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TO	Chief of Base, Munich - ATTN:	<input type="checkbox"/>	HEADQUARTERS FILE NO.
INFO	Chief of Station, Germany	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
FROM	Chief, SE		DATE 12 SEP 1960
SUBJECT	REWOOD/ACASSOV/Operations Ivan MAJSTEREK Contact with the KGB		RE: "43-3" - (CHECK "X" ONE) <input type="checkbox"/> MARKED FOR INDEXING <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO INDEXING REQUIRED
ACTION REQUIRED	None; for your information.		INDEXING CAN BE JUDGED BY QUALIFIED HQ. DESK ONLY
REFERENCES)	BM-44394, 21 August 1959		
<p>1. It will be recalled from Reference that one Valeriy Pavlovich SHEVCHENKO rather closely identified as a KGB type attended the Vienna Youth Festival and that he was active in contacting a number of Ukrainian emigres, among others, Ivan KOSHELIVSKI and, according to Paragraph 2, Ivan MAJSTEREK.</p> <p>2. Recently it was learned from ABCASSOVARY/27 that MAJSTEREK has more or less maintained postal contact with SHEVCHENKO, the last one mailed in Munich with no return address on the outer envelope having been received on 30 July of this year. The line appears to have been parallel to that used with KOSHELIVSKI, viz., confined pretty much to literary and cultural topics, including a request from SHEVCHENKO for a copy of <u>Yazna</u> containing an article written by MAJSTEREK on the Vienna Youth Festival. Other items of more immediate interest included the news that SHEVCHENKO had gotten in touch with MAJSTEREK's brother Yakiv who resides in the Ukraine and who is a writer of some note. The 30 July letter from SHEVCHENKO contained a letter from MAJSTEREK's brother, three photographs of him, and a copy of a play written by Yakiv which is currently being produced in the Ukraine entitled <u>Fans of Love</u>; it also contained the proposal that the two brothers meet in Vienna. The curious thing about this is that, although the letter was mailed and received in the latter part of July, the date proposed for the Vienna meeting is <u>June</u>. Yakiv was allegedly to have been a member of a Soviet group touring Europe during the month of June. Another point is that Ivan was to write to brother Yakiv via SHEVCHENKO.</p> <p>3. Ivan MAJSTEREK in the course wrote to ABCASSOVARY/27, now residing in New York City, reporting substantially as above and asking for advice with the parenthetical statement that he would like very much to meet his brother Yakiv and it is from ABCASSOVARY/27, via ABCASSOVARY/15, that we received the above information.</p> <p>4. In view of MAJSTEREK's questionable history including sporadic contact with the KGB in various forms dating at least from the early fifties and other factors, we have no operational interest in the matter. We intend simply to fill in ABCASSOVARY/27 as much as is necessary to correct the impression which MAJSTEREK is apparently making that this is his <u>first</u> such experience with the KGB plus instructions to warn MAJSTEREK that he is playing with fire and should contact himself accordingly. Indeed the safest thing to do would be to break off contact and notify the authorities.</p> <p>5. We are writing this for your information so that you might be aware of the background of this episode in the event that something happens on your end of the line.</p>			
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