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(aka MOSKEL; BOLLER)

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1. Subject was closely associated with an UPSPING net in Berlin from approximately 1949 to 1953. His case officer for this period later turned out to be a Soviet Penetration Agent of UPSPING. We have no evidence to prove that HUEBNER was aware of or an accomplice of this Soviet Penetration Agent; however, the facts, as we know them, would not rule out this possibility. UPSPING could probably provide additional information on this matter, but it is very doubtful that UPSPING would do so.

2. In view of the fact that HUEBNER, contrary to the information contained in reference, is known to have been employed by UPSPING as late as February, 1954, it is presumed that UPSPING was convinced that HUEBNER was not implicated in the case of the Soviet Penetration; on the other hand, it must be noted that UPSPING in 1954 was not then aware that UPSPING had been penetrated by a Soviet agent. They thought HUEBNER's case officer simply had been kidnapped by the opposition. Under these circumstances, it is unlikely that UPSPING would have considered seriously or critically the relationship which existed between HUEBNER and the Soviet Penetration Agent.

3. If the Canadians decide to query UPSPING on HUEBNER connections with them, it is requested that no mention be made of the fact that we have passed the above information to [] It is suggested that the Canadians be especially critical of any UPSPING information they may receive, should a query be made. It is felt that UPSPING would be very conservative in their answers and not really frank.

4. POB [] ONLY: Headquarters officers familiar with the case have expressed their doubts that HUEBNER was completely unwitting that his UPSPING case officer was, indeed, a Soviet Penetration Agent. One officer advised against the Canadians' querying UPSPING; for it is felt UPSPING would not be frank in their answer. This officer went further to recommend that the Canadians drop their consideration of admitting HUEBNER permanently to Canada. If the decision were left to this officer he would not admit HUEBNER to the United States.

5. We would be interested in knowing whether or not HUEBNER will be allowed to remain in Canada permanently.

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