag and some toilet articles. It also contained a sealed envelope heavily perfumed with the words "To My Secret Love" written in red ink. The only other writing in the case was a letter addressed to Mr. and Mrs. W. W. FITZHUGH. This letter had been opened and consisted of one page of handwritten material which appeared to be entirely personal. An examination of the other two pieces of luggage carried by FITZHUGH from New York to Chicago failed to reveal anything of value to the investigation.

Upon determining that the luggage carried by FITZHUGH would add nothing to the investigation concerning ADAMS, the surveillance of FITZHUGH was immediately discontinued.

The New York office was telephonically advised of the discontinuance of the surveillance at 9:20 AM on January 30, 1946.

It is requested that the New York office advise the Chicago Field Division as to when the cover presently being maintained at leading hotels in Chicago may be withdrawn.

WLR:DB  
100-17493

CC New York

## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. E. A. TAMM

FROM : Mr. D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT:

DATE: 12/11/45

Call: 3:50 P.M.

Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_

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Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_

Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_

Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Beahm \_\_\_\_\_

Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

SAC E. E. Conroy of New York called me at the above time and advised he just received a call from U. S. Attorney Jack McGohey who had received a call from Jim McInerney. Mr. McInerney stated he had been informed by the Bureau that the FBI was going to arrest Adams unless advised to the contrary. Mr. Conroy advised him that this could not be so and Mr. McGohey inquired as to the circumstances. SAC Conroy told him that the Consulate General might be leaving aboard that boat and the presumption was that Adams might possibly go, that the Bureau up there had instructions to pick him up in the event he attempted to leave the United States although there is nothing urgent about it.

I advised Mr. Conroy that Mr. Whitson had been called to Mr. Caudle's office in the Criminal Division of the Department at noon today and while over there he pointed out that we were going to serve the warrant if he decided to leave the United States. I told Mr. Conroy that Mr. Caudle agreed that this was fine, that the Bureau should proceed along those lines. I advised him that Mr. McInerney was present at the conference and should have known what took place. He stated that Mr. McGohey was concerned about the idea they had that the Bureau was just going out and pick him up, that they were told the Attorney General was on his way up there, et cetera. Mr. Conroy stated he advised Mr. McGohey there was no need to be disturbed, and so forth.

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Arthur Alexandrovitch Adams

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JAN 31 1946

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Mr. Nease.....
Miss Gandy.....

WASH FROM NEW YORK 4 31 1-41 P

DIRECTOR URGENT

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, IS-R. REFER FIVE IS. FOR BUREAU-S  
INFO SUBJECTS RENT FOR ROOM ONE ONE NAUGHT THREE IN PETER COOPER  
HOTEL, ONE THREE NAUGHT EAST THIRTYNINTH ST, NYC, EXPIRES TONIGHT.  
MANAGER STATES THAT HE PLANS TO GIVE SUBJ TWO DAYS GRACE UNTIL  
FEB SECOND AT WHICH TIME THE ROOM WILL BE TAKEN OVER AND ~~RENTED~~  
RENTED TO SOME ONE ELSE. SURVEILLANCE PRESENTLY BEING MAINTAINED  
AT HOTEL WILL BE RETAILED UNTIL FEB SECOND, AT WHICH TIME IT WILL  
BE REMOVED. AT THAT TIME STOPS WILL BE PLACED WITH THE HOTEL  
MANAGEMENT WHEREBY THE NYO WILL BE IMMEDIATELY NOTIFIED IN THE  
EVENT OF THE SUBJECTS RETURN TO THE HOTEL.

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JAN 30 1946

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Mr. Quinn Tamm	.....
Mr. Nease	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

*No action  
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ARTHUR ADAMS, IS-R. IN CONNECTION WITH INVESTIGATION TO LOCATE  
SUBJ, AUTHORITY REQUESTED TO INSERT FOLLOWING AD "NY TIMES" <sup>HANDLED BY</sup> "ST. FOR" <sub>ST. FOR</sub>  
ONE WEEK. "WANTED MECHANICAL ENGINEER, EXPERIENCE RECORD MANUFACTURING,  
MIDWEST FIRM. STATE EXPERIENCE AND SALARY. BOX DASH TIMES."

EXPENDITURE FOR AD WILL BE APPROXIMATELY TWELVE DOLLARS

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F.D. telephonically  
advised of authority  
6:30 P.M.*

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- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_
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- Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Acers \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Harbo \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Mumford \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Starke \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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1-29-46  
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11:32 AM

HANDLED BY  
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ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, WAS IS R. RE CONFERENCE TELETYPE OF JANUARY 25 LAST. APPROPRIATE STOPS PLACED WITH IMMIGRATION OFFICE WHO ADVISE ONLY ONE RUSSIAN SHIP IN PORT WHICH SAILED JANUARY 28 LAST WITHOUT ANY PASSENGERS. ARRANGEMENTS MADE TO RECEIVE NOTIFICATION OF ADAMS ENDEAVORS TO LEAVE ABOARD RUSSIAN VESSEL DEPARTING PORTLAND.

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- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_
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DIRECTOR AND SACS URGENT

3 2-18 P  
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ARTHUR A. ADAMS, ISR. ERIC BERNAY AND HARRY LIM DEPARTED NYC VIA UNITED AIRLINES, FLIGHT 45, 11:30 AM TODAY FOR SAN FRANCISCO. BERNAY WEARING A BROWN HAT AND TOP COAT, GREEN AND BROWN BOW TIE, A BROWN SUIT WITH GRAY STRIPES, AND BROWN SHOES. STILL PLAN TO PROCEED TO LOS ANGELES VIA UNITED AIRLINES, FLIGHT 552 FROM SAN FRANCISCO. LIM DESCRIBED AS THIRTY ONE, FIVE FEET THREE INCHES, ONE FIFTEEN LBS, BALD, BLACK EYES, SALLOW COMPLEXION, ORIENTAL RACE, DUTCH CITIZEN. INFO IN NY FILES REFLECTS LIM EXPECTS TO BE DEPORTED TO JAVA WITHIN NEXT SIX MONTHS. LIM DESCRIBED AS FIVE FEET FOUR, NO HAT, AND GRAY SUIT.

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NY R LA 1 AND SF 1 TRANSMITTED

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*cc: Mr. Whitcomb*

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Mr. Nease	.....
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WASH 8 LOS ANGELES 3 SAN FRANCISCO 2 FROM NEW YORK 31  
DIRECTOR AND SACS URGENT

5-47 PM

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ARTHUR A. ADAMS, IS-R. ERIC BERNAY, ASSOCIATE OF SUBJECT AND HEAD OF KEYNOTE RECORDINGS COMPANY WHERE SUBJECT EMPLOYED, SCHEDULED TO LEAVE NYC VIA UNITED AIRLINES, FLIGHT FORTYFIVE FOR SAN FRANCISCO AT ELEVEN THIRTY A. M. FEBRUARY THREE, FORTYSIX. ARRIVES SAN FRANCISCO FIVE FORTYFOUR A. M. FEBRUARY FOUR AND IS SCHEDULED TO LEAVE SAN FRANCISCO FOR LOS ANGELES ON FLIGHT FIVE FIVE TWO SAME DAY. BERNAY TO BE ACCOMPANIED BY ONE HARRY LIM, RECORDING DIRECTOR OF KEYNOTE. PURPOSE OF TRIP SUPPOSEDLY TO STRAIGHTEN OUT PRODUCTION PROBLEMS OF KEYNOTE AND BERNAY PLANS TO VISIT WILLIAM SEVERSKY / PHONETIC / OF GENERAL RECORDS, LOS ANGELES, AND POSSIBLY RICHARD NELSON OF RECORD PRODUCTIONS, INC., LOS ANGELES. HOWEVER, AS BERNAY BELIEVED TO HAVE ASSISTED ADAMS IN ATTEMPTED FIRST DISAPPEARANCE IN FEBRUARY, NINETEEN FORTYFIVE, IT IS REQUESTED HE BE UNDER SURVEILLANCE DURING TIME ON WEST COAST FOR ANY POSSIBLE CONTACT WITH ADAMS. BERNAY PLANS TO REMAIN ON WEST COAST THREE TO FOUR WEEKS, BUT NO INDICATION AS TO PLACE OF RESIDENCE. INFORMANT ALSO ADVISES HE PLANS TO CONTACT EARL MURRAY, UNITED AIRLINE EMPLOYEE IN

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LOS ANGELES, AND BUD SWENSON, UNITED AIRLINE EMPLOYEE IN SAN FRANCISCO, RELATIVE TO RETURN TRIP. THESE TWO BOTH IN TRAFFIC DEPT. OF UNITED AIRLINES AND WERE RECOMMENDED TO BERNAY BY MYRON HOFFMAN, UNITED AIRLINE EMPLOYEE IN NY. BERNAY DESCRIBED AS THIRTYNINE, FIVE FEET TEN INCHES, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY POUNDS, DARK COMPLEXION AND HAIR, BROWN EYES, JEWISH RACE, ~~BROWN~~ <sup>BLACK</sup> MUSTACHE, WEARS RIMLESS GLASSES, IS EXCELLENT DRESSER AND WHILE IN NY AREA HAS CONTINUOUSLY BEEN ON LOOKOUT FOR SURVEILLANCE. NO DESCRIPTION AVAILABLE OF HARRY LIM.

SAN FRANCISCO REQUESTED TO COVER BERNAY AND LIM-S ARRIVAL THAT CITY AND ADVISE LOS ANGELES AS TO DEPARTURE. NY WILL FURTHER ADVISE AS TO EXACT TIME OF DEPARTURE HERE AND ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION KNOWN.

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- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Gurnea
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Jones
- Mr. Pennington
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- Mr. Nease
- Miss Beahm
- Miss Gandy

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Record of Telephone Call or Visitor

Re: *Arthur Alexandrovich Adams*  
*Int Sec. R*

Mr. *Frederick Woltman* from *New York* - phoned *York*, thru oper.

Phone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Hour *2:06pm* Date *Dec. 3, 1945*

REMARKS

*Arthur Alexandrovich Adams*

When he was told that Mr. Hoover was out of the office, he consented to speak with an assistant. After checking, the call was transferred to Mr. Bachman in the Interview Room.

*2:21pm*

*New York NY*

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*STOP DESK*

*Mr. Bachman* stated that he wanted to report that the *Journal American* was coming out with a story regarding the FBI making a surveillance on a Russian Agent. He told Mr. Woltman the Bureau had no comment to make at this time, and that he was giving the information to Mr. Jones and Mr. Nichols.

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Mr. Woltman is with the *New York World-Telegram* and of course was interested in getting any information the Bureau had to give out concerning any Russian agent that the *Journal-American* is writing about. The article in the *Journal-American* is probably the *Arthur Adams* case.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
Suite 1729 - 111 Sutter Street  
San Francisco, California  
February 4, 1946

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AIRMAIL

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
SLIP(S) OF Declass  
DATE 6-5-78 DPH

Director, FBI

RE: ARTHUR A. ADAMS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

DECLASSIFIED BY 2909 DSH  
ON 11-19-78

Dear Sir:

Please be informed that ERIC BERNAY and HARRY LIM arrived in San Francisco, California, via United Airlines Flight No. 45 from New York at 5:30 A. M., February 4, 1946. They both departed on United Airlines Flight No. 552 for Los Angeles at 7:00 A. M., February 4, 1946.

While waiting at the airport for the Los Angeles flight, BERNAY was noted by the surveillings agents MARTIN E. CAREY and FRANK R. WARNER to greet an unknown man. The unknown man and BERNAY seemed to be acquainted and engaged in conversation until the Los Angeles flight departed, when they both boarded the plane. Just prior to boarding the plane, BERNAY introduced the unknown man to LIM. The unknown man is described as 37 years old, 5'11" in height, 175 pounds, with black hair, receding at temples, dark complexion, heavy set, and wearing gray top-coat and suit, no hat, and brown shoes.

BERNAY and LIM, while awaiting the Los Angeles trip, made no telephone calls, but BERNAY sent a telegram from the airport via the direct Western Union telephone. According to Special Agent T. O. DAVIS, Confidential Informant SF-23 advised the telegram stated: "KNICKERBOCKER HOTEL, LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. ARRIVING 10:05 AM. APPRECIATE RESERVATION AS PER LETTER LAST WEEK. ERIC BERNAY."

The above information, with the exception of the contents of the telegram, was telephoned to the Los Angeles Office at 8:45 A. M., February 4, 1946.

In efforts to identify the unknown man who conversed with ERIC BERNAY at the San Francisco Airport and who boarded the Los Angeles bound plane with BERNAY, a check was made with United Airlines, and it was found that travel of the following originated at San Francisco:



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Director from SAC, San Francisco

February 4, 1946

RE: ARTHUR A. ADAMS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

F. PRESOTTO - holds return reservation, Flight 585 for 2/6/46  
H. B. ALLEN - " " " Flight 585 for 2/6/46  
D. D. McCONNELL - " " " Flight 553 for 2/4/46

C. M. BLOCK - proceeding to Phoenix, Arizona, via  
United Airlines, 1:00 P. M., 2/4/46

T. ALLAN  
BUSS  
B. C. MANUEL  
ROWE  
DRAKE  
J. MINISIAN

No further information could be immediately obtained concerning the last six names listed above, but it is possible that from all of the foregoing, the Los Angeles Office might be able to determine the identity of the unknown contact of BERNAY.

Very truly yours,

*C. W. Stein*  
C. W. STEIN  
SAC

MJC/jo  
100-24541  
cc: Los Angeles (AMSD)  
New York (Airmail)

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- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_
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- Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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WASHINGTON FROM NEW YORK 11 4 4-49 PM  
DIRECTOR URGENT

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, IS R, REFER 5 IS. SERVICES OF  
CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT NYT 244 TEMPORARILY DISCONTINUED AS OF  
10:00 AM TODAY INASMUCH AS SUBJECT'S ROOM HAS BEEN RENTED TO ANOTHER  
PARTY.

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New York 7, New York

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ON 4-29-78

February 11, 1946  
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Director, FBI

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY ROUTING SLIP(S) OF DATE 6-5-78  
Re: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R  
REFER 5 I.S.

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that the services of Confidential Informant NYT-314 have been utilized in the investigation of the captioned subject at his place of business, the Keynote Recordings Company, 522 Fifth Avenue, New York City during the period of January 6th to February 5th, 1946.

As an example of the cooperation being extended by this Informant, it is noted that on January 29, 1946 he advised that JACOB ARONOFF attempted to reach ARTHUR ADAMS at the Keynote Company but with negative results. According to the Informant, ARONOFF was advised that ADAMS had not been in the office for several days and that attempts to reach him at his hotel had been to no avail. ARONOFF, in turn, stated that the last time he had seen ADAMS, the subject had been rather ill and, consequently, he contemplated attempting to reach him at his hotel. This Informant has also given information on other contacts of ADAMS and also of attempts of ADAMS' associates to reach him at the Keynote Company.

Inasmuch as the above captioned subject is presently not under surveillance, it is felt that the services of this confidential Informant should be retained in view of the possibility that he might be able to supply some knowledge as to the subject's whereabouts. Thus, unless advised to the contrary, the services of NYT 314 are being retained.

Very truly yours,

*E. E. Conroy*

E. E. CONROY,  
SAC

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
New York-7, New York

Mr. Tolson.....
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Mr. Clegg.....
Mr. Glavin.....
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February 11, 1946

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Director, FBI

Req ERIC BERNAY  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R  
REFER 5 I.S.

DECLASSIFIED BY 2907  
ON 4-19-78

Dear Sir:

The services of Confidential Informant NYT 281 have been utilized during the period of January 6th to February 5th, 1946 in the investigation of the above captioned subject at his place of employment, the Keynote Recordings Company, 522 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

This Informant was able to advise on January 25, 1946 that ERIC BERNAY attempted to reach ARTHUR ADAMS, Soviet Espionage Agent, at the latter's residence, the Peter Cooper Hotel, 130 East 39th Street, New York City. According to the Informant, BERNAY was unsuccessful but left word that ADAMS should contact him at the office of the Keynote Company.

As the Bureau is aware, the services of this Informant are utilized in the Keynote office where ADAMS was formerly employed. Consequently, the Informant is also able to report on the attempts of various associates of ADAMS to contact him at this office. Inasmuch as ADAMS is presently lost, it is felt that this Informant might possibly be of aid in locating him.

In view of the outlining information as obtained from Informant concerning BERNAY and the possible aid he can render in the ADAMS' investigation, his services are being retained.

Very truly yours,

*E. E. Conroy*  
E. E. CONROY,  
SAC

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEBRUARY 19, 1946

To COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

URGENT

Transmit the following message to

PLEASE ENCODE

SAC, LOS ANGELES

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, INTERNAL SECURITY, R. SUBJECT'S ALIEN REGISTRATION FINGERPRINT CARD BEARS CLASSIFICATION TWENTYTWO, L OVER S, ONE OVER ONE, U OVER T, INNER, INNER, INNER, OVER OUTER, OUTER, FINAL RIGHT, REFERENCE U OVER U. BUREAU CANNOT STATE THAT THESE FINGERPRINTS ARE ACTUALLY THOSE OF SUBJECT SINCE SUBJECT HAS FALSIFIED MOST GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS FILED BY HIM. LOS ANGELES SHOULD MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO BE IMMEDIATELY NOTIFIED SHOULD ANYONE IDENTIFY THE AMNESIA VICTIM NOW BEING HELD BY LA PD, PARTICULARLY IF IDENTIFICATION SHOULD BE EFFECTED BY A PERSON CONNECTED WITH SOVIET CONSULATE OR BY A FRIEND OR ASSOCIATE OF ERIC BEEMAY, OR BY ANY INDIVIDUAL UNDER INVESTIGATION IN COMRAP.

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CC: SAC, NEW YORK BY MAIL

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- Mr E A Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr Clegg \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr Coffey \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr Glavin \_\_\_\_\_
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- Mr Pennington \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

MAR 19 1946

SENT VIA

Teletype 2-20-46 2:43 AM

Per WHL

- The Director
  - Mr. Tolson
  - Mr. Ladd
  - Mr. Harbo
  - Mr. Rosen
  - Mr. Clegg
  - Mr. Glavin
  - Mr. Nichols
  - Mr. Tracy
  - Mr. Hendon
  - Mr. Pennington
  - Mr. Quinn Tamm
  - Mr. Nease
  - Mr. Welch
  - Miss Gandy
- Records Section
  - Personnel Files
  - Send File
  - Bring file up-to-date
  - Search, serialize, and route
  - Reading Room
  - Mechanical Section
  - Call me re this
  - Note and return

<u>MR.</u>	Mr. Tolson.....	
	Mr. E. A. Tamm.....	
	Mr. Clegg.....	
	Mr. Glavin.....	
	Mr. Ladd.....	
<input type="checkbox"/> Miss Stalcup	Mr. Nichols.....	Stamp and mail
<input type="checkbox"/> Miss Gray	Mr. Rosen.....	Prepare tickler
<input type="checkbox"/> Miss Butcher	Mr. Tracy.....	Call these files
	Mr. Carson.....	File
	Mr. Egan.....	
	Mr. Gurnea.....	
<input type="checkbox"/> See Me	Mr. Harbo.....	
	Mr. Hendon.....	
	Mr. Pennington.....	
	Mr. Quinn Tamm.....	
	Mr. Nease.....	
	Miss Gandy.....	
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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice



NEW YORK

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO  
FILE NO. 100-63983  
JFM:MOE

Mr. Glavin	.....
Mr. Ladd	.....
<del>CONFIDENTIAL</del>	
October 2, 1945	
Mr. Tracy	.....
Mr. Carson	.....
Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Gurnea	.....
Mr. Hendon	.....
Mr. Rosen	.....
Mr. Quinn Tamm	.....
Mr. Nease	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

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Director, FBI

Re: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, WAS.

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Dear Sir:

Confidential Informant NYT-272, whose identity is known to the Bureau, advised that on October 2, 1945, ARTHUR ADAMS and VICTORIA STONE had a conversation, pertinent parts of which are quoted below. In order to better understand the content of the conversation, it is pointed out here that STONE'S maid, who is customarily at her apartment daily except Sunday, from 9 AM to 3 PM, has become ill and inasmuch as there is no one at the apartment to tend to STONE'S dog, she, (STONE) has been taking the dog to her jewelry store with her every day.

V: I have MICKEY (STONE'S dog) here. Don't you remember?  
A: I forgot about it.

V: I just saw your boys around here.  
A: (In surprise) What?

V: I saw your boys.  
A: Uh huh.

V: So I was wondering where you were.  
A: Well I wasn't around.

V: Oh.  
A: I'm surprised though, because I wasn't even in the vicinity.

V: I don't like the idea. Since I have the dog here..(hesitation) and no one there.  
A: Oh well.

V: Yea. You know they could go into my place.  
A: (Very softly) No."

(Following this conversation ADAMS took STONE'S dog from her store to her apartment and then they went out for dinner together.)

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES  
AND FIELD OFFICES  
ADVISED BY ROUTING  
SLIP(S) OF 10/2/45  
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Very truly yours,

E. E. Conroy, SAC

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

FROM : D. M. IADD *WJ*

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Call: 2:45 p.m.  
DATE: February 20, 1946

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Mr. Tolson	✓
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	
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Mr. Nease	
Miss Beaha	
Miss Gandy	

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You will recall that press inquiries were made on February 20, 1946, of Assistant Director L. B. Nichols in connection with which inquiries it was reported that Arthur Alexandrovich Adams had been taken into custody by the [redacted] In connection with this rumor Mr. Glenn Bethel, the Bureau's liaison representative at Ottawa, Canada, advised at 2:45 p.m., on February 20, 1946, that there was absolutely no truth in this report.

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ACTION

Any further developments of importance in connection with the above case will, of course, be brought to your attention.

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To: **JJM:IVO**  
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FEBRUARY 20, 1946.

Transmit the following message to:

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SAC - NEW YORK CITY

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, WITH ALIASES, IS-R: SUBMIT IMMEDIATELY A REPORT BRINGING ALL INVESTIGATION UP TO DATE ~~AND~~ INCLUDING EVENTS LEADING TO ADAMS' DISAPPEARANCE ON JANUARY TWENTY THREE LAST.

HOOVER

- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Rosen \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Tracy \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Mohr \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Carson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Mumford \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Jones \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

United States Government

TO: MR. EDW. A. TALL

DATE: 2/19/46

FROM: Mr. D. E. Ladd

CALL: 4:16 P.M.

SUBJECT:

At the above time I called SAC E. E. Conroy of New York to advise him of the Director's instructions to the effect that no comment "on guard or off guard" should be made by him or by anyone else in the New York Office with regard to the Russian cases appearing so prominently in the newspapers. He advised that the New York Office has religiously been avoiding such a situation.

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TO : Mr. Tolson  
FROM : L. B. Nichols  
SUBJECT:

DATE: February 20, 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. Hendon
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Tele. Room
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Egan
- Miss Gandy

Paul ~~X~~Schoenstein called from New York. He said he had just received a call from the INS bureau in Ottawa to the effect that the Canadians had arrested Adams, the fugitive in the New York case.

I told Schoenstein, first of all, if they had arrested him we could not comment on it; that if there was anything we could say we would call him back, but I doubted that we could say anything. He stated that Adams had been arrested they were going to cram down Byrne's throat his statement of yesterday and that if they could get this confirmed either on or off the record it would be a blessing in disguise to the Bureau.

*we have no word on this*

*I think Schoenstein is just fishing.*

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- Director
- Mr. Edward Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Jones
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy
- Personnel Files Section
- Records Section
- Mrs. Skillman

- Mr. Tolson .....
- Mr. E. A. Tamm .....
- Mr. Clegg .....
- Mr. Glavin .....
- Mr. Ladd .....
- Mr. Nichols .....
- Mr. Rosen .....
- Mr. Tracy .....
- Mr. Carson .....

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Note and Return

Clyde Tolson

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LBN:mjm  
 TO : Mr. Tolson  
 FROM : L. B. Nichols  
 SUBJECT:

DATE: February 20, 1946

- Mr. Tolson
- 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. Harbo
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Beahm
- Miss Gandy

With reference to Paul Schoenstein's call on the apprehension of Adams in Canada, an Eric Adams was apprehended according to the memorandum attached which has just come to my desk.

While I do not like to do anything for these people, I would recommend that we call Schoenstein and tell him that to protect himself from libel, regardless of the information he has the Adams who is in New York is not the Adams involved in Canada and that we tell him the Director wanted him to have this information as he would hate to see even Shoenstein stuck with a hot potato.

Attachment

*9 am opposed.  
 let him get  
 in trouble!!*

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*I thoroughly concur. We don't owe him anything.*

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*Arthur's Adm.*

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- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_
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- Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Beahm \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

TO : D. M. LADD *[Signature]*

FROM : J. C. STRICKLAND *[Signature]*

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS  
INTERNAL SECURITY -- R

DATE: 2-19-46

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At 5:20 p.m., February 19, 1946, SAC Hood from Los Angeles called and stated that at 5:20 a.m., February 18, 1946, the Los Angeles Police Department had picked up an amnesia victim whose general physical description fits that of Arthur Adams very closely except for the amputation of the little finger of the left hand and a partially blind left eye. It is noted that in Adams' description he has a partially blind right eye.

The amnesia victim had in his possession an Oakland, California -- Santa Fe ticket dated February 17, 1946, and there was an Oakland, California label in his coat. The unknown individual thought he was born in Tunis, Africa, and speaks French and Italian.

Hood stated that the Los Angeles Police Department prints for this man were classified  $8 \frac{0}{I} \frac{5}{17} Rr \frac{17}{17}$ .

He carried an Elgin watch with the initials "LD."

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Hood requested the fingerprint classification appearing on the subject's alien registration prints.

A check of the Identification files of the Bureau reflects that Arthur Adams' alien registration prints bear the classification

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Ref:  $\frac{U}{U}$

### ACTION

A teletype has been prepared for Los Angeles furnishing them with the fingerprint classification appearing on Arthur Adams' alien registration card. They are being advised, however, that the Bureau has no assurance that the fingerprints appearing on the card are actually those of Arthur Adams and suggesting that the Los Angeles Office make arrangements to be notified by the Police Department in the event anyone connected with the Soviet Consulate or anyone who is an associate of Eric Bernay, now visiting in Los Angeles, attempts to take the amnesia victim from police custody.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. D. M. LADD *ladd*

FROM : H. W. SMITH *Smith*

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ADAMS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

DATE: February 18, 1946

7:00 PM, 2-17-46

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Mr. Tolson	_____
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 Beahm	_____
Miss Gandy	_____

SAC J. J. Gleason called from Norfolk with regard to New York teletype to the Bureau and Norfolk to the effect that if Arthur Adams should attempt to board the SS MINSK he should be picked up and if Witczak and his wife and baby should attempt to board the ship, the Bureau should be immediately advised and instructions will be issued. Mr. Gleason stated the ship is coming in to Newport News today where they are going to load turbines for a dam in Russia. Mr. Gleason inquired if the Bureau still desires that Adams be picked up. He also stated he would like to know what the Bureau instructions will be if they locate Witczak and his wife. I advised Mr. Gleason I would check and call him back.

I checked this matter with Mr. Whitson and called Mr. Gleason back, advising him that with regard to Adams, the warrant is still good and he should be picked up if he is located. Mr. Gleason was advised that we have no warrant outstanding for Witczak or his wife but we do know they have not paid any income taxes since 1938, which fact could be called to the attention of Customs, which will no doubt be interested in detaining them long enough, in case they are located, for Mr. Gleason to get in touch with the Bureau.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

WKH:LP

TO : The Director  
FROM : D. M. Ladd  
SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

DATE: February 25, 1946

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Egan	
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Reference is made to my memorandum to you in the above-captioned case dated February 20, 1946, advising of the information received from Mr. Glenn Bethel, the Bureau's liaison representative at Ottawa, Canada, to the effect that the press reports that Adams had been taken into custody by the [redacted] were absolutely without foundation. &

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Mr. Bethel has now advised that on the basis of the information available in Ottawa, plus the Canadian newspaper publicity, it appears obvious that this false press report regarding the apprehension of Arthur Adams stemmed from the fact that one of the subjects now in custody in Canada is, as you will of course recall, Eric Adams, an employee of the Foreign Exchange Control Board of the Bank of Canada who has been operating as a part of the Soviet Red Army Intelligence parallel in Canada. &

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**ACTION:**

I thought you would be interested in the above further information regarding the erroneous report of the apprehension of Arthur Adams. Further developments of importance in this case will of course be called to your attention.

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*W. Ladd*  
"Jes"

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TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: February 20, 1946

FROM : L. B. Nichols

SUBJECT:

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
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Paul Schoenstein called from New York and stated that this was an official call at the request of the Editor to ascertain whether the FBI or the Director would now care to make a statement on the apprehension of Arthur Adams in Ottawa.

I told him that our position was unchanged and that we had no comment to make. Apparently there will be a big splurge in the papers over the arrest of Eric Adams, as it would appear that the Journal-American thinks that he is Arthur Adams. I, of course, made no comment other than as indicated above.

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Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
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WASH FROM NEW YORK 4 21 1-46 P  
DIRECTOR URGENT

ARTHUR ADAMS, IS-R. NY JOURNAL AMERICAN TODAY, AFTERNOON EDITION, CONTAINS FOLLOWING ARTICLE HEADLINED, "CANADA DRAFTS SPY REPLY, ACTION PENDS ON ADAMS AS SOVIET AGENT", DATE LINED OTTAWA, ONT., FEB TWENTY-ONE BY STAFF CORRESPONDENT.....

"THE CANADIAN CABINET MET TODAY TO PASS ON THE GOVERNMENTS REPLY TO RUSSIAN CHARGES THAT CANADA HAS BEEN CARRYING ON "AN UNBRIDLED ANTI-SOVIET CAMPAIGN."

TEXT OF THE RUSSIAN NOTE HANDED A CANADIAN REPRESENTATIVE IN MOSCOW YESTERDAY WAS NOT DISCLOSED. IT WAS PRESUMED, HOWEVER, TO BE AN OFFICIAL PROTEST AGAINST THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENTS DISCLOSURE OF THE ACTIVITIES OF AN ALLEGED ESPIONAGE RING.

THE MOSCOW RADIO YESTERDAY BROADCAST A STATEMENT ADMITTING "RUSSIA HAD RECD "CERTAIN INFORMATION OF A SECRET CHARACTER" ABOUT RADIO LOCATION AND ATOMIC ENERGY.

CANADIAN OFFICIALS TOOK THE VIEW THAT RUSSIA-S ACCUSATION THAT CANADA HAD ACTED IN AN UNFRIENDLY MANNER IN INVESTIGATING THE ACTIVITIES OF SOME OF HER OWN NATIONALS WERE PRETTY FAR-FETCHED  
IT BOILED DOWN, THEY SAID, TO THE FACT THAT RUSSIA WAS DECLAIMING

IT AN UNFRIENDLY ACT FOR CANADA TO INVESTIGATE THE RELATIONS OF HER

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cc - Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Whitson

OWN NATIONALS WITH RUSSIAN AGENTS. A GOVERNMENT SPOKESMAN SAID...

"THE SOVIET STATEMENT STARTED OUT AS AN ADMISSION OF GUILT SUFFICIENT TO CAUSE THE WITHDRAWAL OF ITS MILITARY ATTACHE, AND THE PROCEEDED TO MINIMIZE THE WHOLE MATTER AND SOUGHT TO MAKE IT POLITICAL BY IMPUTING MOTIVES TO THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT."

NO WORD WAS FORTHCOMING TODAY ON THE CHARGES TO BE PLACED AGAINST ARTHUR ADAMS, ALLEGED RINGLEADER OF THE RUSSIAN SPY PLOT. HE WAS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY LAST WEEK BY INTELLIGENCE OFFICERS OF THE ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE.

ADAMS, WHOSE NAME REPORTEDLY WAS AN ALIAS, WAS SAID TO HAVE BEEN IN THE PAY OF THE SOVIET ESPIONAGE SERVICE SINCE 1938.

THE ARTHUR ADAMS HELD IN OTTAWA PRESUMABLY IS THE SAME PERSON THE NY JOURNAL-AMERICAN IDENTIFIED LAST DEC THREE AS THE HEAD OF THE SOVIET ESPIONAGE RING IN NORTH AMERICA.

AT THAT TIME HE WAS REGISTERED UNDER THE NAME OF ARTHUR ADAMS AT THE HOTEL PETER COOPER IN NYC. BECAUSE THE FBI STILL WAS DEMANDING THAT THE STATE DEPT ALLOW IT TO ARREST ADAMS, THE JOURNAL AMERICAN IDENTIFIED HIM AS "ALFRED ADAMSON", AND DID NOT REVEAL THE NAME OF HIS HOTEL.

RCMP COUNTER-ESPIONAGE OFFICERS HAVE KEPT SURVEILLANCE, AT THE REQUEST OF US FBI AGENTS, SINCE HE ENTERED CANADA LAST DECEMBER.

ADAMS ACTIVITIES HAD BEEN WELL KNOWN TO BOTH CANADIAN AND US AUTHORITIES, SINCE HE FREQUENTLY HAD TRAVELLED BETWEEN OTTAWA, TORONTO AND NY.

WON'T BARE ALL FACTS.

CANADIAN OFFICIALS TODAY WARNED THAT THE GOVT STATEMENT WILL NOT REVEAL ALL THE KNOWN FACTS IN THE AMAZING SPY PLOT, BUT MERLY ENOUGH TO CALM JITTERY CANADIANS.

THE RUSSIANS, IN THEIR BROADCAST, CLAIMED THE INFO THEY OBTAINED WAS NOT IMPORTANT, BUT CANADIAN OFFICIALS WERE SAID TO BE CONCERNED THAT

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SOVIET AGENTS WERE ABLE TO OBTAIN ANY INFO AT ALL.

A GOVT OFFICIAL SAID A "FIFTH COLUMN" COMPOSED OF FOREIGN AGENTS AND CANADIAN NATIONALS HAD INFILTRATED INTO MANY GOVT BUREAUS. WHILE HE ADMITTED THAT THE SPY RING HAD OBTAINED INFO OF RELATIVELY LITTLE IMPORTANCE, HE WARNED THAT THE RING WAS PREPARING THE WAY TO GET VITALLY IMPORTANT INFORMATION.

#### WORLD-WIDE RING.

INFORMED SOURCES HERE SAID IT WAS CLEAR THAT THE ACTIVITIES OF THE SPY RING WERE WORLD-WIDE, AND NOT CONFINED ONLY TO CANADA. THEY DECLARED IT WAS THEIR BELIEF THAT THE COMMUNIST PARTY WAS TRYING TO GATHER INFO ABOUT CANADA-S DEFENSES, AND TO SABOTAGE PLANS FOR DEFENSE OF ITS ARCTIC FRONTIER.

THE EXTENT TO WHICH THE RING-S ACTIVITIES MENACED THE DEFENSE PLANS WAS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN THE MAIN FACTOR IN FORCING THE GOVT TO ACT NOW INSTEAD OF MERELY KEEPING THE AGENTS UNDER OBSERVATION.

THE FACT THAT THE RUSSIAN PROTEST WAS MADE BEFORE THE CANADIAN GOVT HAD ACCUSED THE SOVIET GOVT OFFICIALLY, WAS REGARDED IN SOME QUARTERS AS A FORERUNNER OF A BREAK OF RELATIONS BETWEEN RUSSIA AND CANADA.

#### RECALL CASE OF FINLAND.

IT WAS POINTED OUT THAT RUSSIA USED THE SAME TACTICS WITH FINLAND IN 1939 BEFORE IT BROKE OFF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THAT COUNTRY.

THE CANADIANS CLOSED IN ON THE RING LAST FRIDAY WHEN SEVERAL PERSONS, INCLUDING ADAMS, WERE ARRESTED ON SUSPICION OF GIVING SECRET INFO TO

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MEMBERS OF THE SOVIET FOREIGN MISSION. THIRTEEN PERSONS WERE ARRESTED. ADAMS WAS ACCUSED OF BEING THE RING LEADER.

SOME SOURCES HERE LINKED THE DEATH OF GEN. WALTER G. KRIVITSKY, FORMER CHIEF SOVIET INTELLIGENCE AGENT IN WESTERN EUROPE, TO THE SPY RING.

KRIVITSKY DIED MYSTERIOUSLY IN A WASHINGTON HOTEL FEB TENTH, FORTY ONE. HE WAS FOUND SHOT TO DEATH AND THE CASE WAS LISTED OFFICIALLY AS SUICIDE, BUT HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS HAVE MAINTAINED HE WAS MURDERED BY THE OGPU.

GAVE DATA TO CANADA

INFO GIVEN THE RCMP BY KRIVITSKY SEVERAL YEARS AGO WAS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN INVALUABLE.

KRIVITSKY HID IN OTTAWA UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE RCMP FOR THREE MONTHS SEVERAL YEARS AGO. AT THAT TIME HE FEARED THAT AN ATTEMPT WOULD BE MADE ON HIS LIFE.

IT WAS BELIEVED THAT INFO GIVEN BY KRIVITSKY WAS BROUGHT UP TO DATE BY IVOR GOSENKO, THE YOUNG SOVIET EMBASSY EMPLOYE, WHOSE TIP LED TO DISCOVERY OF THE SPY RING.

GOSENKO NOW IS IN HIDING UNDER THE PROTECTION OF THE CANADIAN POLICE. HIS WHEREABOUTS ARE SO SECRET THAT ONLY TWO PERSONS IN CANADA KNOW WHERE HE IS."

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. LADD Time of Call - 3:45 P.M.

DATE: February 26, 1946

FROM : J. C. Strickland

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS  
Internal Security - R

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. E. A. Tamm	
Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Coffey	
Mr. Glavin	
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At the above time Supervisor R. Granville of the New York Office telephonically furnished the following information regarding the current investigation attempting to locate Adams since his disappearance in New York City.

According to Granville, the only good active lead left in attempting to locate Adams is the present coverage on Victoria Stone. It will be recalled that Adams has been very closely connected with Victoria Stone and at the present time his clothes and belongings are apparently in her possession. The New York Office is maintaining 24-hour coverage on Stone in order to develop all available information concerning Adams' present whereabouts. Supervisor Granville advised, in addition, that the plant on the home of Irene Miller, 2 Horatio Street, New York, New York, was discontinued on February 26, 1946, in view of its unproductivity. It will be recalled in this connection that Adams has one suitcase stored at the home of Irene Miller, one of his contacts, and that the above address has been planted for approximately a month without results. Supervisor Granville also advised that although the 24-hour coverage has been withdrawn from the Miller address, stops have been placed against the removal of Adams' baggage with Railway Express, with the apartment house superintendent who is very cooperative, and with the U.S. Service and Shipping Corporation through the informant [redacted] in the case entitled [redacted] with aliases, et al; Espionage - R. [redacted]

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During this conversation Granville advised that Clarence Hiskey, who is one of Adams' original contacts in the DSM Project, is, so far as is known to the New York Office, still in the Army in the Hawaiian Islands. Granville pointed to the possibility, however, that Clarence Hiskey might possibly presently be in La Crosse, Wisconsin, in view of the fact that his wife, Marcia, is known to have gone to her family home, 813 King Street, La Crosse, Wisconsin, on February 22, 1946, because of death or illness in her family.

With respect to Manning, an employee of the Oak Ridge Development near Knoxville, Tennessee, with whom Adams had contact, Granville advised that, as far as the New York Office knows, Manning is still in the Army, it being recalled in this connection that some time ago he was inducted and shortly thereafter shipped to the South Pacific area.

With regard to the present status of this case, Granville stated that a supplement report bringing the investigation up to date had been submitted under date of February 19, 1946, and transmitted to the Bureau latter part of last week.

**ACTION:** None. The above is submitted for information in connection with the present status of the Adams investigation and for the appropriate completion of the Bureau's files.

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DIRECTOR AND SAC NEW YORK ROUTINE

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, IS- R. ~~RENYTEL~~ RENVTEL TO NORFOLK AND BUREAU FEBRUARY SEVENTEENTH LAST. INSTANT ~~VESSEL~~ VESSEL ARRIVED NORFOLK ON FEBRUARY EIGHTEENTH LAST AT TWELVE AM GOING TO LAMBERTS POINT TO TAKE ON LOAD OF COAL. DEPARTED FROM THERE AT ~~EIGHT~~ <sup>HANDLING</sup> PM ON THAT DATE GOING TO NEWPORT NEWS SHIPBUILDING COMPANY FROM WHICH IT DEPARTED AT FOUR PM ON FEBRUARY TWENTY SECOND LAST. CONSTANT SURVEILLANCE MAINTAINED ON VESSEL DURING STAY IN NORFOLK AND NEWPORT NEWS FAILED TO INDICATE ANY OF PERSONS MENTIONED IN REFERENCE TELETYPE ATTEMPTED TO BOARD VESSEL. RUC.

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NEW YORK JOURNAL AMERICAN CARRIED STORY CLAIMING THAT FOR TWO YEARS  
BUREAU AGENTS SHADOWED RUSSIAN SECRET SERVICE AGENTS WHO MAY HAVE  
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WASHINGTON FROM NEW YORK 1 5 11-30 AM

DIRECTOR ..... URGENT

RE ARTHUR ADAMS, INTERNAL SECURITY - R. NEW YORK JOURNAL-  
 AMERICAN TODAY "LATEST NEWS EDITION" CONTAINS ANOTHER ARTICLE  
 RE ADAMS. HEADLINE ACROSS FRONT PAGE IS "RED COURIER SYSTEM  
 BARED SOVIET RING UNCOVERED". FOLLOWING IS ARTICLE...

"EXISTENCE HERE OF A HIGHLY-SECRET SOVIET "COURIER" SYSTEM,  
 WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN RELAYING ATOMIC BOMB INFORMATION  
 TO MOSCOW HAS BEEN UNCOVERED IN THE INVESTIGATION OF  
 ALFRED ADAMSON, RUSSIAN AGENT.

"THE HEAD OF THE COMMUNIST "COURIER" SYSTEM, THE NEW YORK  
 JOURNAL-AMERICAN LEARNED, LIVES IN WOODSIDE, QUEENS, UNDER AN  
 ASSUMED NAME.

"IN TRAILING ADAMSON FROM COAST TO COAST, THE FBI LEARNED  
 THAT THE CHIEF COURIER EMPLOYS THE SERVICES OF OFFICIALS OF A  
 LEFT-WING MARITIME UNION, BUSINESS MEN AND EVEN ARMED SERVICE  
 PERSONNEL WHO WORK CLOSELY WITH SOVIET ESPIONAGE LEADERS.

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FOR TWENTY YEARS, THIS QUEENS "COURIER" AND HIS WELL-TRAINED  
 SUBORDINATES HAVE SHUTTLED BACK AND FORTH TO THE MAJOR CITIES OF  
 THE WORLD WITH MILITARY AND GOVERNMENTAL SECRETS OBTAINED BY  
 THEIR COMRADES IN THE ESPIONAGE DIVISION OF STALINS SECRET SERVICE.

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PAGE ONE

cc: Mr Ladd  
Mr White  
Mr [unclear]

PAGE TWO.

JUST HOW MUCH, IF ANY, ATOMIC BOMB INFORMATION WHICH ADAMSON IS KNOWN TO HAVE OBTAINED FROM A CHICAGO SCIENTIST, WAS RELAYED TO MOSCOW BY THESE COURIERS, STILL REMAINS AN UNSOLVED PART OF THE FBI CASE AGAINST ADAMSON.

THE SLENDER, GNOME-LIKE ADAMSON, WHO ENTERED THE UNITED STATES ILLEGALLY FROM CANADA IN 1938, IS NOW SURROUNDED BY G-MEN AT A MIDTOWN HOTEL.

HIS REAL NAME AND THE NAME OF HOTEL, ARE IN POSSESSION OF THE NEW YORK JOURNAL-AMERICAN.,

POSE AS SEAMEN.

SOME OF THE SOVIET "COURIERS" POSE AS SEAMEN ON SHIPS WHICH SAIL TO RUSSIAN PORTS.

OTHER "COMMUNIST INTERNATIONAL MESSENGER BOYS", AS THE FBI CALLS THEM, ARE DISGUISED AS BUSINESS MEN ON "TRADING MISSIONS".

ADAMSON WAS IN CLOSE TOUCH WITH THE QUEENS LEADER OF THIS "COURIER" SERVICE AFTER THE FBI FOUND THAT HE HAD RECEIVED ATOMIC BOMB DATA FROM THE CHICAGO SCIENTIST IN SEPTEMBER 1943.

ALTHOUGH IT IS BELIEVED THAT ADAMSON MAY HAVE PASSED ON INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM HIS WIDE CONTACTS DIRECT TO SOVIET DIPLOMATS, "COURIERS" ALSO WERE UTILIZED IN HIS PLANS.

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PAGE THREE.

USE CHAIN SYSTEM.

THE "COURIER" SYSTEM WORKS IN AN EFFICIENT RELAY SYSTEM.

AN AGENT WORKING IN AMERICA MAY TRAVEL TO LONDON AND PASS ON HIS INFORMATION TO ANOTHER SOVIET AGENT STATIONED THERE.

STILL OTHER MOSCOW "COURIERS" WILL IN TURN PASS ON THE PAPERS TO A PARIS "COURIER", WHO WILL REPORT DIRECT TO MOSCOW.

THIS SECRET SERVICE CHAIN OF COMMUNICATIONS IS USED BY RUSSIA ONLY WHEN THE INFORMATION INVOLVED CANNOT BE SMUGGLED TO A SOVIET CONSULATE.

A YEAR AGO ADAMSON IS KNOWN TO HAVE PASSED ON INFORMATION AND WHAT IS BELIEVED TO BE ATOMIC BOMB PLANS TO A MEMBER OF THE RUSSIAN CONSULATE HERE.

THE SOVIET OFFICIAL, WHOSE NAME IS KNOWN TO THIS NEWSPAPER, LEFT FOR MOSCOW TWO WEEKS AFTER HIS CONTACT WITH ADAMSON.

HIS PLANE FLEW DIRECT TO THE KREMLIN. THE DIPLOMATIC POUCH HE CARRIED, UNDER INTERNATIONAL LAW, WAS IMMUNE FROM SEARCH OR SEIZURE.

WHAT, IF ANY, ATOMIC BOMB INFO HE CARRIED IN THAT BAG MAY NEVER BE KNOWN.

THROUGH AN INTRICATE "CONTACT" SYSTEM, ADAMSON IS ALSO IN WEEKLY COMMUNICATION WITH AN AMERICAN GIRL WHO WORKS IN THE SOVIET EMBASSY IN

END PAGE THREE.

WASHINGTON.

A JEWELRY STORE PROPRIETOR MEETS WITH THIS EMBASSY EMPLOYEE ON WEEK-ENDS AND THEN REPORTS TO ADAMSON.

SHOP SERVES AS "FRONT"

THIS MADISON AVE, JEWELRY STORE, THE FBI IS CONVINCED, SERVES AS ONE OF ADAMSON-S IMPORTANT "FRONTS" IN HIS ESPIONAGE WORK.

IN A FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF STILL ANOTHER ESPIONAGE DIVISION OF RUSSIAN "BORING-FROM-WITHIN" METHODS, THE NY JOURNAL AMERICAN HAS LEARNED THAT JET-PROPULSION PLANS FOR SECRET AMERICAN AIRPLANES WERE SEIZED IN THE POSSESSION OF A RUSSIAN TRADING OFFICIAL A FEW MONTHS AGO.

YESTERDAY THIS NEWSPAPER REVEALED THAT THE RUSSIAN "VISITOR" HAD BEEN ATTACHED TO A LEADING AIRCRAFT MANUFACTURING PLANT IN UP-STATE NY AS AN "OBSERVER" FOR THREE YEARS.

DURING THAT TIME, THE RUSSIAN BRIBED A NUMBER OF PLANT ENGINEERS AND EMPLOYEES, PAYING THEM TWO HUNDRED EACH FOR PLANS INVOLVING THE DEVELOPMENT OF JET PROPULSION.

DOCUMENTS SEIZED

THESE DOCUMENTS WERE SEIZED BY THE FBI IN THE RUSSIAN-S POSSESSION IN A THIRTYSIXTH ST. ROOMING HOUSE LAST JULY AND A "CLOSED CASE" OF ESPIONAGE WAS PRESENTED THE STATE DEPT AT THAT TIME.

UNDER REGULATIONS, THE STATE DEPT MUST RULE ON THE ARREST OF SUCH A PERSON. ALTHOUGH THE FBI CONTENDED THEY HAD AMPLE EVIDENCE TO MAKE THE ARREST, THE RUSSIAN IS STILL AT THE TRADE CORPORATION.

END PAGE FOUR.

PAGE FIVE.

MEANWHILE, BOTH THE FBI AND THE STATE DEPT MAINTAINED A TERSE "NO COMMENT" ON THE EXPOSURE OF ADAMSON, NAMED BY THIS NEWSPAPER LAST MONDAY AS PROBABLY THE MOST IMPORTANT SOVIET AGENT EVER TO OPERATE IN THE US.

THE NY JOURNAL AMERICAN REVEALED THAT THE FBI FIRST CAME ACROSS ADAMSON-S TRAIL IN CHICAGO WHEN A SCIENTIST ATTACHED TO AN ATOMIC BOMB LABORATORY GAVE HIM INFO WHICH G MEN LATER SEIZED IN ADAMSON-S HOTEL ROOM.

#### LINKED TO ATOM PLOT

THE DOCUMENTS WERE RUSHED TO WASHINGTON WHERE HEADS OF THE "MANHATTAN PROJECT," AS THE ATOMIC BOMB DEVELOPMENT WAS KNOWN, IDENTIFIED THEM AS CONFIDENTIAL DETAILS OF ATOMIC DISCOVERIES.

THEREUPON THE FBI SET UP A SPECIAL SQUAD TO BREAK UP THIS ESPIONAGE RING. THEIR CODE WORDS WERE "COMINTERN APPARATUS."

ADAMSON WAS TRAILED FROM COAST-TO-COAST AND AS TIME WENT ON, THE FBI FOUND HIS CONTACTS INCLUDED A PROMINENT WEST COAST COMMUNIST, AN EXECUTIVE OF A RADAR - MANUFACTURING COMPANY THE WIFE OF A PROMINENT WEST END AVE. DOCTOR AND OTHER PERSONS IN EVERY WALK OF LIFE.

#### ALMOST ELUDED FBI

EARLY LAST JANUARY, ADAMSON ALMOST ESCAPED THE FBI SQUAD WHICH HAS WATCHED HIS EVERY MOVE. LEAPING IN A TAXI ONE NIGHT HE TEMPORARILY ELUDED HIS TRAILERS, ONLY TO BE PICKED UP THIRTYSIX HOURS LATER IN A CHICAGO RAILROAD STATION.

END PAGE FIVE.

PAGE SIX.

FROM THERE 6 MEN SURROUNDED HIM AS ADAMSON WENT TO PORTLAND,  
ORE. IN THAT CITY, HE MADE A FUTILE ATTEMPT TO BOARD A SOVIET SHIP  
AND, FINDING A CORDON OF FBI MEN IN FRONT OF HIM, ADAMSON RETURNED TO  
NY.

HE IS NOW "EMPLOYED" IN AN OBSCURE FIFTH AVE. COMMUNIST MUSIC  
SHOP. ALTHOUGH HIS "SALARY" IS SEVENTYFIVE DOLLARS A WEEK, ADAMSON HAS  
BANK ACCOUNTS RUNNING INTO THE THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS IN A NUMBER OF MAN-  
HATTAN BANKS."

INDIVIDUAL REFERRED TO AS HEAD COMMUNIST COURIER SYSTEM WHO  
RESIDES IN WOODSIDE, QUEENS UNKNOWN. HOWEVER FILES ARE  
BEING REVIEWED TO DETERMINE POSSIBLY IDENTITY AND BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED.

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ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, INTERNAL SECURITY- R, REFER FIVE I. S.  
 REFERENCE MADE NEW YORK TELETYPE FEBRUARY EIGHTEENTH ENTITLED QUOTE  
 COMRAP UNQUOTE CONCERNING PHYSICAL COVERAGE OF S. S. MARSHALL GOVOROV.  
 PHILADELPHIA FIELD DIVISION HAS TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THAT INFO  
 RECEIVED FROM MOORE MC CORMICK STEAMSHIP COMPANY TO EFFECT THAT THREE  
 RUSSIAN SHIPS ARE EXPECTED TO ARRIVE IN PHILADELPHIA WITHIN A WEEK WITH  
 FIRST VESSEL DUE FEBRUARY TWENTY-SIXTH. STEAMSHIP COMPANY FURTHER ADVISED  
 EIGHT RUSSIAN VESSELS DUE IN NEW YORK CITY BETWEEN MARCH SIXTH AND MARCH  
 EIGHTEENTH. UNLESS ADVISED TO THE CONTRARY NO ATTEMPT WILL BE MADE TO  
 MAINTAIN PHYSICAL COVERAGE ON THESE VESSELS. CLOSE LIAISON WITH CUSTOM  
 AND IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS WILL BE KEPT FOR ANY POSSIBLE INFO CONCERNING  
 ADAMS OR I. WITCZAK.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
New York, New York

December 3, 1945

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ON 4-19-78

Director, FBI

Attention: Ass't. Director D. M. Ladd

Re: ARTHUR A. ADAMS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith is the Wall Street edition of the  
"Journal-American" which contains the story by HOWARD RUSHMORE  
concerning ARTHUR ADAMS.

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SPECIAL DELIVERY

Very truly yours,  
APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES  
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- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
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N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ET AL, ESPIONAGE R. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ INFORMANT CNHM-29 ADVISED THIS AFTERNOON ANDY ONDA, STATE SECRETARY CP, WAS TALKING TO ROSE MCGILLICUDY, AN ACTIVE WORKER IN THE CP, ALONE IN THE STATE HEADQUARTERS. ONDA ASKED MCGILLICUDY IF SHE HAD SEEN THE STORY IN THE NEW YORK JOURNAL AMERICAN. SHE SAID SHE HAD NOT. ONDA THEN SAID QUOTE IT WAS ABOUT THE ATOMIC BOMB THEFT, IT WAS TERRORISM VERY MUCH OF IT UNQUOTE. HE THEN STATED THAT HE WAS WORRIED ABOUT IT BECAUSE QUOTE IT SHOWS A THOROUGH KNOWLEDGE OF CERTAIN SYSTEMS OF WORK THAT WE HAVE - CALLING HIM ADAMSON - IT TELLS WHERE HE WORKS, HIS SALARY SEVENTY FIVE DOLLARS PER WEEK, IN FACT EACH POINT SUMMARIZES INFORMATION INDICATING A THOROUGH KNOWLEDGE OF THE APPARATUS - TALK OF MAIL DROPS - OF THE EXECUTIVE IN THE ATOMIC CORPORATION, OF THE CONTACT WITH HIM, WHERE THEY MET, WHAT WAS DISCUSSED, THE TRIPS TO CHICAGO AND SO ON - VERY INTERESTING. I KNOW PERSONALLY THAT THE DESCRIPTION OF ADAMSON FITS. UNQUOTE. ROSE MCGILLICUDY THEN REPLIED QUOTE IT'S HIGH TIME WE REORGANIZED OUR COUNTER ESPIONAGE. UNQUOTE. DURING THE CONVERSATION WHICH WAS OF VERY SHORT DURATION ONDA PACED THE FLOOR AND GAVE INDICATIONS OF BEING DISTURBED OR NERVOUS.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Director, FBI.

DATE: March 4, 1946

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS,  
VICTORIA STONE.  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Unless advised to the contrary, the mail covers presently being maintained on the above captioned subjects at 39 West 55th Street, New York City, will be renewed for the next thirty days.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DML:MAB

TO : MR. EDW. A. TAMM

DATE: February 20, 1946

FROM : D. M. LADD

Call: 5:30 PM

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ADAMSON ADAMS

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ASAC Donegan called at this time to advise that the 7th Sports Edition of the New York Journal-American has an article captioned "Fugitive Spy Chief Seized in Canada", with an Ottawa dateline of February 20th.

Mr. Donegan quoted the newspaper article as follows:

"Alleged ring master of the Russian spy plot and agent operating under the alias of Arthur Adams (known as Arthur Adams Adamson) and reported to be in the pay of the Soviet Espionage Service since 1938, was taken into custody early on Friday morning in Ottawa by RCMP intelligence officers. Exactly where in the capitol and under what circumstances the arrest was made was kept secret. At the request of the U. S. Federal Bureau of Investigation, RCMP counter-espionage officers picked up Adams' trail when he last entered Canada in December, two days after Russian Ambassador Georg Zaroubin left Ottawa to report back to Moscow. Both RCMP and FBI long had been familiar with Adams' operations, since he frequently shuttled between Ottawa, Toronto, and New York. For identical purposes, a wish not to offend an Allied Power or let its agents know how closely its moves would be followed, the RCMP and FBI merely kept careful track of them until last Friday morning, when the spy raids began. Both the American and Canadian police have pictures of Adams taken from a group photograph of the Soviet Trade Commission, which entered Canada and the United States in 1932, the New York Journal-American told the Ottawa Journal over the telephone. In that picture he already was identifying himself under his alias of Arthur Adams. Actually he was born in Roumania and schooled in Russia. In 1938, the RCMP knew he had first entered Canada with forged papers, giving his name as Arthur Adams and his birthplace as Toronto, the Journal American said. He came from Russia, and he was the same Arthur Adams as in the 1932 group photograph of the Soviet Trade Commission; with the forged papers, he entered Canada as a Canadian-born national, and as a supposed Toronto-born Canadian of Roumanian descent, he crossed into the United States. Last December, two days after Ambassador Zaroubin had left Ottawa, Adams left a New York hotel so hurriedly that he left some of his clothing behind. FBI knew of his departure and also that the Canadian's investigation was approaching the point where arrests soon would be made, so the RCMP was advised that Arthur Adams was on his way back to Canada, for that was to be his last trip."

Donegan advised that Rushmore had wired Ottawa the above mentioned photo in order that it might definitely be established that the individual in the photo and Arthur Adams are identical. I informed Donegan that Bethel has advised Adams has not been taken into custody as yet.

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

AD FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: ERIC BERNAY  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

DATE: March 4, 1946

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MR. TOLSON

December 3, 1945

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Paul Schoenstern, city editor of the New York Journal-American, called me Saturday morning. He stated that they had developed the complete background of Arthur Adams, Peter Cooper Hotel, who is mixed up with the atomic bomb, and a scientist, Dr. Clarence Siskey; that for the past several months the FBI had kept both of these people under surveillance, and that he wondered if we could give them any information, either on the record or off the record, and give them an appraisal of the setup.

After talking to Mr. Tamm, I told Schoenstern that we could not comment on this. He stated he expected this and then asked how bad it would be if they ran the story on these two individuals, stating that they would refer to the Bureau in such a manner that the Bureau would not come in for any criticism. I told him that frankly it would be most harmful if such a story were run. He stated that he would like to talk to me later and that they did not contemplate doing anything for a couple of days if they did anything at all.

Late Sunday night he called me and stated that they have the detailed facts on these two individuals; that they have been trailed for some two and one-half years; that Adams was mixed up with scientists working on the atomic bomb; that the Byrnes people, referring to the State Department, would not allow arrest. He stated that the whole thing involves a lot of people whose names could not be used now, and ties right into the New York Russian Consulate.

I told him our position was still the same, that we could neither confirm or deny. Sunday night he stated that, of course, the final decision as to whether to print this story or not to print it rested on a much higher level; that, as a matter of fact, the story came from this same high level, and that he was exceeding his authority in even calling us about it. He also stated that regardless of what the Journal-American might do he doubted that the story could be held.

I asked him how they got the story. He stated he would give me all the details confidentially when next he saw me, but that basically it came from their wire service, meaning IHS.

This morning he called and stated a decision had been made to print the story; that they had considered all of the information mentioning only Adams by name; that he could prove on the basis of information they had that Adams was no longer of any value to the Russians, and that he could prove it, that he knows he is fenced in. He stated the Bureau would be handled in the best possible light. I told him that we would much prefer to be left out completely in any story on which we could make no comment.

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- Mr. E. A. Tamm
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Memorandum to Mr. Tolson

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He stated that the story would break in the Wall Street edition, which goes on the street at 2 o'clock today. He then read portions of the story to me, which are attached. Very briefly, the story states that for two years the FBI has been on the trail of a Russian secret agent, who has been surrounded at all times by a special squad of Bureau Agents. He then identifies Arthur Adams and states that he entered the country illegally from Canada in 1938, that he came here first in 1931, that he has been under the constant watch of the FBI, that he is approximately 45 years of age; that his every move has been watched, his telephone calls, his letters and cables have been observed. I told Paul, while still neither confirming or denying, that no point was being made by mentioning the telephone calls and letters. He stated he would cut this. The story then states that Adams is employed in an obscure electrical concern; that he first came to the FBI's attention when Military Intelligence suspected a scientist in Chicago, trailed him and observed him contact Adams; that they then contacted the FBI and the FBI took it up from there.

Paul asked me if they were on the right track. I told Paul that I could not comment on that. He then asked if they were good reporters. I told him that this morning I knew nothing. He stated the story states definitely that the FBI would not comment.

We have had Adams under investigation for some time. We have a technical on him and have been investigating him since it was ascertained he was very friendly with a number of people on the DSM project in Chicago and New York. Our investigation shows definitely he is connected with the Soviet Government since 1922; that on occasion he came to the United States as a representative. He entered the United States from Canada in 1938 illegally, and he has on occasion contacted the Soviet Consulate in New York. We have a close physical surveillance on him as well as a technical. We have also investigated Dr. Clarence Siskey.

The only thing to do that I see if we want to stop the story is to call Bill Curley, and there are plenty of reasons why we should not because we would probably have to make a deal, and since they apparently got this story through Military Intelligence I do not see where the Bureau could be criticized. Schoenstein did ask me when we would arrest this man. I told him that again I could not comment.

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"For the past two years, the FBI has been trailing a Russian secret service agent who, it is believed, may have obtained some of the plans of formula of the atomic bomb. Surrounded by a squad of FBI men operating on a 24-hour basis, this Russian is now living at the Peter Cooper Hotel, 39th Street and Lexington Avenue. His assumed name is Arthur Adams. He entered the United States illegally from Canada in 1938. He carried forged passports. He first appeared in this country in 1931 as a member of the Amtorg Purchasing Committee and returned to Moscow in that year.

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"In September, 1943, except for a few hours when he escaped, he was found to be located on a train bound for the West Coast and a Soviet ship, he has been under the constant watch by the FBI.

"A small gnome-like little man, wearing high eye glasses, Adams is about 45 years of age, has piercing eyes and the nervous habit of always looking over his shoulder. His every move, "his telephone conversations, his letters" (portion underlined will not be printed), and even his cables to his Russian wife are recorded and filed and so forth. He had bank accounts ranging into the thousands of dollars in a number of Manhattan banks.

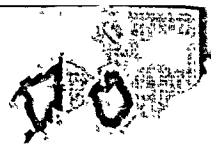
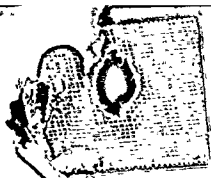
"He first entered the case in Chicago in 1943. Discovery of his importance and the reason for his illegal entry was not known until that date. A scientist, working on the atomic bomb development (I have that name by the way) in a Chicago laboratory, had been suspected by Military Intelligence officials. Unwittingly, this scientist led the FBI to Arthur Adams. This scientist, whose name is in the possession of the Journal American, had gone for a walk in the park and was trailed by two Military Intelligence officers trying to watch all of his

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activities. The scientist was seen to stop and hand the second man a package. There was no word exchanged and the second man went on his way. The FBI was called into the case and went to the rooming house address of the stranger and so forth."

Schoenstein then said, "We develop it along this line. As I say, there is nothing in there that hurts you."

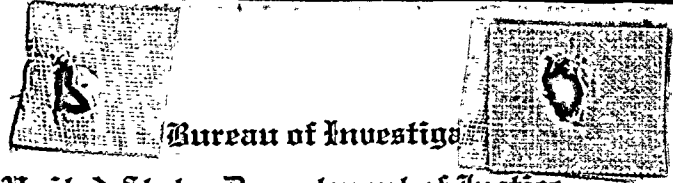




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Director, FBI

Re: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS  
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Dear Sir:

There are enclosed herewith five copies of a report dated February 18, 1946 at New York City and titled "ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS with aliases: Arthur Adamoff, Arthur Rothkepf, Alfred Adamson; INTERNAL SECURITY - R (REFER 5 IS).

As the Bureau is aware, the subject of instant investigation has disappeared and to date has not been located. This report covers the period up to January 22, 1946, the day prior to ADAMS' disappearance. The report covering the period January 23, 1946 up to the present time is being prepared and will be submitted in the future. As it will be noted, no copies of this report have been designated for the Office of the Manhattan Engineers District in New York City. This procedure has been followed due to the fact that the report contains considerable information concerning the recent "Journal-American" articles as furnished by Confidential Informants.

For the Bureau's information, the local MED authorities in New York City of late have expressed very little official interest in the ADAMS case. Consequently, unless the Bureau advises to the contrary, no attempts will be made to prepare a revised report for transmittal to MED.

Very truly yours,

*E. E. Conroy*  
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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS**

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Investigation and physical surveillance of ARTHUR ADAMS reflects he continues to reside at the Peter-Cooper Hotel, 130 East 39th Street and is employed at the ~~Keynote Recordings Company~~, 522 5th Avenue, both NYC. Spends considerable time with VICTORIA STONE and also sees ERIC BERNAY, JACOB ARONOFF, IRENE MILLER and MARCIA HISKEY. Birthday party held at Keynote office 10/25/45 for subject indicating that to be his date of birth as far as associates know. Subject and VICTORIA STONE attended atom bomb rally in Madison Square Garden December 4th under auspices of ~~Independent Citizens Committee of Arts, Sciences and Professions~~. NY Journal-American of December 3rd carried article by HOWARD RUSHMORE concerning one ALFRED ADAMSON. Facts of article similar to those of instant case. Reporters interviewed subject on December 3 at which time he denied any connection with case. T-7 reports that MARCIA HISKEY discussed subject and Journal article with SAMUEL STEINGISER, DSM employee at Columbia University. STEINGISER indicated he had heard of ADAMS investigation from EDWARD MANNING, former DSM employee now in South Pacific. Subject closed account at Corn Exchange Bank on 12/18/45 by drawing check for balance to ERIC BERNAY.

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DETAILS: The title of instant case has been changed to include the alias of ALFRED ADAMSON in view of the fact that the subject was designated as such in a recent article which appeared in the New York Journal-American of December 3, 1945. U

The physical surveillance of this subject has been continued since the date of the last report but was interrupted for a short time for reasons which will be set forth later in the report. U

Briefly speaking ADAMS still spends the majority of his time at VICTORIA STONE's apartment, 39 West 55th Street, the Keynote Recordings Company, 522 5th Avenue and at his own residence the Peter-Cooper Hotel, 130 East 39th Street, all in New York City. Detailed logs of the subject's daily activities have been prepared as a result of the physical surveillance being maintained on him and these are being filed in the New York Office. The pertinent activity of the subject as reflected in these logs will be set forth in this report. U

Generally it has been ascertained that the subject usually leaves his hotel around 1:00 pm, walks to the Keynote Recordings Company where he remains about 4 or 5 hours and then proceeds to VICTORIA STONE's jewelry store at 510 Madison Avenue. They dine together and then proceed to her apartment where he stays until about 1:00 am, when he returns to the Peter-Cooper Hotel. He varies this procedure occasionally by eating alone or with some other associate or together with VICTORIA STONE attending a motion picture or a play. Very frequently ADAMS has been observed carrying a black bag approximately 18 x 12 x 4 which resembles a woman's overnight bag to and from his hotel and VICTORIA STONE's apartment. Inasmuch as a confidential source has previously reported that this bag contains medicine, cotton, etc., no further reference will be made to it in this report. U

On October 19, 1945 the subject was observed entering the office of Dr. LOUIS MILLER at 400 West End Avenue where he remained for approximately 30 minutes. Later the same day the subject entered Henri's Restaurant, 17 East 52nd Street and upon departing from there it was observed that he was with JACOB ARNOFF, the two having apparently dined together. These two individuals separated upon leaving the restaurant with the subject proceeding to VICTORIA STONE's jewelry store. Here he picked up a large manila envelope which he carried to her apartment at 39 West 55th Street. The surveilling agents observed that ADAMS did not carry this envelope from her apartment when he finally departed at 12:25 am on October 20th. U

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As of October 22, 1945 the subject while under surveillance visited the New York Public Library where he obtained and perused several copies of a magazine entitled: "MACHINERY". He remained here about one hour and was observed making notes in a large brown book which he carried. Subsequent examination of this magazine failed to indicate just what article or articles the subject was interested in. Later the same day the subject was observed to carry another manila envelope from the Keynote Recordings Company to VICTORIA STONE's store and finally to his own hotel room. U

From various sources it was ascertained that on October 25, 1945 a birthday party was held at the Keynote Recordings Company for the subject. Informant T-4 stated that ERIC BERNAY when ordering some food at a local delicatessen observed that he was having a birthday party at his office for his engineer. T-2 advised that JULIUS HEIMAN had been unable to come to the party but had sent ADAMS a gift of a large basket of fruit. The same informant and T-1 reported that MURIEL BERNAY, daughter of ERIC, had wished ADAMS a happy birthday on this date and ADAMS himself had told IRENE MILLER to thank "MOLLY" for a gift of a book. The identity of "MOLLY" is unknown but it possibly refers to MOLLY NOVICK, wife of SAMUEL NOVICK who is an associate of the subject. U

The significant point of all this information is that it indicates that the subject's true date of birth is possibly October 25, 1885 at least to these close associates of his. It will be recalled that ADAMS' birth date has been a point of discussion as at all times prior to 1936 he has claimed to have been born on October 25, 1885 at Eskiltuna, Sweden. However, when he first appeared in Canada in 1936 and since that time on all official records he has claimed to have been born on May 4, 1890 at Larder Lake, Ontario, Canada. From the informants' reports it would seem that the date of October 25, 1885 was possibly correct. U

The subject had lunch with IRENE MILLER on October 27, 1945 at Longchamps Restaurant, 12th Street and 5th Avenue. However, following lunch they separated and ADAMS proceeded to the Keynote Recordings Company. U

At 12:50 pm on November 1 the subject while under surveillance proceeded to the Electrical Testings Laboratories, 79th Street and East End Avenue, where he remained until about 3:00 pm. From information supplied by Confidential Informants T-1 and T-2 it was ascertained that the subject's visit to this firm was in connection with the business of the Keynote Recordings Company. U

T-3 advised the reporting agent that he had heard that a Miss CARLISLE attempted to reach the subject and being unable to do so had requested that he call her at BU 8-4031. This telephone number it was learned is listed under the name of HELEN GRACE REID, 983 Park Avenue. It is interesting to note

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that HELEN GRACE REID is an associate of JACOB ARONOFF, who while under surveillance on one occasion took a woman companion, one ALICE HAINES, to REID's apartment. Further, ARONOFF in letters to ADAMS' wife in Russia has frequently referred to GRACE and ALICE indicating that they were possibly known to the subject's wife. U

As to Miss CARLISLE, her identity is unestablished. However, it is recalled that one JOSEPH G. MYERSON, attorney, 1 Park Avenue, when being interviewed concerning DOROTHEA KEEN, subject's wife, supplied information to the effect that GRACE ROMBERGER CARLISLE REED, a writer, had formerly associated with DOROTHEA KEEN. At the time HELEN G. REID was investigated it was ascertained she was a writer and was separated from her husband. Consequently it is possible that the aforementioned Miss CARLISLE, HELEN GRACE REID, ARONOFF's friend and the GRACE ROMBERGER CARLISLE REED mentioned by MYERSON are identical. U

The surveilling agents observed that on November 6, 1945, ADAMS accompanied by VICTORIA STONE attended a neighborhood theatre when they viewed The House on 92nd Street. U

At 3:08 pm on November 9th, ADAMS was observed entering ARONOFF's office at 521 5th Avenue and he remained there until about 4:10 pm. The following day ADAMS visited ERIC BERNAY at his home at 160 Bennett Avenue, Bronx, New York, where he remained from about 5:45 pm to after midnight. U

T-5 related that on November 13th the subject while contacting VICTORIA STONE was told in effect that she expected two of her relatives and consequently he should not come around and further, VICTORIA did not think it was smart as they (she and ARTHUR) could not talk in her relatives' company the last time. U

On November 14th the subject with VICTORIA STONE attended a rally of the ~~American Soviet Friendship League~~ which was held in Madison Square Garden and at which several Russian officials spoke along with Mr. ~~GLASKI~~ of England.

The following day, November 15th, ADAMS was observed to purchase a copy of the Smythe Report "~~ATOMIC ENERGY~~". This it is known is the official report on the atom bomb as prepared by Professor ~~SMYTHE~~ of the Princeton University. Later during the course of the surveillance the subject dropped a clipping from the above mentioned book which the surveilling agents obtained and which is being retained in the files of the New York Office. This clipping was from the New York

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Times and was a discussion of the Symthe Report. U

On November 16th, the subject visited Dr. MILLER at his office, 400 West End Avenue and remained in MILLER's office for about 2 hours. During this time the subject, Dr. MILLER and the latter's nurse dined together at a local restaurant. L

Then on November 17, 1945 the subject visited JACOB ARONOFF at his residence, 29 East 11th Street, where he stayed for about one hour. As regards this visit, T-1 reported that ADAMS contacted ARONOFF previously and told the latter that he had to fix a lock on a file cabinet in VICTORIA's store but that he would come down and talk to him for awhile. At this time the subject further explained to ARONOFF that he (ADAMS) was not feeling so good; that some days he was good and some days bad.

On November 18th at 4:16 pm the subject was observed to leave his hotel and proceed to VICTORIA STONE's apartment. It was noted that he was carrying a small black brief case. Informant T-6 stated that ADAMS had contacted VICTORIA STONE earlier in the day about visiting her but upon his inquiring as to her present company she had told him not to go into a discussion. As ADAMS proceeded in his attempt to ascertain her company she briefly informed him that the kid was there. T-6 was unable to add any definite information as to the identity of this third party.

Confidential Informant T-4 was able to report that there were some indications that ERIC BERNAY might possibly have some of the subject's possessions. According to this informant on November 22nd ADAMS instructed BERNAY's mother to have him (BERNAY) bring a carton containing two suits to the office on the following day. The surveillance of the subject on November 23rd reflected that he brought a large white suitcase from 522.5th Avenue to the Peter-Cooper Hotel. Later upon leaving the hotel he was observed to carry the same box to VICTORIA STONE's apartment.

On November 24th, ADAMS was again observed to carry a brown zipper brief case from the Keynote Recordings Company to VICTORIA STONE's store and subsequently to her apartment at 39 West 55th Street, where he left same.

T-3 was able to report on November 27th that the subject contacted the office of Dr. W. M. McLEAN, 394 West End Avenue, at which time he requested that an appointment which he had later in the week be advanced. He advised the doctor's nurse that it was necessary for him to change all of his glasses and this consequently would take time. Further, he added he only had a limited amount of time as it was necessary for him to go away for awhile. It might be stated that

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Dr. McLEAN is known to be an eye specialist and to have frequently treated the subject on previous occasions.

Along these same lines the surveillance of the subject on the following day reflected that he visited the Rueff Brothers, Inc.; 30 West 24th Street, where he inquired as to several pairs of lenses which were being made for him. He was informed that he would be notified at his hotel when these lenses were ready.

On the evening of November 28th the subject, while under surveillance, attended a meeting of the Plastics Alumni Association, which was held at the Hotel Governor Clinton.

On November 29th, ADAMS had dinner with JACOB ARONOFF following which T-5 reported he told VICTORIA STONE it was necessary for him to go to ARONOFF's house as the latter desired to talk to him further. The informant was unable to advise as to the particular matter of interest between ARONOFF and ADAMS but the surveillance of the subject did reflect that he remained with ARONOFF for approximately five hours.

ADAMS on December 1, 1945 was observed to purchase several tickets to a meeting which was to be held on December 4th at Madison Square Garden and which was known as the Crisis Meeting on the Atom Bomb. This meeting was known was held under the sponsorship of the Independent Citizens Committee of the Arts, Sciences and Professions and included such speakers as Dr. HAROLD GREY, HELEN KELLEN, DANNY KAYE, R. J. THOMAS, HENRY WALLACE and others. It was observed later by the surveilling agents that the subject actually attended this meeting with VICTORIA STONE.

The same day, December 1, ADAMS proceeded to ERIC BERNAY's home where he remained for approximately two hours. Concerning this particular visit Informant T-1 stated that he knew ADAMS had previously contacted BERNAY's mother and stated that he was going there as he wanted to get some things. The informant was unable to add to this information and it is noted that the surveilling agents failed to see that the subject carried anything away from BERNAY's home.

This information when considered with that previously submitted wherein ADAMS asked that BERNAY bring two suits to the office furthers the belief that the subject possibly has some of his possessions in BERNAY's apartment.

As of 11:00 pm on December 3rd the continued surveillance of ARTHUR ADAMS was discontinued for reasons which will be set forth later in this report.



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There was no surveillance conducted on the subject as of December 4th. However, beginning on December 5th, 1945 and continuing until 4:00 pm on December 9th a spot surveillance of his activities was maintained.

During this period, however, T-3 reported that he knew that MARCIA HISKEY and JULIUS HEIMAN both attempted to reach ADAMS on December 5th but with negative results. The same informant reports further that MARCIA again tried to contact the subject on December 6th but likewise met with no success. T-1, however, did state that ADAMS saw JACOB ARONOFF for sometime on December 6th which visit was made at ADAMS' request. Informant T-6 added that he understood that the subject had visited ERIC BERNAY at his home on December 9th.

From surveillance it was observed that on December 10th the subject again visited the Rueff Optical Company which has been mentioned heretofore. From information previously supplied by T-1 it was known that the subject had contacted this firm and was advised that he could call for his lenses.

On December 19, 1945 the subject while under surveillance again attended a meeting of the Plastics Alumnae Association which this time was held at the Pennsylvania Hotel.

JACOB ARONOFF and the subject dined together on December 20th at Ruby Foo's Restaurant, 52nd Street, following which they proceeded to ARONOFF's apartment where the subject remained until about midnight.

Confidential Informant T-5 stated that he had heard on December 22nd that VICTORIA STONE had an engagement with the JOSEPHSONS (presumably LEON and LUCY JOSEPHSON) at their home and was later contemplating going to the Cafe (Cafe Society Uptown) with them. According to the informant the subject upon hearing this was very morose and peeved and upon VICTORIA asking that he be nice and understanding he replied to the effect that she should not ask him anything as it is very difficult.

On December 26th the surveillance of the subject reflected that he spent approximately 5 hours with ARONOFF at the latter's residence, 29 East 11th Street. The following day, December 27th, the subject was observed to purchase a book at the Union Methodist Church, 229 West 48th Street, which book he subsequently took to VICTORIA STONE's apartment.

T-5 knew that on January 4, 1946 ADAMS had contacted VICTORIA STONE at which time she told him that a friend of his had called on her but had not brought a certain something, as she, (the caller) had not been able to find it.

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The informant related that he had no knowledge as to the identity of this caller.

The same informant stated that on January 8th VICTORIA STONE had informed the subject that she was going to be busy, that she could not see him and that he should not call her. From previous information furnished by the same informant it is known that VICTORIA was seeing a business associate one Mr. HUBERT WOOD on this particular evening. The surveillance of the subject reflected that he visited with JACOB ARONOFF at the latter's residence and remained for about 4 hours.

T-7 advised the reporting agent on January 15th that the subject and MARCIA HISKEY agreed to meet in his hotel room between 7 and 8 pm the following day. According to the informant ADAMS instructed MARCIA not to ask for anyone at the desk but to go immediately to his room, #1103. As will be brought out later in this report this is the first meeting between ADAMS and MARCIA HISKEY which has occurred for sometime though she has frequently contacted him and asked that he see her.

A physical surveillance of the Peter-Cooper Hotel reflected that MARCIA did visit ADAMS at 7:10 pm on January 16th and remained with him until approximately midnight. Informant T-5 observed that in regard to this meeting between MARCIA and ARTHUR the former had merely told VICTORIA STONE that he was to be busy and could not see her.

On January 19th T-3 was also to advise that ADAMS had contacted a Miss EARLY in the office of Dr. M. A. CHERTAK, Room 1525, Empire State Building. According to the informant, Miss EARLY was apparently well acquainted with the subject and he told her that he had a little emergency. An appointment was thereupon arranged for him with the doctor at 12:30 pm the same day which appointment the surveilling agents reported the subject kept. It is interesting to note that the subject has visited Dr. CHERTAK on a number of occasions under rather suspicious circumstances. However, investigation to date has failed to reflect any pertinent connection between these two.

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NEW YORK JOURNAL-AMERICAN INCIDENT

As was mentioned heretofore the physical surveillance of this subject was discontinued between 11:00 am December 3rd and approximately 4:00 pm December 9th. The New York Journal-American of December 3rd carried a story by one HOWARD RUSHMORE concerning an individual named ALFRED ADAMSON. A considerable number of the facts of this story were identical with those of instant investigation. Following this article various informants reported as to the subject's and his associates reactions thereto. Confidential Informant T-5 first reported at 2:50 pm on December 3rd that VICTORIA STONE contacted ADAMS at the Keynote Recordings Company stating that she desired to talk to him. The subject replied in effect that he also would like to talk to her. In replying to her question as to whether he had already heard he answered in the affirmative and she in turn advised him that she too had heard. They thereupon agreed to meet at VICTORIA's apartment later. The physical surveillance not being maintained at this time it was not possible to ascertain if the subject kept this appointment.

T-1 advised that he knew that at approximately 3:45 pm on this same date two reporters of the New York Journal-American attempted to see the subject at the Keynote Recordings Company but the informant's knowledge were unsuccessful. Due to the subject's absence, the informant related, the reporters contacted HOWARD RUSHMORE, author of the above mentioned article and inquired as to whether they should look elsewhere for ADAMS. However, according to the informant, RUSHMORE advised them to wait though he did not feel that ADAMS would be back. He then had the reporters contact PAUL SCHOENSTEIN, an editor of the Journal-American, who told them to wait awhile for ADAMS as he would like to see his (ADAMS') reaction to the article.

This informant had no knowledge as to whether the reporters had seen the subject. However, it was observed that the Journal-American for December 4th stated that the subject had been interviewed but denied any knowledge of the case.

ERIC BERNAY according to T-2 at 4:05 pm on December 3rd had his secretary MILDRED BISSO contact his attorney, Mr. JOSEPH BERG. Miss BISSO, informant, continued, asked the attorney to come immediately to BERNAY's office and to bring his stenographer with him. Upon JOSEPH BERG's inquiry as to the nature of the business Miss BISSO reported that she did not know but it was very important.

T-3 advised that he had learned that at 9:00 am on December 4th an unidentified reporter of the Journal-American had contacted the subject at his

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apartment and made an appointment to interview him later at the offices of the Keynote Recordings Company. According to the informant, ADAMS inquired of the reporter as to the nature and the purpose of the interview. He was then asked if he had read the Journal-American of the preceding day. According to T-3's information ADAMS answered this in the negative whereupon the reporter stated that in that event the matter would be difficult to explain and consequently he would bring along a copy of the paper for ADAMS to read. The appointment, the informant related, was made for 2:30 pm. However, he (the informant) had no knowledge as to whether it was kept or if so the results thereof.

At 10:00 am on the same day, December 4th, Informant T-2 stated that ERIC BERNAY had contacted his secretary WILDRUD BISSO relative to some general business matters. However, according to the informant, BERNAY also referred to his having been questioned by a reporter relative to the mentioned story and the fact that when BERNAY had called his attorney the reporter had quickly left his office. The same informant added that at 12:43 pm on December 4th, BERNAY attempted to again reach his attorney JOSEPHBERG but with negative results. However, at 2:10 pm the same day Informant T-3 was told that ERIC succeeded in contacting JOSEPHBERG at which time he told him a reporter was coming to the Keynote Recordings Company at 2:30 pm (this probably referred to the above mentioned appointment of ADAMS with the reporter). Continuing, the informant related that JOSEPHBERG had advised BERNAY to go ahead and talk to the reporter as he had nothing to lose. ERIC in turn remarked that he would like to get something on them (the Journal-American) so he could sue them for libel. However, JOSEPHBERG stated in effect that the paper was too smart for that. T-2 further stated that BERNAY mentioned to this attorney that they (the reporters) had tried to get a shot of ADAMS that morning as he was leaving the hotel lobby.

In regard to this last remark of BERNAY's relative to the attempts to photograph the subject, Mr. JAMES P. GOULD, Manager of the Peter-Cooper Hotel, submitted information to Special Agent JOHN MALONE indicating that this incident had actually taken place. According to Mr. GOULD a photographer of the Journal-American had waited in the hotel lobby with his camera on the morning of December 4, 1945 and had snapped ADAMS' photograph as he came from the elevator. Mr. GOULD added that he did not witness the incident and consequently was unaware of ADAMS' reaction. Further, Mr. GOULD remarked that two men and a woman, whom he believed to be from the press, had waited in the hotel lobby with a camera until about midnight on December 6, 1945. He assumed from the actions and bits of conversation that he overheard that they were waiting for ADAMS. However, when the subject did not come in by midnight they left. Mr. GOULD continued to state that on the morning of December 3, 1945 he had been contacted by Mr. LIVINGSTONE of the New York Journal-American who referred him to the article and asked if he had any comment to make. According to Mr. GOULD he explained to LIVINGSTONE that he had been manager of the hotel for only a short time, that he had no knowledge of the investigation and that he did not even know ADAMS to see him.

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Informant T-2 continued to report that on December 5th at 9:35 am a Mr. ~~LIEBERMAN~~ had attempted to reach ADAMS stating that he must see him personally. According to the informant LIEBERMAN attempted to reach the subject through MILDRED BISSO of the Keynote Recordings Company and due to the subject's absence then attempted to secure his home address. However, the informant stated it was finally agreed that LIEBERMAN would see ADAMS at 2:00 pm the same day. This individual, according to the informant, identified himself as being connected with the New York Post. At 12:45 pm on December 6th, T-2 received information to the effect that MILDRED BISSO had seen one BILLY (last name unknown) at which time MILDRED told this person of the recent Journal-American article and ARTHUR ADAMS who worked in the same office with her. According to the information given the informant, MILDRED advised her friend that ADAMS had refused to talk to reporters claiming that inasmuch as his name did not appear in the paper he had nothing to do with the case. However, MILDRED observed that ADAMS was still out and around and was still coming to the office (Keynote). She then told BILLY that reporters had interviewed ADAMS on Monday (December 3rd) but he had denied everything, and that as he was supposed to be working for our allies, the Russian Government, he could not be arrested until the State Department warranted his arrest. The informant remarked that Miss BISSO indicated that she did not know the whole story but only what she had read in the newspaper. Nonetheless, she continued to tell her friend that the matter had been going on for about two years and proof had been submitted to the State Department by the FBI but no attention had been paid to it. Then, according to the informant, MILDRED aligned this expose with the recent resignation of Major General HURLEY. MILDRED, the informant continued, asked BILLY not to tell anyone of this and in the event she did she should not mention ADAMS' name or the Keynote Company as neither had been in the papers as yet. Continuing, the informant stated that MILDRED told BILLY further that she had indiscreetly remarked to one of the reporters that it was no wonder that they were following ADAMS and her. The reporter apparently took up this remark and she subsequently told him of how she and ADAMS were followed which fact appeared in the article of December 4, 1945. Finally the informant related the girls agreed that MILDRED might possibly have been bumped off, that her family was worried over her possibly being involved in the case and that they would mutually pray for each others welfare.

Later the same day, Informant T-1 was able to report that the previously mentioned Mr. LIEBERMAN again tried to reach ADAMS but with no success. However, LIEBERMAN did tell MILDRED BISSO that he had an important message for ADAMS in which he thought the latter would be very interested. At this time arrangements were made for him to see ADAMS later. This informant observed that MARION ~~TEGRAM~~, another Keynote employee, while talking to LIEBERMAN asked if he had printed the story to which question he replied in the negative.

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Informant T-3 stated that he had no information as to what story was meant by this remark. However, it was later learned that LIEBERMAN's first name was NAT and that he was a reporter for the New York Post. An appropriate watch of a number of future issues of the paper revealed nothing of a pertinent nature to this investigation.

Informants T-1 and T-5 advised on December 8th that in their presence VICTORIA STONE had told ADAMS that her store was full of inquirers, and then she asked if anything else was hot. According to the informant, ADAMS thought that this was a silly and a stupid question for VICTORIA to ask.

Along the same lines T-3 related that MARCIA HISKEY finally succeeded in contacting ADAMS on December 21, 1945 at which time the informant was present. HISKEY, the informant stated, said that she had not heard from ARTHUR for sometime; that she would like to talk to him and was there anything wrong. ADAMS informed her to the effect that there was plenty wrong but that he would communicate with her at some indefinite time in the future. It was the informant's opinion that ADAMS was rather perturbed at MARCIA HISKEY's contacting him as he was abrupt to her almost to the point of being discourteous. The same informant again was able to relate that on January 1, 1946, MARCIA HISKEY contacted ADAMS and asked to see him. However, the informant related that she was again treated in an extremely brief manner and the subject arranged to contact her on some future date.

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On October 15, 1945 a highly confidential source related that PAVEL MIKHAILOV, former Soviet Consul in New York City, had been active in the Red Army Intelligence System. It will be recalled that on October 25, 1944 as a result of a physical surveillance of ARTHUR ADAMS it was ascertained that he was picked up by a car registered under the name of PAVEL MIKHAILOV. In view of this information it would seem probable that the subject of instant case, ARTHUR ADAMS, is also connected with the Red Army Intelligence System rather than being an NKVD agent.

It will also be recalled that prior information has been received to the effect that ADAMS had spoken very highly of one Colonel ITZIK PEFER who toured the United States together with a Professor MICHOLS in the fall of 1943. It was learned that the subject claimed to be a close friend of Colonel PEFER and had associated with him as much as possible during the time PEFER and MICHOLS were in New York City. This connection with a Red Army officer would seem to further indicate that the subject's connection is with the Red Army Intelligence System.

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It will be recalled that in the referenced report of Special Agent H. F. HINDERAKER, dated April 28, 1945, T-3 reported that IRENE MILLER when contacting the subject on January 3, 1945 inquired if a certain party had received any of the parcels. However, ADAMS instructed Miss MILLER not to mention the matter in front of the informant. Nonetheless the informant did know that the subject asked IRENE to communicate with some organization and find out just where in New York City the organization was located as they (probably he and IRENE) had purchased many things a year ago and probably she (DOROTHEA ADAMS) never got them.

As is mentioned in the referenced report it is believed that these remarks of ADAMS and IRENE pertained to parcels which these two had forwarded to Russia to the subject's wife DOROTHEA KEENE ADAMS through the United States Service and Shipping Company. At this time, according to the informant, ADAMS and IRENE MILLER engaged in a discussion about some individual whom the informant could only identify as WEISS (phonetic) but whom the subject ADAMS stated he once knew. However, the informant alleged that ADAMS further described WEISS as being now deceased, formerly being connected with the above mentioned organization and of having a wife on the other side and a son in the Army.

From these descriptive facts it is now believed that ADAMS in his remarks referred to one JACOB GOLOS. This belief is predicated upon the fact that the translation of the word GOLOS into English is "voice" and as the subject ADAMS speaks poor English it is reasonable to presume that the informant misunderstood him. GOLOS was the original head of the United States Service and Shipping Corporation; he died in the latter part of 1943 and he has a wife in Russia and a son MILTON was in the Russian Army.

The status of JACOB GOLOS as an agent of the Russian Government is already well known to the Bureau and from the above information it is indicated that the subject of instant case knew him to some extent. It is interesting to note that pictures of ADAMS have been displayed to T-9 but the informant was unable to identify him. As the Bureau is aware of and has been previously reported, a number of the parcels which it is believed ADAMS and IRENE MILLER forwarded to Russia, are known to the New York Office. However, steps are being taken to secure if possible additional information relative to these shipments from the above mentioned company.

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ASSOCIATES

VICTORIA STONE

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VICTORIA STONE, who is known to be the subject's closest associate, still continues to operate her jewelry store at 510 Madison Avenue and to reside at 39 West 55th Street. As indicated previously in this report ADAMS spends a considerable amount of his time in STONE's company and has free access to her apartment even when she is not around. Continuous investigation of VICTORIA STONE during the period covered by this report has revealed nothing of importance to instant investigation other than that which has already been set forth. U

JACOB B. ARONOFF

This individual is a close friend of the subject and continues to reside at 29 East 11th Street, New York City. As has been previously mentioned the subject visits at ARONOFF's residence frequently and also goes to the latter's office at 521 5th Avenue on occasions. It is noted that the subject also possesses keys to ARONOFF's apartment and has free access there. U

Confidential Informants T-6 and T-10 on October 26th related that VICTORIA STONE had commented to ARONOFF that he (ADAMS) was very shaky. Later the same day the informants knew that ADAMS, STONE and ARONOFF had lunch together at the latter's residence. U

T-1 stated that he knew ARONOFF had attended a reception at the Russian Consulate on November 8th and ADAMS had contemplated visiting ARONOFF at his apartment on the latter's return. The surveillance of ADAMS indicated that this visit never materialized. However, the subject did call on ARONOFF at his office on the following day and remained for about one hour. U

T-10 elaborated on ARONOFF's visit to the Soviet Consulate by reporting that the reception was for the purpose of celebrating the 28th anniversary of the founding of the Soviet Union. U

The same informant continued to report that on November 11th ARONOFF contacted one JACOB BUDISH who is a former Antorg employee and presently an official of the Ambijan. At that time the informant related that BUDISH told ARONOFF of a meeting to be held at the residence of Dr. SHLOM L. RUSKIN, 32 East 67th Street. Dr. RUSKIN it is recalled is a former contact of ARTHUR ADAMS and the latter has visited his office on a number of occasions. However, as far as can be ascertained there was no pertinent connection between ADAMS and RUSKIN. T-10 did not know any details as to this meeting which ARONOFF was supposed to attend but in view of the fact it originated with BUDISH it is presumed that it was in relation to Ambijan business. The informant did note that there was no indication from ARONOFF that he was previously acquainted with Dr. RUSKIN.



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T-1 stated that on November 21st ARONOFF told the subject that he (ARONOFF) had been in Chicago the previous day. They thereupon agreed to meet again about 30 minutes later but the physical surveillance of ADAMS failed to reflect that this meeting took place. According to Informants T-5, T-6 and T-10 ARONOFF frequently contacts VICTORIA STONE and handles some business matters for her. The informants observed that VICTORIA frequently attempts to get ARONOFF to see or entertain ADAMS when she herself has other engagements she desires to keep. Recently T-5 stated that he knew ARONOFF had completed for VICTORIA STONE the dissolution of her jewelry store from a corporation to a private enterprise.

JACOB ARONOFF continues to do considerable organizational work for the Ambijan and is also presently aiding in the preparation of a new Spanish monthly entitled: "HEMISPHERIO" which is being published by the Pan American Jewish Committee for Latin America.

IRENE MILLER

This individual still continues to see the subject but much less frequently than heretofore. It has been ascertained from a confidential source that IRENE has lost her position as assistant buyer at Macy's Department Store allegedly due to inefficiency. At this time it is known that she still resides at 2 Horatio Street but has not as yet taken up any new employment. U

MARCIA HISKEY

This individual as is also known is the wife of Dr. CLARENCE HISKEY a former DSM scientist presently in the United States Armed Forces in the Pacific. As far as can be determined by surveillance and from informants MARCIA is the only link which the subject still retains with friends who were employees of the project or associated themselves therewith through others. The subject does not hear from CLARENCE HISKEY himself or from EDWARD T. MANNING, JOHN HITCHCOCK CHAPIN or MARIAM SHERWOOD.

As the Bureau has frequently been advised, MARCIA HISKEY has discussed the subject of instant investigation with several of her friends and has also told him (ADAMS) that she writes her husband as to his welfare and as to her meetings with him. As far as is definitely known ADAMS last saw MARCIA HISKEY in about May of 1945 which meeting was set forth in the referenced report of Special Agent H. H. HINKERAKER, dated September 15, 1945 at New York, New York.

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However, it is to be noted that the surveillance of ADAMS reflected that a woman who resembled MARCIA HISKEY was observed entering the Peter-Cooper Hotel on October 6th at which time the subject was known to be in his room. It was not possible to make a positive identification in this instance.

In addition to those contacts between ADAMS and MARCIA HISKEY which have been mentioned heretofore it is known that these two had other meetings. For example, on October 12th, 1945, T-3 stated that he knew MARCIA contacted ADAMS at which time he mentioned that he was keeping VICTORIA STONE's dog. Upon MARCIA inquiring as to why she had not seen him for sometime ADAMS stated that he had a number of reasons. According to the informant these two also discussed CLARENCE HISKEY, his possibilities of getting out of the Army and some of his (CLARENCE's) activities. T-3 further observed that ADAMS told MARCIA definitely at this time that he could see nothing out of his right eye and it was actually blind and further that he thought it was possible it might effect his good eye. Finally, the informant stated, ADAMS indicated that he would possible contact MARCIA through her father, ISAAC SAND, on the following Sunday.

Continuing, T-3 related that he had heard further that MARCIA, using the name of Miss JONES, had attempted to reach ADAMS with negative results. With reference to MARCIA's use of this name it will be later brought out that she frequently uses fictitious names when calling the subject and he supposedly recognizes her as a caller through the use of such a name.

T-3 then recalled that a Miss CARRATER had sought ADAMS at the Peter-Cooper Hotel on October 11th. Inasmuch as the previous investigation of the subject has never revealed his connection with anyone of that name it is a possibility that Miss CARRATER was actually MARCIA.

Informant T-7 stated that he had heard MARCIA HISKEY talking to a woman whom he knew only as FAY. According to the informant, MARCIA told FAY that ADAMS was 55 years of age and was too old and run down for her. In this connection it is noted that ADAMS has probably given MARCIA his birth date as May 14, 1890 which is the same as he had given Consular and Immigration officials at the time he entered the United States in 1938.

The same informant, T-7, advised the reporting agent on November 30, 1945 that he knew MARCIA had been in contact with SAMUEL STEINGISER, an employee of the SAM Laboratory at Columbia University. STEINGISER is known to be a close friend of MARCIA and CLARENCE HISKEY and EDWARD T. MANNING and was employed with the latter two on the DSM Project both in New York City and in Chicago. According

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to this informant, STEINGISER inquired of MARCIA if she knew ARTHUR ADAMS, if she had ever been followed and if CLARENCE ever communicated with ADAMS or vice versa. T-7 stated that MARCIA told STEINGISER that she knew ADAMS had been followed but that he was still in New York City and that she had been seeing quite a lot of him. She related further that in fact ADAMS had told her that there was no reason for his being followed. STEINGISER in turn said that he was wondering just what ADAMS was and he intimated that he had heard some things concerning ADAMS from EDWARD MANNING. MARCIA told STEINGISER that she was well aware that MANNING knew ADAMS, that he himself had told her to that effect when she last saw him prior to his being transferred to the South Pacific.

The informant stated that he knew STEINGISER had been advising MARCIA in her attempts to secure a job for her husband with Dr. HAROLD UELLY. STEINGISER, the informant thought, believed that the investigation of ADAMS might have aggravated the possibilities of CLARENCE returning to the United States. STEINGISER also thought that anybody involved with ADAMS would be the subject of some investigation. Continuing this informant stated that MARCIA told STEINGISER that she had discussed ADAMS' case with a friend who was acquainted with this sort of thing and she was advised not to see him any more. She further related to STEINGISER that she had been told there was a reason for the investigation of ADAMS and that she was the reason. ADAMS, MARCIA advised, was not a citizen and had travelled a lot having been in Russia and in Warsaw, Poland. According to the informant, STEINGISER and HISKEY then discussed the possibility that CLARENCE was really the one being investigated and MARCIA remarked to the effect that ADAMS knew nothing of CLARENCE's work; that he was not connected with it and that they had never discussed the same. STEINGISER observed, however, that the important thing was just what ADAMS' political ideas might be. MARCIA denied that ADAMS had ever spoken about his political beliefs though she freely admitted that he had worked for Russia.

Again on December 3rd, Informant T-7 reported that MARCIA HISKEY and STEINGISER were together at which time the latter told her of some of the details of the Journal-American story which he had just read. He also told her that the name of ALFRED ADAMSON was used but that in his opinion the details were very similar to a story which he had previously heard. According to T-7, MARCIA expressed great surprise at this information and agreed that the facts of the article were too close not to pertain to ADAMS. However, she told STEINGISER that the name was wrong as she had seen his right name of ARTHUR ADAMS on a diploma. In answer to MARCIA's inquiry as to whether the thing could be a coincidence, STEINGISER disagreed stating that he thought he (presumably ADAMS) had been back about two years and from what he can gather from people ADAMS had been under surveillance. STEINGISER expressed the further opinion that people

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who know ADAMS were fools and he included MARCIA and CLARENCE in this group. The informant stated that MARCIA then stated that ADAMS realized that he was being followed in October. STEINGISER, however, disagreed with this claiming that ED (EDWARD T. MALLING) had told him even before that that he was being followed. Continuing the informant related that MARCIA then expressed the opinion that ADAMS was a good guy and had been very sick lately. STEINGISER in turn alleged that he did not know ADAMS at all. MARCIA then told SAM that she frequently calls the subject to ascertain his welfare but never leaves her right name. ADAMS, she stated, then getting the call from a person with a queer name recognizes her as his tailor and usually calls her back. However, she admitted that of late he had failed to communicate with her which fact she considered unusual. According to the informant, STEINGISER advised her to stay away from ADAMS because it was possible for life to become very miserable for her. He added that it had been a long battle for him and that AL and CLARENCE had lost as was evidenced by the fact/where they were now located. The informant said that MARCIA and SAM agreed that it would be a good idea to advise CLARENCE as to the article in the paper but that it would be better to wait before sending it to him in order to determine just how things would come out.

Informant T-7 continued to state that STEINGISER related that he had received a letter from EDWARD T. MALLING about November 25th in which the latter had apparently told him something of ADAMS' story and that he thought ADAMS was being followed.

Later in the day of December 3rd, Informant T-7 was able to report that STEINGISER again contacted MARCIA to ascertain her reaction after reading the above mentioned Journal-American article. At this time MARCIA told SAM that she knew every detail of the story, that it all fitted and that she knew exactly where he had gone. As to the trip to Oregon, MARCIA intimated that the subject had told her his concern had sent him but now she was not sure just what to believe. She further denied to STEINGISER that she had ever received any mail at her home for ALTHUR ADAMS. According to the informant, STEINGISER intimated that he thought that the scientist referred to in the article as having given ADAMS a package actually pertained to CLARENCE. Then, the informant stated, SAM added that if this fact was true he would like to break CLARENCE'S neck. MARCIA, however, denied that CLARENCE had any connection with the case. She did admit that she knew all about the jewelry store, the doctor and the lawyer mentioned and added that all of these people were liberals. With reference to the lawyer mentioned in the article she added that he was a very prominent lawyer and was not the type to let himself get mixed up in anything of this kind. She further identified this lawyer to the informant by advising that he on one occasion had been refused by the USSR. It is felt that in MARCIA HILDEY'S

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reference to this lawyer she actually means JACOB ARONOFF inasmuch as it is known that she is acquainted with ARONOFF and further that he was turned down on his application for employment with UNIA.

Informant T-7 also stated that MARCIA told STEINGLIER that she knew ADAMS had gone once to the west coast before she met him and had been back and forth since. STEINGLIER in turn mentioned that this trip to the west coast of the subject had been in 1943 which was the date they had gone to Stockholm. The informant remarked that he did not know just what STEINGLIER made reference to in this last remark. However, Mrs. HISKI alleged to STEINGLIER that she did not meet ADAMS until 1944 but she knew when he entered the United States from Canada. She further claimed to STEINGLIER that she had asked ADAMS why he did not go to the FBI and advise them of the fact that he was being followed but he (ADAMS) had stated that he could not do that. She then expressed the opinion that ADAMS had no Communistic connections and that she felt that if a person is supposed to be a spy he is not going to expose himself.

Informant T-7 related that still later on December 3rd, MARCIA had contact with one JOE, whose last name was unknown to the informant. However, the informant knew that she referred JOE to the Journal-American article adding that it pertained to a gentleman she knew and sounded as if it implicated her. The facts she stated had been colored and only one name was mentioned which was false. However, she stated the initials were correct. According to the informant, she then proceeded to read to JOE a portion of the article interposing that the scientist referred to therein could be almost anybody and that someone had asked her if she was ADAMS' post office in Brooklyn which fact she denied.

MARCIA also advised the informant that she told JOE to read the article and that she would talk to him later concerning it inasmuch as he did not know just which parts were true. She admitted that the article contained a number of facts but still claimed that some of these were colored. According to the informant, MARCIA admitted that ADAMS was in touch with his wife in Moscow by cable and through a friend; that ADAMS had visited a lawyer; the Russian born doctor on West End Avenue and the jewelry store as the story quoted. However, she claimed that such visits did not necessarily mean anything.

According to the informant, JOE said that in his opinion the article was just red-baiting and that ADAMS was probably being followed so that things could be found out which would reflect unfavorably against our dealings with Soviet Russia.

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Continuing T-7 reported that MARCIA told JOE that ADAMS had entered the United States illegally from Canada in 1938 and has continued to go back and forth. She further contended that she knew ADAMS did not carry a British passport because she had not seen it. However, she stated that he had done work for the Soviet Purchasing Commission and he had known her husband CLARENCE in Chicago. The informant stated that JOE indicated to MARCIA that the article was nothing for her to worry about.

On December 6th the same informant heard that MARCIA HISELY had met one BEA ~~WEIDENOFF~~, the wife of Dr. MAXWELL ~~WEIDENOFF~~, a former SAU employee. At this time BEA told MARCIA to secure a copy of Monday's Journal-American as she might possibly find it very interesting. However, according to the informant, MARCIA stated that she had already seen the article as SA STEINGISEL had contacted her about it. T-7 stated that it was further reflected at this meeting that MARCIA had apparently mentioned ADAMS name to BEA on previous occasions and BEA now considered the whole story to be a lie. MARCIA, the informant stated, drew BEA's attention to the article's references to a mail drop and a Chicago scientist and in the informant's opinion both indicated that these references pertain to MARCIA and CLARENCE. However, MARCIA claimed that the story was just a mixture of spy stories for the past hundred years; that the News and Pic had laughed at the story and that the whole thing was blown up so the Journal-American decided to make capital out of it. The informant continued to advise that MARCIA had expressed sorrow for MANNING (presumably EDWARD T. MANNING) stating that he had had no connection with the matter at all but that when he tried to get a job at Oak Ridge he was told that if he was caught on the reservation he would be arrested. She expressed the added opinion to the informant that MANNING was harmless as a fly.

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#### BANK ACCOUNTS

An examination of the subject's bank account as of October 31, 1945 reflected that he had a balance of \$622.10. This sum differed from the balance as of the end of September due to the following withdrawals:

Balance - September 30th - \$792.10

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<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Amount</u>
October 2, 1945	Peter-Cooper Hotel	100.00
September 25, 1945	Cash (endorsed by Music Room)	50.00
October 8, 1945	McGraw-Hill Publishing Company	10.00
October 22, 1945	Product Engineers, 330 West 42nd Street	10.00
	Total	170.00

Balance October 31, 1945 - \$622.10

Due to the inactivity of the subject's account no examination was conducted thereof for the month of November 1945.

However, as of December 19, 1945 T-8 reported that ARTHUR ADAMS had closed out his account with the Corn Exchange Bank, 1 East 42nd Street on December 18, 1945 by drawing a check in the amount of \$618.16 payable to EPIC BERNAY.

To date there has been no indication as to why the subject has closed this account or why he did so in such a manner. It is known that EPIC BERNAY recently went on a trip to Miami, Florida to visit his wife and child and it is possible that the aforementioned check was given to him for a loan. However, with regard to the subject's financial status it is interesting to note that informants have reported twice that VICTORIA STONE has inquired of ADAMS whether he could afford to take her to dinner. A physical surveillance of the subject has failed to reflect that he has opened any new bank account or reopened the above mentioned account with the Corn Exchange Bank.

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SELECTIVE INDICTATION

On December 27, 1945, Assistant United States Attorney WALLACE, Southern District of New York, contacted the reporting agent relative to the ADAMS Case. It is to be noted that Mr. WALLACE is the United States Attorney who presented this case to the Grand Jury and subsequently arranged for the issuance of the existing warrants for his arrest.

Mr. WALLACE first stated to the reporting agent that he had recently observed several articles in the Journal-American which he had identified with the above captioned subject. He said that he was desirous of ascertaining whether or not there was any additional evidence which we had against the subject other than that upon which the indictment was drawn. It will be recalled that these indictments were secured on the false statements made by the subject in his selective service questionnaire and in his alien registration form. Mr. WALLACE added that he did not feel that these two points would have much opportunity of standing up in court and that it had been primarily a matter of cooperation by the Grand Jury which enabled a true bill to be returned.

Mr. WALLACE was accordingly advised that all of the pertinent evidence for the substantiation of the complaints against the subject had been displayed to the United States Attorney McLOMBY and Assistant United States BURKE at the time the case was presented to the Grand Jury. He was further advised that there was no other evidence presently available and that the need for the warrants which were issued still existed.

It is also noted that the Buffalo Field Division by letter to the Bureau of December 26, 1945, a copy of which was forwarded to the New York Office, advised as to the result of an interview with J. J. McFALLIN, Senior Crown Attorney for the City of Toronto, Canada. According to this letter the facts in instant case as pertaining to the subject's obtaining of a birth certificate in Toronto were presented to Mr. McFALLIN and he rendered the following opinion: That there is insufficient evidence at the present time to prosecute ADAMS in Canada for the offense of making a false affidavit; at the same time stating that his opinion is subject to revision should a confession be obtained from ADAMS or from principals such as MAURICE SULLIVAN HILLSTONE of Toronto at some future date.

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

NEW YORK FIELD DIVISION

At New York, New York:

Will continue the physical surveillance of ADAMS, report contacts and activities believed to be of importance of instant investigation.

Will follow and report pertinent developments through mail cover and trash cover being maintained on ADAMS at the Peter-Cooper Hotel, 130 East 39th Street.

Will follow and report information furnished by various confidential informants concerning ADAMS and his associates.

Will review information developed through separate investigations of important contacts of ADAMS and report the information therein pertinent to this investigation.

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

Confidential informants mentioned in the report of Special Agent Francis X. Plant, dated February 18, 1946 at New York, New York, are as follows:

- T-1      \*CONF INFT.      NYT-281, whose identity is known to the Bureau.
- T-2      NYT-314, whose identity is known to the Bureau.
- T-3      NYT-214, whose identity is known to the Bureau.
- T-4      NYT-269, whose identity is known to the Bureau.
- T-5      NYT-272, whose identity is known to the Bureau.
- T-6      NYT-252, whose identity is known to the Bureau.
- T-7      NYT-286, whose identity is known to the Bureau.
- T-8      [redacted] Corn Exchange Bank, 1 East 42nd Street, New York City. He is carried as such due to his personal request.
- T-9      The Informant [redacted] in the case entitled [redacted]  
[redacted]
- T-10      [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau.

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*710 initials duplicate the memo on 12/8/45 Finney with*

Mr. Egan	.....
Mr. Clegg	.....
Mr. Coffey	.....
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Mr. Hendon	.....
Mr. Pennington	.....
Mr. Quinn Tamm	.....
Mr. Nease	.....
Miss Gandy	.....

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*You coming up?*  
*W hat do we know about Finney?*

*The follow-up Finney is a condensed version of the material in the Register.*

ARTHUR ADAMS, IS-R. NY JOURNAL AMERICAN TODAY, WALL STREET EDITION, CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING STORY ON PAGE TWO HEADLINED ATOM SPY MYSTERY, CORRESPONDENT BELIEVES FBI PLANTED STORY TO FORCE CONGRESSIONAL PROBE OF STATE DEPARTMENT" BY NAT FINNEY OF THE DES MOINES REGISTER-S WASHINGTON BUREAU. THE STORY IS AS FOLLOWS.

"WASHINGTON, DC-THE STATE DEPT, ALREADY UNDER BOMBARDMENT FOR ALLEGED COMMUNIST SYMPATHIES BY PATRICK V. HURLEY, TUESDAY WAS HIT FROM ANOTHER DIRECTION ON THE SAME ISSUE BY J. EDGAR HOOVER-S FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION.

THE FBI-S BLAST, FIRED FROM AMBUSH THROUGH A CAREFULLY ARRANGED "NEWS LEAK," HAD AN ACCUMULATION OF IRRITATIONS BEHIND IT THAT PROMISES AN INTER-DEPARTMENTAL ROW REMINISCENT OF THE BATTLES THAT WENT ON BETWEEN DEPARTMENTS DURING THE ROOSEVELT ADMINISTRATION.

THE FBI CHARGED IN A "PLANTED" STORY THAT THE STATE DEPARTMENT REFUSED FOR TWO YEARS TO LET IT TAKE ANY ACTION AGAINST A SOVIET SLEUTH WHO WAS SNIFFING AROUND AMERICA-S TOP WARTIME SCIENTIFIC-SECRETS, AND INCLUDING THE ATOMIC BOMB.

FROM RELIABLE WASHINGTON SOURCES IT HAS LEARNED THE G MEN DRAGGED

END PAGE ONE

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*cc: Mr Ladd Mr Whitson*

*File 5*

*Director Finney 12/8/45 WAB:MOD with*

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THE ATOMIC BOMB INTO THE STORY TO MAKE IT A MORE TASTY TEMPTATION TO CONGRESSIONAL COMMITTEES THAT ARE NOW PREPARING TO LOOK INTO THE BACKGROUND OF THE HURLEY BLAST.

HURLEY SPOKE HIS PIECE IN RESIGNING AS AMERICAN AMBASSADOR TO CHINA.

MEAT OF THE "EXCLUSIVE STORY" THE FBI SERVED UP TO THE NY JOURNAL AMERICAN WAS THAT WHEN STATE DEPT CLEARANCE WAS ASKED TO ARREST THE SOVIET AGENT THE G MEN HAD BEEN FOLLOWING, THE STATE DEPT DID NOT REPLY TO THE FBI.

IT WAS LEARNED THE REASON THE FBI HAD TO APPLY TO THE STATE DEPT. FOR PERMISSION TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE SOVIET "SPY" WAS THAT HE WAS A KNOWN EMPLOYEE OF THE SOVIET GOVT, WAS ATTACHED TO THE SOVIET CONSULATE IN NEW YORK, AND ENJOYED OFFICIAL, DIPLOMATIC STATUS.

IN ITALICS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS SET OUT.

/THE NY JOURNAL AMERICAN DISAGREES WITH THE FACTS PRESENTED BY THE REGISTER-S WASHINGTON CORRESPONDENT.

/ADAMSON, THE SOVIET AGENT, DOES NOT ENJOY "OFFICIAL, DIPLOMATIC STATUS." HE ENTERED THE US ILLEGALLY FROM CANADA, AND THE FBI HAS A STANDING WARRANT FOR HIS ARREST NOT ONLY FOR ILLEGAL ENTRY BUT FOR FALSIFICATION OF SELECTIVE SERVICE REGISTRATION.

/HE IS NOT A "KNOWN EMPLOYEE" OF THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT AND IS NOT "ATTACHED TO THE SOVIET CONSULATE." OFFICIALLY, STALIN AND HIS AMBASSA-  
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DORS WOULD BE THE FIRST TO DENY THEY HAVE AGENTS SEEKING TO OBTAIN THE ATOMIC BOMB.

/THE STATE DEPARTMENT WILL NOT ALLOW THE FBI TO ARREST ADAMSON BECAUSE A CLIQUE IN THE DEPARTMENT FEARS THAT SUCH A MOVE WOULD ANTAGONIZE RUSSIA./

STORY OF FENNEY IS CONTINUED.

IT WAS ALSO LEARNED THIS SOVIET GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE WAS AT NO TIME PRIMARILY INTERESTED IN THE ATOMIC BOMB. HAD HIS ACTIVITIES BEEN SO CONNECTED HE WOULD HAVE BEEN OUTSIDE THE FBI-S JURISDICTION.

THE WARTIME RULE GOVERNING WHO SLEUTHED WHOM WAS THAT A SPECIAL WAR DEPARTMENT INTELLIGENCE GROUP HAD EXCLUSIVE RESPONSIBILITY FOR GUARDING THE ATOMIC BOMB SECRET.

THE FBI WAS UNDER STRICTEST ORDERS TO TURN OVER ANY INFORMATION REGARDING THE ATOMIC ENERGY PROJECT-S SECURITY TO THE WAR DEPARTMENT.

THE FBI-S "SOVIET AGENT" HAS NO SUBSTANTIAL PLACE IN THE WAR DEPT INTELLIGENCE GROUP-S FILES.

FBI INDIGNATION AT THE STATE DEPT DATES BACK TO THE CLEARING OF TWO OF FIVE PERSONS ARRESTED SIX MONTHS AGO IN NY AND WASHINGTON FOR REMOVING SECRET MATERIAL FROM STATE DEPT FILES. THE TWO PERSONS CLEARED ARE LINKED UP WITH AMBASSADOR HURLEY-S BLAST.

EVIDENCE ON WHICH INDICTMENT OF THE TWO STATE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES ARRESTED LAST SPRING WAS SOUGHT WAS COLLECTED BY THE FBI, AND J. EDGAR HOOVER IS RELIABLY REPORTED TO BE LOOKING FOR AN OPPORTUNITY TO AIR  
END PAGE THREE

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THAT EVIDENCE.

G MEN HAVE BEEN SHADOWING STATE DEPT PEOPLE FOR A LONG TIME AND THE STORY PLANTED IN NY IS REGARDED HERE AS AN OPEN INVITATION TO CONGRESS TO ASK THE FBI WHAT IT HAS UNCOVERED."

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LINE SIX, PAGE THREE, WORD THREE "FINNEY"

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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SAC, Los Angeles:

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, WAS, ISR. REBUREL FEBRUARY SIX LAST. TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE ON GENERAL RECORDS COMPANY, THREE FIVE FIVE SOUTH BROADWAY, LOS ANGELES, IN CONNECTION WITH COVERAGE OF ERIC BERNAY IN ABOVE CASE NOT BELIEVED ADVISABLE. HOOPER.

cc-New York (By Rail)

*Eane MW*  
1910-1935

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
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- Mr. Rosen
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- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

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Per

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- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_
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- Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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*Mr. Tolson  
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ARTHUR A. ADAMS, ISR. RE NEW YORK TELETYPE JANUARY 31, LAST. AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED TO INSTALL TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE ON GENERAL RECORDS COMPANY, 355 SOUTH BROADWAY, LOS ANGELES, TELEPHONE MUTUAL 5938, IN CONNECTION WITH INVESTIGATION OF ERIC BERNAY, ASSOCIATE OF SUBJECT, WHO IS IN LOS ANGELES FOR THREE WEEKS AND IS EXPECTED TO CONTACT WILLIAM SABERSKY OF GENERAL RECORDS COMPANY.

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To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

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SAC, Los Angeles

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, WAS, ISR. REURTEL FEBRUARY TWENTY-EIGHT LAST.

*70211 331280-439*

NEWSPAPER PUBLICITY OF PAST TEN DAYS CONCERNING ALLEGED APPREHENSION ARTHUR ADAMS IN CANADA ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT FOUNDATION. WHEREABOUTS OF ADAMS STILL UNKNOWN AND INTENSIVE INVESTIGATION BEING CONTINUED AS YOU HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN ADVISED. HOOVER.

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*EE-1*

cc-New York (By Mail)

*ENCLOSURE*

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*Handwritten signatures and initials: [unclear], [unclear], [unclear], [unclear]*

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Glavin
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- Mr. Mumford
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- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Mr. Nease
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 Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_  
 Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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*Harvey*

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DIRECTOR ROUTINE

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH <sup>①</sup>ADAMS, WAS., ISR. THE DAILY NEWS NEWSPAPER IN L.A. FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 21 LAST, CARRIED AN ARTICLE UNDER OTTAWA DATELINE OF FEBRUARY 21 LAST WHICH STATED IN PART QUOTE ALL THE SUSPECTS WERE BELIEVED TO BE CANADIANS BUT THE OTTAWA EVENING JOURNAL SAID YESTERDAY THAT THE RINGLEADER OF THE RUSSIAN AGENTS WAS ARTHUR ADAMS. HE WAS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY FRIDAY THE JOURNAL SAID. ADAMS WHO WAS KNOWN TO HAVE RESIDED IN A NEW YORK HOTEL FOR SEVERAL YEARS HAS BEEN IN THE PAY OF THE SOVIET ESPIONAGE SERVICE SINCE NINETEEN THIRTYEIGHT THE JOURNAL SAID UNQUOTE. THIS IS FURNISHED FOR BUREAU'S INFORMATION AND BUREAU IS REQUESTED TO ADVISE THIS OFFICE IF ADAMS HAS BEEN TAKEN INTO CUSTODY.

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 cc: Mr. Watson

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COMPLEXION, DARK BROWN EYES, JEWISH APPEARANCE, SPEAKS BROKEN ENGLISH, ALSO SPEAKS RUSSIAN AND JEWISH, SHE WALKS FAST. A DESCRIPTION OF ARTHUR ADAMS WAS FURNISHED TO NORFOLK ON PAGE ONE, THREE FIVE OF NY REPORT IN INSTANT CASE DATED APRIL TWENTY EIGHT, FORTY FIVE. THE SHIPPING AGENTS FOR ALL RUSSIAN SHIPS IN THE PORT OF NY HAVE BEEN EITHER THE MOORE, MC CORMACK LINES OR THE AMERICAN EXPORT LINES, BOTH THESE CONCERNS HAVE BEEN VERY COOPERATIVE.

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- Mr. Clegg .....
- Mr. Glavin .....
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- Mr. Nichols .....
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- Mr. Harbo .....
- Mr. Hendon .....
- Mr. Pennington .....
- Mr. Quinn Tamm .....
- Mr. Nease .....
- Miss Gandy .....

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*Strickland*

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, IS-R, REFER FIVE IS. INTERVIEW WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] REFLECTS SHE HAS NO PRESENT KNOWLEDGE OF SUBJECT-S WHEREABOUTS. HOWEVER, SHE ADVISES ERIC BERNAY HAD HER [REDACTED] APPROXIMATELY FOUR OR FIVE MONTHS AGO TO [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] BERNAY [REDACTED] WERE FOR ADAMS. REFERENCE MADE TO NY TELETYPES TO BUREAU OF JUNE TWENTYONE, TWENTYTHREE AND TWENTYEIGHT WHEREIN BUREAU ADVISED OF VISITS BY SUBJECT TO MEXIAN CONSULATE ALLEGEDLY TO SECURE INFO RE RECORDING INDUSTRY IN MEXICO. TELEYPE OF JUNE TWENTYEIGHT REQUESTED BUREAU TO ASCERTAIN IF POSSIBLE IF ADAMS HAD ATTEMPTED TO SECURE MEXICAN VISA. NO REPLY RECEIVED TO DATE BY NY FIELD, BUREAU <sup>15</sup> GAIN REQUESTED TO SECURE THIS INFO IF POSSIBLE FROM CONFIDENTIAL CONTACTS. BORDER OFFICES HAVE BEEN REQUESTED TO TAKE ALL POSSIBLE STEPS TO INSURE THAT STOPS PLACED WITH CUSTOMS AND IMMIGRATION OFFICIALS ARE BEING CLOSELY FOLLOWED.

[REDACTED] ADAMS SAW IRENE MILLER ABOUT A WEEK PREVIOUS TO DISAPPEARANCE AND ALSO SAW UNIDENTIFIED BLONDE WOMAN ON ABOUT [REDACTED]

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OCCASIONS DURING [REDACTED] FROM FEBRUARY, FORTYFIVE TO DATE. LATER INDIVIDUAL POSSIBLY MARCIA ~~HISKEY~~. [REDACTED] ADDS THAT ABOUT TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO SUBJECT-S DISAPPEARANCE, HE JOKINGLY REMARKED TO MARION

~~PERGRAM~~, OTHER FEMALE EMPLOYEE AT KEYNOTE, " WOULD YOU LIKE TO GO TO CANADA WITH ME" INFORMANT KNEW NOTHING MORE CONCERNING THIS INCIDENT.

SHE ALSO ADVISES THAT [REDACTED] ERIC BERNAY SEVERAL TIMES AS TO <sup>b7D</sup> ADAMS- WHEREABOUTS BUT ONLY ANSWER WAS TO THE EFFECT, " GUESS HE WENT ON A FISHING TRIP." VICTORIA ~~STONE~~, SHE ADVISED, VISITED BERNAY ON JANUARY THIRTYONE AND THEY TALKED PRIVATELY FOR SOME TIME. INFORMANT BELIEVES BERNAY-S TRIP TO COAST IS LEGITIMATE BUSINESS TRIP. FULL DETAILS AS TO

RESULTS OF INTERVIEW WITH

[REDACTED] WILL BE FURNISHED THE BUREAU BY LETTER.

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 Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_  
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WASHINGTON FROM NEW YORK 12 12-8-45 11-56 PM SBD  
 DIRECTOR URGENT

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, INTERNAL SECURITY - R. REOURTEL THIS DATE SETTING FORTH FACT ERIC BERNAY VISITED USSR CONSULATE TODAY. BERNAY BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN INSTRUMENTAL ADAMS TRANSPORTATION TO WEST COAST LAST MARCH. NYT ONE ONE SEVEN HAS ADVISED THE PROBABILITY THAT PAVEL MIKHAILOV ACTING CONSUL GENERAL WILL DEPART FOR RUSSIA THIS NEXT WEEK ON THE SS SUVOROV, A RUSSIAN VESSEL NOW AT CLAREMONT TERMINAL, GREENVILLE, NEW JERSEY. OLGA KHLOPKOVA, ALLEGED NKVD AGENT ALSO SCHEDULED TO SAIL ON THIS VESSEL. THE SAILING DATE OF THE SS SUVOROV IS INDEFINITE BUT INDICATIONS ARE THAT IT WILL SAIL SOMETIMES BETWEEN MONDAY, DECEMBER TEN AND WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER TWELVE. POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT ADAMS MIGHT DEPART ON THIS VESSEL. NO INFORMATION RECEIVED THAT THIS IS A FACT AND IT IS A PRESUMPTION ON THE PART OF THIS OFFICE. SPOT CHECK PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE AND TECHNICAL SURVEILLANCE STILL BEING MAINTAINED ON ADAMS. IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO KNOW HIS WHEREABOUTS AT ALL TIMES. NO OTHER COVERAGE BEING MAINTAINED ON SAILING OF THE VESSEL UNLESS ADVISED TO THE CONTRARY. PREVIOUS INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING APPREHENSION OF ADAMS WILL BE FOLLOWED SHOULD PRESENT COVERAGE REFLECT HE ATTEMPTS TO BOARD SS SUVOROV AND TIME DOES NOT PERMIT THIS OFFICE CONTACTING BUREAU FOR INSTRUCTIONS AND CLEARANCE. INFORMATION RECEIVED LATER TODAY THAT NICK NAPOLI, HEAD OF ARTKINO SPOKE TO CHARLES RECHT, ATTORNEY FOR USSR CONSULATE AND ADVISED HIM THAT MIKHAILOV AND FAMILY WILL DEPART ON THE SS SUVOROV ON MONDAY AFTERNOON, DECEMBER TENTH. NAPOLI STATED THAT HE, TOO, IS GOING. RECHT WAS SURPRISED AT THIS NEWS AND STATED THAT HE DID NOT BELIEVE THAT THE SHIP WOULD LEAVE BEFORE TUESDAY OR WEDNESDAY. NAPOLI INDICATED THAT THE ENTIRE MATTER HAD BEEN RELATED TO HIM IN THE UTMOST CONFIDENCE AND THAT SECRECY WAS STRESSED.

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MAR 14 1946

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: December 12, 1945

FROM : D. M. LADD

- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Glavin \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Nichols \_\_\_\_\_
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- Mr. Hendon \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Pennington \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Quinn Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
- Tele. Room \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Beahm \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, with aliases;  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

~~SECRET~~

At 1:00 PM December 11, 1945, Supervisor Lish Whitson conferred at my instructions with Mr. Caudle of the Criminal Division of the Department, at Caudle's request. Present were Messrs. James McInerney and Nathan Eliff of the Department.

Mr. Caudle asked if there was any recent information indicating Adams' intention of leaving the United States aboard the Soviet SS Suvorov this week.

He was informed that there was no further information regarding Adams' intentions and that the Suvorov had been delayed in its expected departure by reason of slow loading of cargo, of which the Suvorov was carrying a considerable amount; further, that there were indications that additional passengers were expected by the Suvorov who had not yet arrived, the identities of whom were unknown.

Mr. Caudle stated that he desired, if possible, to prosecute Adams under either the espionage statutes or the Foreign Agents Registration Act, but noted at this time there was not sufficient evidence upon which to proceed on these two items. It was pointed out to him that the possibility existed that additional information might be obtained for the Department's consideration in this regard after Adams had been arrested, searched and interviewed and interviews conducted with persons known to have been associated with Adams in the past. Mr. Caudle asked whether Chapin, the scientist from the University of Chicago whom Adams contacted, would be interviewed, and he was advised in this regard that Chapin was employed by the General Electric Company in Massachusetts and would most certainly be interviewed after Adams apprehension.

Caudle then stated that he believed that your attitude was, and that he knew that his attitude was, that Soviet agents running at large in this country had been getting by with everything they wanted to for a long time and that if we could trip them up wherever possible it would be the best policy for the United States. He pointed out that the Soviets took unusual precautions to protect their internal security against what they felt were any and all threats.

Mr. Caudle requested that the Bureau ascertain whether the Canadian authorities wish to press any charges against Adams on the basis of the false birth certificate after we were through with him in this country. He requested that immediate inquiry be made in this regard. Mr. Caudle was informed that this would be done.

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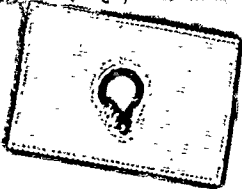


At the conclusion of the discussion, Caudle said that in the event Adams attempted to leave the country he should be picked up on the warrant which is now outstanding against him and that this warrant could be implemented if necessary by search warrants relating to Adams' luggage and effects which were in New York City. He again stated that he hoped that information could be developed which would be sufficient to support the Foreign Agents Registration Act or an espionage case against Adams. D

ACTION: The New York Office will proceed to take Adams into custody on the warrant in its possession in the event he attempts to leave the United States. Mr. Caudle's request has been transmitted to Assistant SAC J. F. Buckley in Ottawa, Canada, for inquiry of the  S

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- Mr. Tolson \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. E. A. Tamm \_\_\_\_\_
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- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

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1/30/46*

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CONF TWO STATIONS  
WASHINGTON 3 AND NEW YORK 2 FROM BALTIMORE  
DIRECTOR AND SAC URGENT

30 5:41 P

RE ARTHUR A. ADAMS, WAS INTERNAL SECURITY R REFERENCE FIVE U S  
RUSSIAN VESSEL SS SUKHONA SAILED BALTIMORE TWELVE THIRTY PM  
DATE BOUND FOR ODESSA, RUSSIA. SURVEILLANCE CONDUCTED TO  
SAILING TIME WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. RUC HERE.  
HALLFORD.  
B R2 NYG

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : E. A. Tamm

FROM : D. M. Ladd *DL*

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ADAMS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: December 14, 1945

Call: 7:45 pm  
12/13/45

Mr. Tolson	_____
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At the above time, Agent Dooley, of the New York Office, called to advise the Russian boat moved out at 6:22 p.m., December 13, 1945, but is still lying in the stream and will probably not clear out until December 14, 1945. He advised no one we are interested in boarded the boat, including Adams. Mr. Dooley advised he has a passenger list which will be sent in by teletype.

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Mr. T. L. Gandle  
Criminal Division

EX-11 John Edgar Hoover -- Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVITCH ADAMS  
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With reference to your memorandum of February 28, 1946, advising that recent newspaper accounts indicated that Arthur Adams was recently taken into custody by the Canadian authorities, I wish to advise that there is no scintilla of truth to the statement that Arthur Adams is in custody.

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## Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

FROM : Theron L. Caudle, Assistant Attorney General  
Criminal Division

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVITCH ADAMS  
Espionage

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DATE: February 28, 1946

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It will be appreciated if you advise us of the present status of the above case.

Recent newspaper accounts have, of course, indicated that the subject was recently taken into custody by the Canadian authorities.

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RE ARTHUR ADAMS IS-R.

FOLLOWING STORY APPEARED IN SEVEN SPORT EDITION NEW YORK JOURNAL-AMERICAN TODAY UNDER DATE LINE OTTAWA FEBRUARY TWENTY. RED BANNER HEADLINE QUOTE NEW YORK SPY FUGITIVE ARRESTED UNQUOTE. SMALL HEADLINE FUGITIVE SPY CHIEF SEIZED IN CANADA, ARTICLE IS AS FOLLOWS.

OTTAWA, FEB. TWENTY.-- ALLEGED RINGMASTER OF THE RUSSIAN SPY PLOT, AN AGENT OPERATING UNDER THE ALIAS OF ARTHUR ADAMS PADAMSON AND REPORTED TO BE IN THE PAY OF THE SOVIET ESPIONAGE SERVICE SINCE NINETEEN THIRTY-EIGHT, WAS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY IN OTTAWA EARLY FRIDAY MORNING BY RCMP INTELLIGENCE OFFICERS.

EXACTLY WHERE IN THE CAPITAL AND UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES THE ARREST WAS MADE WAS KEPT SECRET IN THE CAREFULLY-GUARDED JUSTICE BUILDING.

AT THE REQUEST OF THE U. S. FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, RCMP COUNTER-ESPIONAGE OFFICERS PICKED UP ADAMS- TRIAL WHEN HE LAST ENTERED CANADA IN DECEMBER, TWO DAYS AFTER RUSSIAN AMBASSADOR GEORGE ZARUBIN HAD LEFT OTTAWA TO REPORT BACK TO MOSCOW.

UNDER CONSTANT WATCH

BOTH THE RCMP AND THE FBI LONG HAD BEEN FAMILIAR WITH ADAMS- OPERATIONS SINCE HE FREQUENTLY SHUTTLED BETWEEN OTTAWA, TORONTO AND NEW YORK.

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FOR IDENTICAL PURPOSES- A WISH NOT TO OFFEND AN ALLIED POWER OR LET ITS AGENTS KNOW HOW CLOSELY THEIR MOVES WERE BEING FOLLOWED- THE RCMP AND FBI MERELY KEPT CAREFUL TRACK OF HIM UNTIL LAST FRIDAY MORNING WHEN THE SPY RAIDS BEGAN.

BOTH THE AMERICAN AND CANADIAN POLICE HAVE PICTURES OF ADAMS TAKEN FROM A GROUP PHOTOGRAPH OF A SOVIET TRADE MISSION WHICH VISITED CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES IN NINETEEN THIRTY-TWO. THE NEW YORK JOURNAL-AMERICAN TOLD THE OTTAWA JOURNAL OVER THE TELEPHONE.

IN THAT PICTURE HE ALREADY WAS IDENTIFYING HIMSELF UNDER HIS ALIAS OF " ARTHUR ADAMS."

ACTUALLY HE WAS BORN IN ROMANIA AND SCHOOLED IN RUSSIA.

IN NINETEEN THIRTY-EIGHT, THE RCMP KNEW HE FIRST ENTERED CANADA WITH FORGED PAPERS, GIVING HIS NAME AS ARTHUR ADAMS AND HIS BIRTHPLACE AS TORONTO, THE JOURNAL-AMERICAN SAID..

HE CAME FROM RUSSIA, AND HE WAS THE SAME ARTHUR ADAMS AS IN THE NINETEEN THIRTY-TWO GROUP PHOTOGRAPH OF THE SOVIET TRADE MISSION, THE JOURNAL-AMERICAN SAID.

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TIPPED CANADA POLICE.

WITH THE FORGED PAPERS, HE ENTERED CANADA AS A CANADIAN-BORN NATIONAL AND AS A SUPPOSED TORONTO-BORN CANADIAN OF ROMANIAN PARENTAGE, HE CROSSED INTO THE UNITED STATES.

LAST DECEMBER, TWO DAYS AFTER AMBASSADOR ZARUBIN HAD LEFT OTTAWA, ADAMS, LEFT A NEW YORK HOTEL SO HURRIEDLY THAT HE LEFT SOME OF HIS CLOTHING BEHIND.

THE FBI KNEW OF HIS DEPARTURE, ALSO THAT THE CANADIAN SPY RING INVESTIGATION WAS APPROACHING THE POINT WHERE ARRESTS SOON WOULD BE MADE. SO THE RCMP WAS ADVISED THAT ARTHUR ADAMS WAS ON HIS WAY BACK TO CANADA FOR WHAT WAS TO BE HIS LAST TRIP."

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ARTHUR ADAMS, IS-R. FOLLOWING STORY APPEARED IN THE NEW YORK JOURNAL

AMERICAN, NIGHT EDITION OF TODAY. THE HEADLINE ACROSS PAGE ONE IS

"ASKS FBI RED SPY DATA, DEMANDS FBI DISCLOSE RED SPY DATA" BY KENT HUN-  
TER OF THE NY JOURNAL AMERICAN WASHINGTON BUREAU.

WASHINGTON, DEC 8. - REP. DONDERO "R., MICH.", HAS DEMANDED THE HOUSE MILITARY AFFAIRS COMMITTEE CALL J. EDGAR HOOVER, HEAD OF THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, FOR TESTIMONY ABOUT RED ESPIONAGE IN THIS COUNTRY.

DONDERO ALSO DEMANDED HOOVER BE ASKED WHETHER "HIS EFFORTS HAVE BEEN FRUSTRATED BY ANY OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCY IN BRINGING ABOUT ARRESTS OR TAKING ANY OTHER ACTION INTENDED TO PROTECT NATIONAL SECURITY.

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DONDERO'S ACTION WAS TAKEN AFTER HE HAD READ INTO THE CONGRESSIONAL RECORD A COPYRIGHT STORY PRINTED IN THE NY JOURNAL AMERICAN ON DEC. THIRD.

THE STORY OUTLINED THE EFFORTS OF A RUSSIAN AGENT, FORMERLY IDENTIFIED WITH OFFICIAL SOVIET PURCHASING AGENCIES, TO OBTAIN ATOMIC BOMB SECRETS. IT ALSO REPORTED THAT THOUGH THE FBI HAD NOTIFIED THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF THIS AGENTS ACTIVITIES, NO ARREST HAD BEEN MADE

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THE IMPLICATION WAS THAT STATE DEPT PRESSURE HAD CAUSED THE FBI TO REFRAIN FROM ARRESTING THE AGENT, BECAUSE OF POSSIBLE DIPLOMATIC REPERCUSSIONS.

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WE ARE SAPPING THE MORALE OF THOUSANDS OF MEN AND WOMEN TRAINED IN

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THE SPECIAL ART OF DETECTING SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY" DONDERO TOLD THE HOUSE.

"WE HAVE RENDERED THESE AGENCIES FUTILE IN THE FACE OF DANGER FAR MORE SERIOUS THAN ANY IN OUR COUNTRY-S HISTORY.

"UNDECLARED WAR"

"PICKETING OF THE STATE DEPT, SLANDEROUS ATTACKS ON AMERICAN REPRESENTATIVES IN OUR ARMED FORCES AND DIPLOMATIC SERVICES, CONTEMPTUOUS DISREGARD OF DIPLOMATIC NOTES, POLITICAL STRIKES ON LAND AND SEA, BOTH-AT HOME AND ABROAD, CONDUCTED BY PERSONS OBVIOUSLY SYMPATHETIC TO A FOREIGN IDEOLOGY OF GOVERNMENT, ARE NOT SYMBOLS OF PEACE, BUT OF UNDECLARED WAR."

DONDERO CALLED ATTENTION TO THE ARREST OF SIX PERSONS, INCLUDING STATE DEPT EMPLOYES, ON CHARGES OF PURLOINING SECRET STATE DEPT DOCUMENTS."

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cc: Mr. Tolson  
Mr. W. L. Sullivan

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RE ARTHUR ADAMS, IS - R. FOLLOWING ARTICLE APPEARED IN THE NEW YORK JOURNAL AMERICAN TODAY, LATEST NEWS ADDITION. ON PAGE ONE CAPTIONED "STATE DEPT. FACES SPY PROBES BY CONGRESS", BYLINED BY HOWARD RUSHMORE.

THE STATE DEPARTMENT-S FAILURE TO ORDER THE ARREST OF A SOVIET SPY, BELIEVED HEAD OF THE RUSSIAN ESPIONAGE RING IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA, TODAY BROUGHT HEATED CRITICISM FROM CONGRESS.

ACCUSED FLATLY OF APPEASING THE SOVIETS, THE STATE DEPARTMENT AND ITS PRO-COMMUNIST CLIQUE SOON MAY FACE A THOROUGH INVESTIGATION BY BOTH SENATE AND HOUSE AS TO WHY ALFRED ADAMSON, KREMLIN ESPIONAGE LEADER, HAD NOT BEEN ARRESTED DURING THE EIGHT YEARS HE SOUGHT TO OBTAIN VITAL MILITARY SECRETS.

ADAMSON WAS NAMED BY THE N. Y. JOURNAL-AMERICAN LAST DEC. 3 AS A TRAINED RUSSIAN SPY WHO OBTAINED ATOMIC BOMB INFORMATION IN CHICAGO IN 1942. THIS NEWSPAPER REVEALED THAT ADAMSON, SURROUNDED BY FBI AGENTS, HAD BEEN LIVING IN A MIDTOWN HOTEL FOR TWO YEARS. HE DISAPPEARED FROM THIS HOTEL THREE WEEKS AGO.

"PASSING THE BUCK"  
IN WASHINGTON, REP. BRADLEY /R-MICH/ ACCUSED THE STATE DEPARTMENT-WHICH TURNED DOWN REPEATED FBI REQUESTS THAT ADAMSON BE ARRESTED-OF "PASSING THE BUCK" TO CANADA IN THE MATTER OF THE CURRENT ROUNDUP OF RUSSIAN ESPIONAGE AGENTS IN OTTAWA.

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NOW THAT CANADA, WITH THE FBI WORKING IN CLOSE COLLABORATION, HAS SEIZED THE ALLEGED SOVIET AGENTS, BRADLEY PREDICTED THE SPY RING WOULD SPILL OVER INTO WASHINGTON NEW YORK AND OTHER CITIES, WITH ARRESTS MADE "IN THE NAME OF CANADA".

THE STATE DEPARTMENT WAS CALLED UPON BY BRADLEY TO DROP ITS "CHILDISH APPEASEMENT POLICY TOWARD THE USSR", AND RUSSIA WAS ASKED BY THE MICHIGAN CONGRESSMAN TO "LAY ITS CARDS FACE UP ON THE DIPLOMATIC TABLE IN THE INTEREST OF WORLD PEACE."

"RUSSIA MUST BE SHOWN", BRADLEY DECLARED, "THAT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE HAVE NO THOUGHT OF ANOTHER WAR, UNLESS ATTACKED. BUT WE MUST ALSO CONVINCHE HER THAT WE ARE PREPARED BY RETAINING A STRONG POST-WAR ARMY AND NAVY-AND THROUGH A STRONGER DIPLOMATIC POLICY".

SEN. BRIDGES "R.-N. H./ TOLD THE N. Y. JOURNAL-AMERICAN HE WOULD PRESS FOR A FULL-FLEDGED INVESTIGATION INTO THE LACK OF ACTION ON THE PART OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT IN THE ADAMSON CASE.

"IT IS TIME THE PROPER AGENCIES OF THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT INVESTIGATED THE STRANGE DOINGS OF OUR STATE DEPARTMENT", BRIDGES SAID.

"I AM GOING TO ASK THAT THE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE OF THE SENATE TAKE UP THIS MATTER AT ONCE".

THIS NEWSPAPER-S EXPOSURE OF ADAMSON WAS COMMENDED BY BRIDGES, WHO INDICATED HE WILL TAKE UP THE MATTER IN THE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE OF WHICH HE IS A MEMBER, AS SOON AS THE COMMITTEE-S CHAIRMAN, SEN. CONNALLY /D.-TEX./ RETURNS FROM THE UNO MEETING IN LONDON.

"IF THE STATE DEPARTMENT PREVENTED THE FBI OR ANY OTHER AGENCY FROM ARRESTING SOVIET SPIES BENT ON GETTING ATOMIC DATA, SOME-

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THING SHOULD BE DONE IMMEDIATELY IN THE INTERESTS OF NATIONAL SECURITY," BRIDGES ADDED.

SPEED UP ARRESTS.

MEANWHILE, IN CANADA, AUTHORITIES SPEEDED UP THE ARRESTS AND QUESTIONING OF ABOUT 30 MAJOR AND MINOR GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS NAMED AS PART OF A GIGANTIC SPY RING, WITH RUSSIA BELIEVED TO BE THE FOREIGN POWER INVOLVED.

THE PRESENCE OF A NUMBER OF FBI AGENTS IN OTTAWA INDICATED AMERICA IS INVOLVED IN THE SEIZURES AND ADAMSON PROBABLY IS A KEY FIGURE IN THE CASE.

THIS NEWSPAPER HAS EVIDENCE THAT POINTS CONCLUSIVELY TO THE FACT THAT THE FBI, DISGUSTED WITH THE STATE DEPARTMENT-S APPEASEMENT OF RUSSIA, ATTEMPTED TO GET ADAMSON BACK TO CANADA A NUMBER OF TIMES DURING THE PAST YEAR.

IT WAS IN CANADA THAT ADAMSON OBTAINED FORGED PASSPORTS AND OTHER CREDENTIALS IN 1938. HE ENTERED THE UNITED STATES ILLEGALLY FROM THAT NATION, CLAIMING HE WAS BORN IN TORONTO, ALTHOUGH HE WAS BORN IN RUSSIA AND TRAINED UNDER THE BOLSHEVIKS.  
NOTIFIED IN 1942.

CANADIAN POLICE AND THE DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS WERE NOTIFIED IN 1942, AFTER ADAMSON OBTAINED ATOMIC DATA FROM A SCIENTIST IN CHICAGO, THAT THE RUSSIAN SPY WAS USING FORGED CANADIAN PAPERS.

CANADA AT THAT TIME PROMISED TO ARREST THE SPY IF HE RE-ENTERED CANADA. AFTER THE STATE DEPARTMENT REFUSED TO ALLOW ADAMSON-S

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ARREST, DESPITE A CAREFULLY-DOCUMENTED FBI REPORT SHOWING HIS ACTIVITIES AND HIS WIDE CIRCLE OF CONFEDERATES, THE FBI THEN SOUGHT TO DRIVE HIM TO CANADA.

THE PLAN DEVELOPED BY THE FBI WAS FOR TWO AGENTS TO RIDE IN THE SAME TRAIN OR PLANE WITH ADAMSON, WHILE OTHER AGENTS SPED AHEAD TO CANADA TO PREPARE DOMINION AUTHORITIES WITH DATA FOR THE ARREST.

THAT ADAMSON, REPORTEDLY NERVOUS AND "JUMPY" BECAUSE OF THE CONSTANT FBI CORDON AROUND HIS HOTEL, MAY HAVE GONE TO CANADA, AND WAS ARRESTED THERE, WAS SEEN AS A POSSIBILITY. FACES FIRING SQUAD.

IF HE DOES SUCCEED IN RETURNING TO THE SOVIETS HE FACES A FIRING SQUAD, IT WAS POINTED OUT. KREMLIN ESPIONAGE AGENTS WHO ARE EXPOSED, AS WAS ADAMSON BY THIS NEWSPAPER, ARE LIQUIDATED BY STALIN AS INEFFICIENT BUNGLERS.

COMMUNIST HISTORY IS REplete WITH THE NAMES OF OGPU AND NKVD AGENTS WHO, DESPITE A LONG RECORDS OF LOYALTY TO THE KREMLIN, MADE ONE MISTAKE AND THEN "DISAPPEARED" WHEN THEY RETURNED TO RUSSIA.

IT HAS BEEN MORE THAN A YEAR AGO THAT ADAMSON MADE HIS LAST ATTEMPT TO SHAKE OFF HIS FBI GUARD AND FLEE TO RUSSIA. AT THAT TIME HE GOT AS FAR AS CHICAGO BEFORE THE FBI PICKED UP HIS TRAIL AND REMAINED WITH HIM UNTIL ADAMSON REACHED PORTLAND, ORE. HE MADE A FUTILE ATTEMPT.

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TO BOARD A SOVIET SHIP THERE AND THEN RETURNED TO NEW YORK.

SINCE THAT TIME THE FBI HAS MAINTAINED A 24-HOUR WATCH ON HIS HOTEL. ABOUT THREE WEEKS AGO ADAMSON DISAPPEARED, LEAVING HIS CLOTHING AND UNPAID BILLS, IT WAS LEARNED.

MANY AT LARGE.

DOZENS OF HIS CONFEDERATES ARE STILL AT LARGE, HOWEVER. ONE OF THEM, A MEMBER OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY-S NATIONAL COMMITTEE, IS NOW IN NY. THIS RED, WHO CORRESPONDED WITH ADAMSON THROUGH A BROOKLYN "MAIL DROP," ATTEMPTED TO BUY ATOMIC INFORMATION FROM THE UNIV. OF CALIFORNIA IN 1943.

OTHER MEMBERS OF ADAMSON-S RING ARE.....

A US ARMY OFFICER, NOW IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC, WHO, WHILE WORKING IN A CHICAGO ATOMIC BOMB LAB., GAVE HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL BLUE PRINTS TO ADAMSON.

THIS OFFICER-S WIFE, WHO USES HER BROOKLYN ADDRESS AS A "MAIL DROP" FOR THE SPY RING, RECD MAIL FOR ADAMSON AND FOR SENDING LETTERS FROM HIM TO OTHER MEMBERS OF THE ESPIONAGE CIRCLE.

A WOMAN EMPLOYE OF THE RUSSIAN EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON, THOUGHT TO BE ADAMSON-S "CONTACT" IN SUPPLYING THE SOVIET AMBASSADORS MATERIAL OBTAINED BY THE SPY RING.

THE WIFE OF A WEST END AVE. DOCTOR WHO REGULARLY CABLE CODE MESSAGES TO ADAMSON-S WIFE IN MOSCOW.

A MADISON AVE. JEWELRY STORE OWNER WHO SERVES AS A -FRONT"

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FOR ADAMSON AND TRANSMITS MUCH OF ADAMSON-S CONFIDENTIAL MATERIAL.

LABOR UNION OFFICIALS WHO COOPERATED WITH ADAMSON IN GETTING  
ATOMIC INFO THROUGH UNION MEMBERS WHO WORKED ON THE BOMB PROJECT.

HUNDREDS OF OTHER PERSONS, THE MAJORITY OF THEM AMERICAN CITI-  
ZENS, ALSO ARE IMPLICATED."

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. Ladd

FROM : R. P. Lawson

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS  
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DATE: January 24, 1946

Call: 12:35 a.m.

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At the above time, Supervisor R. R. Granville, New York, called to advise that the surveillance on subject was lost during the evening of January 23. Adams went into his office about 5:00 p.m., which is his usual habit and the agents stayed there until 9:00 p.m. and did not see subject come out and started checking the office and found it was dark. Mr. Granville advised they are checking all outgoing trains and planes and Adams' usual contacts in New York. The New York Office called Chicago and Chicago is checking incoming trains and planes. Philadelphia and Baltimore are checking ships and the New York Office will cover that possibility also. Agent Granville stated they have border stops on Adams. He called Albany to see that these were still in effect and then he called Buffalo. SAC Wilcox, Buffalo advised the outgoing stops there are not very effective and the only effective stops are those placed with the equivalent of Immigration Service in Canada. Agent Granville stated this was done once before when the subject was lost. SAC Wilcox advised Granville that the proper way to do this is [redacted] in Canada. Agent Granville told Wilcox to not put this stop [redacted] for a half an hour so as to give him a chance to check first with the Bureau. Mr. Granville advised there is a good chance they might still pick up subject at his hotel. He usually returns to his hotel about 1:00 or 2:00 a.m. but had not yet appeared there. Mr. Granville asked if there was any objection to placing the stop [redacted] as previously suggested and asked that I check with Mr. Whitson.

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I advised Granville that I would check with Whitson and would call him back. I asked him if in the meantime the subject were located to call me.

ADDENDUM: 12:50 a.m.

[At this time I called Granville back and advised him I had talked to Whitson in regard to the Buffalo stop [redacted] I stated Mr. Whitson said Wilcox should work this stop through with [redacted] (phonetic) in Toronto, who is familiar with this case. At Mr. Whitson's suggestion, I asked Granville if they had received any recent instructions regarding interviews from the Bureau and Granville replied that they had not.]

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I instructed Granville to call us as soon as the subject is located.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO :

MR. EDW. A. TAMM

DATE: 1/28/46

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- Mr. Clegg \_\_\_\_\_
- Mr. Coffey \_\_\_\_\_
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- Mr. Ladd \_\_\_\_\_
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- Mr. Nease \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Beahm \_\_\_\_\_
- Miss Gandy \_\_\_\_\_

FROM :

A. Rosen

Call: 3:15 PM

SUBJECT:

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVITCH ADAMS  
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ASAC Donegan telephonically inquired at the above time as to the advisability of interviewing the above subject. Neither the New York letter of August 14, 1945, nor their letter of September 25, 1945, both of which inquired if the Bureau deemed it advisable to interview the subject and suggesting that it would be well to interview all of the subjects in this case, has been answered.

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Mr. Donegan stated that it was the thought of the New York Office that there is nothing to be lost and every effort should be made in an interview with the subject, if they can find him. Apparently he is still in New York, but is hiding out.

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*Mr. Adams  
has been interviewed  
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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
New York, New York

December 6, 1945

MEMORANDUM:

Re: ARTHUR ADAMS  
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The following information was obtained by Special Agent Donald E. Shannon from [redacted] of the [redacted] [redacted] is an Informant of the [redacted] and is listed under number [redacted]

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On December 6, 1945 about 1:00 P.M. NELSON FRANK, reporter for "The World Telegram" newspaper, came into the office of [redacted] and [redacted] with regard to his knowledge of SAMUEL NOVICK. It should be recalled that [redacted] had received [redacted] in the New York newspaper "The World Telegram" in regard [redacted] as [redacted] [redacted] for Electronics Corporation of America back in 1944. At that time NELSON FRANK had [redacted] NELSON FRANK at first mentioned that he [redacted] regarding information concerning a former member of SAMUEL NOVICK's business committee. NOVICK is the head of the business committee of Businessmen of America. NELSON FRANK then said specifically he wanted to get all the background information that he could in regard to SAMUEL NOVICK and he stated that [redacted] would be amazed and that anybody who had anything to do with SAMUEL NOVICK would be amazed when the real story concerning SAMUEL NOVICK is published. He stated in fact that he thought it would be soon.

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NELSON FRANK then referred to the newspaper story appearing in the "Journal-American" with regard to a party by the name of ALFRED ADAMSON who has been termed a Russian atom spy by this newspaper. In this regard NELSON FRANK [redacted] that the story as appearing in the paper was a straight story and true, but that the names used were fictitious. He said, for instance, that the Radar manufacturer who had not been mentioned by name was in fact SAMUEL NOVICK, that the electrical manufacturer was in fact ERIC BERNAY and that the company of which he was the head was the Keynote Recording Company. He stated that ALFRED ADAMSON was in fact a party named ADAMS. He did not refer to the first name of ADAMS. He stated further that he knew that ADAMS was employed by the Keynote Recording Company.

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FRANK then went on to recall almost word for word the story as appearing in the "Journal-American" newspaper, stating that the case first started when the Army was checking on their scientist in Chicago

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and that a scientist led them to ARTHUR ADAMS and that from that point on the FBI made a complete investigation of ADAMS and his associates. NELSON FRANK stated that RUSHMORE had beat him to the release on the story and that he wanted to have a complete story with the background of all subjects when the FBI really breaks the case, which should be very soon.

NELSON FRANK stated there was no use repeating the "Journal-American" story, but that he was going to wait for the arrest. NELSON FRANK did state that there was a possibility that there might be some deal made with Russia through the State Department and that the entire story would be hushed up. NELSON FRANK stated that it was his belief from his knowledge that the State Department was probably on the level concerning BYRNES' denial, but that it was probably true that BYRNES told the Department that no arrest should be made until they had everything on everybody. NELSON FRANK said that his information was that there were probably one hundred FBI Agents engaged in this job.

In regard to Keynote Recording Company, NELSON FRANK said it was common knowledge that this company was a Communist front and that their business was chiefly in making recordings of Russian songs. He further said that he knew this company advertised in the "Daily Worker." He said that about a year ago he almost had a story on them in connection with their use of a substance known as vinylite in the making of their recordings. According to NELSON FRANK, this substance is scarce and that it was his information that the Keynote Recording Company was obtaining this very scarce substance through Russia, but that at that time he checked with Victor Recording Company and found that there was still some of this vinylite in the United States and that for this reason he never ran the story.

NELSON FRANK stated it was his firm conviction that Keynote Recording was being assisted through Russian contacts to obtain this scarce substance. NELSON FRANK told the Informant that time was of the essence and that he felt that the complete story would be broken in the near future and he wanted to be ready with all the information so as to publish it. b7D

[REDACTED] NELSON FRANK telephoned the "World Telegram" newspaper and stated that the JIMMY BYRNES' statement is probably true, but he would have more on it later. NELSON FRANK also mentioned that he had information regarding an Amtorg employee who got information with regard to jet propulsion plans. He stated that all the information in regard to this individual and the Informants who were supplying information to him through the knowledge of the Bureau was also in his possession.

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DONALD E. SHANNON  
Special Agent

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ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, IS - R. REFER FIVE IS. REVIEW OF QUOTE  
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Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice  
New York, New York

December 6, 1945

MEMORANDUM:

Re: ARTHUR ADAMS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Mr. NELSON FRANK of the "World Telegram" telephonically communicated with the writer this date and stated that he had been advised from a contact in Washington who is obviously Mr. BENJAMIN MANDELL of the State Department, to the effect that Secretary of State JAMES F. BYRNES' statement to the press that at no time has the State Department told the FBI not to arrest anyone, is true. FRANK stated that the "World Telegram" and the Scripps-Howard Press might look into this matter and give some publicity to it. The writer advised FRANK that any comment on the part of the Bureau would have to come from Mr. Hoover in Washington and Mr. FRANK stated he realized that but he was merely reporting the information to the New York Office as received from Washington.

FRANK stated he was advised by the same source in Washington that it is the general impression in Washington that the story was "planted by the FBI." The writer advised FRANK that as far as the writer was personally concerned, this was definitely not the case, but that again that matter would have to be taken up with the Bureau. FRANK stated that he was positive himself that the Bureau did not "plant" this story and that he was not going to do anything about that.

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 Director, FBI

APPROPRIATE AGENCIES Re: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS;  
 AND FIELD OFFICES INTERNAL SECURITY - R  
 ADVISED BY ROUTING. REFER FIVE IS

Dear Sir: SLIP(S) OF DeClass  
 DATE 6-5-78 bpc

There is attached hereto the original and two copies of a transcript of information furnished to this office on January 21, 1946 by ~~Confidential Informant~~ NYT-286, whose identity is known to the Bureau, and the original and two copies of a transcript of information furnished to this office on January 24, 1946 by Confidential Informant NYT 286.

The information furnished to this office on January 21, 1946 is relative to a conversation between MARCIA SAND HISKEY and SAM. STEINGISER, presently employed on the "Manhattan Project." This transcript is interesting to the Bureau as it sets forth in part the story relative to himself, that ADAMS apparently told MARCIA HISKEY when they met on January 16, 1946.

It is noted that ADAMS has advised MARCIA HISKEY that he lost his job because the man for whom he was working lost a customer who was contacted by the FBI after ADAMS was in his place of business. He also advised her that he was leaving New York City to take a job in Scranton, Pennsylvania. The article further sets forth a further discussion between SAM STEINGISER and MARCIA HISKEY relative to the article appearing in the December 3rd, 1945 "Journal American" written by HOWARD RUSHMORE about ALFRED ADAMSON.

The attached transcriptive information furnished this office on January 24, 1946, is a conversation between MARCIA SAND HISKEY and a friend of hers, BEA LEMISCH, who apparently knows ADAMS. It is noted that in this conversation, MARCIA again refers to the "Journal American" article claiming that the whole story is ridiculous and that ADAMS is, in fact, in this country legally as a Canadian citizen.

The attached transcripts are submitted to the Bureau for its information.

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 TO: MARCIA HISKEY  
 FROM: SAM STEINGISER

M: Himself came up to his office...  
 S: Yeah.

M: And he said we've - we've written an article on you - would you like to say anything about it? He says why didn't he ask me, before you wrote the article...  
 S: Yeah.

M: And then he didn't hear any more about it. He didn't buy the paper.  
 S: He didn't hear anything about it?

M: Huh?  
 S: Did he give him an interview?

M: No.  
 S: Yeah.

M: He said I don't know what you're talking about. He says come back or something, I don't know.  
 S: Yeah.

M: He says I'm not interested in any article. He says am I mentioned in it? He said no, and I think he mentioned ADAMSON or something. He says well I'm not ADAMSON...  
 S: Yeah.

M: Anyway, two days later he got the article and he came back and he says well would you like to say something about that? He says well, is that supposed to be me?  
 S: Yeah.

M: He said yes. He says well would you like to put that in writing. It's libel, you know.  
 S: Yeah.

M: It's slander...  
 S: That's so.

M: So he said no I couldn't do that. He says well I'm afraid I have nothing to say if you don't think I'm the one mentioned in the article.  
 S: Good enough.

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M: So he said if - he says you have two witnesses here. Do you want me to call my lawyer? So, RUSHMORE said well can I call my desk? He says sure go ahead and when he called his desk, they told him to get the h--- out of there. (Laughs). Then the Post came and PM came up to his apartment in the hotel...

S: Yeah.

M: And, he pulled the same thing. Do you want to put it in writing? If you think I am the one mentioned in the article...

S: Yeah.

M: So he said oh, no we couldn't do that. He said I'm sorry. I have nothing to say. I don't know the gentleman you're talking about.

S: Uh, huh.

M: And that was the end of it.

S: He never heard anything since?

M: Huh?

S: And he never heard anything?

M: No, of course, he walks along with two FBI men on each side and talks to them (Laughs).

S: Do they - are they with him?

M: Huh?

S: Are the FBI men with him?

M: Yeah. (Laughs). We can't even go out to dinner. I mean ARTHUR doesn't want to...

S: Yeah.

M: And he says well, how long is this going to go on, so they said well, it's our job. We're getting paid for it and we got to follow you. (Laughs)

S: Well, haven't they said anything about it?

M: No, h8's - he's complained about it. I don't know to whom...

S: Yeah.

M: And...

S: What did they say?

M: They said as long as they don't molest him, or prevent him from crossing the street or get in his way in any way at all...

S: Yeah.

M: Or touch him, that they're allowed the liberty of the street as well as he.

S: Uh, huh.

M: How do you like that?

S: So, he's got two boys with him all the time? (Laughs).

M: Yeah.

S: Well I'll be d-----.

M: And four cars - I mean he's counted all the different people. He - you know they all know each other.

S: Oh, sure.

M: I mean ADAMS and they all know that they know each other...

S: Yeah.

M: And they sit with him in a restaurant; they sit with him in a train, and in the street car and the buses.

S: (Laughs).

M: He lost his job, of course.

S: (Laughs)

M: Did you hear that?

S: Lost his job?

M: He lost his job.

S: Well, what is he doing?

M: Uh, I don't know what company, but he's a Production Engineer...

S: Yeah.

M: And they came up and they got the people he worked for. They lost a customer on account of them because he went to a customer and got the contract and the FBI followed him right to them, and asked them about it and they got scared and backed out of the contract and the other company's going to sue them now for it because they're not giving any reason for it. I mean there's nothing they can put their finger on...

S: Uh, huh.

M: They can't say just because two FBI men walked in and asked about him - they can't back out of a contract...

S: Uh, huh.

M: So, because of all that trouble, they decided to get rid of

ADAMS.

S: So what is he doing now?

M: Well he has some ----- (Ind.). He does some work now and I think he might take a job as a full-time - it's in Stamford, Pennsylvania; not Stamford, Pennsylvania...

S: Where?

M: It sounds like Stamford,

S: In Pennsylvania?

M: Scranton.

S: Scranton.

M: I'm sorry, Scranton, Pennsylvania.

S: Yeah.

M: Well, you know that's the town...

S: Yeah.

M: So, that's his only resort and he's not too well to begin with; he's not just a young man that can just pick up any old job.

S: Well, if the FBI's got so much on him, why the h--- don't they arrest him?

M: Well, that's the point.

S: I mean you just don't go live with a guy; get rid of him if he's done something.

M: Well, that seems to be the question.

S: Huh?

M: That seems to be the question.

S: According to the article, he has done something.

M: What?

S: Huh?

M: What?

S: According to the article, he's received stuff and so on and so forth.

M: Received stuff from CLARENCE?

S: I don't know from whom they said.

M: Well who do you think they mentioned in there? The wife of a Brooklyn mail drop?

S: Well, there you are.

M: It's quite obvious.

S: Well they...

M: And...

S: Have to prove it.

M: The whole thing is just as true as if - if I were a Brooklyn maildrop and don't you think CLARENCE and ARTHUR are a little more clever than to give a package in the park and he'll put it in his room, leave it there and the FBI - they can pick it right up.

S: They took it.

M: Unless - yes, they took it.

S: They opened it up.

M: They opened it up and they still haven't got anything out of it.  
(Laughs)

S: They still haven't got anything out of it?

M: Right.

S: I don't believe that.

M: Well do you believe...

S: It sounds awfully fishy.

M: Of course.

S: Because after iron-clad proof I mean no court will throw that kind of proof out. No court...

M: Of course, it actually (?) had - they had to send it to Washington to find out. (Laughs)

S: Yeah.

M: Obviously something.

S: So, it's a question -

M: At that time HEARST was doing all Red-Baiting.

S: Uh, huh. Did you write CLARENCE about this?

M: No, I didn't because I - unless I wrote in detail about it...

S: Yeah.

M: And I don't know just how the letters are censored. I mean why should I...

S: Uh, huh.

M: Uh...

S: Well ED (Ph.) told me about it.

M: Put the slipper on - I'm not Cinderella.

S: Yeah, well ED wrote me about it. He saw it in the - I don't know, where he saw it. Somebody might have sent him a copy or something or other. Anyway he asked me whether I had read such and such an article, such and such a date, about it.

M: Well I told CLARENCE to look up the paper of such and such a date...

S: Yeah.

M: And, the whole thing is ridiculous and what I had to laugh as was that he's ready to shoot it out - ADAMS with one eye with 40% of one eye working, is ready to shoot it out; shoot it out with a cordon.

S: Cordon.

M: You know one eye is practically no good;

S: Yeah.

M: In fact he has just light and dark of it. You can't see anything at all with it and the other eye something else wrong with it.

S: Yeah.

M: So he's going to shoot it out with a cordon. He says he's looking at ships.

S: Well he can still sue him, can't he?

M: No, he's asked the lawyer.

S: And why can't he because of his name?

M: Yeah, that's being very technical.

S: Well they wrote - they said that wasn't the true name on that.

M: Well, you can't - in other words, you're suing a man for what he's thinking. That's what it amounts to. For implication...

S: Well but they said it's not his name and then you can make them prove it - who it was. I mean you can...

M: Well, I don't know - well, he's talked to a lawyer about that and they said can't do thing.

S: I bet you if he talked to a good lawyer he could.

M: Well, I don't know - maybe. I imagine that some - I mean to bring it out in the open anyway.

S: Yeah.

M: I think this thing is ridiculous. He thinks they won't bother with

him in Scranton. I don't know why.  
S: They won't bother him?  
M: And the fact that they say he came in illegally.  
S: Yeah.  
M: I said what about that?  
S: Yeah.  
M: He said why that's ridiculous. I mean that could easily...  
S: Yeah.  
M: Be proven in two minutes with his passport.  
S: Uh, huh.  
M: I mean he goes back and forth to Canada and the United States...  
S: Uh, huh.  
M: And once you come illegally, you don't take a chance going back.  
He's got property there. He pays taxes in Canada.  
S: Uh, huh. --- (Ind.).  
M: He's got a family there.  
S: What country is he a citizen of?  
M: Canada.  
S: He is?  
M: He's a British subject.  
S: --- (Ind.).  
M: So, the whole thing is ridiculous. However, somebody is reporting  
him in some way. I mean the way they got the tale on CLARENCE  
from the South...  
S: Uh, huh.  
M: I mean this one just because he raised his salary of a colored  
janitor, and called him by the name of Mr. they put him down on  
the FBI list as a Nigger lover and a Communist and everything else.  
S: Uh, huh.  
M: So, I don't know.  
S: I think it's G--- d--- foolishness.  
M: Sure, well at that time I suppose RUSHMORE came up to the FBI  
and asked for a little Red-baiting and gave them a few dollars  
and they said yeah, he can have this. They cooked up a good  
story, and they said for G--- s--- don't use the right name.



S: Uh, huh.

M: I mean the Journal - the FBI won't leave it up to the Journal -  
I mean to close a case.

S: Yeah, I don't know what the h--- the matter with the FBI.  
They're d--- s--- of'g--- too.

M: Yeah, I know...

S: After all...

M: But, he said he's going to try to take some action on it.

S: Well, he...

M: I mean the fact that they're following him. He has FBI agents  
sufficient to investigate himself. I don't see why - the trouble  
is he's not a United States citizen. I think that in that case  
why he'd well...

S: That's the story.

M: Well (Child cries) - let SAM hear you cry. How do you like that?

S: Surely bawls, doesn't he?

M: You know he's tormenting this friend of mine...

S: Yeah.

M: And, he just won't leave him alone, and then he hurts himself  
by hitting this gentleman you see on the knuckles and he doesn't  
like it so he cries.

S: (Laughs)

M: Nobody's bothering him. Now he's yelling to annoy me. Trying to  
get sympathy; getting louder.

S: You got your hands full.

M: Especially on days like this. Well, look, SAM I got to take  
care of my domestic problem here.

S: I think you better.

M: What?

S: I think you better.

M: O.K. give me a call if you hear anything. Give me a call anyway.

S: Yeah.

M: All right, thanks for calling.

S: O.K. Bye now.

M: Bye.

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CUT: F-2008 LAST  
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TO: MARCIA  
FROM: UNID. WOMAN (Bea Lemisch)

W: Interview him.  
W: He was the one.

W: Yes, -- well that's what the papers are trying to establish -- the reporters that came up there and said why make a statement -- a statement for what -- it's about the article written about you.  
W: They knew --

W: Huh  
W: They knew who it was.

W: Yes sure. He said you think that party is I.  
W: Yeah.

W: They said yes -- they said you want to put that in writing -- He said oh no. So you see no interviews -- every newspaper --  
W: Did he say anything about it having an inkling of truth?

W: No -- he talks to the F.B.I. men -- they walk along side of him.  
W: Yeah

W: And he said how long is this going on?  
W: Yeah.

W: They said we don't know -- we just get paid for it so we have to follow you.  
W: You mean how much longer is this going to go on. It is still going on.

W: Yeah -- so you see how ridiculous it is. I mean -- I mean the whole story is ridiculous. I mean if they have something on him why don't they nab him.  
W: Well I guess they don't want him. They want him to lead them to somebody else.

W: To who?  
W: Well they have hopes -- that's what they think any how.

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W: I don't think there's anything to it. He lost the job on account of it. And the fact that the paper said he went into Canada illegally. You see he has got citizens' papers. Only the first and you couldn't get those if you entered Canada illegally I don't think.

W: Where did he get his papers in Canada?

W: Huh.

W: From Canada.

W: No the United States. Of course if he was a full certified citizen they couldn't pull that stuff.

W: No.

W: Unless they came out in the open. He tried to get a lawyer and they said to him they had the freedom of the street as much as he has as long as they don't molest him in any way or interfere with him. So that's that.

W: Did CLARENCE know about that?

W: I don't know -- I mean I haven't written.

W: You mailed him the paper.

W: I mailed him nothing. He wouldn't know what the h--- it's about.

W: No. He was in it too wasn't he.

W: No.

W: I mean wasn't he mentioned in it as you.

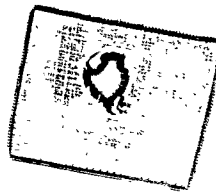
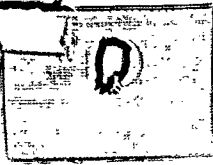
W: Yes he was mentioned in it but CLARENCE did not -- in giving the atom bomb completely.

W: ----- it was laughable the whole thing.

W: Well he may be in a darker position --- he may know what the hell is up. This would mean a Brooklyn mail drop it's quite obvious. So he won't know what's going on. -- ADAMS said not to worry him because he may get a wrong slant of the whole thing.

W: Yeah I suppose that's so.

W: All the other papers wouldn't pick it up -- and then others laughed about it.



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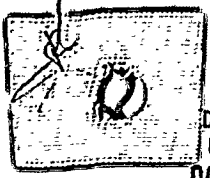
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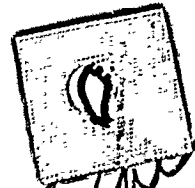
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ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, IS-R. REFER FIVE IS. FOR BUREAU-S INFO  
 THE BACKGROUND OF ONE MILDRED BISSO, PRESENTLY BEING THOROUGHLY CHECKED  
 IN CONTEMPLATION OF INTERVIEW RE THIS SUBJECT. MILDRED BISSO IS SECRE-  
 TARY IN OFFICE OF KEYNOTE RECORDINGS AND CAN POSSIBLY GIVE ADDITIONAL  
 INFORMATION ON SUBJECTS ACTIVITIES ON DATE OF DISAPPEARANCE. PRESENT  
 INFORMATION IN NY FILES INDICATES THIS GIRL IS CATHOLIC AND HAS BEEN  
 EMPLOYED WITH KEYNOTE FOR APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR. ON DECEMBER SIXTH,  
 NYT THREE ONE FOUR IDENTITY KNOWN TO THE BUREAU, REPORTED THAT MILDRED  
 IN CONTACT WITH GIRL FRIEND ADVISED HER OF THE QUOTE JOURNAL AMERICAN  
 UNQUOTE STORY ON SUBJECT AND MILDRED EXPRESSED DISGUST THAT THE STATE  
 DEPT HAD NOT PAID ANY HEED TO THE FBI INFORMATION CONCERNING ADAMS.  
 MILDRED FURTHER INDICATED THAT HER FAMILY WAS WORRIED OVER THE POSSIBLE  
 INVOLVEMENT IN THE ADAMS CASE. IT IS BELIEVED BACKGROUND CHECK WILL  
 BE COMPLETED BY NOON OF JANUARY THIRTY FIRST AND UNLESS BUREAU ADVISES  
 TO THE CONTRARY, ARRANGEMENTS WILL BE MADE TO INTERVIEW MILDRED BISSO  
 NIGHT OF JANUARY THIRTY FIRST.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: January 30, 1946

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, with aliases;  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R  
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Unless advised to the contrary by the Bureau, the mail cover on the above captioned subject at 522 Fifth Avenue, New York City is being continued for the next thirty days.

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The Attorney General

March 8, 1946

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS

Attached hereto is a summary of information concerning Arthur Alexandrovich Adams who has been engaged in Soviet espionage which I thought would be of interest to you.

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Director, FBI

Re: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS  
INTERNAL SECURITY - R  
REFER 5 I.S.

Dear Sir:

For your information the services of Confidential Informant NYT 314 have been utilized in the investigation of the captioned Subject during the period February 6 to March 5, 1946 at his place of business, the KEYNOTE RECORDINGS COMPANY, 522 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

As the Bureau is aware, ARTHUR ADAMS has been missing since January 23, 1946 and up to the present time has not been located. Further, ERIC BERNAY, the head of the KEYNOTE RECORDINGS COMPANY, concerning whom this Informant has also submitted information on previous occasions, has been absent from the City from February 3rd to the 24th. In view of these facts, the Informant has been unable to provide any information deemed pertinent to the investigation to locate ADAMS.

However, inasmuch as the Informant may be of aid in the investigation to find this Subject, his services are being retained.

Very truly yours,

*E. E. Conroy*  
E. E. CONROY, SAC

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