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ESTONIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE
IN THE UNITED STATES

REGISTRATION ACT

On 4/25/57, ENDEL KENNIT, Secretary General of the Estonian National Committee in the US (KNCUS) advised that KNCUS is an Anti-Communist organization located at 243 East 34th St., NYC, which consists of 30 members elected by approximately 4,000 Estonians in the US. The purpose of KNCUS is to oppose Communism all over the world and their ultimate hope and goal is that Estonia will be freed from the occupation by Communist Russia. KNCUS engages in letter writing to various departments and agencies for proposed action against Communism. KENNIT advised KNCUS is in no way directed, financed or is an agent of

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any foreign government. NYCUS is a member of the Estonian World Council, (EWC), an International Anti-Communist Estonian group located at 243 East 34th St., NYC. EWC is made up of representatives from similar Anti-Communist Estonian groups from the US, Canada, Australia, Great Britain, Sweden and the Republic of Germany. The purpose of EWC is also to oppose Communism.

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DETAILS:

1. PURPOSE, AIMS AND ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE OF THE ESTONIAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE IN THE UNITED STATES (NYCUS)

On April 25, 1957, WALTER REINER, Secretary General of NYCUS, was interviewed and he advised that NYCUS is an Anti-Communist organization. NYCUS is not directed, financed and is not an agent of any foreign government. REINER furnished the following information in regard to NYCUS:

A. Location

NYCUS is located on the second floor of the Estonian House at 243 East 34th Street, New York City.

B. Purpose and Activities

NYCUS is organized and engaged in educational type programs for the purpose of informing the Estonian born

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Individuals in the United States the truth about Communism. RENNIT advised that the sole purpose of FNCUS was to oppose Communism in all countries and that their ultimate hope and goal is that Estonia will be freed from occupation by Communist Russia. He stated that FNCUS directs communications to various agencies in the United States such as the United States Congress, United States Department of State, and other departments of the United States Government expressing their support of Anti-Communist action. They also make suggestions for action in regard to opposing Communist activities throughout the world especially in those countries now occupied by Russia.

C. Membership

FNCUS is made up of thirty members, who are elected every three years. The election ballots are mailed to approximately 4,000 Anti-Communist Estonians residing throughout the United States and they in turn indicate their choice of committee members. A Board of Directors, consisting of twelve members, is elected from the thirty members of FNCUS.

D. Meetings of FNCUS

The committee members of FNCUS meet twice a year and the Board of Directors meet approximately eight to ten times a year, having no regular schedule and meet as often as necessary.

E. Finance

FNCUS receives approximately \$6,000.00 annually and it is obtained in the form of donations. RENNIT stated that once a year appeals are mailed out to the 4,000 Estonians on his mailing list and he estimated 1,000 persons respond to the request for funds. RENNIT advised that all the members of FNCUS are without salary and pay their own expenses, with the exception of himself, who is salaried.

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F. Publication

INCS publishes a weekly Estonian language newspaper, "Free Estonian World," which is printed by the Nordic Press, which is also located in the Estonian House at 245 East 14th Street, New York City. This publication reflects the views and policies of INCS as well as the current events and social activities of the Estonian people in the United States.

G. Members of the Board
of Directors of INCS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>Residence</u>
AUGUST KAPSA - President	New York City
Rev. RUDOLPH KIVIPATA, M.D.	New York City
OLAV M. PIIPALU	Fairham, New Jersey
EDUARD F. JARSAAR	Lakewood, New Jersey
LEONARD VAHE P., LL.M.	Teaneck, New Jersey
KARE VIILU - Treasurer	New York City
EDUARD T. TORRICK	New York City
JULIUS LANGUR	New York City
HERBERT W. CHAPMAN	Philadelphia
EDUARD WALLAST	Port Washington, L. I., New York
JURAK KARAR, Ph.D.	New York City

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RENYIT advised that J. H. WILSON had formerly been a Board member of NYCS, but had been removed because of his change of residence from New York City to Fort Lauderdale, Florida. RENYIT stated that the expense of travel was so great for WILSON to travel back to New York City for the Board meetings, so, therefore, he dropped off the Board of Directors of NYCS.

Councillor Members of NYCS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Residence</u>
Rev. ALFRED B. BENT	Rochester, Connecticut
ALFRED J. AMERSCH	New York City
ALFRED B. BENT	New York City
RICHARD T. BENT	New York City
FLORIAN BENT	New York City
ADOLF BENT	New York City
PAUL BENT	Ann, Ohio
WILFRIED BENT	Seabrook, New Jersey
JORDEN BENT	San Francisco, California
HUGO BENT	New York City
ADOLF BENT, LL. D.	New York City
ARNOLD BENT	Yonkers, New Jersey
WILLIAM BENT	Huntington, New York
JOHANNES BENT, M.D.	New York City
Rev. WALTER BENT	Chicago, Illinois
AUGUST BENT	New York City

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RENNIT advised that EARL H. AINSON had resigned from WCCS due to his inability to attend due to old age. He also stated that another Committee member LUDWIG JETT had died.

I. Representatives

WINDO-RIISMANTEL, D.Dee., D.C. Washington, D. C.

JOHN OSTRAZ San Francisco, California

Rev. WALTER WILK Chicago, Illinois

WINDO-RIISMANTEL, Secretary General New York City

RENNIT advised that the above individuals were supporters of WCCS and when it was necessary, they would volunteer their services for WCCS at the various localities where they reside.

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II. PURPOSE, AIMS AND ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE
OF THE ESTONIAN WORLD COUNCIL (EWC) OF
WHICH ENCUS IS A MEMBER GROUP

RENNIT also advised that ENCUS is a member of the EWC, which is an international Estonian Anti-Communist organization, which is not affiliated with nor is it directed or financed by any foreign government. RENNIT is also Secretary General of EWC.

A. Location

EWC occupies the same space as ENCUS at 243 West 34th Street, New York City.

B. Purpose and Activities

RENNIT advised that the EWC has the same aims and purpose as ENCUS and that is to oppose Communist action in all countries of the world.

The EWC directs communications to the United Nations, Prime Ministers and leaders of various countries supporting or opposing some action being proposed or taking place in that country in regard to Communism.

C. Membership of EWC

RENNIT advised that the EWC is made up of representatives from six Estonian organizations, all of which are Anti-Communist. RENNIT advised that the following organizations are members of the EWC:

- Council of Estonian Societies in Australia;
- Estonian National Committee in the United States;
- Estonian Central Committee in the Federal Republic of Germany;
- Association of Estonians in Great Britain;
- Estonian National Committee in Canada;
- W.O.F.E. Estonian Regional Committee in Sweden

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REDMIT advised that the total membership of EWC is 20 and it is made up of representatives from the above listed six organizations and the number of representatives from each country is as listed below:

United States	-	six members consisting of four regular members and two alternates.
Canada	-	four members
Australia	-	two members
Federal Republic of Germany	-	two members
Great Britain	-	two members
Sweden	-	four members

REDMIT advised that the members of EWC hold office from two to three year terms, which is according to the regulations of the individual groups.

D. Meetings of the EWC

The members of the EWC meet once a year and the Board of Directors convene six to eight times a year.

E. Finance of the EWC

REDMIT states that the EWC is financed solely by contributions from the six member organizations and REDMIT estimates that the EWC receives from \$50.00 to \$100.00 annually from each member group. REDMIT advised that the EWC has very limited capital and that the members do not receive any salary or expense money.

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F. Members of the Board of
Directors of the EVC

<u>Country Representing</u>	<u>Name of Representative</u>	<u>Residence</u>
United States	JULIAN VASAR, Ph.D. President	New York City
United States	ALFRED J. ANDERSON Vice-President	New York City
Canada	ALEXANDER KOTT Vice-President	New York City
Federal Republic of Germany	JULIAN KOLBUS Secretary	New York City
England	Manivald Loits Treasurer	New York City
Australia	ARNOLD SAAG	Orange, New Jersey

PERMIT advised that the EVC members, with the exception of one, all reside in the United States. He explained that the various member groups of the EVC have appointed individuals residing in the United States to represent them at the EVC. He explained that the representatives of these groups were expected to pay their own expenses in traveling and, therefore, the expense of traveling from the various countries was too great and it was necessary to appoint delegates in and around New York City to represent them at the EVC.

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G. Counsellor Members of the SAC

<u>Country Representing</u>	<u>Name of Representative</u>	<u>Residence</u>
Australia	Rev. ALEXANDER RIDDO	New York City
Sweden	Rev. ALEXANDER PERLSSON, M.Th	New York City
United States	JULIUS KINGSUR	New York City
United States	ABDUST KIRKHA	New York City
Federal Republic of Germany	HARALD KIKUS	New York City
United States	Rev. RUDOLF KIVIRANKA, M.Th	New York City
Canada	NIKOLAI KUDA, L.L.D.	New York City
Canada	JULIAN KULLER	Toronto, Canada
Sweden	RUDOLF KANKSEPP	Lakewood, New Jersey
Sweden	OLIV M. FLIRMALE	Lakewood, New Jersey
Sweden	RICHARD RANK, L.I.D	Los Angeles, California
Canada	HARALD KANKSEPP	New York
United States	LEONARD VANTER, L.L.M.	Teaneck, New Jersey
Great Britain	KARL VILHE	New York City

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