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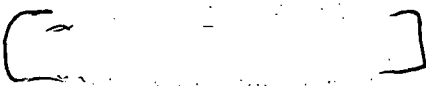
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VIRGIL REAL

1. Subject is an American who came to France in 1934 after having been tried in the United States for using the mails to defraud. Subject lived in Monaco until 1943 where he collaborated with the Germans. Passport #628 was issued to him at Nice on 4 February 1934. He is supposed to have entered Switzerland in August 1943, staying with his wife, Mrs. Renee REAL, at the Hotel des Bains, Geneva, where he was last reported in April 1943.
2. Subject is president of the TOKALON cosmetics company, with main offices in Paris. A report of 1943 states that subject got into trouble with the authorities in Paris for alleged fraud. Subject also had a soap and toothpaste factory in the back part of the Hotel Monte Carlo Palace at 89 Blvd. Princess Charlotte in Monaco. Subject was well known in Paris and on the Riviera where he lived on a lavish scale.
3. Subject is reported to have obtained trade privileges from one Captain WRIGHT of the GERMAN BOARD of Economic Affairs at Paris. Captain WRIGHT apparently agreed to the sale of TOKALON products in occupied territories in return for subject's engaging in certain undefined financial transactions for the Germans.
4. In 1940 a manager of Subject's company stated that Subject was a close friend of MUSSOLINI and that he held two Italian decorations. It is also reported that Subject is a commander of the French Legion of Honor and a member of the Order of the Crown of Italy. A report of 24 October 1943 stated that Subject was an honorary member of the Monte Carlo Fascist Group (sic).
5. Subject's associates include the following:
 - a. Etienne LEANDRI - Well known gangster and underworld character who worked for the Gestapo at Nice and was associated with CARBONNI, LAPORT, and SABIANI. He was also reported to be in charge of European publicity for the TOKALON company and to be the licensed supplier of shaving soap to the German Army. He was said to

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a. LEANDRI (Cont'd)

act as courier between Nice and Paris where currency and valuables were turned over to the Germans. In May 1944 he was reported to be a director of TOKAION. LEANDRI is the lover of Subject's wife, Mrs. Renee NEAL. A communication from Rome of 26 January 1946 states that he is living at 4 rue St. Roche, Lausanne, and that his expulsion (by the Swiss) is under discussion.

b. Robert HENRI - Well known officer of the Paris Maitre and formerly an agent of the Marseille Gestapo where he collaborated with SABIANI and CARDONE. Worked closely with the PFP and with WIRIOT. Reportedly subsidized LEANDRI.

c. Simon GATTONI - Chief of Controle du Territoire au Nord Ouest Vichy. For a time was a political refugee in Switzerland. After liberation was named Directeur Generale des Controles, with an office in the Ministry of Interior.

d. Alfred PACE - An international crook and associate of the French gangsters CARREZ and SABIANI. More recently he has been reported as operating in Italy under cover of being connected with the French Securite Militaire. His crimes include blackmail, smuggling of arms and drugs, card-sharping -- to mention a few. Reportedly also to have worked for the French G-2 Bureau.

e. Mona ROBERT - Associated with the same gang as Le Vau. Worked for the Germans on the Riviera during the occupation. Reportedly to have worked for the French G-2 Bureau.

f. Paul GAMBON and SABIANI - Marseille gangsters who worked with Le Vau.

g. Rita NICOTIANU - An Argentinian and ex-dancer, living at 15 Blvd. de la Gare, Casablanca, Morocco. Subject is her godfather and she reportedly visited him at Nice once a year for ten years, the last visit being in February 1941. A report of 1/46 states that she was arrested for colluding with the enemy and that she was intimately associated with Virgil NEAL and therefore bore watching.

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