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1. On 26 Dec 1965 Subject and his wife made a social call on Dr Kl. ~~live~~  
from 18.30 to 19.00hrs. They came unexpectedly and already on the way out from  
the elevator met Eve who invited them to come inside. They brought Ukrainian  
horilka, some Soviet chocolates with "Astronauts" and explained their visit  
as taking advantage of "American <sup>open</sup> house" custom to personally survey their  
season's greetings.

2. During the conversation Subject told Eve the following:

He was born in a village near BYRONAISK, Ukr SSR, his parents were  
peasants. Father died in 1930's during the starvation, mother lives now  
in Malysy near BYRONAISK together with Subject's youngest brother who  
works there. Subject has 4 brothers, beside with the one in the Kolchoz,  
one is an engineer, one a foreman in a factory, and one - an industrial  
engineer. Subject was 9 years old when his father died. His youngest brother  
was at that time 2. (Subject is the eldest.) He studied in Kiev and had such a  
good stipend that a part of it could send to his mother who lived in quite  
miserable conditions. On this occasion Subject pointed <sup>out</sup> that he personally  
knew shortcomings of their system better than anybody else but in spite of  
all the deprivations and miseries he approves of it even "when there was  
something that could have been spared for us". He was sure that under Tsarist  
or any other capitalistic regime he would have never finished his studies  
and become what he was now.

During the war Subject served with the Army and "wandered through all the fronts  
from south up to Leningrad". There he met his wife-to-be and they married.  
His wife is a born Leninградка, often comes to visit his mother. Incidentally,  
Subject's mother is "so much" Ukrainian that even now refers to her daughter-in-  
law only as to "this resiyanka". Subject spent most of his life among Russians  
and therefore speaks very bad Ukrainian.

3. Subject only lately returned from Kiev and took part in Palamarchuk's  
funeral. "We all in Kiev were very much grieved by this accident" - he said.  
Subject did not know however who will succeed Palamarchuk as Foreign  
Minister.

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caused some delay in their departure". They will bring Kochubei's daughter as well.

On Dec 24 1965 SHEVCHENKO gave a New Year's party at the Mission for his staff and on Dec 31 there will be another party for children.

4. According to Berkun's wife , the astronautess NIKOLAYEVA is Ukrainian.

5. Subject praised very much Dr Kl for her objective appraisal of the situation in the Ukraine and hoped that her efforts to build bridges with to people there will bring positive results for both, the migration and the Ukrainians home.

Машина  
Еде

Ukrainian  
Mission  
Becker

To wish you Merry Christmas -  
And Happy New Year, too!  
May every day in all the year  
Be filled with joy for you!  
Lichja, Mataska  
Nikolai Becker

A Merry Christmas and a happy New Year  
Дорогі друзі!  
З сивими і Новими Ріками бажаємо  
Вам якнайкращого здоров'я, багатого щастя  
і великих успіхів у Вашій справі. І на  
Ваше щастя.  
Мені і моїм товаришам

Наші  
Компанія

Season's Greetings  
Happy New Year

The Government Mission  
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