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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Paralegal Specialist
Litigation Division. OGC

VIA:

Deputy Chief, Compliance and Litigation, PCS

SUBJECT:

KLYMKIW, Walter
aka Wolodymyr/Volodymyr Klymkiv;
DPOB: 23 November 1920,
Lwow, Poland (L'viv, Ukraine)

REFERENCE:

OGC-93-51362 dated 29 April 1993

1. A search of Directorate of Operations information surfaced the following information concerning Subject in reference request. This information is for the use of the Office of General Counsel and should not be disseminated outside this Agency, or incorporated in any document which is so disseminated, without specific approval of the Directorate of Operations.

2. According to information dated 9 September 1955 from a Radio Free Europe job application form, Wladimir Klimkiw (Subject) was exiled in 1943. He claimed never to have been a member of any political party at any time. He stated that he had never been arrested or convicted of any crimes, and was never a prisoner of war. Subject had been a member of the 14th Ukrainian Division German Waffen SS as a Sergeant (Obersharffueher) (SIC). He stated the reason for his exile was that he changed into civilian clothing and went to Kaufbeuren, where his sister was living (NFI). Subject applied for immigration to the U.S. in 1951, and claimed he had applied too late. He stated that he was turned down when he applied for immigration to Canada in 1951, and he believed it was because of his affiliation with the Waffen SS. Subject's application for an engineering job with a studio of Radio Free Europe was rejected because of potential problems with the reaction of other exiles in the studio who might discover his Waffen SS past.

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3. According to information dated 12 September 1955 in a trace request from an undetermined source, Subject's last previous employer was ANB, Dachau, Munich, Germany (NFI).

4. According to information dated 11 October 1955 from Central Registry CIC, Stuttgart, Germany, Subject claimed he had been rejected for immigration to Canada because he had a medical operation at the time he was supposed to immigrate. Subject also stated that he had been drafted into the 14th Galician Waffen SS Division at Lemberg, Poland, in September 1943, and served as a Sergeant First Class until May 1945.

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