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EMBASSY OF ISRAEL  
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On June 15, 1961, a confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Philip Ephraim Katz, employed by D'nal D'rith, had been in contact with Uri Ranan, a recent arrival at the Embassy of Israel who is replacing Michael Arnon, Press and Information Counselor.

Katz was uncertain whether it was permissible to show to some unidentified Hungarian who visits Katz's office the confidential summary and analysis put out by the Embassy concerning the American press treatment of the Eichmann trial. Katz explained that the summary is marked "Confidential" and that it shows that it originates with the Embassy of Israel.

Ranan felt there would be no objection to the Hungarian seeing the summary, except that some effort should be made to conceal the fact it comes from the Embassy. Ranan had some doubt about the purpose of the Hungarian seeing the summary since it could not be determined whether reading it was for the benefit of the man or for others.

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Katz will visit the Embassy of Israel on June 16, 1961, and will bring to Korman a book on the Eichmann trial written by a "Hungarian Jew," the title of which is unknown although the informant learned it was an English translation of the Hungarian language.

Katz has also advised that he is of Hungarian extraction which explains his Hungarian contacts.

Adolf Eichmann is presently being tried in Israel on charges that he killed 6,000,000 Jews during the Hitler regime in Germany.

On June 9, 1961, another informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised that Mr. Katz is acquainted with Mr. Ferenc Gajda of the Legation of the Hungarian People Republic and on June 15, 1961, Katz thanked Mr. Gajda for a favor extended by the latter on June 14, 1961.

The "Diplomatic List," published by the Department of State, for April, 1961, lists Gajda as Archivist - Secretary at the Hungarian Legation.

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