

6 July 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, SR/DOB Training Staff

SUBJECT: Conversations with Reverend Dudick.

1. The undersigned, during his leave period, called on Reverend Michael Dudick, Secretary to Bishop Ivancho. (Bishop Ivancho being the ecclesiastical head of all Greek Catholics in the United States and Canada.) The purpose of the visit was to elicit information concerning the settlement of Ukrainian Displaced Persons in the Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania area. Since the undersigned is a personal friend of Reverend Dudick there wasn't any suspicion to the cover used. The cover being that the undersigned was desirous of visiting the new Greek Catholic Seminary on Ferrysville Avenue, Pittsburgh, Penn.

2. The undersigned guided the conversation toward a discussion of the growth of the Greek Catholic Church in the Pittsburgh area. The undersigned asked if this growth was influenced by the displaced persons that settled in the area. The Reverend stated that there were only a few Catholic displaced persons in the area; he did state that a great number of Western Ukrainian DP's of the Orthodox faith settled in the Pittsburgh area (this information has been verbally relayed to George Hill).

3. It was further learned that several Professors at the Seminary are recent escapees from the Ukraine. The undersigned did not, in order not to arouse suspicion, learn the year which the Reverend categorized as "recent." This information may be of value to SR/3, as the route employed by these priests can possibly be utilized by SR/3 REDSOX agents for exfiltration purposes, that is if exfiltration operations are contemplated by that branch.

4. Further inquiries regarding para 3. can be directed to the undersigned.

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