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Chief, Personnel Security Division, OS

25 October 1963

Chief, Contact Division, OO

RICCIARDELLI, Libero -- OO-A-3,279,170
#348295

REF : Our memoranda dated 9, 19, and 29 August 1963, same subject

1. The attached copy of OO-A-3,279,170 contains information pertaining to Subject which may be of interest to the FBI. If so, please do not disclose the name of our source.

2. Will you kindly refer to paragraph 6 of the report and advise us concerning the propriety of our source's interest in writing and visiting Subject. Would the Bureau object to this?

3. This report has received no further dissemination.

4. Any questions pertaining to this memorandum should be directed to Mrs. Virginia Thorne, Ext. 2202.

E. M. ASHCRAFT

Attachment: As stated above



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22 October 1963

Libero Ricciardelli (Correct)

SUBJECT: US Repatriate, Libero Rickiardel (Rikkiardel), Needham Heights 94, Massachusetts.

REF : Paragraph three, our Memo, dated 31 Jul 61, forwarded under Case - 35780. (Copy attached)

1. After all this time, we finally (although inadvertently) obtained the name of the gentleman referred to in the above reference; the subject of this memo.

2. Our source, [redacted] ⁰⁵ [Aerospace Corporation, ⁰⁸ recently received a letter from Professor Alexis G. Ivakhnenko stating that subject had returned to the fold. Following is an excerpt of the letter, bad English and all:

"It seems to me I speak worser English than some times ago - especially after my neighbor Libero Rickiardel (Rikkiardel) [the typing was hard to decipher because of strike-overs on the second and third letters] went home for Needham Heits 94, Massachusetts. It was good praxis for me to speak with him. He is complicated man having good and bad sides. Shortly to tell, he is rather egoistic man who did not think about Communism or capitalism. Having the strong complications in his family, he dos not love his wife but wanted the such divorce when the children remain with his mother but not with the wife, because he considers her as mentally weak. He hoped to find the answer in another system. Here he received rather good apartment and salary - 150 rubles per month, but became homesick. Even the beautiful nature of Kiev seemed to him gray and bore [bare?]. With great difficulties, mainly from the USA side, hi got permission to return to home. There wait for him two big problems: first - to solve the problem with wife and children. The old fashioned society of Needham will be against him. Second - the State Department cannot 'forgive' him his cosmopolitical behavior.

"And poor Norma [undoubtedly Libero's wife] has no means to live and cannot find the job in USA, even as the baby sitting woman. She is very tired and almost ill. Her only sister tells her the price of the meal which she eats. Libero is rather stingy, as many people abroad, except you, of course! Her situation is very tragic."

3. Earlier in the letter, Alexis asked [redacted] to write a welcoming letter and maybe later visit with him. In this regard Alexis said, "I would like to know his destiny after return home." And later, he said, "Do not ask a word about Norma from Libero, it makes him fierce. He really does not love her. Nevertheless I would like to know the future of this family and maybe help them in any way - for instance I can try to send the medicine which Norma likes and cannot find in the USA."

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4. Perhaps the Bureau would like to have a next door neighbor's contribution re a recent repatriate. If so, please do not divulge our source's name. ✓

5. Too, Libero might be an excellent source of bio data on Ivakhnenko, having lived next door to him for a few years. With a slight amount of pressure, he would probably be a most willing source.

6. With reference to [redacted] writing to and visiting this individual, we advised him to hold off until such time as we were notified differently. Therefore, would you please check with the appropriate Bureau staff to determine the extent of their interest and whether or not our source would be cleared to write to and/or visit him?

7. Please advise.

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