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Chief, Special Security Division

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- 1. Reference is made to your request dated 22 January 1954 for a recommendation as to whether an Operational Clearance should be granted to permit the Subject's use as an Agent in Europe under unindicated cover.
- 2. The indices of CIA produced no information identifiable with the Subject other than that set forth below.
- 3. The attached information is furnished as an aid in determining whether or not the Subject should be used in the proposed capacity. The files of CIC, Central Files are being checked and the results will be forwarded to you upon receipt.
- 4. RI File #200-50-229Y, dated January 1952, states that in 1944, Ivan \_\_\_\_\_, who is believed to be identical with the Subject, was the promoter of "The National Bulgarian Legions," an organization said to be in political sympathy with the Hitler Youth.

RI File #200-7-50-2637, dated January 1953, concerning the Subject, states that as of the date of the report, was residing in Toronto, Canada, where he was devoting time to the Affeirs of the Bulgarian National Front, an Anti-Communist organization which he founded in Austria in 1946. The report indicates that maintains he was never connected with the pro-German Legion established by General LUKOV in 1940, but that he was the founder (1931) of another organization called the Bulgarian Legion which, because of its refusal to become a tool of German policy, was outlawed by the Kimon Georgiev government in 1934. The report goes on to state that Dr. George M. DIMITROV, head of the Bulgarian National Committee, considered the Subject a Fascist. thinks that either DIMITROV or someone in his employ had reported falsely to the United States authorities that the Bulgarian Degion was a Fascist organization while was its head; that the Legion was Anti-Jewish; that had been in the service of the British while actually serving the Americans;

been in the service of the British while actually serving the Americans; that a faked photograph of \_\_\_\_\_ had been supplied while actually had never had anything to do with the Germans.

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RI File #201-9905 contains references to the Subject's Anti-Communist attitude; his former organization, the Bulgarian Legion, a Nati organization presumably coming under the terms of the McCarran Act; and his pro-Cerman sympathies.

Document MCK-W-5166, dated 12 June 1950, which is part of file [ ], indicates that the Subject had offered his collaboration to Colonel ZATMOFF, the Bulgarian Military Attache in Rome. The Subject is defined in this document as a fickle character who avails himself to ideas of personal interest and is capable of working for the Communists as he worked for the Nazi's in the past. The report further states that reliable information stamps the Subject as attempting to act as a Communist agent provocateur. He is said to be tireless in his efforts and entirely devoid of scruples.

- 5. We were unable to develop any further information as there is no indication that the Subject has ever resided in the United States. It is requested that your office provide the Security Office with the results of any contemplated field checks pertaining to the Subject.
- 6. In view of the foregoing it is the recommendation of this office that the Subject's political ideologies be resolved through means available to your office before any decision is made as to his use.
- 7. This memorandum pertains only to this contemplated assignment. It is requested that this office be informed of your decision as to whether or not you intend to use the Subject. The attached material should be returned to the writer in a sealed envelope marked "Eyes Only" when it has served its purpose.

FOR THE DIRECTOR OF SECURITY:

Attachment: NCD dtd. 16 April 1954

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