

3 April 1953

MEMORANDUM FOR : []
SUBJECT : GRALLEFIC #1

1. [] asked that the writer contact [] of
Ei and secure information from him which would answer the following:

- (1) How long has he been a contract agent in Europe with this Agency?
- (2) What were his duties prior to last case? (Vienna)

2. Information given by []:

- (a) Taken on by Redsox November 1951 in Germany. They used him first as an alien instructor in Munich. The end of November 1951, changed his assignment to go to Vienna as a contact man and spotter in the REDCAP induced defector program. There was a problem getting him to Vienna. Took until March to get him documented.

In April, arrested by the Austrian police because documentation given was no good. In spite of the arrest, he got himself some official documentation from several business firms known to him, and arrived in Vienna July 18, 1952.

Worked as a contact man, spotter, striking up friendships with Austrians, Germans, Russians. Gathered material of industrial information on exhibit at the Fair.

- (b) In answer to question 2, his duties were spotting and recruiting Austrians.

3. It is his necessary to keep him happy and out of the various contacts of the last case (which [] is familiar with), which could be endangered by a false move. Furthermore, above has earned this and should be of value to the Agency in the future. He is NOT DOWN. He has shown great endurance, patience, initiative and courage, according to []

Adelaide

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2. Concerning changes of name:

A. Subject was born Rostislav L'vovich ANTONOV 30 Nov 20.

B. PRQ I on subject, made out in 1951, stated that subject changed his name in May 1945 from ANTONOV to FREULICH to avoid repatriation. He then changed his name in May or June 1945 to Sergei SCHEBALIN in Kempton, U.S. Zone of Germany, to avoid repatriation. Subject's PRQ I (English version) appears to have been filled out by (C [redacted] (p) on the basis of interviews.

C. Attachment A to this aide memoire states that subject changed his name legally to SCHEBALIN in June 1950 at the Munich Amt fuer Kriminaltechnische Statistik. This statement is taken from "additional biographic information" forwarded to Headquarters with subject's PRQ I. This additional biographic information presumably was collected by (C [redacted] (p) by personal interview with Subject.

D. The only handwritten PRQ I of subject's available says "See autobiography" in the entry for aliases, name changes, etc. The English translation of subject's autobiography is a little confused about subject's changes of names, but indicates that the name SCHEBALIN was first used by subject very shortly after the end of the war. The autobiography says nothing about any legal registered name changes.

E. With reference to paragraph # 2 C above, note that subject's German identity ~~document~~ document (Kennkarte) which he held at the time he filled out his PRQ I was issued 20 June 1950 in Messingen, Germany (west of Munich). This document was obtained in the name of SCHEBALIN. It is possible that SUBJECT did change his name legally at this time.

F. Note that SHERALIN is subject's mother's maiden name.