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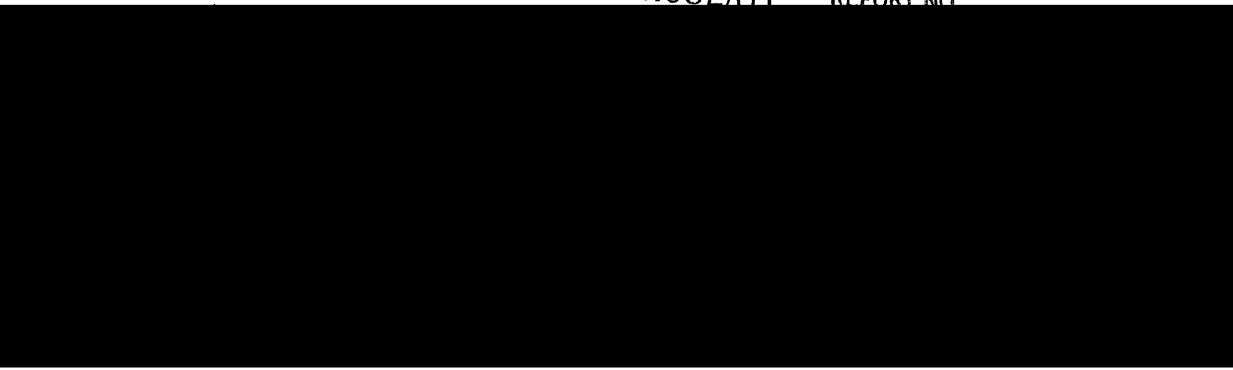
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1. During the 9 September 1951 Parliamentary elections in Greece, officials of the EDA (United Democratic Left) in Nea Ionia, suburb of Athens, selected a committee whose task it was to report the progress of the elections. Panagiotis Gotsinas headed this committee and was assisted by Vasilios Margaritis, Iakovos Papadopoulos (a druggist), Elias Kasimatis and George Karabinis (a tailor).
2. During election day Gotsinas remained in Margaritis' house in Nea Ionia. He used Achilles Prinopoulos, Nicholas Papavlou and Elias Tsougranas, an old-time KKE member, as couriers.
3. George Spiliopoulos, Neocosmos Gregoriades and Vasilios Ephraimides,¹ who were candidates on the EDA ticket for Athens, each visited Gotsinas alone during election day. Ephraimides gave Gotsinas the following list, taken from the EDA slate for Athens,² of candidates recommended by him:

- Stavros Eliopoulos
- Emmanuel Glezos
- Neocosmos Gregoriades³
- Michael Hadjimichalis
- Nicholas Haragionis
- Michael Kyrkos
- Constantine Iykouris
- Stratis Papastratis
- Stephanos Saraphis
- George Spiliopoulos
- Constantine Sotiriou
- Manthos Tsiboukides
- Michael Vournas

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4. Gregoriades, however, had given the following different list of recommended candidates to Margaritis to disseminate among his trusted followers:

- Andreas Bikakis
- Emmanuel Glezos
- Neocosmos Gregoriades

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Philip Hadjibeis
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Gotsinas did not know of this second set of suggestions.

5. Ephraimides, however, had advised Gotsinas not to follow any suggestions made by Gregoriades and asked to be notified of anything Gregoriades might suggest.

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1. ~~██████████~~ Comment. Subject is a KOA (Communist Organization of Athens) official. See ~~██████████~~ for biographic data.

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2. ~~██████████~~ Comment. Following is the complete EDA slate for Athens:

Constantine Basiakos
Andreas Bikakis
Antonios Brilakis
Constantine Despotopoulos
Stavros Eliopoulos
Vasilios Ephraimides
Ioannis Filinis
Emmanuel Glezos
Neocosmos Gregoriades
Philip Hadjibeis
Michael Hadjinichalis
Nicholas Haragionis
Ioannis Kokorelis
Ioannis Konstantopoulos
Nicholas Kosintas
Roussos Koundouros
Michael Kyrkos
Constantine Iykouris
Stamatios Mastrogiannakos
Stratis Papastratis
Stephanos Saraphis
Constantine Skarmoutsos
George Spiliopoulos
Constantine Sotiriou
Paris Taveloudes
Manthos Tsiboukides

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3. ~~██████████~~ Comment. In view of Ephraimides' suspicion of Gregoriades, as noted in paragraph 5, it seems illogical that Gregoriades would appear on a list of candidates recommended by Ephraimides, and, further, that Ephraimides would not include his own name.

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