SECURITY INFORMATION

SOURCE:

Major Lester H. BARNES, Finance Officer

USMR, ACC Rumania

EVALUATION: B-2

Tate of Info.: 9 Nov. 1946

Source was approached by Subject (Niculae MAVRODI, a Rumanian living at Strada Boteanu, 3-A, Bucharest) with the following proposition: Subject, acting as an undercover agent for the Rumanian National Bank, wished to purchase the dollars exchanged daily for lei by the o ficers and enlisted men of the USMR. The Rumanian National Bank authorized Mavrodi to offer 1000 lei per dollar above the black market rate of the day. When asked by Source what the real purpose of this transaction was, Mavrodi answered that the dollars would be turned over th the Ministry of Finance and paid into the account of Niculae MALAYA or his daughter, Mrs. George PALADE in New York.

Source claims to have come to an agreement with Mr. Jacobson, of the American Joint Distribution Committee, and is buying his dollars for this purpose.

Source turned down Subject's proposition.

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