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1. 1. AEMARSH/1 was contacted in 1955 in Germany to develop Redskin leads. He is a former business manager of the Latvian paper LATVIJA, SUBJECT lives at Augustforf bei Detmold, Westfalen, Germany, Wohnlager B 1, 9.

2. In the past SUBJECT has been in contact with [ ] and [ ] [ ] is a former RIS agent sent out from Latvia. This individual (female) was debriefed by SUBJECT in November 1958. [ ] stated that her RIS affiliation describes SUBJECT as a "spymaster." (See Att. "A")

3. [ ], husband of [ ], admitted that he also was RIS controlled. He directly admitted to his wife's long time association with the RIS. (See Att. "B")

4. SUBJECT played an active role in the repatriation of AEMARSH( ) to Latvia from West Germany in 1956. The latter was instructed by the SUBJECT just prior to his turnover to Soviet authorities at the East German border.

5. SUBJECT has figured prominently in the recruitment of many unpaid mail drops in West Germany who are unwitting of AIS involvement.

a. AEVAIN( ) Pinneberg, Goerdelerstrasse 15/II, Hamburg, Germany. Formerly, 24b, Pinneberg b. Hamburg, Eggerstedterstrasse 10- 310, Germany. This letter drop is used by AEMARSH( )

b. AEVAIN( ) 21b Lippstadt, Westfalen, Stirperstrasse 28, Germany.

c. AEVAIN/14: Ludwigsburg, Elbestrasse 35, Germany. This letter drop is used by [ ]

d.

d. AEVAIN( ): Hamburg, Daimlerstrasse 44/c-5. This letter drop is used by [ ]

e. AEVAIN( ): Muenster, Westfalen, Ferdinandstrasse 2, Germany.

f. AEVAIN( ): It is not clear from 201-094033 whether this individual is an AEMARSH recruit.

g. AEVAIN/24: Kaiserslautern, Pirmasenser, Strasse 74/i, Germany.

h. [ ] HAS mailed SW to AEMARSH( ) unwittingly.

If the RIS knows something of the SUBJECT's activities, it possible that the security aspect of his letter drops is in jeopardy. A prolonged RIS

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analysis of SUBJECT's personal contacts combined with Soviet screening of letters to West Germany may have uncovered some of these drops. Some sort of a machine records system which can determine the frequency of letters to a given address over a period of time might arouse RIS suspicions. Not possessing the competence to judge whether the RIS would have this capacity I state this as a matter of pure conjecture. [ ] could pass judgment on the matter of mail drops being uncovered by such a method as I have attempted to describe.

6. SUBJECT has furnished mail to [ ] who has mailed SW to AEMARSH at the following address: Woldemar Fridrichson, Riga, Station Imanta, 12 Linie No. 7, Apt. 1. This individual is a former Latvian army officer, age 65, from Jelgava.

7. SUBJECT is a close friend of Vilis HAZNERS who presently lives in New York. HAZNERS who has never been defriefed by this office figures prominently in all AEMARSH correspondence. This individual may know surprisingly much information ~~that~~ about our entire AEMARSH net.

8. Since August 1959 SUBJECT has not been actively employed by reason of hospitalization for TB. Termination is in progress.

8. Subject aware <sup>to some degree, at least,</sup> of Aemhaukeye 1's activities and his presence in Germany 1958-59. Aemhaukeye 1 told by [ ] that Russians had his picture which was shown to her by KGB + that they (the KGB) knew of his activities.



f. Agent performance

in Project AEMARSH renewal request

- (1) In addition what Frankfurt Operations Base has stated with regard to

AEMARSH/1's performance, we would like to add ~~the following~~ more information concerning AEMARSH/1's security. The following information is quoted from FRANKFURT OPERATIONS BASE DISPATCHES EGFA 24291, dated 20 November 1958 and from EGFA 24356, dated 24 November 1958 respectively:

- (a) " 5. Security. We note that in previous progress report we failed to mention an incident affecting AEMARSH/1 which has security implications. It is now brought to your attention for whatever it is worth. AEMARSH/1 was summoned to appear before the Frankfurt section of the German Political Police and was questioned regarding his intelligence activities and his contact with [ ]. The purpose of this inquiry was to determine whether AEMARSH/1's activity was on the behalf of an Eastern or Western intelligence service. AEMARSH/1 revealed no contacts and denied any official intelligence ~~service~~ service connection; however, it became necessary to notify them via local liaison channels that he was in fact connected with an unspecified American intelligence service. This appeared to fully ~~satisfy~~ satisfy them and they marked the case closed and apparently lost further interest. We naturally briefed AEMARSH/1 to exercise maximum caution and his further contacts were sharply reduced and strictly controlled. "
- (b) " 1. On 10 November 1958 [ ] visited AEMARSH/1 at his home. She was accompanied by her husband ( [ ] ). She reported she had returned from a two month visit to Latvia a few days previously. AEMARSH/1 expressed general interest and engaged the pair in conversation. It was soon apparent that [ ]'s ~~husband~~ husband was unwitting of the fact that Subject and AEMARSH/1 had had any previous special understanding. [ ] utilized a moment, during which her husband was absent from the room, to inform AEMARSH/1 that she had something of importance to relate without her husband's knowledge and requested a private meeting with the undersigned. This was discreetly arranged with a cover story to explain her whereabouts to her husband and Subject appeared alone for an interview with ~~her~~ AEMARSH/1's apartment on 11 November.
2. [ ] appeared quite cordial and seemed genuinely ~~pleased~~ pleased to renew the acquaintance. When asked in a general way how Subject had fared during her recent visit, she replied that AEMARSH/1 had indeed been correct; she had been contacted by the RIS during her stay in Riga ( according to warnings to this effect given ~~to~~ her by AEMARSH/1, as requested in DIR 33918 ). She stated that about the middle of September, two weeks after her arrival in Riga, she had been summoned to an address which proved to be an RIS safe-house in Riga whereupon she had been questioned as to whether she had ever had any contact with AEMARSH/1/ Subject replied in the negative stating that she could not recall any such contact. She was questioned on this point and was finally told, " You once wrote to your husband that you had met such a man." It was then that she did recall that she had mentioned AEMARSH/1's name in a letter to her husband. This was immediately after AEMARSH/1's initial contact with Subject at which time there was no intimation of any ~~possible~~ possible operational interest. Subject reported that she had stated this was the only time she had been contacted and said she did not exactly recall the name, however, this contact had been in some connection with an interview with AEMARSH/1, who was a representative of the German Red Cross. She was further questioned whether it was not in fact the Latvian Red Cross which he represented rather than the German Red Cross, but Subject replied she was fairly sure it was German since the interview had been conducted in that language. She was then told that AEMARSH/1 was a "spy master" and she expressed astonishment stating she certainly hoped she had not revealed anything inadvisable during the interview with AEMARSH/1 which had consisted of general questions on present living conditions in Latvia. Subject is convinced she had carried off this bit of play acting successfully. "

Due to [ ]'s story, we must assume that RIS has learned about some of the activities that AEMARSH/1 has performed while working for the Frankfurt Operations base. We will, therefore instruct the field to limit AEMARSH/1's contacts and sensitive operations, in order to protect other clean assets. Due to security factors involved AEMARSH/1 has ~~changed~~ changed his residence and has been withdraw

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DISPATCH

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REF ID: A662356

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| TO              | Chief, SR<br>EE, COS   | REGISTRATION FILE NO                                    | 74/6/210/4       |
| FROM            | Chief of Base, Frankfurt   | DATE  | 24 November 1958 |
| SUBJECT         | REDWOOD/AEMARSH/LCIMPROVE -- Visit to Latvia<br>by Subject of EGFA 23122, 28 August 1958 | RE: "43-A" -- (CHECK "X" ONE)                           |                  |
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1. On 10 November 1958 Subject visited AEMARSH 1 at his home. She was accompanied by her husband. She reported she had returned from a two month visit to Latvia a few days previously. AEMARSH 1 expressed general interest and engaged the pair in conversation. It was soon apparent that Subject's husband was unwitting of the fact that Subject and AEMARSH 1 had had any previous special understanding. Subject utilized a moment, during which her husband was absent from the room, to inform AEMARSH 1 that she had something of importance to relate without her husband's knowledge, and requested a private meeting with the undersigned. This was discreetly arranged with a cover story to explain her whereabouts to her husband and Subject appeared alone for an interview with [redacted] at AEMARSH 1's apartment on 11 November.

2. Subject appeared quite cordial and seemed genuinely pleased to renew the acquaintance. When asked in a very general way how Subject had fared during her recent visit, she replied that AEMARSH 1 had indeed been correct; she had been contacted by the RIS during her stay in Riga (according to warnings to this effect given her by AEMARSH 1, as requested in DIR 13918). She stated that about the middle of September, two weeks after her arrival in Riga, she had been summoned to an address which proved to be an RIS safe-house in Riga, whereupon she had been questioned as to whether she had ever had any contact with AEMARSH 1. Subject replied in the negative stating that she could not recall any such contact. She was requestioned on this point and was finally told, "You once wrote your husband that you had met such a man." It was then that she did recall that she had mentioned AEMARSH 1's name in a letter to her husband. This was immediately after AEMARSH 1's initial contact with Subject at which time there was no intimation of any possible operational interest. Subject reported that she had stated this was the only time she had been contacted and said that she did not exactly recall the name, however, this contact had been in some connection with an interview with AEMARSH 1, who was a representative of the German Red Cross. She was further questioned whether it was not in fact the Latvian Red Cross which he represented rather than the German Red Cross, but Subject replied she was fairly sure it was German since the interview had been conducted in that language. She was then told that AEMARSH 1 was a "spy master" and she expressed astonishment stating she certainly hoped she had not revealed anything inadvisable during the interview with AEMARSH 1 which had consisted of general questions on present living conditions in Latvia. Subject is convinced she had carried off this bit of play acting successfully.

3. She was also questioned as to whether she had had any contact with Subject of EGFA 21799, 16 May 1958, and she denied all recollection of knowing any such person; she was, however, only lightly questioned in regards to this person.

4. She was then questioned whether she knew or had had any contact with an FRAN EBNER. She denied having any knowledge of such a person, however she was repeatedly questioned as to whether she had ever seen or heard of such a man. He was described as an ex-colonel in the Latvian Army, who was presently located in Kaiserslautern and who allegedly was engaged in the recruitment and dispatch of REDSOX agents to Latvia on behalf of an American service. Subject was even shown a photograph of this person. Subject, who had indeed never seen such an individual, described him in the photograph as being about 35 years old, bare-headed, with dark hair and black horn-rimmed glasses.

AEMARSH-1  
has a Latvian name

KCAMBARO-1?

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5. This theme was then dropped and Subject was asked how she would like to accept an intelligence assignment against the West. Subject replied sarcastically. "What can I do for the RIS — blow up bridges, steal plans, or organize Communist parties?" She stated that the first two assignments would be beyond her capabilities and the latter assignment would be ridiculous since she does not subscribe to the Communist ideology. Subject was then reminded that she was in Latvia attempting to secure the repatriation of her husband to Germany and if she hoped to accomplish this, it would be advisable for her to cooperate. She was told her assignment would be very simple, i.e., to report on leading Latvian emigre figures and attempt to cultivate them. After a suitable period of hesitation and display of reluctance Subject agreed to accept the assignment. She was given a form to fill out in which her official cover name, HERZINA was assigned to her. She was further made to sign an agreement stating she was accepting an assignment from the RIS, using this cover name.

6. Subject reported the above freely, without hesitation or prompting, and did not appear to be concealing any details of her relationship with the RIS. When asked what communication arrangements had been issued her, Subject replied that she had not been issued any form of code or S/W but she was to report by overt text mail to the following address: Irma Lamberte, Iela Altonavas Iela 27 DZ 7, Riga. This is the name and address of her husband's former landlady. The RIS stated they would intercept all mail addressed in the above fashion. Should Subject desire to write a genuine personal letter, she should use the first name initial only, i.e., I. Lamberte, instead of Irma Lamberte. She was told to attempt to become friendly with leading Latvian emigres and if at all possible, to seek employment in any minor capacity with a Western intelligence service. Should Subject succeed in any of the above she was to mention the word "Galva" (head) in the overt text of her letter to indicate this fact. Subject was told that it was likely she would come under surveillance or undergo interrogation by Western security organizations. In such an event, she was to indicate this fact by including in her overt text, "Ar visu nesadzivo" (I do not get along good (well) with my husband). No arrangements were made for Subject to be contacted or met in the West. A meeting site was established at the statue of the Crying Woman at the Treptova Cemetary in East Berlin. Should Subject desire to meet the Case Officer, she is to mention in the overt text of her letter the price, in Deutschmarks, of some article, i.e., "I have purchased a hat for DM 4.27". The digit mentioned would then be multiplied by three (3) and, in this example would then denote a meeting set for the 12th of the month following that in which her letter was dated. She was then to arrive in Berlin and telephone number 50 29 35 in East Berlin identifying herself as "Vallija". She was to tell that someone would expect her call at this number for three days beginning with the date of the scheduled meeting. As soon as this number had been called if on the scheduled date of the meeting, the Case Officer would wait at the site at 1200 hours. If she called the above number on the second day the meeting time would be 0900, and if on the third day, the meeting time would be 1500. The Case Officer would be one of the four who handled Subject during her stay in Riga. Subject could only describe them as Janis LNU, Alberts LNU, Harrijs LNU, all Latvian, and one Fnu LNU, a Russian. !!

7. Subject further reported she had had some ten to twelve meetings at various safehouses during her stay in Riga. She recalls one of the addresses as Sarkanarmijas Iela 24 DZ.47 and another one as Lacplesa Iela.

8. There were no arrangements made to pay Subject while she was in Riga. She was, however, given one payment of 100 Rubles on one occasion for her stay and on another occasion payment was given her of 1500 Rubles as "bonus payment". (During this visit Subject received a Propusk stating she was officially rehabilitated. See attachment.) Subject was told by the Case Officer they understood that she would not work for money but they felt that, given her word, she would abide by it and fulfill her assignment.

9. Subject reported she had been given the red carpet treatment during her visit, having been taken to fairly expensive restaurants several times and had an all expense one week tour to the Ukrainski Hotel in Moscow for her husband. Her Case Officers had seemed to her to be completely satisfied with her bonafides and her intentions of carrying out her assignment.

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10. Subject further reported that she knew her husband had also been approached by the RIS and had agreed to accept an assignment. Subject reported that after several meetings with the RIS, of which her husband was unaware, he had returned home one evening in great agitation and related to her that he had been met by a sedan with two RIS officials on his way home from work, had been taken to a safehouse, and had been urged to accept an anti-West assignment on threat of not being permitted to leave Latvia. Subject stated she had urged her husband to pretend to accept the assignment on his next meeting with the RIS. On about three occasions both Subject and her husband were interviewed by the RIS at the same time. Subject stated she was present at the time her husband was told to sign the form assigning him his cover name, however, she was unable to see what it was and he has not, as yet, divulged it to her. Subject is unaware of any meeting arrangements that her husband might have been given and believes that none such were issued him. Her husband was given an unknown name and address to which to write to in Pardaugava. Subject reported that two days before their departure from Riga she and her husband were taken by the RIS in a sedan to the above address and her husband was introduced to this individual while she remained in the car. Subject says her husband was strongly advised against visiting Berlin since the RIS believed this would cause him to come under particular scrutiny by Western security organizations. They were told to both re-visit Latvia during the summer of 1959, however, Subject replied that such a move would create undue suspicion and it was finally agreed that they would both attempt to re-visit Latvia during the summer of 1960.

11. Subject reiterated her determination not to carry out any assignments on behalf of the Soviets to any degree. She further stated she was absolutely convinced that her husband would not carry out any such assignment either. She stated, however, that her husband at the present time is terrified over the prospect of anyone discovering that he had agreed to accept an RIS assignment. He has spent most of his adult life in Siberia with its attendant terror systems and police methods and feels that if his "recruitment" would become known in the West his true motives would not be believed and he would either be forcibly returned or imprisoned.

12. Subject stated her husband is completely unaware of her previous contacts with KUBARK nor is he aware of the present above described meeting.

13. Subject reported that of the four prospects we had had in mind for recruitment by her, one had died, however, she had had contact with the other three. Subject stated that of these three she did not consider them as good prospects for recruitment by us any longer. One of them had returned from Siberia two months previously and is broken in spirit. A second one's eligibility for repatriation to Germany is being considered and he is presently under surveillance, and the third one has been rehabilitated, is receiving an officers' pension, and is too comfortably situated financially to make good agent material.

14. Subject's spontaneous revelations and behaviour to date are not surprising to us. From the beginning of this case we carefully considered the possibility of Subject's being recruited by the RIS. Any tourist, whether clean or not, could be a target of the RIS. It was felt, however, that if Subject's bona fides could be established before her departure, her subsequent recruitment by the RIS, if any, could be ascertained through ICFLUMTER and interrogation upon her return. On the surface, therefore, we felt that we had control over Subject from the very beginning because her ICFLUMTER and assessment convinced us of her bona fides and her sincere desire to help in the attainment of our objectives.

15. We plan to debrief Subject and her husband for positive and operational intelligence. We also intend to give Subject and her husband CE interrogations and ICEMUTTER examinations in order to verify the above narrative and attempt to determine whether this pair is really sincere in their intentions not to cooperate with the RIS. Although at the present time we see little advantage to be gained in a double agent case, the future exploitation, if any, would best be determined after the completion of the above-mentioned interrogations.

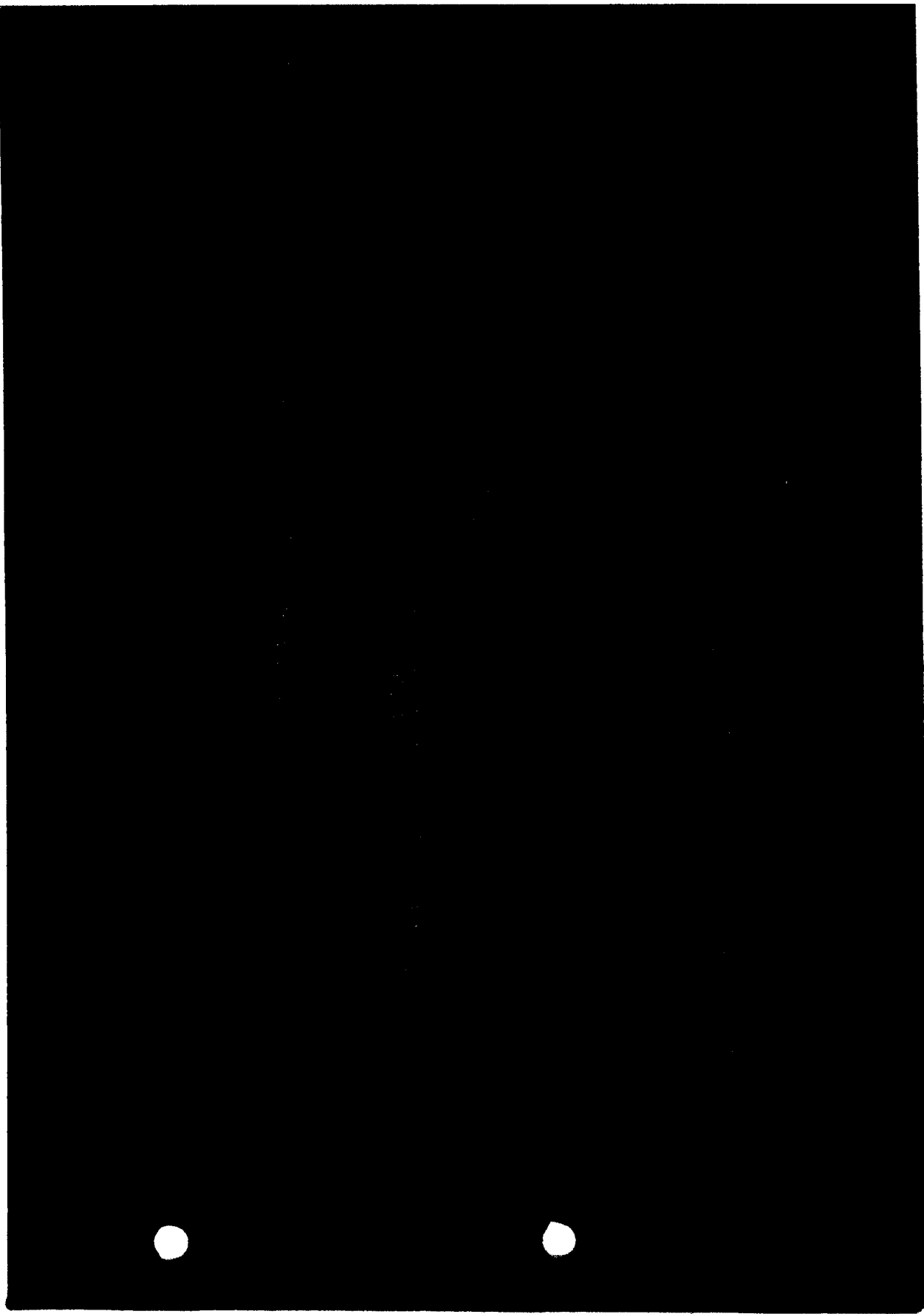
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ORDER

The case of accusation of the citizen NAGOVUZ-EMDE Elsa daughter of JOHAN ~~has been~~ has been examined by the Military Tribunal of the Leningrad Military Area on 12<sup>th</sup> April 1957.

The decision of ~~the~~ the Special Session of the NKVD SSSR ~~from~~ <sup>of</sup> 23 December 1942 in connection with the citizen NAGOVUZ-EMDE Elsa ~~and~~ daughter of Johan, born 1921 in the city of <sup>St.</sup> Helsenkirchen /Germany/ is reversed and the case of prosecution closed for the absence of evidence <sup>on the</sup> of offense.

For the Chairman of MT  
Leningrad  
Colonel of Justice  
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