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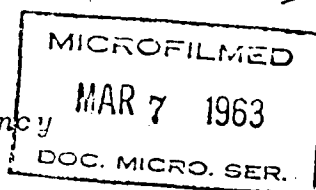
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Date: November 7, 1951

To: Director
Central Intelligence Agency
2430 E Street, N. W.
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Attention: Major General W. G. Wyman
Office of Special Operations

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: IVAN SHAISHVILI, et al
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Attached hereto is a memorandum containing information from an informant of unknown reliability which is self-explanatory.

The files of this Bureau contain no information identifiable with the persons named in attached memorandum except as set forth therein or as set forth in the report of Special Agent Joseph J. Palguta dated at New York on May 25, 1951, entitled "Georgian American League, Inc., aka, Georgian Emigre Committee, Internal Security - R, Registration Act," a copy of which was forwarded to your agency on June 16, 1951.

Investigation is now in progress to determine activities of persons named by informant as Soviet espionage agents in the United States.

A copy of the attached memorandum has been furnished to the Department of the Army with the request for information concerning persons named therein presently available or information which might be developed concerning them.

Attachment

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It would be appreciated if you would furnish this Bureau information in your files concerning persons named in attached memorandum and if you would conduct an investigation in Switzerland to determine if those persons reportedly residing in Switzerland are engaged in Soviet espionage.

The informant has stressed the confidential nature of this information and it is therefore requested that no dissemination of it be made outside of your agency.

Since we are unable to evaluate the information furnished by the informant at the present time, we would appreciate receiving any information or comments which would assist us in evaluating informant's story.

In view of the nature of the information furnished by informant, it is suggested that this matter be given urgent attention.

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