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Memorandum for IVAN DOCHEV file

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The "cover" situation re the Dochev letter is this: [ ]  
[ ] v. Recommended to Cover  
by OO. Cover has requested renewal of [ ]'s clearance before making  
contact.

I talked with [ ] of Cover today about the Company and the  
cleared President. The company provided cover for the FBI for its  
agents in South America during WWII. The president is on the board  
of directors of five other corporations including a railroad, hexall  
Drugs, etc.

[ ] said that after the clearance is received, an approach  
will have to be made to [ ] to see whether he is willing to  
provide the letter.

I pointed out to [ ] that we could of course not guarantee  
Dochev's integrity or how he would use the cover letter; and suggested  
there were possibilities of the company's involvement should, for  
example, Dochev show the letter to some of his followers telling them  
this was only a "cover" for making contact with AIS; or should Dochev  
be smart enough to try to make some personal use of the letter (as  
a recommendation for himself, etc.) [ ] agreed that [ ]  
would have to be informed of such possibilities at the time Cover  
contacts him for the job.

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I feel that the company is much too high-powered for justifying  
our getting it involved with a one-truck business of a Bulgarian DP.  
It isn't very likely that a company of this scope would be asking  
such a person to come to the US to discuss the trucking business  
in Canada.

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*DFE decided not  
to use cover &  
advised [ ]  
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