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NAME Fay, Bernard	DATE OF BIRTH April 3, 1893	PLACE OF BIRTH Paris, France		
ALIASES AND PSEUDONYMS	RACE	SEX	MARITAL STATUS	NAME OF SPOUSE 21 DEC 1954
CITIZENSHIP	ALIEN REGISTRATION NO.	CITIZENSHIP CERT. NO.	MILITARY SERIAL NO.	

RESIDENCE FOR PAST TEN YEARS

DATES	NUMBER AND STREET	CITY	STATE

EMPLOYMENT FOR PAST TEN YEARS

DATES	EMPLOYER	ADDRESS
	<i>Fay, Bernard 1917-1952 (present) continued 1944-1956 (1944-1953) (8 September 53)</i>	<i>Fay, Bernard continued REB 1944-1956 (1944-1953) 8/17/53</i> DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY SOURCES METHODS EXEMPTION 3B2 NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT DATE 2001 2006

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MEMORANDUM			
SUBJECT: Bernard FAY			

Source: WE/3/France

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1. The following information pertains to a Bernard FAY who is probably identical with subject:

2. According to an untested source, who, however, would be well placed to receive this type of information, the French writer, Bernard FAY, was a contact of Otto HAPSBURG in Spain during the year prior to August 1953. FAY, living in Spain, was a political journalist. FAY was unable to return to France as he had held a position under the Vichy regime collecting derogatory information on the Free Masons in France, which the Germans and the Vichyists used during the German occupation of France.

3. In Madrid in April 1953 during a meeting of FAY, Otto HAPSBURG, and Professor Alfredo SANCHEZ Bella, at that time director of the Instituto de Cultura Hispanica under the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, it was decided that certain secret files proving communist infiltration in the French Free Masonry and concerning French politicians' affiliations with the communists should be transferred from France to Spain. In order to avoid customs inspections a plan was devised whereby the files were to be delivered to a Paris airfield (this was arranged through friends of FAY in France). From there they were to be picked up by a special plane from Spain arranged by SANCHEZ through the Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs; the files being designated as scientific books needed by the Institute. The shipment was completed, but when the cases arrived in Spain, where FAY was to receive them, Spanish customs officials watching their unloading noted that the cases were heavier than they should have been and insisted on an inspection. It was then discovered that they contained a few files, but that the bulk of the consignment was a special hard metal (kind not known), extremely valuable in Spanish industry, and its smuggling into Spain would have brought FAY great profits. FAY was arrested by the Spanish police and an investigation was instigated, but the affair was "hushed up" through HAPSBURG's and SANCHEZ's Spanish friends.

*Blind memo written by
WE/3/France in answer to
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