

MEMORANDUM

14 February 1945

TO : Lt. Richard Cutler, X-2
FROM : Mr. George Pratt, Chief, DIP

You have received a copy of the memorandum of Jackson Mathews with regard to the experience of Richards at R.V.P.S.

This raises two very disturbing matters, and I would appreciate it if you could investigate and make a report to me on the matter. The first is the fact that Richards was kept there for six days without any preliminary questioning. In other words, we had six days wasted on an operation, the importance of which I can assure you.

It seems that some arrangement can be worked out so that an agent can be examined immediately upon his arrival at R.V.P.S. and thus avoid the loss of valued time. The second, and in some respects more important, is the fact that Richards' true name was carelessly used and became known in the school. We must insist that this not occur again. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] In this case it was not only a question of bad security but quite destroys the validity of a cover that we had planned for him.

G.O.P.

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