

12 April 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Meeting with AECASSOWARY/2 and 29 in New York

DATE: 21 and 22 March 1966

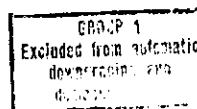
1. Contact was made with AECASSOWARY/2 and 29 in the offices of AEBEEHIVE in the morning of 21 March. Following are some of the subjects discussed.

2. A/2 showed ^{over} a letter addressed to the editors of SUCHASNIST in Munich from the Soviet Embassy in Canada requesting a year's subscription to SUCHASNIST.

3. [] told A/29 that Viktor CHERNYAVSKY, 2nd Secretary of the Ukrainian Mission to the United Nations, had confided to her that he had been reprovved severely by his superiors for becoming involved in church matters in his conversations with her. He told her, too, that he knew Luka PALAMARCHUK had also been sharply reprimanded for going too far in his involvement with Ukrainian nationalist emigres in New York.

4. RUDENKO of the Soviet Embassy in Bonn paid a visit to A/36 recently. He wanted to know whether A/36 could arrange for him to show the Soviet Ukrainian film Son (Dream) to groups of Ukrainian emigres in Frankfurt and vicinity. A/36 was not anxious to get involved. Son was filmed by the Dovzhenko studio in 1964. The screen play is by Dmytro Pavlychko, directed by Volodymyr Denysenko. This was Pavlychko's first effort at film script writing. The film is called a "cinemoem", and deals with Taras Shevchenko. Apparently there are elements of "nationalist spirit" in the film, which drew huge crowds in the Ukraine, which, in turn, caused the withdrawal of the film from the movie theaters. One reason for these "nationalist" elements in the film might be found in the background of its director, Denysenko. In the September 1965 issue of NOVYNY KINOEKRANU, Denysenko wrote about his acquaintance with Oleksandr Dovzhenko. He met Dovzhenko in 1948 when he entered the VDIK (Institute of Cinematography). Denysenko quotes Dovzhenko, who taught the budding directors the following: "A director can only be a person who understands the traditions of his people, who is raised ^{by} these traditions, who addresses his parents using the vy (second person plural) form, who takes off his hat when he enters the house." An AECASSOWARY contact in Australia who is in some way connected with movie films had been unsuccessful in his negotiations with Kiev film studios for the film. He finally wrote directly to BREZHNEV asking why the film was being denied and received a prompt reply informing him that it

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would be made available to him.

5. An AECASSOWARY contact in Rochester recently received a letter from a friend in Poland in which the writer states that her son, Borys Skorecki, who lives in Kiev, was in the Urals last winter and returned in February 1966. She said he had been working on a construction project of prison camps in Nizhnyy Tahil during the winter months.

6. A/2 had asked me on a previous occasion about the possibility of changing the retirement plan at AEBEEHIVE to something other than their present security investment plan because the employees had complained that this was not as good a plan as they had been led to believe. I had asked the auditor, Roger Blatter, who was assigned to do this year's audit of the project, to determine what other retirement plans could be made available to AEBEEHIVE. I discussed with A/2 the findings of the auditor on the type of retirement plan available from such organizations as the Equitable Life Assurance. It was decided that this type plan would be too expensive for AEBEEHIVE employees to carry. The auditor had looked into the AEBEEHIVE plan when he was making the audit and said that he thought the plan was pretty good. His recommendation was that the investments not be quite so diversified. He recommended that AEBEEHIVE hold on to its investments in Putnam, Investment Trust of Boston, and the Wellington Fund, and that the remainder be disposed of. Any other retirement plan at this point would be too costly to the individual employees. Of the 8 employees in the New York office, the average age of 5 of them is 56.1, the other three are 30, 35 and 41. The auditor has promised to obtain for me additional information on retirement plans with private insurance companies for groups, which should be lower in cost to the individual employees but probably still too high in the opinion of AEBEEHIVE employees.

7. A/29 reported that the matter of obtaining an English-language instructor for SHEVCHENKO and TRONKO of the Ukrainian United Nations Delegation has not yet been resolved because [] of the DO New York office and [] have both been out of town.

8. I discussed with A/29 our meeting with Roxanne Smishkevych in Washington on 10 March and also questions I might ask her during my meeting with her scheduled for that evening. A/29 and I made arrangements to meet the following morning so that the documents from Miss Smishkevych could be turned over

to him. We met as planned on the morning of 22 March, at which time I gave him the documents left with me by Miss Smishkevych. He promised to have them copied and returned to me in the near future.

9. Other topics discussed will be recorded in separate reports.

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