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Subject: Rumanian Espionage Against B-4 Meeting at
New York City, 1946

Source 1: Rumanian, now US citizen, close friend of
one of the participants, and believed reliable.

A belated, but interesting story of how
two Rumanian diplomats were able to secure transcripts of
the meetings of the B-4 representatives meeting in New York
city in 1946 has just been learned.

Source states that two Rumanians, Messrs.
FRANASOVICI and DIMANCESCU were visiting in the United States
at that time as "unofficial observers." It was of
paramount interest to the Bucharest government to learn
what the Soviet-USSR-French-British Foreign Ministers
were discussing regarding World War II treaties, etc.
After much probing, a particular appropriate approach
was discovered by the suave DIMANCESCU. He began to court
the private secretary of the French representative (who
was not Bidault, but a substitute). The French stenographer
was wined, dined, and wooed, and during this time, she
turned over to DIMANCESCU her stenographic notes following
each meeting. These notes were then photostated by a
commercial photo shop near the Waldorf-Astoria and returned
in time for the secretary to complete her work.

Source states that Bucharest was able to learn
of Mr. MOLOTOV's "true and unfriendly attitude" toward
Rumania at the meetings, among, of course, many other
strategic items.

Comment (It is possible to learn the name of
the French stenographer. Her photo also is available.)

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Maurice COUVE DE MURVILLE represented Premier BIDAULT of France at the meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers, New York, 1946. He arrived in New York on 21 November 1946 and departed for Paris on 18 December 1946.

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