fice Memorandum • united states government Director, FBI DATE: June 29, 1950 FROM SAC, New York SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS. Was INTERNAL SECURITY - R Bufile 100-331280 Re summary report of SA Francis X. Plant, New York, 6/20/49. Attention is directed to Page 1B of reference report wherein names of agents who prepared instant report are listed. Inadvertently the name of SA 100-331280- 7/6 B. S. Taylor was omitted from this list and his name therefore should be added. CPS:IM 100-63983 RECORDED - 136

457 • AUG 22 1950

mir

Ot

July 31, 1950

To:

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2 Department of the Army The Pentagen Washington 25, D. C.

اً إ

Attention: Chief, Security and Training Group

From:

John Edgar Mooyer - Director, Federal Dureau of Investigation

Subject: ALTIUR LLEXALDREVICH ADALS, was.

There is attached hereto a copy of the summary report of Special Agent Francis X. Plant dated June 20, 1750, at New York, New York, in the above-entitled case.

The above report is being furnished for your confidential information and is not to be distributed outside your department.

AJM: emu

PECOADED - 23/280 - 7/10 AUG 8 1950

LASSIFIED BY 2909 POLICE

AUT 1 1950

An P

July 31, 1950

Director, FRI

CHEED THE LINE

INTHUM MINANDROVICH MOUSE, was. INTUINAL SECURITY - R

There is attached hereto a copy of the summary report of Special Agent Francis X. Plant dated June 20, 1950, at New York, New York, in the above-eatitled case. This survey report has been primarily prepared for the purpose of setting forth under one cover the background and known activities of irthur Adams together with the background of adams! known associates and contacts and their activities as related to him.

The investigation of arthur adeas was instituted by the Aureau in July 1944. His activities were closely followed until January 23, 1946, when his whereabouts became unknown. Idams has not been seen or heard from since ⊱ January 23, 1946. On Earch 2, 1945, an authorized complaint was filed in the Southern District of New York, therging Ideas with a violation of the Solective Service let in that he made a false and fraudulent statement on his registration form for Selective Service as to his age, and on Warch 13, 1945, a true Bill of indictment was returned by a Federal Grand Jury in the Southern District of New York. On the backs of the True Bill of indictment a beach warrant was issued and is still outstanding.

In connection with ideas' centacts and associates assoly, Jacob ironoff, Samuel Hevick, Victoria Stone, Aric Bernay, Br. Louis Miller, Irone Miller, Julius Heiman, Maurice Bluslein, Clarence F. Histor, Kirles Sherwood, John H. Chapin, Edward T. Marming and James Ferlowin, there is evidence as reflected in the attached report which substantiates the fact that arthur Adaes was an espionage agent of the Russian Covernment, attenuting to obtain data concerning the ston bomb. There is evidence that ideas solicited the assistance of a number of the above individuals in gathering information relative to the development of the atom bash. Adms! contacts and associates have all been interviewed by Bureau agents and some have furnished considerable information as to their association with ideas and others have refused to cooperate.

ilthough it is not clear that the thirteen nead accorates of idaes asaleted him in his op ionago activities, it is pointed out that John H. Chapin, Edward I. Remaing and Miriam Shorwood were employed on the Manhattan C Project and had access to highly confidential and top secret information and a material. Further, Jecob ronoff and Samuel Novick 1, litated the entrance ?

Letacinfent

950

Tolso Ladd

Nichols

cc - 100-335017 (Jacob Aronoff)

100-338889 (Samuel Novick) √ 100-334606 (Victoria Stone) V

100-26981 (Bric Bernay)

RECORDED - 107

61-10540 (Jugius Heiman) 101-2118 (Clarence F. Hiskey) 100-336569 (Miriam Sherwood) 100-339649 (John H. Chapin)

100-48966 (Edward T. Nanning) 100-339425 (James Perlowin)

100-339703 (Dr. Louis Miller) 100-340535 (Irene Miller) 100-68394 (Maurice Blumlein) V

FILED COPY. RECORDED of Adams into the United States by furnishing information to the American Consulate. It is further pointed out that Chapin and Manning admitted to Bureau agents that Adams requested of them information in connection with their work with the Manhattan Project.

Reference is made to the Department's letter dated September 7, 1949, in the case of "Edward Tiers Manning, Internal Security - R," in which the Department requested to be kept advised of any information concerning any or all of the persons comprising the "Adams Group" in order that the Department could determine whether Grand Jury proceedings should be instituted directly to the matter of espionage or any connected possible offense such as perjury or falsification under Section 18, USC 1001. In response to this request reports have been submitted to you in this case and in related cases.

The attached summary report is being furnished and it is requested that you advise whether Grand Jury proceedings are contemplated and whether further investigation is desired. If further investigation is desired it would be appreciated if you would specify the direction and objectives of such desired investigation.

SAC, New York

September 15, 1950

Director, FBI

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, was INTERNAL SECURITY - R New York file 100-63983

Reurlet August 25, 1950.

You are instructed to sulet the contemplated remaining investigation in the Adams case. This request is being made in order to determine whether the remaining investigation should be held in abeyance pending a determination from the Department whether they will proceed with Grand Jury proceedings or not.

100-331280 - 722

RECORDED - 107 EX. 97

OB\* CH\*

Tolson Ladd\_ STANDARD FORM NO. 64

# Office Memorandum • United States Government

TO

Director, FBI

SAC. New York

SUBJECT:

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, was;

INTERNAL SECURITY - R (Bureau File 100-331280)

It is to be noted that the agent to whom this case is assigned in the New York Office is exclusively engaged in the investigation of JULIUS ROSENBERG, WILLIAM DANZIGER, STANLEY RICH and other related espionage cases which cases are receiving continuous and expeditious attention.

Because of the shortage of personnel in the New York Office, it has been impossible to reassign this case.

In view of the above situation, the investigation of instant matter has been deferred. It is anticipated that investigative attention will be given to this case and a report submitted as soon as the above situation permits.

**DATE:** August 25, 1950

CPS: ADV 100-63983

AUG 26 1950

marshappe

COMPIDENTIAL. BY SPECIAL LESSENGER

西原是

Date:

August 30, 1950

To:

Subject:

Atomic Energy Commission Washington, D. C.

Attention: Captain John A. Waters, Jr.

Director, Division of Security

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation From

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS. with aliases; Internal Security - R

There is attached hereto for your information one copy of the report of Special Agent Francis X. Plant dated June 20, 1950, at New York; New York in the above-entitled matter.

The attached report is for your information only and is not to be distributed outside your agency.

RECORDED - 117 160 - 331280 - 723

AUG 81 1950

AJM:pjb

**EX-16** 

osura

Tele. Room

Oth

SAC, New York

November 17, 1950

Director, FBI

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, wa. INTERMAL SECURITY - R
New York file 100-63983

Reurlet September 21, 1950.

You are instructed to complete the remaining investigation as outlined in your letter of September 21, 1950, and conduct the necessary interviews as contemplated by you so that this case can be brought to a logical conclusion.

FX.10 72 4

AJM:eew

Ladd
Clegg
Glavin
Nichols
Rosen
Tracy
Harbo
Belmont
Mohr
Tele. Ro

QK.

M

# Standard form No. 64 UNITED STATES

TO

Director, FBI

DATE: September 21, 1950

FROM

SAC, New York

SUBJECT:

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, wa.

INTERNAL SECURITY - R

(Bufile 100-331280)

Rebulet September 15, 1950, which instructed the New York Office to sulet the contemplated remaining investigation in the Adams case. Reference letter pointed out that this request was being made in

order to determine whether the remaining investigation should be held in abeyance pending a determination from the Department of Justice whether they will proceed with grand jury action or not.

The report of SA FRANCIS X. PLANT at New York, dated June 9, 1948, in entitled matter set forth on pages 15 and 16 the names of individuals who ARTHUR ADAMS was in contact with by telephone while he resided at the Peter Cooper Hotel, 130 East 39th Street, and who have never been fully identified. These individuals are listed below, along with the date of the contact by ARTHUR ADAMS. ,

DATE	NUMBER	NAME
9/9/43	LO 7-0008	JULIUS SCHWARTZ 4420 Broadway New York City
10/4/43	PL 5-3030	Elliott Clarke, Incorporated Photographer Nine East Fifth Street New York City
10/30/43	CI 5-5350	WILLIAM WRIGHT CRANDELL, Designing Nine Rockefeller Plaza New York City
10/30/43	UN 4-9443 RECORDED - 68 //00 - 58 //	GERTRUDE SCHLITZBERGER 2-2609 West Alett Street New York City
12/11/43	AU 302645. ISEP 2	25 1950 AREITHER SAJONES 2816 Eighth Avenue New York City
2/12/44	Lu 7–2845	AMGDANSKY IDDI Townsend Avenue

COPY DESTROYED

1960 JAN 6

Str., to NY detail Bronx, New York

11/17/50

HJM; www

When 12/2 2/50 Let to Ny to advise

When report may be

expected . M.

N.W advised Report will

be submitted 1/20/51

Letter to Director NY 100-63983

DATÉ	NUMBER	٦.	NAME.
· 2/21/44	HA 9-1081		ELSIE LA RICHEY 7812 35th Avenue Jackson Heights, New York
7/22/111	PL 3-6168		JEANNE V FISHER 339 East 58th Street New York City

It is to be noted that all of the above telephone calls were made prior to the commencement of the Bureau's investigation of ARTHUR ADAMS and the above listed individuals have never been fully identified. It was contemplated that after the individuals had been further identified, Bureau permission would be requested to interview them concerning their knowledge of ARTHUR ADAMS.

It was also contemplated that agents of the New York Office would interview Mrs. ZOSIA/SEITZ/DIAMOND and her husbaid, PAUL DIAMOND, who now reside at 372 Fairview Avenue, Westwood, New Jersey, for any information they may be able to give relative to the subject's activities, background or whereabouts.

72 728

The above-mentioned background checks and interviews are the only contemplated remaining investigative leads to be conducted in this case.

It is felt that the summary report submitted in this case was sufficiently complete and detailed to warrant a decision being made by the Department of Justice in this matter. It is not considered that the uncertain results to be expected from the above listed remaining leads would materially affect such a decision.

It is recommended that this matter be handled on the basis of the information contained in the summary report and that further work here be held in abeyance pending a review of the summary report by the the Department of Justice.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

# Office Memorandum • united states government

ŢÕ

Director, FBI

DATE: October 19, 1950

PROM

SAC, New York

SUBJECT:

ARTHUR ALEKSANDROVICH ADAMS, was.

INTERNAL SECURITY - R (Bureau file 100-331280)

Re Bureau letter October 13, 1950.

Please be advised that one copy of the summary report of SA FRANCIS X. PLANT, dated June 20, 1950 at New York was furnished to Mr. IRVING H. SAYPOL, United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, on October 16, 1950.

Mr. SAYPOL commented that he, himself, would review the report and furnish prosecutive opinion.

mind. 93

11/00-331220-726

CPS:NJG.

# Office Merrior and um • united states government

TO : Director, FBI

, FBI DATE: January 20, 1951

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, Was

INTERNAL SECURITY - R Bufile 100-331280

Rebuform 1A-8 which promised a report by 1/20/51.

This is to advise that a report was dictated on 1/19/51 and will be forwarded to Bureau as soon as transcribed.

CPS:IM ,

CPS:IM 1 100-63983

Ib

RECURDED - FT [100-33/280-72]

EX-35 JAN 22 1951

51 JAN 29 1951.

CENTE.

DECLASSIFICATION AUTHORITY DERIVED FROM THE AUTOMATIC DECLASSIFICATION GUIDE |

OUT OF 22-2013

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

FORM NO. 1
THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT NEW YORK

NY FILE NO.100-63983 AVK

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	1/26/51	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/8,10,12,15,16,1	REPORT MADE BY  8/51 CHARLES P. SILVERTHORN
yme ARTHUR ALEXANDRO	OVICH ADAMS, was		CHARACTER OF CASE  INTERNAL SECURITY - R

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

ZOSIA SEITZ DIAMOND, when interviewed at Westwood, New Jersey, on 1/16/51, initially denied knowing subject. Subsequently she identified subject's photograph as being ARTHUR ADAMS. States she met ADAMS on various occasions while she was employed at the NY Public Library, 42nd Street and 5th Avenue. She next recalled meeting ADAMS on Madison Avenue by chance, in 1943, just prior to the

She could not recall ever seeing ADAMS again and could not recall ever writing or communicating with him. Vaguely recalled ADAMS telling her he was born in Sweden. Described ADAMS as a cultured, middle-aged man who was very lenely. States she never met any of ADAMS friends or associates. ZOSTA DTAMOND vague as to the details of her meetings with ADAMS. Confidential Informant advised that subject in 1926 was Director of the State Trust of the Aviation Industry in Moscow, a responsible position.

3/31/51 Form O-1 to N.y when report may be expected. m. COPY DESTROYED used rep would the submitted 4/24/51 1992 JANS 1960

$c_0$		
APPROVED AND COLUMN SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES	INDEXED . 24
Tan	1212 + 728	-INDEVED - 54
COPIES OF THIS REPORT  (5)— Bureau (100–331280)	1	RECORDED - 24
5 - Bureau (100-331280) 1 - Newark (Infe) (100-30089) 3 - New York	SANTED ESANTED AND AND AND AND AND AND AND AND AND AN	EX-37
181 7 //		

PROPERTY OF THE THIS CONTENTED REPORT AND ITS CONTENTS ARE LOANED TO YOU BY THE FBI AND ARE NOT TO BE DISTRIBUTED OUTSIDE OF AGENCY TO WHICH TO ARED.

TU. S. GOYERNHENT PRINTING OFFICE 16-+59255-1

#### DETAILS.

The following information concerning the background of ZOSIA SEITZ DIAMOND is being set forth for clarity prior to reporting the results of the interview with Mrs. DIAMOND: 1

#### BACKGROUND INFORMATION CONCERNING ZOSIA SEITZ DIAMOND

Confidential Informant T-1, of known reliability,  Miss ZOSTA SEITZ, applied for an apartment at Knickerbocker  Village on November 9, 1939. At the time, she stated she was a naturalized  Pole and had been employed by the New York Public Inbrary for ten years.
was submitted by the same woman under the name of Mrs. ZOSIA DIAMOND and her husband, Dr. PAUL DIAMOND. The latter was then employed as an interne at Grosveneur Hospital. Information received from this hospital reflected that Dr. DIAMOND had been employed there since July 1, 1941.
on July 20, 1942, pr.

DIAMOND had been directed by the Army to proceed to Westover Field,
Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts, as a First Lieutenant in the United States
Army Medical Corps. DIAMOND the forwarding,
address of 18 Garrity Street, Chicopee Falls, Massachusetts, 1

At the New York Public Library, it was learned that ZOSIA SEITZ was employed from November 3, 1925 to August 31, 1943. On the latter date, she left her position to join her husband in the Army. The library records indicate that her last known address was 5515 Hanover Square, Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

The same records reflect that she was born in Poland on December 24, 1904 and entered the United States in 1921. She had previously been employed by the "Georgia American" newspaper in Atlanta, Georgia; the "Polish Daily", Union Square, New York City, and the Amalgamated Bank, 203 East 14th Street, New York City.

The Atlanta City Directory for 1944 indicated that one LOUIS SEITZ resided at 563 Parkway Drive, Atlanta, Georgia.

Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, reported that LOUIS SEITZ had resided at the aforementioned address for about four years. The informant knew that in May or June, 1944, ZOSIA SEITZ DIAMOND had visited LOUIS SEITZ at 563 Parkway Drive. + )

The informant also knew that ZOSTA was the wife of Captain PAUL, DIAMOND, of the United States Army Medical Corps.

Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, reported that ZOSIA DIAMOND had departed Atlanta, Georgia, on June 15, 1944, leaving a forwarding address of 139 Landing Road, Glen Cove, Long Island, New York, 15

The records of the Credit Service Exchange, Volunteer Building, Atlanta, Georgia, revealed that PAUL DIAMOND, Captain, United States Army Medical Corps, had resided temporarily at 563 Parkway Drive, in that city.

The same records indicate that he was twenty-six years of age, b7C was married to ZOSIA SEITZ, Prior to entering the Army, he was a physician in New York City and resided at 10 Monroe Street.

### ZOSIA DIAMOND'S ASSOCIATION WITH ARTHUR ADAMS

Confidential Informant T-2 also reported that ARTHUR ADAMS received a typewritten letter dated May 6, 1944 from Z. S. BIAHOND, 563 b7D Parkway Drive, Atlanta, Georgia. The letter was signed, "ZOSIA" and indicated that ADAMS and DIAMOND were well acquainted.

The same informant also reported that ADAMS had received a postcard from Z. S. DIAMOND, 139 Landing Road, Glen Cove, Long Island, New York. The card was postmarked June 30, 1944.)

It will be recalled that ZOSIA DIAMOND left as a forwarding address, 139 Landing Road, Glen Cove, Long Island, when she departed from Atlanta, Georgia, June 15, 1944.

### INTERVIEW OF ZOSIA SEITZ DIAMOND AT WESTWOOD, NEW JERSEY

ZOSIA SETIZ DIAMOND was interviewed at her home at 372 Pairview Avenue, Westwood, New Jersey, on January 16, 1951 by SA ROBERT F. ROYAL and the reporting agent. Mrs. DIAMOND advised that she is the wife of Dr. PAUL DIAMOND, who also resides at this address. U

When initially contacted, Mrs. DIAMOND inquired of interviewing agents as to whether the agents were from the Veterans Administration, inasmuch as her husband had recently received a letter from the Veterans Administration in which the Veterans Administration advised that Dr. PAUL DIAMOND'S appointment with a position in the Veterans Administration was

being temporarily held in abeyance. She advised that in this letter the Veterans Administration pointed out that it was alleged that she was an associate of ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, a known Soviet espionage agent. Mrs. DIAMOND stated that there were other allegations in this letter. However, she declined to make available the letter to interviewing agents, stating that it primarily concerned her husband.

She was advised that the primary purpose of interviewing agents visit was to question her regarding her association with ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS. Mrs. DIAMOND stated that she has never known anyone by the name of ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS and she further stated that she had written to the Veterans Administration, advising that agency that she did not know anyone by the name of ADAMS.

Mrs. DIAMOND then proceeded to launch into a tirade against the Veterans Administration, stating that her husband's character was being attacked and that apparently the Veterans Administration was investigating both her husband's and her own entire life. She then mentioned that her husband, Dr. PAUL DIAMOND, had served honorably in the last war and had been decorated on numerous occasions, and that it was very unfair for him to be attacked on matters that appeared to her to be very trivial. She stated that five years after he had served honorably in World War II, her husband's character was being besmirched, mainly due to some alleged association she had had with a person by the name of ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS.

Mrs. DIAMOND could not recall the middle name of ARTHUR ADAMS and kept referring to the person mentioned in the Veterans Administration letter as ARTHUR --- VIGH ADAMS. She again strongly denied knowing ARTHUR ADAMS.

Interviewing agents then questioned Mrs. DIAMOND as to whether she had ever known anyone by the name of ARTHUR ADAMS and she replied that she did not.

At this point, subject's photograph was exhibited to Mrs. DIAMOND and she was asked if she had ever known this person. After hesitating a moment, she replied "Why, yes". Interviewing agents then asked who the person was in the photograph and Mrs. DIAMOND replied, "ARTHUR ADAMS". 1)

Mrs. DIAMOND then related that she had met ARTHUR ADAMS while she was employed at the New York Public Library, on 42nd Street and Fifth Avenue. She then stated that she had been employed as a cataloger in the New York Public Library for about twenty years, and that through this

employment she became acquainted with a number of people, some of whom she became very friendly with. Mrs. DIAMOND was vague as to the approximate year she had first met ARTHUR ADAMS and she was very vague as to the number of times, she had met ARTHUR ADAMS while she was employed at the New York Public Library.

Mrs. DIAMOND mentioned that she left the New York Public Library in 1942, after marrying Dr. PAUL DIAMOND, and that, therefore, her meetings with ARTHUR ADAMS must have taken place prior to 1942. However, she could not be more specific. She described ARTHUR ADAMS as being a cultured, middle-aged man who appeared to be very lonely. She said ADAMS had a very good background in American literature and she also mentioned that ARTHUR ADAMS was very interested in angling. She said that at that time her hobby was ceramics and that she and ADAMS used to discuss their respective hobbies. U

When pressed for more exact information concerning her meetings with ADAMS, Mrs. DIAMOND stated the only meeting that made a distinct impression on her mind with ADAMS was in 1943. Regarding this meeting, she mentioned that she was pregnant at the time and that most of her pregnancy had been spent in Texas, where her husband, Dr. PAUL DIAMOND, was stationed with the Army. Just prior to the birth of her first child, her husband was transferred to Louisiana on maneuvers and she was left alone in Texas. She then decided, in spite of the late stage of her pregnancy, to come to New York to have her baby. She indicated that a doctor, her husband was acquainted with, offered to deliver the baby in New York City.

b70

Mrs. DIAMOND related that she was in her ninth month of pregnancy when she arrived in New York City, and that while walking down Madison Avenue, by chance, she ran into ARTHUR ADAMS. She mentioned her predicament to ARTHUR ADAMS, pointing out that she was alone in New York City, about to have a baby, and her husband was stationed on maneuvers in Louisiana with the Army. She indicated that ARTHUR ADAMS took an interest in her problem.

Mrs. DIAMOND vaguely recalled that ARTHUR ADAMS visited her in St. Vincent's Hospital just after the child was born. She said the child is named and she was bor

Mrs. DIAMOND could not recall ever seeing ARTHUR ADAMS again after he visited her in the hospital and she could not recall ever writing or communicating with him in any way.

Mrs. DIAMOND, when pressed for background information concerning ARTHUR ADAMS, stated she had a vague recollection that he told her he was born in Sweden. Mrs. DIAMOND could not recall any other background information concerning ADAMS. She stated she never met any of ARTHUR ADAMS! friends or associates and the few times that she saw him, ADAMS was alone. 1

When pressed for details of her meetings with ARTHUR ADAMS; Mrs. DIAMOND stated she could not recall anything specific and she was very vague concerning the meetings with the exception of the one instance when she ran into ARTHUR ADAMS on Madison Avenue.

Mrs. DIAMOND indicated that after the child was born, she returned to her family home in Atlanta and resided there for a short time. She stated in the summer of 1914, she again returned to New York City about the time her husband was going overseas, and she resided permanently at 182 Claremont Avenue, Bronx.

Confidential Informant T-2 also reported that the name in the typewritten letter dated may 6, 1944 from Z. S. DIAMOND, 563 Parkway Drive, Atlanta, Georgia. Mrs. DIAMOND stated she could not recall ever writing to ARTHUR ADAMS and that stated it is possible that she may have written. As previously mentioned, Mrs. DIAMOND indicated that when she left Atlanta, Georgia, in the summer of 1944, she came to New York and resided permanently at 182 Claremont Avenue, Bronx,

Mrs. DIAMONDras specifically asked if she resided at any other address prior to moving to 182 Claremont Avenue, after leaving Georgia, and she replied, no.

When the address 139 Landing Road, Glen Cove, Long Island, New York, was suggested to her, she stated that she recalled staying at that address after coming from Atlanta. However, she said that the address was the home of one of her friends. She declined to name this individual. She explained that it was a very temporary address and that her permanent address was 182 Claremont Avenue.

Mrs. DIAMOND conceded that it was very possible that ARTHUR ADAMS might have sent a small gift or might have written to but she stated she had no specific recollection of this.

b6 b7C

Mrs. DIAMOND also stated that her husband, Dr. PAUL DIAMOND, never had an opportunity to meet ARTHUR ADAMS and knows nothing about him.

Mrs. DIAMOND was also specifically asked if she had ever been a member of the Communist Party or a member of any organization which has been declared as being subversive by the Attorney-General and she replied no.

## ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION CONCERNING ARTHUR ADAMS

Confidential Informant T-h. of known reliability, reported in

Referral/Direct

- PENDING

#### ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

Concerning Dr. PAUL DIAMOND, husband of ZOSIA SEITZ DIAMOND, 372 Fairview Avenue, Westwood, New Jersey, it is noted that this individual is the subject of a Loyalty of Government Employees investigation in the New York Office, and it is further noted that the last report in this leyalty case in the New York Office was submitted by SA ALBERT FRANZ dated July 13, 1950, entitled, "PAUL DIAMOND; Doctor - Intermediate Grade - Appointee, Veterans Administration Regional Office, Newark, New Jersey; TOYALTY OF COVERNMENT EMPLOYEES".

In this report, the interview of Dr. GEORGE GOLDSTEIN, 254 North Merrick Avenue, Merrick, New York, is set forth. Dr. GOLDSTEIN advised that he has known PAUL DIAMOND since 1936 when he and DIAMOND attended Undergraduate School at the University of Arkansas. Further, Dr. GOLDSTEIN stated that he and DIAMOND were classmates at the Medical School at the above university from 1937 to 1941.

Dr. GOLDSTEIN stated that during this period, DIAMOND continuously made statements indicating his sympathy to the Russian system of government. Dr. GOLDSTEIN stated he could not recall specific statements made by DIAMOND, but did recall DIAMOND had, at some time during the school period, spoken of the possibilities of his, Dr. DIAMOND'S, joining the Abraham Dincoln Brigade. Dr. GOLDSTEIN stated that Dr. DIAMOND often sang or whistled "The International" which is a song adapted by the Communist Party and further "He was a thorn in the side of Southern students" by continuously referring to discrimination against negroes and the fact that there is no discrimination in Russia.

Dr. GOIDSTEIN stated he could not recall too many particulars as to statements made by DIAMOND, but that DIAMOND at the time he was in Medical School was thought to be a Communist, by him, and a person whom he, GOIDSTEIN, would not trust with information pertaining to the security of the country.

It was noted also in the above report that Dr. GOIDSTEIN stated he did not wish to furnish a signed statement, and did not desire to appear before a Loyalty Board.

The Communist Party and the Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade have both been declared by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order #9835.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE (CONTID.)

"Saturday, May 6, 1944.

Concerning the letter written to ARTHUR ADAMS, on May 6, 1 by ZOSTA DIAMOND, which information was furnished by Confidential In T-2, and inasmuch as the DIAMOND down the letter written to ARTHUR ADAMS, on May 6, 1		-, <sup>-</sup>
The distriction of the property of the distriction of the property of the prop	rents.	
	thia	b6
letter is being sec out: () the full text of	oirre.	b7C

حان0 تف

#### ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE (CONT'D.)

"I hope all's well with you, and will get in touch with you — and we will see you, when our whereabouts can claim closer U proximity.

"/s/ Zosia"

In addition to the fact that ADAMS received a postcard and a letter from ZOSIA SEITZ DIAMOND, the following information is set forth which apparently also refers to ZOSIA DIAMOND'S association with ARTHUR ADAMS: 11

Confidential Informant T-11, of known reliability,	
a conversation between ADAMS and a	
woman known to the informant only as WIRMA".	**1
ADAMS mentioned to "TRMA" that he had a friend whose husband was "on the	ч
other side. He explained that this friend was the wife of a doctor who	
at the time was in the Army and while he was overseas	
ADAMS further stated that the girl's family lived in Georgia, but she	b6
had come to New York City and he had attempted to help her. ADAMS	b70 b70
stated that he visited her shortly He told	D/L
was approximately thirty-five years old (1945)	
and ADAMS	
said that the woman is now back with her husband and resides in Georgia.	$\omega$

From the above, it is believed reasonable to assume that the aforementioned woman referred to by ADAMS was ZOSIA DIAMOND.

It is pointed out again that ZOSIA DIAMOND stated she could not recall ever writing to ARTHUR ADAMS. It was the opinion of the interviewing agents that ZOSIA DIAMOND was purposely evasive and when questioned regarding specific meetings with ADAMS or specific information about ADAMS, she would relapse into the statement that she could not recall.

Confidential Informant T-2 also furnished several other letters which were in the possession of ARTHUR ADAMS and which may have been written by ZOSTA SEITZ DIAMOND. However, since there is no specific information in these letters to identify them as being written by ZOSTA SEITZ DIAMOND, there not being set forth.

### ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE (CONT'D')

These letters are being maintained as exhibits in the files of the New York Office and they will be maintained in the event that ZOSIA SEITZ DIAMOND decides to fully cooperate and furnish complete information regarding her association with ARTHUR ADAMS. These letters could be used as an additional basis for questioning ZOSIA SEITZ DIAMOND in the event she becomes cooperative.

As set forth in the aforementioned loyalty report, the records of the Board of Elections for the Borough of Manhattan reflect the following American Labor Party registration for ZOSTA SETTZ DIAMOND and PAUL DIAMOND:

Year	Name	Address	Party Affiliation
1937	ZOSTA SEITZ	58 West 8th Street	American Labor Party
1938	ZOSIA SEITZ	58 West 8th Street	American Labor Party
1940	ZOSIA SEITZ	10 Monroe Street	American Labor Party
1944	ZOSIA DIAMOND	182 Claremont Avenue	American Labor Party
1946	ZOSIA DIAMOND PAUL DIAMOND	182 Claremont Avenue 182 Claremont Avenue	American Labor Party American Labor Party
1948	ZOSIA DIAMOND PAUL DIAMOND	182 Claremont Avenue 182 Claremont Avenue	American Labor Party American Labor Party

No record could be located for either ZOSIA or PAUL DIAMOND for the years 1939, 1941, 1943, 1945, 1947 or 1949.

The Committee on Un-American Activities, House of Representatives, 79th Congress, Second Session, May 6, 29, 1946, page 4, makes the following remarks concerning the American Labor Party:

MAmerican Labor Party

Support of the Communist Party to the above has been recognized by the appointment of a Communist to an official position in the city government.

(Massachusetts House Committee on Un-American Activities, Report 1938, page 356).

NÝ 100-63983

### ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE (CONT D.)

"(2.) Cited as a Communist front by Special Committee on Un-American Activities, March 29, 1944 (page 49, 77f, 153, 189)."

Confidential Informant T-5, of known reliability, advised that ZOSIA SEITZ, while residing at 10 Monroe Street, New York City, was a member of the League of American Writers. L

The League of American Writers has been cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order #9835. L

Referenced report of SA FRANCIS X. PLANT dated November 15, 1949 at New York in entitled matter, sets forth a lead for the New York Office to conduct the necessary investigation to determine the background and activities of — LOSOFF, who owns and operates the Raven Electrical Supply House, 19th Street and Broadway.

The name LOSOFF arose in the ARTHUR ADAMS investigation when Confidential Informant T-6. of known reliability, reported that an

9 <sup>3</sup>	-	Confidential Informant T-7 indicated that	1
	*	Confidential Informant T=7	<b>-</b>
		Constituent Limitor manio, 1=1	٦
		(J.	

Referenced report set out a lead for the New York Office to determine the background and identity of the individual LOSOFF and his operation of the Raven Electrical Supply House in New York City.

Confidential Informant T-8, of known reliability, advised by report dated August 29, 1950 that the Raven Electric Company, Inc. is a

### ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE (CONT'D.)

wholesale electrical supply house at 889 Broadway, which is the address on the corner of 19th Street and Broadway, which Confidential Informant T-7 Confidential Informant T-8 reported that BENJAMIN WALASSEN is president and treasurer of this corporation and that his wife, GERTRUDE LASSEN, is the secretary.

This same report indicates that BENJAMIN W. LASSEN was born in Russia in 1882 and is married. He is a graduate of Ohio Northern University where he received a degree in electrical engineering in 1912. Since 1915, LASSEN has been a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. Prior to 1931, he was employed by the New York Edison Company and later by the Independent Rapid Transit Company. During 1931, LASSEN began operations individually as a consultant engineer and from that time until the outbreak of World War II, specialized in consulting with Polish industries and in purchasing electrical machinery for those enterprises in the United States.

The files of the New York Office indicate that considerable investigation has been conducted concerning BENJAMIN W. LASSEN, and this information is set forth in the report of SA RICHARD T. HRADSKY at New York dated March 13, 1950 entitled, "UNKNOWN SUBJECT, was., Arshansky; ESPIONAGE - R" (Bureau File #65-57876) (New York File #65-14742). Information concerning BENJAMIN W. LASSEN is also set forth in the report of SA RICHARD T. HRADSKY dated February 1, 1950 at New York entitled, "UNKNOWN SUBJECT, was., Faradez, Faraday; ESPIONAGE - R" (New York File #65-57859). Information contained in the above reports indicates that BENJAMIN W. LASSEN is possibly identical with unknown subject, with alias FARADAY. LI Referral/Direct

Inasmuch as considerable investigation concerning IASSEN is being conducted in the above-mentioned two cases and inasmuch as Confidential Informant T-7 reported that Confidential Informant T-6

Bureau letter of September 15, 1950, instructed the New York Office to set forth the contemplated remaining investigation in the ARTHUR

### ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE (CONT D.)

ADAMS case in order to determine whether the remaining investigation should be held in abeyance pending a determination from the Department whether they will institute grand jury proceedings or not.

New York letter of September 21, 1950 sets forth with the report of SA FRANCIS X. PLANT dated June 9, 1948 at New York, in entitled matter, on pages 15 and 16 the remes of individuals who ARTHUR ADAMS was in contact with by telephone while he resided at the Peter Cooper Hotel, 130 East 139th Street, New York City, and who have never been fully identified.

It was also noted in this letter that all of the telephone calls indicated were made prior to the commencement of the Bureau's investigation of ARTHUR ADAMS and it was also noted that these individuals have never been fully identified. It was contemplated that after the individuals had been further identified, they would be interviewed concerning their knowledge of ARTHUR ADAMS.

Confidential Informant T-9, of known reliability, furnished a list of telephone calls which were made from subject ARTHUR ADAMS apartment at the Peter Cooper Hotel with the dates on which these calls were made:

Date	Number	Name
9/9/43	LO 7-0008	JULIUS SCHWARTZ 4420 Broadway New York City
10/4/43	PL 5-3030	ELLIOTT CLARKE, INC. Photographer 9 East 5th Street New York City
10/30/43	CI 5-5350	WILLIAM WRIGHT CRANDELL Designing 9 Rockefeller Plaza New York City
10/30/43	un 14-91413	GERTRUDE/SCHLITZBERGER 609 West 115th Street New York City

The remainder of the telephone calls made during this period and as set forth in the report of SA FRANCIS X. PLANT dated June 9, 1948, will be set forth in subsequent reports, along with identifying information.

## ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE (CONTID.)

JULIUS SCHWARTZ 4420 Broadway New York City

Confidential Informant T-10, of known reliability, advised that the telephone number IO 7-0008, listed to JULIUS SCHWARTZ, 4420 Broadway, New York City, was connected on October 20, 1939. The informant indicated that it was a residence type phone and that it was a very good account. The employment listed for JULIUS SCHWARTZ, 4420 Broadway, at the time this telephone was connected was that of social investigator for the Department of Welfare of the City of New York. A notation was made that Mr. SCHWARTZ was employed by the Department of Welfare at 208 East 23rd Street. A subsequent notation in the informant's records indicates that JULIUS SCHWARTZ is no longer employed by the Department of Welfare. However, the date of separation is not shown.

		<b>}</b>	-		
ч .		<u>, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , </u>		,	
		• •	<del> </del>		
~	<u> </u>		-		7

### ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE (CONT D.)

It would appear from the information furnished by Confidential Informant T-10 to the effect that JULIUS SCHWARTZ, of 4420 Broadway, and employed by the Department of Welfare, is identical with the JULIUS SCHWARTZ mentioned immediately above and reported to be one of the Communist Party members in the Department of Welfare.

Prior to attempting an interview with JULIUS SCHWARTZ concerning ADAMS, it is felt that his personnel file at the Department of Welfare should be examined for additional background information and, accordingly, a lead will be set forth in this report to check the personnel file of SCHWARTZ'S at the Department of Welfare.

ELLIOTT CLARKE, INC. Photographer 9 East 5th Street New York City

Confidential Informant T-10 also made available records reflecting that telephone number PL 5-3030 is now listed to the Coleman's Studios, 9 East 54th Street, and that this phone was connected on August 18, 1948. The president of this firm was listed as GRACE COLEMAN, 130 East 39th Street, and the vice-president was listed as W. B. COLEMAN. The informant could furnish no information concerning ELLIOTT CLARKE or the previous subscriber to PL 5-3030 except that as of 1944 this phone was listed to ELLIOTT CLARKE.

Confidential Informant T-8 provided a report dated October 10, 1944 concerning ELLIOTT CLARKE, INC., 9 East 54th Street which report listed ELLIOTT CLARKE as being president and GRACE COLEMAN as being vice-president. This report described ELLIOTT CLARKE as being in his thirty's, married, and native born. During 1937 he became a partner in the photographing firm at this address, known as Clarke and Carrera. The present partnership with GRACE COLEMAN was formed in 1943.

The files of the New York Office were checked concerning ELLIOTT CLARKE with negative results. However, the current Manhattan Telephone Directory lists an ELLIOTT CLARKE, Photographer, at 480 Lexington Avenue.

In view of the fact that no information appears in the files of the New York Office concerning ELLIOTT CLARKE, a lead will be set forth for CLARKE to be interviewed concerning ARTHUR ADAMS.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE (CONT'D.)

WILLIAM WRIGHT CRANDELL Designing 9 Rockefeller Plaza New York City

The records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York reflect that WILLIAM WRIGHT CRANDELL, JR. has been an industrial engineer since August of 1939 at Rockefeller Plaza. The same records list his residence address as 2 Beekman Place, and lists his marital status as single. The same records reflect that from 1935 to 1939, CRANDELL managed the W & J Sloane Shop in the Waldorf Astoria.

The files of the New York Office contained no identifiable information concerning CRANDELL.

GERTRUDE SCHLITZBERGER 609 West 115th Street New York City

Confidential Informant T-10 made available records which reflected that telephone UN 4-9443 is presently listed to SAMUEL WEINER, 609 West 115th Street. The same records indicate that he took over the listing of the phone on September 16, 1947 from GERTRUDE SCHLITZBERGER, who originally came to 609 West 115th Street and obtained phone service on November 19, 1942. No credit information concerning GERTRUDE SCHLITZBERGER was available and the circumstances surrounding the change of the party is not known.

The files of the New York Office contained no information concerning GERTRUDE SCHLITZBERGER. Referral/Direct

Concerning the additional background information furnished by Confidential Informant T-4 concerning ARTHUR ADAMS, T-4 also furnished the

A copy of this report is being designated for the Newark Office in view of ZOSIA DIAMOND'S residence in Westwood, New Jersey.

### LEADS

#### NEW YORK

### At New York, New York

Will review the personnel file of JULIUS SCHWARTZ, former employee of the Department of Welfare for the City of New York.

In the event background data concerning SCHWARTZ, as obtained from instant personnel file and as checked against the files of the New York Office indicates he may prove cooperative, a recommendation will be made regarding an interview of SCHWARTZ concerning ARTHUR ADAMS. U

Will interview ELLIOTT CLARKE, Photographer, 480 Lexington Avenue, regarding any knowledge he may possess concerning ARTHUR ADAMS.

Will interview WILLIAM WRIGHT CRANDELL, Industrial Engineer, 9
Rockefeller Plaza, regarding any knowledge he may possess concerning ARTHUR
ADAMS.

Will locate GERTRUDE SCHLITZBERGER, who formerly resided at 609
West 115th Street, and interview her concerning her knowledge of ARTHUR ADAMS.

It is noted that Confidential Informant T-9 has advised in September and October of 1943 that ARTHUR ADAMS called the telephone numbers which are listed to the four above-mentioned individuals.

Will conduct the necessary investigation to further identify the individuals listed in referenced report of SA FRANCIS X. PLANT dated November 15, 1949 and set forth again in New York letter to the Bureau dated September 21, 1950.

ny 100-63983

## CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

P. SILVER follows:	The Confidential Informants ment THORN dated JAN 26 1951	tioned in the report of SA CHARLES at New York, New York, are as
W.	T-I	
		and referred to in the report of SA HUGHITT H., HINDERAKER at New York in instant case.
-	т-2	Anonymous
	T-4.  Referral/Direct per FBI	Information provided to SA M. B. CALHOUN and referred to in his report at Atlanta. Georgia. in case entitled,
	T5	Anonymous
	Referral/Direct per FBI	

-	CONFIDENTIAL IN	FORMANTS (CONT D.)
. Í∸7	Referral/Direct per FBI .	
Ã⊷8		Confidential Source
Î-9	-	
	, b7D per FBI	New York City
T-10		Confidential Source
Ĩ-ll		
T-12	•	
9	Referral/Direct per FBI	
سب	• <del>"</del>	
1 		
	-	

#### \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

RÉFERENCE:

Report of SA FRANCIS X. PLANT, 11/15/49, New York Bureau Teletype, 12/28/49
New York Letter, 9/21/50
Bureau Letter, 11/17/50



SAC, New York

February 26, 1951

Director, FBI

44

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, WAS. INTERNAL SECURITY - R (Your file # 100-63983)

Reurlet October 19, 1950.

You are instructed to contact Irving H. Saypol, USA, and ascertain whether he has reached a decision in the above matter and advise the Bureau of the results.

100-331280

COMM - FBI FEB 26 1951 MALED 18

AJM:dmd

RECORDED - 138 100 - 33/280 - 72 FEB 28 1951

**EX-35** 

Clegg Glavin STÄNDARD FORM NO. 64

# Office MemoSindum • united states government

To : Director, FBI

DATE: March 28, 1951

FROM

SAC, New York

SUBJECT:

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, was.

INTERNAL SECURITY - R (Bufile 100-331280)

Mr. IRVING SAYPOL, United States Attorney, Southern Listrict of New York, advised that the summary report dated June 20, 1950 in instant case has been partially reviewed by himself and the report has been referred to his confidential assistant ROY COHN and his administrative assistant MYLES LANE for their opinion.

Mr. SAYPOL commented that due to exigencies of recent cases which have been prosecuted in the Southern District of New York, namely ABRAHAM/BROTHMAN, WILLIAM/BEMINGTON and the current JULIUS MOSENBERG case, it has not been possible to furnish prosecutive opinion in the ADAMS case as yet.

After the ROSENBERG case is concluded, Mr. SAYPOL advised that he would contact this office as soon as he reaches a decision as to prosecution in instant case.

ALITY THE DESIGN TO THE PARTY OF THE PARTY O

RECORDED - 143
INDEXED 143

EX-56

MAR 29 1351

CPS:MM cM 100-63983 474

3/30/51

Director, FBI

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, was. FUTURNAL SECURITY - R (NY file 100-03983)

Rebulet 2/26/51, in which you were instructed to contact Irving H. Saypol, USA, and ascertain whether he has reached a decision in the above matter, and to advise the Bureau of the results.

To date, the Fureau has not received a reply from you re relet and, therefore, it is necessary to again ask that you contact the USA for the desired info. It is absolutely necessary that you handle such Bureau requests in an expeditious manner for the proper administration of the case.

You are instructed to sutel the Eureau upon the receipt of this letter as to whether or not Saypol has reached a decision in this matter.

100-331280

AJM: eas ()

Tolson Ladd\_\_\_\_\_\_ Clegg\_\_ Glavin RECORDED - 117

731

12	MAIL	ED .	3	•
7	MAR	30.	1951	,
	COA	M - F	81	53

CPS:APK

100-63983

67 APR 28 1951

TO

# Office Memorandum • united states government

SAC. New York SUBJECT:

Director, FBI

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, was IS - R

(Bufile 100-331280)

At the request of ROY COHN, confidential assistant to the USA, SDW the summary report of SA Francis X. Plant dated 6/20/50

he would contact this office and furnish a prosecutive opinion.

Ex-59

was discussed with COIN on 4/4/51. He advised he had not completed reading the report as yet. He further advised that he expected to be finished reading the report in approximately one week at which time

32/980 -

DATE:

4/6/51

CUCEAU OF INVESTIGATION Mr. Tolson ..... Mr. Ladd..... GOMMUNICAT'S SECTION Mr. Clegs . Lie. Glavin ..... MAR S 1 1951 Ne Nichola.... SEVIL BELANKI 9-08 P WASH FROM NEW YORK 31 **ጃ**ሄ 57 DIRECTOR URGENT ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, WAS., IS - R. REBULET MARCH THIR-TIETH, LAST. BY LETTER TO BUREAU DATED MARCH TWENTY EIGHTH LAST, NYO ADVISED THAT USA SAYPOL WAS CONTACTED AND STATED THAT HE HAD PARTIALLY REVIEWED SUMMARY REPORT, INSTANT CASE, BUT THAT BECAUSE OF EXIGENCIES OF OTHER PROSECUTED ACTIONS IN THE SDNY, USA SAYPOL HAD NOT AS YET BEEN ABLE TO REACH A PROSECUTIVE, OPINION. WILL ADVISE NEW YORK OFFICE WHEN SUCH OPENION REACHED! DETAILS APPEAR IN REFERENCED NY LETTER RECORDED - 11951

Office Memorandum • united states government

: SAC, New York

: Director, FBI

SUBJECT: ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, was.

INTERNAL SECURITY - R (Bufile 100-331280)

Re Form 0-1, which indicated a report would reach Bureau on 4/24/51. Please be advised that a report in this case has been delayed. It is

contemplated that a report will be dictated 4/25/51, and should reach the Bureau by 5/3/51.

100-63983

EX-56

RECORDED - 1 . APR 24 1951

DATE: April 23, 1951

Mr. Clohr . Tele. Room .. Mr. Nease ... Miss Gandy WASH FROM NEW 58 20 DIRECTOR DEFERRED ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, WAS IS - R. CONFIDENTIAL ASSISTANT US ATTORNEY ROY COHN, SDNY, ADVISED THAT HE HAD SUBMITTED HIS OPIN-ION REGARDING INSTANT CASE TO IRVING SAYPOL, USA, SDNY, AND MR. SAY-POL-WAS COMMUNICATING DIRECTLY WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. COHN WAS OF THE OPINION THERE IS A CONSPIRACY VIOLATION OF THE ESPIONAGE STATUTE AGAINST ADAMS AND CLARENCE HISKEY. COHN ADVISED A GRAND JURY WOULD HAVE TO BE CONVENED AND VARIOUS SUBJECTS IN CASE BROUGHT BEFORE GRAND JURY IN ORDER THAT AN INDICTMENT MAY BE INDICATED THAT AS SOON AS THE SAYPOL-S LETTER PLANS COULD BE MADE TO HAVE THE VARIOUS BROUGHT BEFORM THE GRAND JURY. HOLD PLS

WASH FROM NEW YORK 24 DIRECTOR DEFERRED ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, WAS., IS DASH R. CONFIDENTIAL ASSISTANT TO THE USA, SDNY, ROY COHN, ADVISED THIS DATE THAT HE HAD JUST COMPLETED READING SUMMARY REPORT IN INSTANT CASE AND IS NOW PREPARING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MR. SAYPOL. COHN REQUESTED THAT HE BE CONTACTED TWENTIETH INSTANT FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION OF CASE AFTER HE HAS SUBMITTED RECOMMENDATIONS TO MR. SAYPOL. FOR INFO OF BUREAU, IRVING SAYPOL, USA, SDNY, APPEARED ON TELEVISION PROGRAM QUOTE BRUNDIDGE CRIME REPORTS UNQUOTE, STATION WPIX, EIGHT THIRTY PM TO NINE PM, SIXTEENTH INSTANT, TOGETHER WITH HOWARD RUSHMORE, JOURNAL AMERICAN REPORTER AND FREDERICK WOLTMAN, NY WORLD TELEGRAM AND SUN REPORTER. THE TOPIC OF DISCUSSION WAS SOVIET ESPIONAGE: DURING COURSE OF PROGRAM RUSHMORE MENTIONED HIS EXPOSE OF INSTANT CASE AND INDICATED THAT THE FBI HAD DONE AN EXCELLENT JOB IN COVERING BRUNDIDGE STATED THAT HE UNDERSTOOD THAT THE ADAMS CASE IS MR. SAYPOLES FAVORITE TOPIC AT THE PRESENT TIME AND ASKED SAYPOL IF THAT IS CORRECT. SAYPOL ANSWERED QUOTE WOULDN-T YOU'SLIKE TO KNOW UNQUOTE. SCHEIDT

# Office Memorandum • united states government

ro : Director, FBI

DATE: May 4, 1951

FROM :

SAC, New York

SUBJECT:

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, was.

INTERNAL SECURITY - R;

INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

(Bureau file 100-331280)

There are enclosed herewith five copies of the report of SA CHARLES P. SILVERTHORN dated May 4, 1951, at New York, in entitled matter.

It is to be noted that enclosed report contains considerable background information concerning JULIUS SCHWARTZ. Since this information reflects that SCHWARTZ was an active member of the Communist Party while employed by the Department of Welfare, New York City, and subsequently became a teacher in the New York City Public School System, no recommendation is being made for authority to interview this individual at this time pending the outcome of the remaining interviews to be conducted in this case. If, as a result of these interviews, information is developed indicating SCHWARTZ may prove cooperative, Bureau permission will then be requested to interview him.

Attention of the Bureau is invited to page 18 of Bureau Bulletin #60, Series 1950, dated November 2, 1950, which is captioned "Amendments to Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938 as Amended - Section 20" under the Internal Security Act of 1950. Although available information indicates that subject presently resides in Russia, his activities while he was in the United States appear to have constituted a violation of this section. Accordingly, the additional character "Internal Security Act of 1950" is being carried in this case.

Encs. (5)

RECORDED - 57 160-3 3 1280-738
INDEXED - 57 8

EX-86

EGUN 8 1951

CPS:MLV 100-63983



## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Form No. 1

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT NEW YORK		NY FILE NO. 100-63983 MI				
NEW YORK MAY 4 MASE	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 4/18, 25-28/51	CHARLES P. SILVERTHORN				
ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS	, was.	CHARACTER OF CASE  INTERNAL SECURITY - R; INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950				
of an su of Ph in ne Au	Department of d CP member, id bject attempted 1943. ELLIOTT otographers, an terviewed regar gative results. tomotive Engine s dropped from	former employee Welfare, NYC, Mentical with individual I to contact in September C CLARKE, GRACE COLEMAN, Ind other individuals I ding subject with Records, Society of Mers, NYC, reflect subject Membership rolls on Mers to pay membership dues.				
DETAILS:  Sonfidential Informant T-1, of known refliability, furnished a list of telephone calls which were made from subject's, ARTHUR ADAMS, apartment at the Peter Cooper Hotel, 130 East 39th Street, New York City. The list contained the information that on September 9, 1943, a call was made from ARTHUR ADAM'S room to telephone number LO 7-0008, which was listed in the name of JULIUS SCHWARTZ, 4420 Broadway, New York City.						
1 CC DIR JM 3000 DECIR STEELS 6-6-51 A 5M RISS STEELS 6-6-51 A 5M						
	Lan CLC	SURE				
APPROVED AND FORWARDED: Charles IN C	HARGE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES				
		1000 2012- N D 1/38				
COPIES OF THIS REPORT		AY 1. 5. 1951 RECORDED - 57				
(5) - Bureau (100-331280	. 8	8 PADEYED - 57				
3 - New York		ALTO ANDEAN AND AND AND AND AND AND AND AND AND A				
		EX-86				

JULIUS SCHWARTZ 4420 Broadway New York City

As has been pointed out previously, Confidential Informant T-2, of known reliability, advised that telephone number LO 7-0008, which is listed to JULIUS SCHWARTZ, 4420 Broadway, was connected on October 20, 1939. The employment listed for SCHWARTZ at the time the telephone was connected was that of social investigator for the Department of Welfare for the City of New York.

Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, advised that JULIUS SCHWARTZ was employed by the Department of Welfare, New York City, from July 16, 1934, until April 1, 1944, as a social investigator. The informant advised that SCHWARTZ resided at the following addresses during his employment by the Department of Welfare:

4308 - 40th Street, Long Island City

1184 Cromwell Avenue, Bronx, New York

The informant also advised that SCHWARTZ listed a change of address with the Welfare Department on October 2, 1941; from 1184 Cromwell Avenue, Bronx, to 4420 Broadway, Apartment 5-D, telephone number LO 7-0008.

The informant advised that SCHWARTZ was born April 9, 1910, at New York City, and that he attended P. S. 160 which is located at Fort Hamilton Parkway and 51st Street, Brooklyn, New York. He was graduated from Erasmus Hall High School, Brooklyn, New York, in 1928. He attended the College of the City of New York from 1928 to 1932 and was graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in English. His wife's name is listed as SYDNEY K. SCHWARTZ. The informant also advised that SCHWARTZ submitted a letter of resignation to the Department of Welfare dated March 15, 1944, in which he advised the Welfare Department that he had received an appointment as a teacher in Grades 1A through

Referral/Direct

6B for three years from the Secretary of the Board of Education. His resignation was effective April 1, 1944.

	As ha	as t	een po	ointed	out pr	<u>evious.</u>	Ly, Cor	<u>rrident</u>	<u>ial</u>
Informant	T-4,	$\mathbf{of}$	known	relial	oility,	,			
									•

Confidential Informant T=3 volunteered the information that JULIUS SCHWARTZ, while employed by the Department of Welfare, signed a petition which was dated February 28, 1936, in which he voiced his objection to furnishing information on a Department of Welfare personnel card, which information, according to SCHWARTZ, may be used to discriminate against members of the staff because of residence, citizenship, race or color.

The informant also advised that JULIUS SCHWARTZ on January 31, 1940, used Department of Welfare stationery to forward to the Commissioner of the Department of Welfare a petition which urged the adoption of a five-day week. This petition was issued by CIO Local #1 of the State, County,

and Municipal Worker's of America. Inc America indicated that SCHWARTZ was reprimanded for the use of Departmental stationery because this was a violation of Departmental policy.

A check of the current Manhattan Telephone Directory reflects that Lorraine 7+0008 is listed to JULIUS SCHWARTZ, 4420 Broadway, New York City.

ELLIOTT CLARKE, INC. Photographer 9 East 54th Street New York City

Confidential Informant T-1 also advised that a telephone call was made from subject's, ARTHUR ADAMS, apartment at the Peter Cooper Hotel on October 4, 1943, to PL 5-3030. Confidential Informant T-2 advised that this number was listed to ELLIOUT CLARKE, photographer, 9 East 54th Street, New York City.

Confidential Informant T-5, of known reliability, provided a report dated October 10, 1944, concerning ELLIOTT CLARKE, Incorporated, 9 East 54th Street, New York City, which report listed ELLIOTT CLARKE as being President and GRACE COLEMAN as being Vice-President. The report described ELLIOTT CLARKE as being in his thirties, married, and native born. The present partnership with GRACE COLEMAN was formed in 1943.

The current Manhattan telephone directory lists an ELLIOTT CLARKE; photographer, at 480 Lexington Avenue, New York City.

ELLIOTT CLARKE was interviewed on April 25, 1951, by SA WILLIAM A. FLYNN, Jr., and the writer at his photography studio, 480 Lexington Avenue, New York City. CLARKE confirmed the fact that he was formerly in partnership with GRACE COLEMAN, but that the partnership had been dissolved several years ago. He also confirmed the fact that in October of 1943 his business address was 9 East 54th Street, New York City, and that his telephone number was PL 5-3030.

CLARKE advised that he had never heard of the subject and he did not recognize any of the subject's aliases which were furnished by the interviewing agents. A picture of the subject, ARTHUR ADAMS, was exhibited to CLARKE; however, he indicated he had never seen this person before. He mentioned that the picture was not at all familiar to him and he felt that if he had ever seen the individual before, he would recognize the photograph since he is a photographer himself.

During the interview, CLARKE mentioned that his former partner, Miss GRACE COLEMAN, was very ill at the present time. He stated she had recently suffered a stroke and he doubted very seriously if she would be able to assist interviewing agents in identifying the subject. CLARKE mentioned that Miss GRACE COLEMAN is confined to her bed at the Peter Cooper Hotel, 130 East 39th Street. CLARKE also indicated that Miss COLEMAN has lived at the Peter Cooper Hotel for at least the past ten years.

It should be noted that subject, ARTHUR ADAMS, resided at the Peter Cooper Hotel for several years while in New York City.

Miss GRACE COLEMAN, Room 1109, Peter Cooper Hotel, 130 East 39th Street, was interviewed in the presence of her mother by SA ROBERT F. ROYAL and the reporting agent. It was noted that one side of Miss COLEMAN'S face is completely paralyzed as a result of a recent stroke she suffered. It was also noted that her speech was incoherent and very broken at times.

She was shown a picture of subject, ARTHUR ADAMS; however, she indicated by shaking her head that she had never seen him before. She also stated she did not recognize the name of the subject or any of the subject's aliases. She also indicated that it was possible that such an individual as the subject may have come to her studio at 9 East 54th Street; however, she had no specific recollection of any such visit.

Due to the obvious serious illness of Miss COLEMAN, the interview was discontinued after a very brief period of questioning.

NY 100463983

WILLIAM WRIGHT CRANDELL Designer 9 Rockefeller Plaza New York City

Confidential Informant T-1 also advised that on October 30, 1943, a call was made from ARTHUR ADAMS apartment at the Peter Cooper Hotel to telephone number CI 5-5350.

Confidential Informant T-2 stated that telephone number CI 5-5350 was listed to WILLIAM WRIGHT CRANDELL at 9 Rockefeller Plaza, New York City. T-2 indicated that CRANDELL was an industrial engineer and that this telephone number has been listed to him since 1939.

On April 25, 1951, MALACHI O'CONNOR, partner of WILLIAM WRIGHT CRANDELL, 9 Rockefeller Plaza, New York City, was interviewed by SA WILLIAM A. FLYNN, Jr., and the reporting agent. O'CONNOR indicated that WILLIAM WRIGHT CRANDELL is presently in New Hampshire and, in fact, CRANDELL spends a great deal of time in New Hampshire. O'CONNOR did not recognize the name or the photograph of subject, ARTHUR ADAMS.

Mr. O'CONNOR was questioned regarding who was in business with Mr. CRANDELL at this office in October of 1943. O'CONNOR stated that he and Mr. CRANDELL had been together in the designing business since 1939 with the exception of the time they both spent in service. He stated that he himself went into service in October of 1942 and that Mr. CRANDELL was recalled to active duty in the Navy in September of 1943. He stated, therefore, that neither he nor Mr. CRANDELL was in New York City in October of 1943. During the time both were in the service, O'CONNOR indicated the office space and the office telephone number were used by an artist friend of his, FREDERICK CHANCE, who now is in business in Room 1802 at 56 West 15th-Street, New York City.

FREDERICK CHANCE, Room 1802, 56 West 45th Street, New York City, was interviewed by SA ROBERT F. ROYAL and the

reporting agent, on April 26, 1951. CHANCE confirmed the fact that he occupied the office of O'CONNOR and CRANDELL from about October of 1943 until some time in 1945 when both returned from service.

CHANCE failed to recognize a photograph of subject ARTHUR ADAMS and he also claimed never to have heard of the name of ARTHUR ADAMS or any of the aliases used by ADAMS. CHANCE indicated that he was seldom in the office of O'CONNOR and CRANDELL during the period they were in service and he stated that he received his telephone calls through a telephone answering service which had the number CI 5-5350. CHANCE also indicated that no other individuals occupied instant office with him.

### INFORMATION CONCERNING OTHER CONTACTS OF SUBJECT

Confidential Informant T-1 advised that the following other telephone calls were made from ARTHUR ADAMS: apartment at the Peter Cooper Hotel, and Confidential Informant T-2 furnished the names of the individuals to whom these numbers were listed:

Date	Number	Name
10/30/43	क्रा १-२५५३	GERTRUDE SCHLITZBERGER, 609 West 115th Street, New York City
12/11/43	AU 3-2645	Mrs. AREITHER S. YONES, 2816 Eighth Avenue, New York City
2/12/14	LU 7-2845	A, GDANSKY, 1591 Townsend Avenue, Bronx, New York
5/21/44	HA 9-1081	ELSIE L. RICHEY, 7812 35th Avenue, Jackson Heights, Long Island
7/22/44	PĻ 3-6168	JEANNE V. FISHER, 339 East 58th Street, New York City

NY 106=63983

Concerning GERTRUDE SCHLITZBERGER, the files of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York and of the New York Office were checked with negative results.

A check was made at 2816 Eighth Avenue, New York City, concerning Mrs. AREITHER S. JONES, and it was found that she resides in apartment 3-M with BRAXTON CONES. The Credit Bureau of Greater New York files and the files of the New York Office failed to reflect any information concerning these individuals.

A check of the current New York City telephone directory reflects that telephone number AU 3-2645 is listed to Mrs. AREITHER S. JONES.

Concerning A. GDANSKY, Confidential Informant T-6, of known reliability, advised that A. GDANSKY, 1591 Townsend Avenue, Bronx, New York, was a member of Local #905, Painters Union. The informant advised that this union, which, the informant indicated, was Communist dominated, sent a telegram in June of 1948 to members of the local urging them to register to vote for the present union leaders, in a forthcoming election. On the list of those who sent telegrams was A. GDANSKY, 1591 Townsend Avenue. The informant could not say whether GDANSKY was a Communist Party member.

A check of the current Bronx telephone directory lists A. GDANSKY, 1591 Townsend Avenue, as having telephone number LU 7-2845.

Relative to Mrs. ELSTE L. RICHEY, Confidential Informant T-5 produced a report dated October 2, 1946, which was entitled "Richey, Mrs. Elsie L. (widow of James H.), 7812 35th Avenue, Jackson Heights, Long Island." Her business connections were with Lord and Taylor, Fifth Avenue and 38th Street, New York City. Mrs. RICHEY was described as being a widow, in her forties, and employed at Lord and Taylor. She resides in apartment 3-L at the above address and pays a monthly rental of \$85.00. Her husband was reported to be a former president of Rickey Broughall, Incorporated, 1350 Broadway, which firm was described as

being "large dress shirt manufacturers." No record could be located in the files of the New York Office concerning this individual.

Concerning JEANNE V. FISHER, the Credit Bureau of Greater New York furnished a report dated October 2, 1946, which indicated that Miss FISHER is about thirty years of age and single. She reportedly has resided at 329 East 58th Street since October, 1939, in apartment 2-B, paying approximately \$45.00 rent per month. She reportedly was employed by the Committee for the Celebration of the President's Birthday, which was located in Room 1902, 50 East 42nd Street. No information could be located in the files of the New York Office relative to JEANNE V. FISHER.

# INFORMATION IN THE FILES OF THE SOCIETY OF AUTOMOTIVE ENGINEERS

It will be recalled that ANNA LOUISE STRONG, upon her return from Moscow in 1948, directed alletter to the Society of Automotive Engineers, which letter enclosed a fee for the renewal of subject's membership in instant organization. The letter was dated January 4, 1948, and enclosed sufficient funds to renew subject's membership for three years.

Since subject's membership would have expired in January of this year, FRED SMITH, Assistant Manager, Accounting Department, Society of Automotive Engineers, 29 West 39th Street, New York City, was contacted by reporting agent. He confirmed the fact that subject's membership had been renewed by a letter from ANNA LOUISE STRONG on January 4, 1948. He also indicated that a membership card had been sent to the subject, ARTHUR A. ADAMS at the address, Bolshoi Patrairshi 8, Apartment 68, Moscow, U.S.S.R., on January 7, 1948.

NÝ 100-63983

Mr. SMITH stated that ADAMS had been dropped from membership in this Society on September 30, 1950, for non-payment of dues. He also advised that should the subject renew his membership either by letter or by having someone renew it for him, he would immediately contact this office.

PENDING

## ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

The Confidential Informants mentioned in the report of SA CHARLES P. SILVERTHORN dated MAY 4 1951 at New York are identified as follows:

	T⊷1	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	,	New York City.
, , , ,		Confidential Source b7D per FBI
, w	<b>T</b> =3.	Records of the Department of Welfare, New York City. as made available by
P(1)	*	to SA CHARLES P. SILVERTHORN.
701	T-4	
¥	* _ * _ * _ * _ * _ * _ * _ * _ * _ * _	. ,
Referral/Direct	per FBI	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
· * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *		
	<b>T-</b> 5	Confidential Source b7D per FBI
	<b>T-6</b>	who furnished information on September 8, 1948, to SA CHARLES F. HEINER.

### **LEADS**

### NEW YORK

### At New York, New York

Will locate GERTRUDE SCHLITZBERGER who formerly resided at 609 West 115th Street, New York City, and interview her concerning her knowledge of ARTHUR ADAMS.

Will interview the following persons concerning their association or their knowledge of ADAMS:

Mrs. AREITHER S. JONES, 2816 Eighth Avenue, New York City

A. GDANSKY, 1591 Townsend Avenue, Bronx, New York

ELSIE L. RICHEY, 7812 35th Avenue, Jackson Heights, New York

JEANNE V. FISHER, 339 East 58th Street, New York City

Will contact Confidential Informant T-2 and ascertain if this informant has any information concerning a telephone answering service which was reportedly used in 1943 by FREDERICK CHANCE at telephone number CI 5-5350.

REFERENCE: Report of SA CHARLES P. SILVERTHORN, New York, 1/26/51.

Bureau letter, 3/30/51.

New York letter to Bureau, 3/28/51.

Mr. Ladd FEDERAL BOREAU OF INVESTIGA Mr. Clegg U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE Mr. Glavin COMMUNICATIONS SECTION Mr. Nichols. Mr. Rosen .... <del>-3--</del> 1951 Mr. Tracy..... Ir. Warbo Fr. Alden **WELDTYPE** Mr. Belmont r. Laughlin Mr. Mohr Ż-XXX WASH FROM NEW YORK 47 DEFERRED DIRECTOR ARTHUR-ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, WAS, IS - R. REPORT DUE IN BUREAU 1/00=33/280-739 DELAY. REPORT HAS BEEN DICTATED, AND SHOULD REACH BUREAU WITHIN NEXT FEW DAYS. SCHEIDT/ MAY 16 1951 RECORDED - 132 HOLD PLS 25 EX-130

PEXEMAL DURGAU OF MUSETICATION
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
COMMUNICATIONS SECTION

MAY 2 2/1951

TELETYPE

WASH FROM NEW YORK 40

22

11-02 P

DIRECTOR

DEFERRED

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, WAS., INTERNAL SECURITY - R, REBUTEL MAY
NINETEENTH LAST. CONFIDENTIAL ASSISTANT TO USA, SDNY, ROY COHN,
WAS FURNISHED WITH THE ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION OF SUMMARY REPORT OF
SA FRANCIS X. PLANT DATED JUNE TWENTY, FIFTY AT NY WITH WORD "ADMINISTRATIVE" BLOCKED OUT PER BUREAU INSTRUCTIONS. COHN WAS ADVISED OF THE
NATURE OF THE SOURCES CONTAINED IN ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION. COHN STATED
HE WOULD ADVISE THIS OFFICE OF ANY CONTEMPLATED ACTION BEFORE USING
ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM CONFIDENTIAL TECHNIQUES EITHER BEFORE
FGJ OR BEFORE A TRIAL COURT. COHN INIDCATED THAT THOMAS J.
DONEGAN, SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, WAS ALSO NOW
REVIEWING INSTANT SUMMARY REPORT. COHN REQUESTED THAT HE BE
CONTACTED FRIDAY NEXT, MAY TWENTY FIFTH, FOR MORE DEFINITE WORD AS TO
WHEN FIRST SUBJECT PROBABLY CLARENCE HISKEY, WILL BE BROUGHT BEFORE
FGJ, SDNY.

SCHEIDT

HOLD PLS

RECORDED - 106

- 1

MAY 2511951

24

62MM311951

Sc Homent L

CC-150

COMMUNICATIONS

5/19/51

Transmit the following message to: SAC, NEW YORK

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, WAS., IS DASH R. REURTEL MAY SEVENTEEN LAST. YOU ARE INSTRUCTED TO FUSYISH THE U. S. ATTORNEY AT NEW YORK THE ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION OF THE SUMMARY REPORT, BLOCKING OUT THE WORD ADMINISTRATIVE, OF SA FRANCIS X. PLANT DATED JUNE TWENTY, FIFTY, AT NEW YORK. YOU ARE FURTHER INSTRUCTED TO VERY DEFINITELY ADVISE THE U. S. ATTORNEY THE NATURE OF THE SOURCES CONTAINED IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION AND REQUEST THAT HE ADVISE YOUR OFFICE OF ANY CONTEMPLATED ACTION IN UTILIZING THE INFORMATION SO OBTAINED FROM CONFIDENTIAL TECHNIQUES ETTHER BEFORE THE FEDERAL GRAND JURY OR BEFORE A TRIAL COURT.

HOOVER

100-331280

AJM:frim

DRDED - 45

# Office Memorandum • united states government

TO : The Director

DATE: May 18, 1951

FROM:

D. M. Ladd

CONEDENTIAL

Van Blect:

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, was., INTERNAL SECURITY - R

PURPOSE: ATTHUT ALEXANDrovicHADAMS

To recommend that we furnish the United States Attorney, New York, the administrative section of the summary report of Special Agent Francis X. Plant dated June 20, 1950, at New York, even though it contains data regarding Army and Bureau highly confidential checks of trespass, wire taps and microphone installations.

#### DETAILS:

Investigation of Arthur Adams was initiated on July 31, 1944 when we received information that he was in contact with Clarence F. Hiskey and Edward T. Manning, employed on the DSM Project and continued until January 23, 1946, when he disappeared and since that time his whereabouts have been unknown.

During our investigation it was ascertained that he had contacted John H. Chapin and requested him to obtain information relative to his work. Chapin was employed on the DSM Project at the University of Chicago.

In October 1944 there was found in Adams' room in the Peter Cooper Hotel, New York a sheet of paper bearing certain notations which the military authorities advised dealt directly with the DSM Project.

Some of Adams closest associates besides Hiskey, Chapin, and Manning, were Jacob Aronoff, Samuel Novick, Victoria Stone, Eric Bernay, and Julius Heiman.

There is little doubt that Adams was operating as an espionage agent for Russia, his interest being the Atom Bomb.

Attachment RECORDED - 73 + 100 - 33/280 - 746

100-331280 INDEXED - 73

MAY 29 195

AJM:fnm

EX - 63

- 1752 and former of

**26**UUN 5 1951

\_\_\_\_\_

J.



## PROSECUTIVE ACTION:

On July 31, 1950 the Bureau submitted to the Department a copy of the summary report of Special Agent Francis X. Plant dated June 20, 1950 at New York, which set forth the background and known activities of Arthur Adams, together with the background of Adams! known associates and contacts and their activities as related to him.

The Department was requested to advise whether grand jury proceedings were contemplated and whether further investigation was desired.

The Department, by letter dated October 2, 1950, requested we make the summary report available to the United States Attorney, New York, for his opinion.

On May 16, 1951 Confidential Assistant to USA, New York, indicated that definite plans would be formulated with USA, New York in the next few days as to which subjects in this case would be subpoenced before the Federal Grand Jury.

### Subjects Mentioned in Summary:

Jacob Aronoff, Samuel Novick, Victoria Stone, Eric Bernay, Dr. Louis Miller, Irene Miller, Julius Heiman, Clarence F. Hiskey, Miriam Sherwood, John H. Chapin, Edward T. Manning, Maurice Blumlein, James Perlowin.

### RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that we advise the New York Office to furnish the United States Attorney, New York with the administrative section of the summary report, blocking out the word administrative, of Special Agent Francis X. Plant dated June 20, 1950, at New York.

The administrative section of the above summary contains additional activity and pertinent information relative to the subjects involved in this case. It will be of background assistance to the United States Attorney in presenting this matter before a Federal



Grand Jury.



The administrative section of the report contains information received from Burgai and Army wire taps, highly confidential checks of trespass and microphone installations.

It is recommended that the New York Office be instructed to point out to the United States Attorney in New York the nature of the sources and request that the United States Attorney advise the New York Office of any contemplated action in utilizing the information so obtained from confidential techniques either before the Federal Grand Jury or before a trial court.

### ACTION:

The attached teletype to New York for your approval.

sent of





FEDERAL BUREAU OF MYSCHIGATION

U. S. DEPARTMENT SUSPICE

COMINUNICATIONS SECTION

MAY 13 951

WASH FROM NEW YORK

17

17

Mr. Ladd

Mr. Clesk

Mr. Glavin
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Josen

DIRECTOR

URGENT

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, WAS, ISR, ISA FIFTY. CONFIDENTIAL ASST TO USA ROY COHN, SDNY IN REVIEWING NY SUMMARY REP. DATED JUNE TWENTY, FIFTY INSTANT CASE, REQUESTED TO BE ADVISED AS TO WHETHER HE WAS IN POSSESSION OF ALL INFO RE THIS CASE. COHN WAS ADVISED HE WAS IN POSSESSION OF ALL ADMISSIBLE EVIDENCE THIS CASE. FOR INFO BUREAU, USA, SDNY WAS FURNISHED DETAILS SECTION INSTANT SUMMARY RPT. AS BUREAU IS AWARE, SUMMARY RPT. WAS "RITTEN IN TWO SECTIONS. DETAILS SECTION CONTAINS ALL ADMISSIBLE EVICENCE. ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION CONTAINS INFO CONSIDERED TO BE INADMISSIBLE, INCLUDING ALL INFO OBTAINED BY THE USE OF VARIOUS CONFIDENTIAL TECHNIQUES, THE NATURE OF WHICH PROHIBIT ADMISSIBILITY IN COURT OF THIS INFO. COHN ADVISED ON MAY SIXTEEN LAST HE IS PLANNING CONFERENCES WITH IRVING SAYPOL, USA, SDNY WITHIN NEXT DAY OR TWO WITH VIEW TOWARD PLANNING WHICH SUBJECTS WILL BE SUBPOENAED BEFORE FEDERAL GJ IN INSTANT CASE. BUREAU ADVICE REQUESTED AS TO WHETHER USA, SDNY MAY BE ADVISED OF ALL FACTS IN ADAMS CASE, INCLUDING FACT THAT VARIOUS CONFIDENTIAL TECHNIQUES WERE USED, EITHER BY FURNISHING USA WITH ALL PERTINENT RPTS. RE VARIOUS ADAMS SUBJECTS, OR FURNISHING ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION OF

INSTANT SUMMARY WITH WORDS "ADMINISTRATIVE" BLOCKED OUT FROM TOP

NISHING ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION OF INSTANT SUMMARY TO USA IN ORDER THAT

UNULASSIFIE

HE MIGHT HAVE COMPLETE AND THOROUGH UNDERSTANDING

SCHEIDE

END ACK PLD

OF PAGES.

A DD

1 The W

BELIEVED BEST INTERESTS IN CASE COULD BE SERVED BY FUR-

Mr. Glavin 301:6,1951 TEDETYPE WASHINGTON FROM NEW YORK 16 10-18P DIRECTOR DEFERRED ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, WAS., IS - R, ISA, FIFTY. CONFIDENTIAL ASSISTANT TO US ATTORNEY ROY COHN, SDNY, ADVISED THIS DATE THAT HE WOULD BE DISCUSSING INSTANT CASE WITH IRVING SAYPOL, US ATTORNEY, WITHIN THE NEXT DAY OR TWO. HE INDICATED THAT DEFINITE PLANS WOULD BE MADE AT THAT TIME CONCERNING WHICH SUBJECTS IN THIS CASE WILL BE 100 -331280 -744 SUBPOENAED BEFORE FEDERAL GRAND JURY. RECORDED . 73 SCHEIDT, MAY 29 1951 HOLD PLS

May 28, 1951

Assistant Attorney General James M. McInerney

Director, FBI

CONTIDENTIAL

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, was., INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Reference is made to your memorandum dated October 2, 1950, your reference 146-7-51-2052 JamshDK in which you advise that upon the receipt of United States Attorney's opinion you would communicate with the Bureau relative to captioned matter.

You are requested to inform us of your contemplated action in this matter.

AJM: frm . j. r

NOTE: By letter dated July 31, 1950 the Department was furnished with a copy of a summary report in captioned case and they were requested to advise whether Grand Jury proceedings were contemplated. (100-331280-721)

By memo dated October 2, 1950 the Department requested that a copy of the summary report be furnished the U. S. Attorney New York for his opinion and stated that upon the receipt of the USA's opinion they would communicate with the Bureau. (100-331280-725)

Confidential Assistant to the United States Attorney, Roy Cohn advised on April 20, 1951 that he had submitted his opinion regarding the Adams case to the U. S. Attorney, New York and that the U. S. Attorney would communicate directly with the Department in this matter.

PECORDED 124 11 2 1951

MAY 28 1951

1/2

Original

Clegg
Clavin
Nichols
Rosen
Tracy
Harbo
Alden
Belmont
Laughlin
Wohr

1621 8 AUL [ 6

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION. To: 5/31/51

Transmit the following message to: SAC. NEW YORK

URGENT

ARTHUR ALEXA DROVICH ADAMS, WAS. IS DASH R. YOU AFE INSTRUCTED TO IMMEDIATELY REVIEW CAPTIONED CASE FOR PURPOSE OF ASCERTAINING FOLIOWING IN CONNECTION WITH POSSIBLE PRESENTATION BEFORE FEDERAL GRAND JURY. DISCREETLY DETERMINE IF POSSIBLE PERSONS WHO WILL BE CALLED BEFORE GRAND JURY TO FURNISH TESTIMONY. TWO. ASCERTAIN WHETHER SUCH PERSONS HAVE BEEN INTERVIEWED BY BUREAU AGENTS. INDICATE DATES OF INTERVIEWS AND WHERE PERSONS HAVE BEEN CONTACTED PRIEFLY SET FORTH RESULTS. THREE. AND REFUSED TO BE INTERVIEWED, FOR EXAMPLE, VICTORIA STONE, OR WHELE PERSONS HAVE BEEN INTERVIEWED AND HAVE FAILED TO BE FULLY COOPERATIVE. SUCH AS JULIUS HEIMAN AND JACOB B. ARONOFF, SET FORTH RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO INTERVIEWS THAT SHOULD BE CONDUCTED PRIOR TO GRAND JURY PRESENTATION. YOU ARE INSTRUCTED TO ADVISE THE BUREAU OF THE ABOVE NOT LATER THAN JUNE EIGHTH.

END ACK PLS WA KII NYC JEH AJM: from Tre

HOOV FR

RECORDED - 124 is the S

Tolson

Telė. Room

June 18, 1951

Director, FRI

arthur alexamprovich adals, was, INTERNAL SECURITY - R (New York file 100-63983)

Rewelst June 3, 1951 in which you requested authority to discuss certain phases of investigation conducted by CIC and MED in captioned case and in the cases of Clarence Hiskey and John Chapin with Confidential Assistant to the United States Attorney, Roy Cohn. You also requested that CIO and LED be contected for certain information relative to their investigation of Clarence Hiskey and Adams. You are instructed to take no action in this matter at the present time. You should evalt Bureau instructions in connection wit discussing the above phases of the investigation with Mr. Cohn.

You are instructed to contact United States Attorney upon the receipt of this letter to ascertain whether or not a decision has been made as to whether or not the /dems case will be presented to the Esderal Grand Jury.

RECORDED - 40 100-331280 - 74 7

AJM: fnm 702 1

By memo dated May 28, 1951 the Attorney General was requested to advise what action was contemplated in the Adams case. The Department by memorandum dated October 2, 1950 stated that they would communicate their opinion to the Bureau relative to presenting the Adams case to the Federal Grand Jury in New York. Mr. Hennrich, in contacting Mr. Ray Whearty of the Department this week on another matter overheard Whearty dictating a letter to the United States Attorney in New York in which Whearty advised USA, New York against presenting the Adams case to the Federal Grand Jury at the present time.

Upon the receipt of the Department's letter advising us officially that the case will not be presented to the Federal Grand Jury the New York Office will be advised.

> COMM - FBI JUN 1 8 1951 MAILED 19

STANDARD ORM NO. 64

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO

Director, FBI

**DATE:** June 8, 1951

TIPROM

SAC, New York

SUBJECT:

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, was.

INTERNAL SECURITY - R (Bufile 100-331280)

Rebutel 6/1/51.

11. 图, 画,

Retel requested this office to determine the persons who would be called before the Federal Grand Jury to furnish testimony in this case. Also, this office should ascertain whether such persons have been interviewed by Bureau agents, and indicate the dates of the interviews and briefly set forth the results.

The Bureau also instructed that where persons have been contacted and refused to be interviewed, such as VICTORIA STONE, or where persons have been interviewed and failed to cooperate fully, such as JACOB B. ARONOFF, the New York office should set forth recommendations as to the interviews that should be conducted prior to the Grand Jury presentation of this case.

Confidential assistant to the United States
Attorney ROY COHN, Southern District of New York, advised
that authority to present this case to the Federal Grand
Jury has not as yet been received from the Department of
Justice. However, COHN indicated he desires to have the
following witnesses called before the Grand Jury after departmental authority has been received to proceed with the case:

1. The testimony of JOHN HITCHCOCK CHAPIN, who was interviewed by Bureau agents at the New York office on June 10, June 18, and August 26, 1946. CHAPIN can testify that he was employed in the SAM Laboratory, Columbia University, in September, 1942; that on May 1, 1943, he was transferred to the Metallurgical Laboratory at the University of Chicago, where he was employed in the Technology Division. On December 1, 1944, he became chief of the Fabrication Section, Metallurgical Division. For a few weeks in the spring of 1944, CHAPIN was on a special assignment for the Metallurgical Laboratory at the Cleveland Wire Works, Cleveland, Ohio. While there, he resided at the Hotel Allerton.

CPS:MFF 100-63983 RECORDED - 41 JUN 11 1951

CHINE THE

Let to Director NY 100-63983

CHAPIN has indicated that CLARENCE HISKEY, another scientist at the Metallurgical Laboratory in Chicago, in the spring of 1944, came to CHAPIN's hotel room in Cleveland, Ohio, just after HISKEY received orders to report for active duty in the Army. HISKEY inquired of CHAPIN if he would be willing to do something which would alleviate their fears as to the possibility of atomic power being misused. CHAPIN indicated to HISKEY he would be willing. HISKEY asked him if he would consider talking to a "Russian agent" (ARTHUR ADAMS) about the matter.

When first questioned by Bureau agents, CHAPIN definitely used the words "Russian agent". However, CHAPIN, when interrogated more closely as to the use of these words by HISKEY, said he could not recall HISKEY's exact term. CHAPIN admitted from conversation between he and HISKEY, there was no doubt in his mind that ADAMS was a Russian agent.

Arrangements were made for CHAPIN to meet ADAMS. CHAPIN gave HISKEY a key which ADAMS was to return to CHAPIN if and when they ever met in person. It was further agreed CHAPIN would inform ADAMS when he would return to Chicago by writing a letter to CLARENCE HISKEY, which letter CHAPIN would address to MARCIA HISKEY in New York, who in turn would show it to ADAMS. CHAPIN wrote this letter.

In the fall of 1944, after his return to Chicago, CHAPIN indicated that a man who said he was a friend of HISKEY's telephoned him and said he might drop in at CHAPIN's home. A short time later, ARTHUR ADAMS came to his house and gave CHAPIN his key. CHAPIN agreed to meet ADAMS at the Stevens Hotel in Chicago.

CHAPIN met ADAMS and they discussed the possibility of CHAPIN's going to work in Russia at a future date. ADAMS asked CHAPIN for information concerning his work at the Metallurgical Laboratory, University of Chicago. CHAPIN believed at the time of the request ADAMS was acting as a Russian agent. CHAPIN states he never gave ADAMS a definite answer and never saw ADAMS again.

In view of the information already furnished to Bureau agents, it is not believed desirable to again interview CHAPIN prior to his appearance before the Federal Grand Jury.

Let to Director NY 100-63983

set forth on page 33	nony of Confidential Informant TM-5, as of New York summary report dated astant case. This informant furnished

and therefore the information was not obtained by Bureau agents through interview.

Bureau permission is requested to acquaint the
United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, with
the identity of this informant. Bureau permission is also
thereafter requested to contact the Atomic Energy Commission
in New York to determine where the records of the Manhattan
Engineering District can be located in this matter, and
also to determine the identity of the proper person who can
testify concerning the work of CHAPIN. It is believed this
person should be interviewed by Bureau agents prior to a
Grand Jury appearance.

Referral/Direct

Confidential assistant to the United States Attorney ROY COHN, Southern District of New York, has no objections to informing appropriate persons that presentation of ADAMS! case to Federal Grand Jury is under consideration by the United States Attorney, Southern District of New York. COHN pointed out that he could not state that the ADAMS case was definitely going to be presented to a Federal Grand Jury in the Southern District of New York until departmental authority to do so had been received.

3. Testimony of Confidential Informant T-1, as set forth on pages 267 and 268 of instant New York summary report. This informant furnished information concerning the

Let to Director
NY 100-63983

T-1, as carried in this section of the report, is

States Attorney with the identity of this informant, and thereafter to contact the Atomic Energy Commission in New York to determine where the records of MED can be located and who is the proper person to testify concerning HISKEY's work, and the information furnished by T-1 listed above. It is believed that the persons who can testify to the above should be located and interviewed by Bureau agents prior to a Grand Jury appearance.

Referral/Direct

4. Testimony of Confidential Informant TK-4, as set out on page 269 of instant summary report. This informant

Let to Director NY 100-63983

	TK-4, as carried in this section,	,
ı		~
	This information therefore was not ob-	,
'	tained by Bureau agents through interview.	•
ロシシ	Bureau permission is requested to acquaint United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, with identiof this informant and thereafter to contact Atomic Energy Commission in New York to determine where records of MED cabe located.  is determined, it is believed that this person should be located an interviewed by Bureau agents prior to a Grand Jury appearance.	.ty in id
	5. Testimony of Confidential Informant TK-5, as set out on page 269 of instant New York summary report.	Referral/Direct
٠ [	SAT OUT ON Dage 209 Of Instant New Jork Summary report.	
-		1
	TK-5, as carried in this section, is a memorandur	ń
	This information was	<del></del>
,	therefore not obtained by Bureau agents through interview.	•
	Bureau permission is requested to acquaint the United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, with the identity of this informant, and thereafter to contact the Atomic Energy Commission in New York to determine where MED reports can be located, and if possible to determine the Lit is believed that this individual should be located and interviewed by	<b>Э</b> :
(3)	Bureau agents prior to a Grand Jury appearance.	-
	5	

Let to Director NY 100-63983

_	6. Testimony of Confidential Informant TK-6, as set forth on page 269 of instant summary report. TK-6 advised	
	The identity of TK-6. as carried in this section.	
	Bureau permission is requested to acquaint United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, with identity of this informant, and thereafter to contact the Atomić Energy Commission in New York in order to locate appropriate MED records. It is believed that	, _
	and that he should be interviewed prior to a Referral	] l/Di -
~	7. Testimony of Confidential Informant TK-7, as set forth on pages 270, 271, and 272 of instant New York summary report. This informant advised	
		•
		4
		~
		-

Let to Director NY 100-63983 TK-7: as carried in this section, Bureau permission is requested to acquaint United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, with the identity of this informant, and thereafter to contact the Atomic Energy Commission in New York to locate appropriate MED records, and if possible to ascertain the identity of the person who can testify to the above listed information. It is believed that this person should be interviewed by Bureau agents prior to a Grand Jury appearance. COHN pointed out that Testimony of Confidential Informant TK-8, as set forth on pages 286 and 287 of instant New York summary report. This informant advised TK-8, as carried in this section, Bureau permission is requested to acquaint United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, with identity of this informant, and thereafter to contact the Atomic Energy Commission in New York in order to locate appropriate MED records. It is believed that from these records the

- 7 -

agents prior to a Grand Jury appearance.

ascertained and that they should be interviewed by Bureau

should be

Let to Director NY 100-63983

In addition, confidential assistant to United States Attorney ROY COHN, Southern District of New York, advised that the necessary element of intent to commit acts of advantage to the Soviet Union can be established by the testimony of witnesses who can testify that HISKEY has openly advocated the overthrow of this government.

In this regard, COHN stated he desired to have the following other witnesses called before the Federal Grand Jury after departmental authority has been received to proceed with the case:

9. Testimony of Confidential Informant TK-12, as set forth on pages 292 and 293 of instant summary report. This informant.

b7D

HISKEY urged radical minded young men to take ROTC training as HISKEY felt this would provide possible penetration of the Communist Party into the Armed Forces of the United States. This informant can also furnish information as to the Communist Party activity of CLARENCE and MARCIA HISKEY while both attended the University of Wisconsin.

,	Confidential	<u>Informant</u>	<u>TK-l</u>	2, as	carried	<u>in</u>	<u>thi</u> s
section.							
							=

Bureau permission is requested to acquaint United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, with identity of this informant. It is believed that this informant should again be interviewed by Bureau agents prior to a Grand Jury appearance.

10. PAUL CROUCH, 10421 Northwest 33rd Avenue, Miami, Florida, who was interviewed regarding CLARENCE HISKEY on June 14, 1949 by agents of the Miami office. The results of this interview is set forth on pages 293 and 294 of instant New York summary report. CROUCH advised he met HISKEY in September, 1939, at Knoxville, Tennessee, and that HISKEY's work in the Communist Party was in the scientific field. It is believed that PAUL CROUCH should again be interviewed by Bureau agents prior to his appearing before a Federal Grand Jury in order that he might have an opportunity to refresh his memory regarding HISKEY.

Let to Director NY 100-63983

11.	

Since this individual was not interviewed by Bureau agents, it is believed that he should be located and interviewed prior to a Grand Jury appearance.

Referral/Direct

- 12. Testimony of ROBERT FRANCIS FRIES, 6752
  South Clyde Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, as set forth on
  pages 297 and 298 of instant New York summary report.
  FRIES advised an agent of the Chicago office in 1941 that
  HISKEY tried to convert him to Communism during their first
  year at the University of Wisconsin. Since a period of
  time has elapsed since the interview of FRIES, it is
  believed that this individual should be located and again
  interviewed by Bureau agents prior to a Grand Jury appearance.
- Department, University of Tennessee, which information is set forth on page 300 of instant New York summary report. TARWATER on May 13, 1941, advised agents of the Knoxville Office that he had known HISKEY since 1939. He furnished a signed statement at that time indicating that, while attending parties at HISKEY'S home, HISKEY would discuss advantages of the new order which HISKEY stated is seeking to establish the form of government presently employed in Russia. HISKEY advocated this form of government as the ideal and model. Since a period of time has elapsed since TARWATER was interviewed, it is believed that he should be located and interviewed prior to a Grand Jury appearance.
- lh. Testimony of J. ALBERT BACON, Jr., Chemistry Professor at the University of Tennessee, which information is set forth on page 300 of instant New York summary report. This individual advised agents of the Knoxville Office in May of 1941 that HISKEY praised

Let to Director NY 100-63983

Russia's form of government and further that HISKEY stated, "Russia can do no wrong." HISKEY also boasted that he was known as "The Communist." Since a period of time has elapsed since the interview of BACON, it is believed that he should be located and again interviewed by Bureau agents prior to a Grand Jury appearance.

MANNING should be subpoensed before the Federal Grand Jury. At Knoxville, Tennessee, on March 27, 1949, MANNING gave Special Agents of the FBI a signed statement in which he advised that prior to HISKEY'S leaving Metlab Project in Chicago to go into the Army, MANNING visited HISKEY'S home and found HISKEY there with ARTHUR ADAMS. MANNING stated that ADAMS visited HISKEY three or four times prior to HISKEY'S leaving for the Army. MANNING can also testify that ADAMS approached him for information concerning Metlab after HISKEY had gone into the Army.

In view of the signed statement furnished to Bureau agents in 1949, it is not believed desirable to reinterview MANNING prior to his Grand Jury appearance.

CLARENCE HISKEY and his former wife, MARCIA HISKEY, before the Federal Grand Jury. CLARENCE HISKEY was interviewed by agents of the New York Office on June 11, 1946, at which time he denied giving information to ADAMS. Since CLARENCE HISKEY has refused to answer questions before the House Committee on Un-American Activities and as a result was cited for contempt, it is not believed desirable for Bureau agents to attempt to reinterview him prior to his Grand Jury appearance.

MARCIA HISKEY was interviewed by agents of the New York Office on June 11, 1946, at which time she denied that either ARTHUR ADAMS, CLARENCE HISKEY, or JOHN CHAPIN had ever used her for transfer of messages to each other. In a signed statement dated June 11, 1946, MARCIA HISKEY denied CHAPIN ever wrote to her or that CHAPIN ever wrote to CLARENCE HISKEY in care of her. As

Let to Director NY 100-63983

in the case of CLARENCE HISKEY, it is not believed desirable to attempt to reinterview MARCIA HISKEY prior to her Grand Jury appearance. It is noted that MARCIA HISKEY has also given a signed statement to Bureau agents.

Confidential Assistant to the United States Attorney ROY COHN, Southern District of New York, advised that at the present time he does not intend to call the remainder of the subjects in the ADAMS case before the Federal Grand Jury. These subjects include such persons as VICTORIA STONE, JACOB ARONOFF, SAMUEL MOVICK, JULIUS HEIMAN, and ERIC BERNAY. He stated that he does not believe these subjects should be brought before the Grand Jury for the sake of putting them on record as refusing to answer questions on the ground that it would tend to incriminate them. COHN, however, stated that should the testimony of the above-listed witnesses tend to incriminate any of the other subjects such as STONE, ARONOFF, NOVICK, HEIMAN, and BERNAY, these persons will then be subpoensed before the Federal Grand Jury. this regard, COHN stated that prior to an issuance of subpoenas for any of the above subjects, this office would be notified in order that the Bureau might have the opportunity to reinterview these persons should this course of action be desired. :

In view of the fact that COHN has indicated at this time that the remainder of the subjects in the ADAMS case will not be subpoened before the Federal Grand Jury, no recommendations as to their being reinterviewed is being made by this office at this time. Should the United States Attorney subsequently decide to subpoena these particular subjects, recommendations as to their reinterview will be made to the Bureau at that time.

COHN again pointed out that Departmental authority has not been received by the United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, to present this case to the Federal Grand Jury as yet. Therefore, for the information of other Government agencies and appropriate persons, the presentation of the ADAMS case to the Federal Grand Jury is under consideration by the United States Attorney, Southern District of New York, rather than the statement that the case will definitely be presented to the Federal Grand Jury.

DECLASSIFICATION AUTHORITY DERIVED FROM: FBI AUTONATIC DECLASSIFICATION CUIDE DATE 01-3-2013 F42M28K35 May 5, 1951 CONFIDENTIAL plassified by SPECIAL DELIVERY Exempt from & Date of Declies 1993 REGISTERED Photoy R. D. Director, FBI Re: MORRIS BLOOM was. et al b7D INTERNAL SECURITY - R Bufile 100-374047 Dear Sir: Reference is made to a letter from this Office furnishing information received concerning Mr. and Mrs. Michael Arnold Soberman, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Lipshitz, and Thelma Buss, who had obtained Canadian passports and naturalization papers under circumstances which made it appear possible that they were involved in Russian espionage operations during 1937. Forwarded herewith is a memorandum directed to this Office in connection with the investigation designated as TON AMPHIXATH Forwarded together with memorandum are photostatic copies of passport and naturalization files for the names listed as having obtained Canadian passport and Canadian naturalization papers under circumstances that indicated they possibly were agents of the Russian intelligence service. It is interesting that M. S. Millstone, a Toronto lawyer who is well known for the assistance he has rendered Communists in the way of obtaining false documents, has been of 古 material assistance in the obtaining of passports for each of ORIGINAL FILE. the persons listed. It will be noted that the passport application for Arthur Adams, the subject of Bureau file "Arthur Alexandrovich Adams, with aliases, Internal Security - R Bufile 100-331280, has now been located and is included among those forwarded herewith. The known activities of Adams and the fact that his passport was obtained by Millstone in a enotosoke attaoene REDUK (1961) 71 JUN 15 1951 INDEXED - 11



similar manner to the rest of the individuals listed may be significant and increases the possibility that the others mentioned were or are operating as Soviet agents.

T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T
It would be appreciated if a search could be made of the Bureau's files relative to the individuals
and this by
date as convenient.
It will be noted that have also indicated that they would appreciate if could be given an opportunity to examine the material forwarded herewith.
Very truly yours,
•

Enclosures

FEDERAL EUCLAU OF INVESTIGATION JUN WASHINGTON FROM NEW YORK 57-产河河南 DEFERRED **DIRECTOR** ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, WAS, ISR. BUFILE ONE HUNDRED DASH THREE THREE ONE TWO EIGHT NAUGHT. REBUTEL JUNE ONE FIFTYONE. IN RETEL BEING TRANSMITTED TO BUREAU BY NYLET JUNE EIGHT INST. SCHEIDT RECORDED - 22 X 0 0 - 33/280- TH9

EX-35 24 24 1951 HOLD PLS 60 JUN 28 1951. ce: mv. matchessault.

DEFERRED

U. S. DEFANIMENT OF JUSTICE COMMUNICATIONS SECTION JUN

TELETYPE

WASHINGTON FROM NEW YORK

DIRECTOR

9-54 P

Mr. Mohr

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, WAS, ISR. REBUTEL JUNE ONE INST. CONFIDENTIAL ASSISTANT TO USA ROY COHN, SDNY, ADVISED THAT PRESENTA-TION OF ADAMS CASE TO FGJ HAS BEEN DEFERRED IN FAVOR OF CERTAIN LABOR MANAGEMENT CASES WHICH DEPARTMENT DESIRES PRESENTED TO FGJ. HE STATED ADAMS CASE WOULD NOT BE PRESENTED FOR ANOTHER WEEK OR LONGER. COHN HAS NOT INDICATED AS YET WHO HE DESIRES TO SUBPOENA BEFORE FGJ IN CONNECTION WITH PRESENTATIVE OF THIS CASE. FURTHER CONFERENCES

IT IS PLANNED DURING THESE CONFERENCES TO ATTEMPT TO DEFINITELY ASCERTAIN WHO COHN DESIRES TO SUBPOENA BEFORE GRAND JURY TO FURNISH

WITH COHN REGARDING THIS CASE ARE TO BE HELD WEEK BEGINNING JUNE FOUR.

WHEN THIS HAS BEEN DONE, RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO INTERVIEW TESTIMONY. OR REINTERVIEW OF PERSONS CONCERNED WILL BE MADE TO BUREAU AS INSTRUC-

TED IN RETEL.

SCHEIDT

HOLD PLS

2JUN 26 1951

ce: Mr. Mar Hessault

Office Memorandum • United States Government

DATE: June 11, 1951

The Director

: D. M. Ladd

SUBJECT: AR THUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, was.,

INTERNAL SECURITY - R

Purpose: Other Conta little

To advise that James M. McInerney, Assistant Attorney General, advised Irving H. Saypol, United States Attorney, New York, in his letter dated October 4, 1950, that the espionage aspects of the Adams case were not available to the Division (Criminal) at the time the warrant was issued (March 13, 1945) against Adams.

To inform you that we are setting the records straight in the attached memorandum to James McInerney by setting forth the fact that Mr. Tom Clark and James McInerney were advised in a conference on February 27, 1945, that the Bureau's real interest in Adams was in his espionage activity, however it should be noted that the extent of Adams espionage activity was not disclosed to them because of the extreme secrecy at the time of the atomic project, which Adams was interested in. The above conference was a basis for a bench warrant which was issued March 13, 1945 against Adams

# Background:

JAn 6 1960

COPY DESTROYED

James McInerney, in referring the Adams case to the United States Attorney'New York for the United States Attorney's opinion relative to possible Grand Jury hearings, made the statement in his letter of October 4, 1950 to Mr. Saypol, United States Attorney, New York, that the espionage aspects of the Adams case were not available to the Division at the time the warrant was issued against Adams.

Mr. McInernéy is referring to the secret bench warrant which was issued on March 13, 1945 against Adams, since it was believed that Adams was leaving the country. on 5-29-51

Thomas J. Donegan furnished/Mr. McInerney's letter of October 4, 1950 to the New York Office on a confidential basis. (photostatic copy)

Attachment

62 JUN 2

INDEXED : 43 25 WINLES 1951

A conference was held with Mr. McInerney and Mr. Tom Clark on February 27, 1945, at which time they were advised that the Bureau's real interest in Adams was in his espionage activity. It was pointed out to them that due to the extreme secrecy of the particular Army project involved, the Army had requested that some means be used other than the espionage statutes or Foreign Agents Registration Act for immobilizing Adams in the event he attempted to leave the country.

This conference was a basis for the warrant issued on March 13, 1945, against Adams:

Since Donegan furnished McInerney's letter of October 4, 1950, on a confidential basis, without disclosing that we are aware of the correspondence between McInerney and Saypol, we are pointing out to McInerney in the attached memorandum, our conference with him and Mr. Tom Clark on February 27, 1945, in which we advised them of our interest in Adams as an espionage agent.

There is attached a more detailed memorandum setting forth in chronological order our conferences and memoranda to the Department relative to the Adams case.

Action:

None. For your information.

TO

Mr. D. N. Ladd

DATE: June 5, 1951

Ladd

Clegg\_ Glavin\_ Nichol:

Rosen

Tracy\_\_ Harbo\_\_ Belmont

Tele. Room

FROM

Mr. A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT:

ARTHUR ALEXANDROVICH ADAMS, was.,

INTERNAL SECURITY - R

PURPOSE:

To inform you that Thomas J. Donegan furnished to the New York Office on a confidential basis correspondence, relating to captioned case, between James M. McInerney, Assistant Attorney General and Irving H. Saypol, United States Attorney, New York. Among this correspondence, was a letter dated October 4, 1950 from Mr. McInerney to Mr. Saypol in which Mr. McInerney sets forth the fact that the Bureau made available a summary report on Adams and requesting to be advised whether Grand Jury proceedings were contemplated. McInerney stated in part the following: "that at the time of the issuance of the warrant the espionage aspects of this case were not available to the Division." McInerney was referring to the issuance of a bench warrant (secret) on March 13, 1945 based upon a Selective Service violation against Adams which was to be used if Adams attempted to leave the country.

To advise that if McInerney means by the term "espionage aspects" that the Division was not furnished with legal admissible evidence of espionage on the part of Adams, the statement is true, since we had no such evidence. However, if McInerney is implying that the Division was not cognizant of the "espionage aspects" of the Adams case, the statement is false, since Bureau representatives in conferences with Mr. Tom Clark and Mr. James McInerney specifically pointed out to them that the Bureau's real interest in Adams was in his espionage activity.

## Background of McInerney's Letter to USA New York:

The Bureau took over from MED, in July of 1944, the investigation of Arthur Adams and followed his activities closely until January 23, 1946 when his whereabouts became unknown. Iegal admissible evidence was obtained on June 10, 1946 from John Hitchcock Chapin, an employee of the Metallurgical Iaboratory in Chicago, which established beyond a doubt that Adams was a Russian espionage agent. Chapin furnished to Bureau Agents a signed statement in which he stated that Adams had requested him to obtain information for him relative to his work at the Metlab.

AJM: fnm

100-331280

RECORDED - 43

The investigation of Adams revealed his association with a number of individuals who were either closely allied with his activities or knew and aided him in his work. All his associates and contacts were interviewed and a number of them denied knowledge of Adams' activities, some of whom were uncooperative.

In view of the attitude of some of Adams' associates and contacts, a summary report was written on Adams' known activities, which included the background and activities of Adams' associates and contacts as they related to him. This summary report (report of SA Francis X. Plant dated June 20, 1950 at New York) was furnished the Department on July 31, 1950, with the request that the Bureau be advised whether Grand Jury proceedings would be undertaken.

James M. McInerney, by letter dated October 4, 1950, requested the United States Attorney, New York, to review the above summary and furnish his opinion to the Department as to Grand Jury proceedings. It was in this letter that McInerney made the comment that the espionage aspects of this case were not available to the Division.

The following memoranda to the Attorney General placed the Department on notice that Adams was a suspected Espionage Agent.

Notice to the Department of Adams' Activities
Prior to the Issuance of the Warrant on March 13, 1945:

Memorandum to the Attorney General Dated October 2, 1944:

This memorandum advised that Arthur Adams, Peter Cooper Hotel, New York City, was in contact with Comintern and Soviet Intelligence, (NKVD) suspects in New York and on September 25, 1944 in Chicago, Illinois held a clandestine meeting at night in a public park with an individual having access to most secret experimental data concerning the most highly guarded secret weapon of the U. S. Army. It further stated that documents were exchanged between Adams and the unknown individual. A request was made for authorization of a technical surveillance on Adams' telephone. (100-331280-X1)

Memorandum to the Attorney General Dated February 20, 1945:

This memorandum requested blanket authorization of a technical surveillance on Arthur Adams to cover his espionage

activities during his travels and for the additional purpose of identifying other espionage agents whom he might meet. It stated in part "...Arthur Adams, an espionage agent upon whom you have heretofore authorized a technical surveillance, has engaged in considerable travel in the past and is embarking on extended travel within the next two days."

(100-331280-72, 88)

Conferences with the Department Relative to Arthur Adams Prior to the Issuance of the Warrant on March 13, 1945:

In February 1945, investigation disclosed that Adams might possibly depart from the United States. MED was advised and they stated that it would be most undesirable for Adams to be permitted to leave the United States for the USSR with the information which he had undoubtedly been able to obtain concerning the Atom Bomb. MED also stated that they did not desire to have Adams prosecuted at that time on the basis of his espionage activity concerning the Atom Bomb project inasmuch as such prosecution would bring the project out into the open.

As a result of the above numerous conferences were held with the Department for the purpose of arriving at a decision as to what the process should be based on.

On February 27, 1945 the facts regarding Adams! false statements in his declaration of intention, Alien Registration Form, and Selective Service file were discussed with Mr. Tom C. Clark and James McInerney of the Criminal Division. It was indicated to them that the Bureau's real interest in Adams was in his espionage activity, but that due to the extreme secrecy of the particular Army project involved, the Army had requested that some means be used other than the espionage statutes or Foreign Agents Registration Act for immobilizing Adams in the event he attempted to leave the country.

(100-331280-250)

In arriving at a decision for process against Adams, which was finally issued on March 13, 1945, conferences with the Department were held on the following dates

February 22, 1945 (100-331280-139) (100-331280-83) February 27, 1945 (100-331280-115) (100-331280-114) March 1, 1945 (100-331280-133) March 13, 1945 (100-331280-200)

# Memoranda to the Attorney General After the Issuance of the Secret Bench Warrant (March 13, 1945):

Memorandum to the Attorney General Dated April 30, 1945:

This memorandum requested authorization of a technical surveillance on the office of Arthur Adams at Keynote Recording Inc., 522 - 5th Avenue, New York City.

(100-331280-256)

Memorandum to the Attorney General Dated December 6, 1945:

This memorandum furnished the Attorney General the summary report of SA Francis X. Plant dated February 12, 1945. Mention was made of the fact that the Arthur Adams matter was discussed with the Attorney General and Mr. James McInerney in the latter part of February 1945. This memorandum states in part "you will recall that the return of this indictment was predicated upon the necessity for preventing Adams from leaving the United States for the Soviet Union with espionage information in his possession regarding the Atomic Bomb, which was then in an experimental stage." The Department was requested to advise what further prosecutive steps should be taken against Adams.

(100-331280-345)

Memorandum to the Attorney General Dated December 10, 1945:

This memorandum made reference to the memorandum of December 6, 1945 and advised that information had been received that Adams might leave the United States within the next several days. It again mentioned the indictment outstanding and stated that it might be necessary to take Adams into custody under the warrant in order to prevent his departure and "unless advice is received to the contrary, such action will be taken in the event Adams attempts to leave this country."

(100-331280-348)

(In a memorandum from the Department dated December 20, 1945 the Department makes reference to the Bureau's memoranda of December 6, and December 10, 1945. In this memorandum the Department noted that there was no available evidence of espionage activity by the subject which could be used in court.)

(100-331280-375)

Memorandum to the Attorney General Dated March 8, 1946:

The Department was furnished a summary of information

concerning Arthur Adams relative to his Soviet espionage activities for their information.

(100-331280-459)

Memorandum to Assistant Attorney General T. L. Caudle, Criminal Division, Dated July 9, 1946:

This memorandum furnished the results of interviews conducted by the Bureau with John Hitchcock Chapin, Clarence Hiskey, Miriam Sherwood and Marcia Hiskey and also furnished photostatic copies of a report made by the Military Intelligence Division of the War Department dated May 20, 1944 concerning an investigation of Clarence Hiskey. The memorandum also advised that the Army was presenting its case to the Judge Advocate General's Office of the War Department to determine whether that office desired to take prosecutive action against Hiskey prior to his discharge from the Army on July 18, 1946.

(100-331280-557)

Memorandum to Assistant Attorney General T. L. Caudle, Criminal Division, Dated July 17, 1946:

The Department was advised that information had been received that the Judge Advocate General's Office, War Department had declined prosecution of Clarence Hiskey.

(100-331280-561)

Memorandum to Assistant Attorney General T. L. Caudle, Criminal Division, Dated August 29, 1946:

This memorandum furnished a copy of a report of SA John J. Ward, Jr., dated July 9, 1946 at New York City captioned John Hitchcock Chapin, Internal Security - R and one copy of report of SA John J. Ward, Jr., dated August 9, 1946 at New York, captioned "Dr. Clarence Francis Hiskey, was., Internal Security - R." The memorandum also furnished information concerning the reinterviews with John Chapin and further requested advice as soon as possible as to whether, in the opinion of the Department, the facts constituted a violation of the espionage statute.

(100-331280-568)

(Memorandum from the Department Dated October 15, 1946:

This memorandum refers to our memorandum of August 29, 1946 and states that the evidence available is not sufficient to warrant prosecution of Hiskey or Chapin.)
(100-331280-574)

Memorandum to the Department Dated July 31, 1950:

This memorandum attaches a copy of a summary report of SA Francis X. Plant dated June 20, 1950 at New York, requesting that the Department advise whether Grand Jury proceedings are contemplated in the Adams case.

(100-331280-721)

Memorandum from the Department Dated October 2, 1950:

This memorandum requests that the Bureau furnish a copy of Francis X. Plant's summary report dated June 20, 1950 to the United States Attorney at New York for the purpose of review and his opinion as to Grand Jury proceedings.

(100-331280-725)

### Dissemination of Reports:

All pertinent reports in the captioned case have been furnished the Division of Records, the first report being furnished them on December 4, 1945.

### Conclusion:

- (1) That the Bureau did not furnish the Department with legal admissible evidence of espionage on the part of Adams, prior to the issuance of the warrant on March 13, 1945 because we did not have such evidence.
- (2) That the Department was cognizant of Adams being a suspected espionage agent prior to the issuance of the warrant on March 13, 1945 since Mr. Tom Clark and Mr. James McInerney in conferences with Bureau representatives were specifically told that the Bureau's real interest in Adams was in his espionage activity.

### ACTION:

None, for your information