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The image shows a close-up of a heavy, metallic vault door. The door is partially open, revealing a complex internal mechanism with multiple locking bolts and a central handle. A bright blue light emanates from the gap between the door and the frame, creating a strong glow and casting shadows on the surrounding metal. The overall aesthetic is industrial and mysterious.

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SUBJECT: Sigmund EISENSCHER (NL) ✓

1. A sensitive source has reported that one S. EISENCHER of the Communist Party of the United States of America (CPUSA), his wife, and one Leon LNU were vacationing in Sochi, U.S.S.R., during August-September 1970. (Comment: EISENCHER is probably identical with Sigmund EISENSCHER (see your Milwaukee, Wisconsin, memorandum of 5 October 1970, Subject: Sigmund Gustav EISENSCHER). Leon LNU is probably identical with Leon LOVE (Bureau file number 101-5112).
2. According to EISENSCHER the CPUSA has close to 14,000 members, the majority of whom are laborers. Over 25 percent of the members are blacks who function basically in the North American black movement. The Party has recently organized a young Communist movement. (Comment: This is probably the Young Workers Liberation League.) The CPUSA participates heavily in the labor movement. At a recent (unnamed) labor meeting of representatives from various regions of the United States, the CPUSA had direct influence in 26 of the 50 unions represented. The magazine Labor Party plays an important role in coordinating movements within the labor ranks. Despite numerous barriers (sic), the CPUSA is concentrating its efforts in Chicago, Los Angeles, and New York, as well as other regions of importance. The CPUSA has recently adopted a common strategy towards the peace movement. (Comment: The indication here is that the Party did not previously have a unified approach.)
3. EISENSCHER stated that criticisms of the Soviet Union by the radical left Maoists, Fidelists, and Trotskyites cause problems, but they appear to have abated somewhat. There has been a warming in the relations between the CPUSA and the Communist Party of Cuba as a

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result of CPUSA National Chairman Henry WINSTON's trip to Cuba following the June 1969 World Conference of Communist Parties. While in Cuba, WINSTON conversed with Fidel CASTRO and other Cuban leaders.

4. Leon LNU gave the following instructions to one individual for future contact in the United States, if such contact should become necessary: In New York City, the individual should telephone Leon at work (368-9913) or at home (368-5955) and arrange for a meeting which would take place behind a telephone booth on the street at the New York Public Library. (Comment: Our records indicate that 368-5955 is listed to Leon LOVE, 742 St. Nicholas Avenue, New York, New York, and 368-9913 is the phone number of the Benjamin Davis Bookshop 2529 8th Avenue, New York.)

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