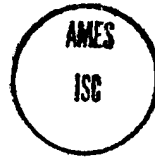


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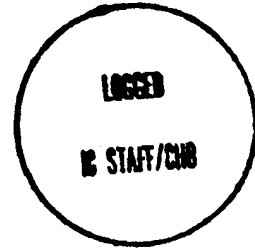


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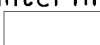
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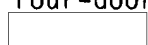


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2. On 12 February 1987 at 2100 hours, the undersigned stopped for purchase of some food items at Shopper's Food Warehouse, Fair City Mall Shopping Center, Fairfax, Virginia. After parking my car, I noted another car parked close by facing mine, carrying diplomatic license DFC 049, indicating assignment to the Soviet diplomatic corps in Washington. The vehicle is a dark blue four-door sedan intermediate sized Chevrolet, probably of 1985-1986 vintage. 

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3. On entering the supermarket, I deliberately took an indirect route to the section containing the items I wanted. This gave me the opportunity to observe the shoppers. The store was not crowded so it was easy to eventually see all shoppers. I saw no persons that I recognized from previous observations as being associated with the Soviet diplomatic service. I made my purchases and went toward the exit. A couple approached the exit simultaneously with me. I hesitated so that they could proceed ahead of me with their two shopping carts. The man took advantage and moved ahead quickly. The woman hesitated a moment to discern whether or not I was really going to yield. I motioned for her to go ahead of me and she did. That gave



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me a chance to observe her. She was attractive with short to medium dark hair, high cheek bones, medium eyebrows, and well-formed mouth. Her complexion was smooth and slightly dark or olive. She could pass for Mediterranean type. She was tall in boots, approximately 5'11". She wore a maroon three-quarter length "storm coat" and blue jeans. The man did not draw any special attention from me. [redacted]

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4. I went to my car, entered, and was surprised to note the man I had just permitted to exit the store ahead of me was moving with rapid gait to the car with the diplomatic plates. He went to the front passenger side first and unlocked the door which gave me a better look at him. He then went to the driver's side, unlocked the door, entered, and drove to the front of the supermarket where he and the woman loaded their groceries into the trunk of the vehicle. I observed the couple from my car, lights off, engine running. I didn't want to attract attention by turning off the engine, thus breaking the sound pattern. It would have been better, I realize, for the engine to be off but I had already started it when the man arrived at his car. Not looking directly at the couple, while loading their car 30 yards away at a left 90 degree angle, I was able to observe them from an oblique "out-of-the-corner-of-my-eye" angle. [redacted]

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5. The man is described as follows. He is probably 6' - 6'1", slender, short dark hair, conservative cut. He wore a dark suit, white shirt with dark tie. He wore black rimmed glasses. His features were moderately sharp and ordinary. He also wore dark shoes and a navy blue/black topcoat of worsted wool, flannel, or similar material. The only thing noticeable about him was the way he moved. No limp, deformity, or handicap was apparent, but the man moved rapidly, with agility, and conveyed a briskness or aggressiveness even performing the routine acts I observed. The couple drove off and after a few moments I did the same, returning home. [redacted]

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