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TO DEPARTMENT OF STATE (INR & PROTECTIVE SECURITY)

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RE STATE MEMORANDUM SEPTEMBER 22, 1966, REGARDING ALLEGED INTENTION OF UKRAINIAN NATIONALIST GROUP TO MAKE ATTEMPT ON LIFE OF DOBRYNIN AND FEDORENKO

1. THE "BANDEROVSKI" REFERRED TO IN THE REFERENCE IS UNDOUBTEDLY IDENTICAL WITH THE TERM "BANDERIVTCHI" (UKRAINIAN) OR "BANDEROVTSI" (RUSSIAN), USED TO DESCRIBE MEMBERS OR SUPPORTERS OF THE ZCH/OUN/B (THE FOREIGN SECTION OF THE ORGANIZATION OF UKRAINIAN NATIONALISTS, BANDERA FACTION), ALSO REFERRED TO AS THE OUN/BANDERA OR OUN/B. UKRAINIAN NATIONALISTS NOT CONNECTED WITH THE OUN/B ALSO ARE FREQUENTLY REFERRED TO AS "BANDEROVTSI" BY THE SOVIETS. THE OUN/B IS AN EMIGRE ORGANIZATION OF ANTI-COMMUNIST, ANTI-RUSSIAN, UKRAINIAN NATIONALISTS WHO STRONGLY FAVOR THE CREATION OF AN INDEPENDENT UKRAINIAN STATE. MOST OF THE MEMBERS OF THE GROUP ARE GALICIAN UKRAINIANS WHO WERE POLISH SUBJECTS FROM 1920 TO 1939. THE OUN ^{IN} IS THE UKRAINE, AND THE PARTISAN ARMY IT CREATED IN 1942 TO COMBAT PERSECUTION OF UKRAINIANS IN THE SOVIET UNION, FOUGHT BITTERLY AGAINST BOTH THE GERMANS AND THE

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SOVIET RUSSIANS. THE OUN EXTENDED ITS ACTIVITY EVEN INTO THE FAR EASTERN UKRAINE. AT THE END OF WWII MANY MEMBERS OF THE OUN CAME TO WESTERN EUROPE IN ORDER TO AVOID CAPTURE BY THE ADVANCING SOVIETS. THE OUN RE-FORMED IN WESTERN EUROPE WITH ITS HEADQUARTERS IN MUNICH, GERMANY. IT WAS THEN SPLIT INTO THREE FACTIONS. THE GROUP RECOGNIZING STEPAN BANDERA AS ITS HEAD BECAME KNOWN AS THE ZCH/OUN/B. IN THE EMIGRATION, THE OUN/B/SB (SECURITY SERVICE) HAS BEEN ACCUSED OF ACTS OF TERROR AGAINST SUSPECTED RIS COLLABORATORS. BANDERA WAS A SYMBOL OF THE UKRAINIAN LIBERATION MOVEMENT AND THE SOVIETS FELT IT WAS NECESSARY TO DO AWAY WITH HIM TO IMPRESS UPON THE "REMNANTS OF BOURGEOIS NATIONALISM" IN THE HOMELAND AND IN THE EMIGRATION THAT THE LONG HAND OF THE KGB REACHES FAR AND WIDE IN DEALING WITH RENEGADE NATIONALISTS. STEPAN BANDERA WAS MURDERED IN MUNICH ON 15 OCTOBER 1959 BY A CONFESSED KGB TRAINED ASSASSIN, BOHDAN STASHYNSKY, WHO ALSO CONFESSED TO THE MURDER OF LEV REBET, A LEADER IN ANOTHER UKRAINIAN NATIONALIST ORGANIZATION, IN MUNICH ON 12 OCTOBER 1957.

2. THE ABSENCE OF ANY IDENTIFIABLE INFORMATION ON SIKORA IN THE

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REFERENCE MAKES IT IMPOSSIBLE TO IDENTIFY THE INDIVIDUAL BECAUSE OF THE HIGH VOLUME OF REFERENCES TO THE NAME SIKORA IN OUR FILES. IT WOULD BE INTERESTING TO KNOW THE WEST GERMAN SOURCE OF THE SOVIET EMBASSY'S INFORMATION REGARDING THE ASSIGNMENT OF MR. SIKORA.

3. REVEREND VASIL WARVARIV ^{WAS} ~~IS~~ A PRIEST IN THE UKRAINIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH LOCATED ON UPPER 16TH STREET IN WASHINGTON, D. C., ^{BUT HE IS NOW DECEASED.} THERE IS NO DEROGATORY INFORMATION ON HIM NOR ON HIS SON EUGENE WARVARIV IN THE FILES OF THIS ORGANIZATION.

4. THERE IS NO INFORMATION IN THE FILES OF THIS ORGANIZATION ON THE LIBERATION ENTERPRISES.

5. THE ASSOCIATION OF UKRAINIAN STUDENTS, KNOWN AS THE SUSTA (ASSOCIATION OF UKRAINIAN STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS IN AMERICA), IS AN ORGANIZATION OF STUDENTS OF UKRAINIAN PARENTAGE. IT HAS NO OFFICIAL POLITICAL PLATFORM. MR. GEORGE WOLOSHYN IS ON THE BOARD OF THE LOCAL WASHINGTON, D. C. CHAPTER OF THE SUSTA. END OF MESSAGE

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