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TO Chief, WBS *K/H/P* DATE 26 April 1955
FROM [REDACTED]
SUBJECT { GENERAL Robert B. Hiam
SPECIFIC Advance Information on the London Meetings
REFERENCE: OSSW-2681, 28 March 1955

Headquarters' Action Requested: For information and help re Hiam's requests.

1. Forwarded as an attachment to this dispatch are Tiffany's notes resulting from a recent meeting with Hiam. It may be seen that Hiam is aggressively pushing for an exile to be permanently attached to the Secretariat of the Socialist International.
2. If possible, please forward information as requested in paragraph 3 of the attachment to this dispatch. We are endeavoring to compile such material here, but could use any help available to Headquarters.
3. As may be seen in the diagram in attachment, KALNINS is on the Secretariat, and Hiam does work with him. We have informed Tiffany of Headquarters' feelings re KALNINS and will endeavor to see that Hiam doesn't become too involved with KALNINS.
4. An early answer to the requests in the attachment will be appreciated.

Enclosure:

Memo dated 21 April 1955

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Enclosure to CGA-3539, 26 April 1955

21 April, 1955

SUBJECT: HIAM AND THE SUCCEE

SOURCE: HIAM

1. At the London congress of the Socialist International, set for middle of July, the question of reorganizing the Secretariat will be debated. HIAM feels that this is the time for the Exile Socialists (SUCCEE) to unite in a drive to have one exile socialist representative permanently attached to the Secretariat as a consultant. Specifically, HIAM feels that the right time to introduce such a motion is at the meeting of Secretaries of the affiliated National parties which is to be held one day before the opening of the general congress. He will be at this meeting as will representatives from at least 8 other exile parties. Furthermore, the SUCCEE will hold its own congress a couple of days earlier and if such a motion is adopted unanimously there then the exiles can go into the National secretaries meeting armed with a strong mandate. HIAM agrees that if the exiles will concentrate on this instead of dissipating their energies on a mass of peripheral matters they will have a better chance. Obviously the Socialist International cannot take the initiative in asking for an exile representative in the Secretariat, but if a strong initiative backed by concrete arguments is presented by a united exile delegations they will have a hard time saying no.

2. Therefore, in order to start the ball rolling on this HIAM has agreed to start collecting material to document the exile's case. I shall help. A summary of this material plus a ~~provisional~~ provisional resolution will then be sent out by HIAM to the various exile national organizations (May). They will be asked to discuss the idea and return their views. The real purpose of this is to acquaint all exile leaders with the idea of the resolution and give them a chance to think it over before London.

3. NEEDS: Factual material on:
- Total number of workers in Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Hungary, Czecho-slovakia, Rumania, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia, Ukraine, Armenia.
 - Total number of slave laborers in these countries.
 - Detailed information on labor-cards, anti-strike regulations, stakhanovite methods, group piece-rate systems, etc..
 - Total populations in above countries.
 - Executed and imprisoned Socialists from above countries (names, pictures if possible especially of those who were earlier active in international Socialist work).

j.s.t.

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This is the top structure of the SUCCEE as reported by HIAM. One thing which makes positive action ~~more~~ difficult is that the members of the secretariat are located in various places instead of together. If they get a permanent consultant attached to the secretariat of the Socialist International it is hoped that this person can serve ~~XXXXX~~ to co-ordinate some of the exile socialist's efforts.

HIAM can get together with KALNINS in Stockholm and work out joint ~~an~~ Estonian-Latvian approach to London meetings.

HIAM says that ZAREMBA will not be as effective in London because he can only speak French and no English.