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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Contact with AECASSOWARY/2 and 29 in New York on 25 April 1963.

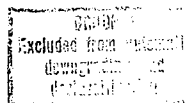
1. The trip to New York was made for the purpose of getting A/2's signature on some correspondence in connection with the funding mechanism change for AEBEEHIVE, and to obtain FRQ Part II type information from A/29 on several of his contacts. The meetings during the day with A/2 and A/29 were held in a room at the Hotel Manhattan where I had registered. In addition to the above-mentioned business, the following was discussed with A/2.

2. Victor Ivanovich IVANENKO (Soviet exchange student at Northwestern University). IVANENKO has been meeting with Theodore BALABAN of Chicago. About a year ago, in the capacity of interpreter, BALABAN had contact with several visiting Soviet engineers in Chicago. IVANENKO told BALABAN he was given BALABAN's name and address by one of the Soviet engineers who learned he was going to Northwestern as an exchange student, and was told to look up BALABAN if he were lonely when he got to the United States.

V. NAHIRNY (2426 - 33rd Street, Astoria, New York, a teacher at Hunter College) met IVANENKO at a Ukrainian Easter reception in Chicago. NAHIRNY told A/2 that IVANENKO's specialty is cybernetics. He is a Ukrainian, about 35 years of age and married. He tried to get his wife to join him shortly after he had arrived at Northwestern but she was refused a visa. NAHIRNY is of the opinion IVANENKO would request asylum if he could get his wife here.

IVANENKO told NAHIRNY he worked in the Ukrainian Academy of Science. He said he knew DS-960 who "had some personal problems" before his trip to Vienna. Details about the problems DS-960 supposedly had were not obtained because NAHIRNY's talk with IVANENKO was interrupted when others joined them. IVANENKO told NAHIRNY that DS-960's father is a "rayon beaurocrat". According to NAHIRNY who is acquainted with DS-960, IVANENKO holds political views similar to DS-960, and NAHIRNY considers IVANENKO to be more intelligent than DS-960.

IVANENKO told NAHIRNY he knew his letters to his wife were censored because, in accordance with previous arrangements made by them, she places a single strand of her hair under the flap of the letter in a certain position and he can tell if the letter is tampered with by anyone. IVANENKO speaks English poorly. He was seen at pre-Easter services in the Ukrainian Church in Chicago. He told NAHIRNY he plans to return home via New York about June and that he would like to see NAHIRNY again at that time.



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IVANENKO's mother is a school teacher. It is believed his father was liquidated by the Soviets.

A/29 plans to be in Chicago during the week of April 29 and will talk to BALABAN about his contacts with IVANENKO. BALABAN is an OUN/B man but an old acquaintance of A/29's.

The above information is being reported to [] at Do/SR, and also [] in SR/CI/AO for coordination with [] in CI for passing to the FBI who, according to [] is interested in IVANENKO.

3. GANDZIUK, Michael Petrovich (previously reported on in reports dated 28 Feb and 10 April 1963). GANDZIUK told Stepan PROTSYK, with whom he has been meeting, that Soviet exchange students are briefed in the Vidil Zvyaskiv iz Zakordonom. He, along with others, was briefed in several sessions on life in the United States by a woman who had lived in New York for two years. He said they were not told to avoid contact with westerners.

GANDZIUK told PROTSYK he knew letters he received from his wife were censored because he could tell when someone tampered with them.

According to GANDZIUK, his father-in-law, fnu HRYTCHUK, is a specialist in production of sugar and alcoholic beverages. From 1946 to 1956, he was minister of food production. A/2 verified this fact through information in the AECASSOWARY card files. From 1956 until recently HRYTCHUK was head of the Kiev Sovnarkhoz. GANDZIUK's wife wrote that her father was going to retire because he was tired of having "responsibility without any authority." She also stated that her father had been nominated to the post of Director of the Kiev Bolytechnic. GANDZIUK told PROTSYK that only one fourth of those students who originally qualified for study in the United States were allowed to come.

A friend of GANDZIUK's who was dropped from the original group, asked GANDZIUK to carry for him a letter to a relative (BYELIN, FNU) of a friend of his in Philadelphia. BYELIN has married since his arrival in the United States. His first wife, who lives in Poltava, also remarried but neither has told the other about the second marriage. She corresponds with BYELIN via another friend in Philadelphia (name and address not supplied by GANDZIUK), and it was to this address that GANDZIUK was asked to deliver the letter.

GANDZIUK told PROTSYK his mother died in 1941. His father remarried and has had children by his second wife. He works in a Kiev locomotive repair plant.

Igor SHANKOWSKY wrote A/2 that he still meets with GANDZIUK and that he knows that PROTSYK also meets with GANDZIUK. A/2 does not plan to encourage SHANKOWSKY in his contact with GANDZIUK in any way.

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4. Vitaliy KOROTYCH. M.B. received another letter from KOROTYCH. He said he was sorry the two poems he wrote and mailed to her were "lost in the ocean," but that he did receive the book of poems she sent to him. He incorporated a new poem he wrote in the body of his letter and said he hoped she would receive it. KOROTYCH mentioned that his friend, critic Ivan DZYUBA, was very ill but "we think we shall be able to rescue him". (A/2 said there was talk DZYUBA disappeared from the scene recently and there was talk he might have been put into a mental institution as a preliminary to rendering him incompetent and silencing him. In conversations AECASSOWARY contacts had with the Soviet Ukrainian writer, Alexandre M. PIDSUKHA, in New York recently, he was asked about DZYUBA. PIDSUKHA assured that nothing happened to DZYUBA, that he had only been sent away for a medical cure and that he was back at work again. DZYUBA was absent for about two months.)'

KOROTYCH told M.B. that he is going to work on an anthology and that if it ever gets into print, he will send her a copy. She had asked him in one of her letters for a book of poetry by Nina KOSTENKO. KOROTYCH replies that a collection of her poems has never been printed and that if it ever is, he will send her a copy.

5. Professor Bohdan HALAJCZUK has informed A/2 that he received money from an Argentinian acquaintance for the fourth issue of Prologo.

6. The Soviet LITERATURNAYA GAZETA of 16 April 1963 carried an article in which a new attack is made on the "Ukrainian nationalist Fuehrer, Stepan Bandera," et al, with special mention given to the Reverend Dr. Ivan Hrynioch. A/2 was quite disturbed by this vicious attack on Father Hrynioch and he feels Vladimir Belayev, author of the article, has vowed to make Father Hrynioch pay for his strong attacks on Belayev for his role in the liquidation of the Ukrainian Catholic Church in the UkSSR, and the imprisonment and torture of Metropolitan Yosif Slipyy. Father Hrynioch's latest mention of Belayev's involvement in this case appeared in the March issue of Suchasnist which had undoubtedly come to the latter's attention since the journal is mailed to the Soviet Union regularly and has been attacked by the Soviets.

7. A/2 asked for our help in establishing a Post Office Box in New York for their use as a return address for literature mailing program. He said they have had difficulty obtaining a new box because a reason must be supplied to the postal authorities as to need for the box. There also is the problem of servicing the box when letters are received from the Soviet Union because all such letters are registered and they lack documentation required in order to collect such letters from the post office. [] in the Office of Security said their office will be able to secure a postal box under an alias which the AECASSOWARIES will supply and that suitable documentation can also be supplied to enable servicing of the box without embarrassment.

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