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- 1. INFORMATION FROM "HARE".
- 2. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF "SITSILLA's" EMPLOYMENT IN THE "EDITORIAL OFFICE" (1944)

From: NEW YORK

To: MOSCOW

No: 748

26 May 1944

To VIKTOR. [i]

~~YAZA~~ [ii] advises that ^{at} the end of April SFORZA [iii] asked the BANK's ~~BANK~~ [iv] permission to return to the COUNTRY [STRANA] [v], where, in his opinion, he would be more useful in popularising Italy. ~~HEN HARRIER~~ LUN' [vi] recommended him to remain in Italy.

omit Sanction as an exceptional case SITSILLA's [vii] going to work for the EDITORIAL OFFICE [REDAKTsIYA] [viii] for two weeks. Has worked in the RADIO STATION [RATsIYA] [ix], used to send information [from] [a] SMYRNA [SMIRNA] [x], the COUNTRY HOUSE [DACHA] [xi] and our information. Just recently has been working with [b] RUR [o].

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- Notes:
- [a] Inserted by the translator. The precise meaning of the sentence from this point onwards is obscure.
 - [b] Or "for". The preposition is not expressed.
 - [c] Possibly "Russian War Relief [RUSSIAN WAR RELIEF]".

- Comments:
- [i] VIKTOR : Lt. Gen. P.M. FITIN.
 - [ii] HARE : Maurice HALPERIN.
 - [iii] SFORZA : Count Carlo SFORZA, became member of the new Italian Government in April 1944.
 - [iv] BANK : the U.S. State Department.
 - [v] COUNTRY: the U.S.A.
 - [vi] HEN-HARRIER: Cordell HULL.
 - [vii] SITsILLA: Possibly William E. DODD, Jr.
 - [viii] EDITORIAL OFFICE: TASS News Agency.
 - [ix] RADIO STATION: the Office of War Information.
 - [x] SMYRNA : MOSCOW.
 - [xi] COUNTRY HOUSE: the U.S. Embassy in MOSCOW.
 - [xii] MAY : Stepan Zakharovich APRESYan, Soviet Vice-Consul in NEW YORK.

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