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Defectors - 201 openings

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Gundliger
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late 1961

5/25/62 m. 9/2/61 FBI dec.

9/1/63

Opened later (1-8 yrs. later)

Jones	325 363
Gundliger	734 499
Meyer	857 071
Martinek	809 022
Gold	840 021
Dubinsky	761 429
* Ricciardelli	289 238
Pittman	843 597
Lotyell	275 418
Butelli Bark	761 354
Amron	

Opened earlier

Block, Morris & Mollie

Frank 2 yrs. before this

Kineta @ 10 yrs

Halperin

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Name	Defection	Ret. to U.S.	201-Opening	Debriefing
Jones, Louis Henry	Cuba 1961 MOSCOW 1963 - on business	8/25/66	5/25/62 on 9/29/61 FBI doc.	No Record
Hendlinger, Martin	1957 to USSR; married 1958 Ret. to U.S. 1960	7/23/59	9/1/63 - No source doc.	No Record
Seyler, Karl Henry	E. Germany - 1961 in USSR sometime bet. 6-10/61	5/66	9/4/69 on 2/25/66 FBI doc.	No Record
Block, Mollie (see Morris Block)	—	—	No date; on 3/28/62 Army doc.	—
Vartinkus, Anthony Vitas	By Jan. 19, 1961	2/64	12/12/66 - No source doc.	No Record
Old, Robert	1961; contacted Sov. Emb. in D.C. in Sept. & Oct. 1967	1961	9/17/68; on 8/2/68 FBI doc.	No Record
Wiker, Jas. Dudley	10/23/60	?; in Oct. 1962	11/1/60 - No source doc.	No record
Winsky, Shirley	1961 - Ren. U.S. cit. & reg. Sov. cit.; arrived Moscow Nov. or Dec. 1962	Rep. for ret. to U.S. in 2/63	Eligible; on 1964 FBI doc.	No record

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Diardelli, Hubert 7/59 6/28/63 on nonquota immigrant visa 12/21/60 - ~~SE~~ SIG as source doc. 1) 7/2/63 Report of info. telephonically furnished by ^{Regional} Intelligence Officer, Burlington Vt.

2) Chronology indicates CO field office in Boston debriefed him on 7/19/63.

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Name	Defective	Ret. to US	201-Opening	Debriefing
Black, Susan <i>Pills</i>	USSR 12/59-5/61; in USSR @ 1961 en route to U.S.	6/61	8/9/59 on FBI doc.; Active CP member	No Record
Stuman, John Dixon	Mr. Y Moscow 10/6/59 [From machine listing - 8/62]	8/62	12/10/68 on 10/10/68 #81 Reprtd	No Record
Winston, Henry	9/61 Went to USSR as CPUSA delegate to 22nd Congress of CPSU	2/64	No date; no source doc.; probably opened by early 1950's	No record
Wynell, Harold	2/27/58 Mr. Copenhagen w/family from Moscow on 6/29/59		4/6/60 on 7/23/59 FBI doc.	1/7/6/59 cable from Copenhagen to Director; indicates they were unable to obtain complete or coherent story. "Consider full & controlled debriefing by CIA; FBI desirable". 2) 7/16/59 memo, Angleton to Dir., FBI; re: Wynell. Includes paragraph stating CIA requests results of any investigation by FBI. "He would be pleased to give any assistance necessary, including joint participation in the debriefing of Subject in precise details as his experiences in the USSR and his contacts while abroad." 3) No CIA docs. ^{actual} re: debriefing. FBI reports of: a) 7/9/59; b) 7/23/59; and c) 8/21/59.
Woda, Vladimir	8/2/60 USSR - by 		1/17/60 on 8/7/60 cable	Life interviewed after leaving Subhead in
Wock, Morris & Mollie	7/59 6/64	0001784	8/20/57 on 8/20/57 FBI doc. to CIA	1) Report of seaman source who talked with them in Odessa in 4/64; 2) No Record of CIA contact after their arrival; 3) 4 FBI reports on blocks following their return to U.S.

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Defection</u>	<u>Ret. to U.S.</u>	<u>24-Opening</u>	<u>Debriefing</u>
Khaziy, Joseph	8/60 (minister) source who met w/ Jim	11/30/63 - A.D.A. as reported by Sov. Govt. in East.	12/21/60 on CI/SIG as source doc.	10/24/60 CIA intel Significance Report from
Kulki, Nicholas	Entered USSR - 8/10/59 Decided to remain there - 8/13/59 Ret. U.S. cit. - 9/2/59	9/22/59	10/1/64 on 1/21/64 FBI doc.	No record
non, Irving	Lived in USSR 1933- 1962	9/26/62	9/8/64 on 2/25/64 FBI doc.	Interviewed by CIA on 9/3/64
avis, Bruce	8/19/60 - defected from U.S. Army in E. Gen. & asked for asylum in USSR	Left USSR for W. G. in 7/63	12/21/60 by A.E. on CI/SIG as source doc.	Debriefed by SOO in Kiev on 8/27/63 by 66th MID.
Alperin, Maurice Hymen Edith Hymen	1953 - defected to Mexico 12/58 - moved to USSR	Left USSR for Cuba in 10/62	9/3/57 9/24/56	Telephonic surveillance 1957-8 Mail interception No record of debriefing
artin, Nn. Hamilton	Disappeared 6/29/60 8/6/60 while believed to have gone behind Iron Curtain		8/3/60	—
Chater, Robert Edward	Oct. 17-19, 1959	2/6/62	10/20/59	Yes

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Wanda Henry Jones 325363

Personal File Action Req.

Date: 5/25/62 From: Anita Potocki for TFW/CI

Source Doc. DBF-40969 9/29/61

Action Desk: Cuba

Comments: Suspect Cuban agent

Traveled from Moscow in April 1961 at invitation
Cuban govt.

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Everything else in file is 3rd agency - all FBI. (Field File # 105-42974) (Bur. File 105-98177)
1st FBI doc. is 8/28/61; next one is 9/21/61; then 6/11/62

As per machine listing, he defected to Cuba in 1961.

Was in Moscow in 1963, possibly on business for Cubans.

Ret. to U.S. ^{Aug. 25,} 1966

No appearance of direct debriefing by FBI or anyone - info. comes from other sources.

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Shredlinger, Martin - 734499

Personality File Action Request

Date: 9/1/63 From: Verda Larson CI/SP Action Desk: CI/SP

Comments: now living in Moscow. Married to Elena Ivanovna Pyatnitskaya

Source: None

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12/5/66 MFR; RE: "Am. Defectors to the USSR"

Att.: info re Shredlinger from: 1) 8/7/61 FBI Report

2) pre-11/60 AFAIRWAY (SR/10)

? Chronology: References in chronology to Embtel., 201 & CI/SIG

9/8/69 MFR by H. Sandel re: G's impending arrival to conf. in U.S. in 1969 - no ops. interest

Chron. indicates: G went to USSR in 1957; marr. there in 1958

Ret. to U.S. alone 7/23/59

Ret. to USSR

No indication of CIA debriefing while in U.S.

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Meys, Karl Henry 857071

201 Pers. File Act. Reg.

Date: 9/4/69 From: Anne Lee Smyth Office: CI/RIA

Source Doc.: DBB-39905 2/25/66

Comments: ~~Insurrection~~ ~~Object~~ visited Saigon in '66 on perfect mission

3rd Agency Docs: 2 FBI reports from 1966

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Block, Mollie 761424

Pers. File Act. Reg.

Date: ^{None} 8/28/62 From: A. Egertler

Source Doc.: DCA 5374 3/28/62

Action Desk: CI/SIG

Comments: Appl. to Am. Emb. Moscow for visa for self to U.S. for herself, husband & daughter in 3/62

(Another)
Doc. same as in 201-194231

Martinkus, Anthony

201 Pers. File Act. Reg.

Date: 12/12/66 From: RHO/201/COB Office: CI/RA 2

Source Doc.: None

Comments: Sov. authorities refused to accept exist. visa appl. to USSR

Info. from Mos. Reported 486 - 1/19/61 states Sovs. refused to accept exist. visa - consider him to be stateless
3rd agency - looks like 1 doc.

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Gold, Robert

201 Pers. File Action Req.

Date: 9/14/68 From: D.J. D'Aiuto CI/KA

Source Doc.: DBC - 24928

Comments: Russia USSR 1961 (Context) Sov. Emb. 9-10/67.

Last add. Chicago Dep. 3/68 Present location unknown

Country of location: USA Act. Desk: C/NA Sec. Desk: SB/CR

3rd Agency Doc.: Not indicated as to contents.

Parker, Jas. Dudley 287270

Pers. file Act. Req.

Date: 11/14/60 From: Ruth Kippert CI/SI

Source Doc.: None Action Desk: CI/SI

Comments: None

Info. on J.D.P. (Ref. 10/60) he traveled to SD Ingram G-252, 10/26/60, he traveled to place from Budapest USSR on 10/23/60.

11/9/60 Bio. sheet - Info. from DBF-61279 11/60

11/1/61 Office memo, Chief, Contact Div. OO to Chief CI Staff; Re: Possible defection of U.S. cit. (Parker) in Moscow as related by source who was traveling on same plane

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12/5/66 MFR re Am. Defs. in USSR

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No attach. on JDP
No record of act. or of debriefing

3rd Agency - no indicative of contents

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Dubinsky, Shirley

Per. File Act. Reg.

Date: Illegible

From: Ann Egerton CI/SIG

Source Doc: - FBI ? 11/64

Action Desk: CI/SIG

Comments: U.S. address - Miami, Fla.

Applied for passport 4/23/61. Daughter of ? Dubinsky born in 5/95 in Russia & naturalized in U.S. - Joe D. born in Poland.

1961 - Renounced U.S. cit. & req. USSR cit.

(see)
dw. in Moscow Nov. or Dec. 1962

2nd No other docs. other than 201 file review sheet.

3rd agency - no indication as to contents

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Vubero Ricciardelle 289238

Personality File Action Log

Date: 12/21/60 by CI/SIG Ann-Spencer

Source Doc: CI/SIG ^{CI/SIG} ^{CI/SI}

Comments: ^{Residence in USA: Austin, Texas.}

cc-USA ^{1/11/62}

Reflected to ^{see} while in USSR as tourist in July, 1959.

- Unclass. info re R. : 8/3/59 ^{Hummer} - In 1959, R. sold house & belongings in Va. & said he was going to new job in Barbados - last anyone heard of him until he turned up in Moscow.

- News articles re R.

- Doc. X-ref. sheet on XAAZ-12952 dated 10/2/62 Report of Helen Howard ^(on 11/13/62) Petridger who met R. & ^{his} ^{wife} while serving as guide of ^{the} ^{USIA} ^{visit} in USSR from Mar-July 1962.

- 7/4/63 W.P. account of R family's ret. to U.S. at word of 6/63.

^{by W.T. Flagg, Chief Clerk, Office of Info.}
7/2/63 Report, ^{telephonically furnished} by Mrs. Chae Johnston, Regional Intell. Officer, ^{Washington 24}

- Subj, whose sec. is ⁱⁿ ^{the} ^{file}, left US in 2/59 to go to USSR.

- On 6/28/63 he entered US at N.Y. w/ non-^{quota} ^{immigrant} ^{visa} - visa petition was submitted by wife, approved in Chicago 5/23/63, & the visa was issued on 6/14. He was traveling on Sov. passport. Wife is US citz. & they have 3 children.

- Subj's ^{visa} now located in Boston where he's living. (S lived in Moscow in 1959; in Kiev from 1959-63.)

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R. Ricciardelli

12/5/66 MFR RE: Am. Defectors to USSR

Chron. on L.R.

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Susan Frank 191098

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Personality (201) File Request (Amend)

Date: 3/13/59

From: RTO/201 Signed: 244d

Source Doc.: DBF-19795

Action Desk: CI/ICD

Comments: LIT: USA

In contact with CP members in 1958

Residence 11/58, 110 Christopher St., N.Y.C.

Per. (20) File Req. (Open)

Date: 8/9/57

From: P. Cuffie

Source Doc.: DFB 87904

Action Desk: CI

Per. (201) File Req. (Amend)

Date: 9/29/59

From: RIA/201 Signed: H. Seale

Source Doc.: DBF-33269

Action Desk: CI/ICD

Ext Country Int.: UK

Comments: LIT: USA

Husband: ~~Richard Lynd~~

Passport # 442431

Received 2/58

Wouldn't answer ?'s relating to past or present

membership in CP. Subj. has been member of CP(NY) but denies being

one now because of husband's position w/ CBS-TV program "Conquest"

(Comm. Party member, suspect)

201 Per. File Req. (Amend)

Dated: 4/10/68

From: Richard Olm

CIOP/AD

No Source Doc.

Action Desk: CIOP/AD

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Frank (cont.)

12/30/59. Dispatch, COS-Bern to Chief FE: RE: Report that Frank is in Bern 12/10/59 → 10/12/59, left for Zurich, where inquired for flight to Prague. Also had contact w/ Czech Emb. in Bern.

2/2/60 Memo, DDP to Dir, FBI: Frank - often person desiring to go to Comm. China ~~from safety~~ go ~~to~~ Prague

No info. in this ~~file~~ indicates that they ever went to China or USSR

Machine listing indicates that SH6 lived in Peking ca 12/59 - 5/61.

- Was in USSR ca 1961 en route to U.S.

- Ret. to US @ 6/61.

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Pittman, John Owen 843597

201 Personality file action request

Date: 12/10/68

From: Robert Ober CI/S

Doc. opened on: 10/10/68 FBI Report

Machine printout indicates suby. ^{arrived} departed Moscow 10/6/59; departed ca 8/62
to ref. to US - San Francisco

^{also}
file contains:

8/23/69 Daily World article

9/23/69 " " article

Card on TOP indicates he visited N. Korea in 1969

FOIS News Service printout - Korean trip 1969

No debriefing by CIA.

All 3rd agency docs. re FBI reports

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Henry Winston

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201 Personality File Action Request

Date: None

From: ~~Yusuf~~ Ober - FK

Comments: Delete ~~from file~~

Doesn't give doc. or which file was opened

File indicates (in 10/16/65 Message, Dir. to Santiago) that ^{in 1949} a subj. was convicted & sentenced to 5-yr. term for conspiring to advocate overthrow of U.S. govt. Not apprehended until 1956 when imprisoned w/ add'l. 3 yr. sentence. Reld. 1961.

Travelled to S. U. 9/61 as CPUSA delegate to 22 Congress CPUSA. Ret. USA 2/64. Long history as Communist (since 1931).

File probably opened by early 50's.

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Litvynell, Harold

Personality (201) File Request

Date: 4/6/60 Signed: R. Del Vecchio

From: SR/2

Source Doc.: ABF 28658 - FBI Report of 7/23/59

Country of Residence: 100 Primary Desk Interest: 702

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Agency file contains

- Does dated early 7/59 Copenhagen to Secy. State and/or Dir. CIA; RE: Litvynell - states L arrived Copenhagen w/ family 6/29 from Moscow claiming invol. detection USSR from 10/28/58. States L entered USSR via Czech. 2/27/58 as tourist but intend. not. residence in regime sov. cit. Emp. in Kharkov as Design Engr., became disill. divorced w/sov. cit & attempted to ret. US

Consider full & controlled briefing by CIA; FBI desirable

- 7/16/59 memo, Angleton to Dir., FBI; RE: Litvynell - Agency reqs. results of any FBI invest.; states "He would be pleased to give any assistance necessary, inc. joint participation in the debriefing of Subj. in precise details as his experiences in the USSR & his contacts which should be made."

word in CIA (of debriefing.)

- next does. begin SA Reg. for info which shows Litvynell w/ addresses in Bulgaria & in Westport, Conn.

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Third Agency Docs.

FBI Reports: 7/23/59 (ABF 28658)

: 7/9/59 (ABF-27585)

no more 3rd Agency docs. until 6/3/65 FBI report

also

8/21/59 (ABF-32518) File N.Y. 105-38682

↳ ? may be FBI debriefing?

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Sloboda, Vladimir

Personality File Action Request

Dated: 11/17/60

From: [redacted] EE/6/CE

Source Doc: IN 34582 (8/7/60)

Comments: Former 513 MITG ~~Personality~~

Action Desk: EE/6/CE ~~Action Desk: —~~

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Docs. prior to opening of 201 include:

- Many press reports & reports from armed forces in Germany re Sloboda's defection (early Aug. 1960) Ref. to USSR 8/2/60.
- Undated, unmarked (except for -572 Moscow, Enclosure 1) report of visit to Mrs. Sloboda in Nov. - to inquire, on behalf of Consular Section, about progress of visa application for their son.
- Source doc. (8/7/60) indicates S's defection; info. that ops officer believe subj. had very limited access to 513 MITG files or operations.
- Several docs. (dated Aug. - Nov.) re S's access to class. info, knowledge of persons serving in specific ^(Army) intell. ops.
- 8/10/60 Green List Check - indicates no info. on S in FI/D.
- 5/22/62 Dispatch, Chief SR & Chief WE to COS, London, re list of questions for Mrs. Sloboda who left ~~London~~ in USSR & ret. to London.
- No response in file as to whether defection Mrs. S.
- Chronology indicates wife was interviewed by [redacted] on 3/19/63
- 4/19/63 Dispatch, COS, London to Chief, SR & Chief, WE; RE: ~~Full~~ Attached report of 3/19/63 interview w/ Mrs. S.
- Denied that she was recruited by Sov. intell. or ever approached by them.

Third Agency Docs.:

Earliest

State Telegram # 76. 8/6/60

U.S. Army Report 9/11/60 RE: Sloboda

" " 9/30/60 " "

Other State, Army & FBI docs. in 1961 & 1962.

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Block, Morris & Mollie

Personality (201) File Request

Morris Block -

Dated: 8/20/57

Source: ~~1048 88460~~ 8720157 FBI (Hask) to CIA, 8/15/57, file

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1st doc. is:

- 5/9/49 Dispatch, Chief London Station to Chief, BCD; RE: Alleged Communists, M & M Block, en route to Hawaii via Southampton.
- 8/20/57 doc. lists Morris Block as an American en route to the Moscow Youth Festival via France
- Defected to USSR in 7/59 after an unsuccessful attempt to defect in the summer of 1958.

4/29/64 Dispatch, LOS, Oslo to Chief, WE; RE: Forwards a report from a seaman source who, while in contact on 4/2/64, had a 5-1/2 hr. conversation w/ Block ~~personally~~

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Newspaper articles indicate that Block family returned to U.S. in mid-June 1964.

No CIA reports of contact w/ Blocks after their return.

File shows 4 reports of FBI on Blocks following their return.

: 1 Navy doc. (NIC), 5/10/55, Op-921E/jb Ser 002237P92

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4 vols. of 201 file contain primarily third agency docs. (mainly FBI), starting 7/11/50 — 4/4/66

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Dutkany, Joseph

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Personality File Action Request

#nom: Ann Egerton

Dated: 12/21/60

Source Doc.: CI/SIG

Comments: A comm. [redacted] served in U.S. Armed Forces reported missing [redacted] of his family from his post in N. Germany since 7/16/60 [redacted] 11/60.

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Contains:

- Various news dispatches & articles re Dutkany's defection dating from July 27, 1960.
- 7/29/60 Army Intell. Report re articles on D's alleged defection
- 8/19/60 Dispatch [redacted] to Director, RE: USAREUR doesn't feel that D's reported defection has any great significance re US intell. effort.
- 10/24/60 CIA Intell. Report; RE: Info. from source (a U.S. minister) re meeting w/ D. in Korea.
- Remainder of docs. [redacted] prepared for S.A. 11/60 dates after 5/62

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No indication of CIA [redacted]

Third Agency Docs:

- Earliest doc. is State Dispatch #497 dated 12/11/61 re Mrs. D.
- Other docs. include FBI reports; S.A. docs.; Report by Production Branch, Intell. Div., HQ USAREUR; Army Study; dating from 12/27/61 - 1/31/66

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Petrulli, Nicholas

Entered Soviet Union as tourist on 8/10/59;

Decided to stay in S.U. & not continue w/ travel group on 8/18/59; informed ^{Emb. officials} on 8/28/59;

Renounced U.S. citizenship on 9/2/59;

Ret. to U.S. Emb. on 9/8/59. ^{advising dissatisfaction w/S.U.}; desire to return home.

Ret. to N.Y. on 9/22/59.

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Permeability File Action Request:

Date: 10/1/64

Source Doc.: DBA-62019 FBI Report # 100-32163, 100-431848 of 1/21/64

Comments: Gen. Am. Cit., Moscow, 1959. Applied for Sov. Cit., never rec'd.

Ret. to USA, 1959.

File consists primarily of 3rd agency docs:

1) 1 State Dispatch from Embassy Moscow 9/22/59

2) 10 FBI docs. from 9/11/59 to 5/6/62

No other CIA generated docs. other than ^{other than} info. based on above docs. & newspaper articles.

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Amron, Irving

Amron was residing in USSR from 1933-1962. This was not reflected in machine listing from which request was made.

Amron applied to Agency for employment in letter dated 6/21/64.

" submitted Personal History Statement dated 7/5/64.

Biometric File Request dated 9/8/64.

Source document: FBI F# 105-2862; B# 105-100312 2/28/64

Newark, N.J. (ABA 78100) Sealed as 3rd Agency doc.

10/22/64 MFR indicates Amron was interviewed (debriefed) on 9/3/64 by
intell. officer using DOD cover.

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Bruce Davis - 201-289235

Personality File Action Request, 12/21/60 by ^{and Egerton} 201-289235

Comments: Abducted U.S. Army in Germany, 8/60.

: Defected to East 5/11/60

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Undated report on ~~Page~~ Bruce Frederick

Contains info. on defection from:

1) Rept. of Army dispatch from Moscow on 10/22/60;

2) Articles from 10/22/60 Wash. Evening Star and 10/23/60 N.Y. Times

Dept. of State, incoming Telegram ^{10/22} dated 10/22/60, Moscow to Secy. of State re

Soviet press statement on defection of Davis

Earliest sealed 3rd agency doc. is ~~dated~~ Air Force doc., dated 7/12/62.

Copy of above doc. is in file:

Dept. of Air Force Intelligence Report dated 7/12/62; Subject: Encounter w/2 U.S.

Defectors during USA ^(Am.) Medical Exhibit in Kiev, USSR

- Details encounter of source, who served as guide at U.S. Medical Exhibit held in Moscow, Kiev & Leningrad from March to July 1962, w/ Bruce F. Davis and Vibero Ricciardelli.

Cross Reference Sheet for ^{10/21/62} ~~above~~ doc. on Helen Howard Partridge who served as a guide w/ Medicine - USA exhibit in USSR from March to July 1962.

She executed a statement on 9/13/62, detailing her contact w/ Am. defectors Bruce Davis & Vibero Ricciardelli. Also mentions names of other guides who had contact w/ Davis.

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B. F. Davis (cont.)

DDI Intelligence Information Report dated 10/24/63.

Report contains limited NIS information concerning the city of Kiev, where SOURCE (Bull F. Davis) spent approx. 3 mos. from 10/60 - 7/63. Info. was acquired at ~~Yanov~~ ^{Yanov} ~~summary~~ on 8/7/63.

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6/11/62 Internal Report of SOURCE Davis

Looks like details of contact w/ George Humphrey & Helen Partridge. (With guide at Medical Exhibit in ^{USSR} Moscow in 1962.

6/24/62 Memo, COS Moscow () to Chief, SR; Subject:

Security; Encounter w/ Am. defector. Attached copy of report prepared by 2 indivs. who encountered an Am. defector who deserted from the Army in Berlin. ... name was not familiar to us here in Moscow, & did not appear in my files, the info. has been reported...

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Halperin, Maurice Hymen

Halperin has 7-volume 201-file.

- ~~Bottom~~ File begins with employment records during 1940's.
- Indicates that during his employment w/ OSS in Wash., D.C., Halperin was passing info. to ~~John G. ...~~ & ~~...~~ Soviet espionage agent. Apparently, FBI was ~~...~~ case until ~~...~~ date 1953, when Halperin left U.S. for Mexico.
- 201 file requests on M. H. Halperin and Edith Frieda Halperin are dated 9/3/57 and 9/24/56, respectively. Files indicate heavy telephonic surveillance on Halperin during 1957 & 1958.
- Files also contain copies of correspondence to Halperin.
- Left Mexico in 1958.
- Lived in Soviet Union from 12/58 until 10/62, when they moved to Cuba.
- + ~~...~~ employed as ~~...~~ at Simon Fraser U. in Vancouver.

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Wm. Hamilton Martin

Disappeared 6/24/60.

Wash. D.C. Star of 8/6/60 : presumed to have gone behind Iron Curtain.

N.Y.T. - 9/7/60 : Text of statements read by M&M in Moscow

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201 File Request

Date: 8/3/60

From: Wm. K. Hawey

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Robert E. Webster file

DOB 23 Oct 28 - Ohio

CIA has no operational relationship with Mr. Webster - letter from Dulles to Bundy dated 15 Apr 61

Was employed as plastic expert by the Sand Development Corp. of Cleveland Ohio

enlisted electronics specialist in U.S. Navy.

Traveled to USSR in connection with the American Exhibition in Moscow, 1959

17 Oct 59 officially renounced his U.S. Citizenship

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dated 10/17/20/59-

Probably opened on 10/20/59 from news articles - earliest 3rd agency was AF doc. 10/23/59.

Webster, Robert E.

Vol. I

Bio sheets & newspaper articles provide following info.:

- Webster made a series of trips to Moscow during March-July 1959 in conjunction w/ Rand Corp. exhibit at the Moscow Exhibition.
- Webster ~~reappeared~~ ^{reappeared} "on a trip" on 9/10/59 when the Rand Corp. personnel ~~reappeared~~ ^{reappeared} to leave Moscow.
- N reportedly renounced U.S. cit. @ Oct. 17-19, 1959. Was informed by Sovs. that if he accepted Sov. cit., he wouldn't be able to leave country.

10/6/59 SA Telegram, ^{+1082, (H+news)} Moscow to Secy. State ; RE: Receipt of letter from Webster stating his decision to remain in S.U. to live & work. Emb. unable to determine N's whereabouts in Leningrad.

10/8/59 MFR by Emmett J. McMortey -SR /COP/FI ; RE: Attempts to locate Webster ; receipt of (above) Emb. cable.

- ATIC Cleveland ~~was advised~~ ^{was advised} N was carrying out clandestine work for CIA which ~~had~~ ^{had} been coordinated w/ them. Has assumed that this was not ~~our~~ ^{our} knowledge, N had not been briefed by & was unknown to either DDP or OO officers.
- Check made w/ Mr. Mills ; had encountered N in a few social occasions; he will consult w/ Messrs. Vinkelman & Rayson to produce a more complete picture of N.

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10/20/59 MFR by Bruce K. Solie, OS/SRS ; RE: Webster

- Egerton advised Papier called Roman re Agency interest in N.
- OS files - no clearance; was an OO/c int. in N in late May '59, but N wasn't contacted by OO/c prior to trips to USSR.
- CI/OA files - no record.

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- 10/21/59 Office Memo, E.S. Rittenburg, Cleveland to Chief, ^{Contact Div.,} ~~DCM, Attn:~~ Support Br. (Crowley); RE: R.E. Webster case at recent Machine Searching Conference on 10/20/59 - ~~On 10/21/59~~ ^{no} interest in matter.

- 10/22/59 Office Memo, ~~Rittenburg~~ Cleveland Resident Agent to Chief, ~~Contact~~ ^{Contact} Div.; Attn: Support Br. (Crowley); RE: Webster - questions asked by Major R.H. Gorman of OSI:

- a) Is this office doing anything re W's defection?
- b) If not, do they contemplate doing anything?
- c) What would this office have done if W not normally?

Rittenburg called next day w/ response that they knew only what was in newspapers re W; (not very cooperative)

- 10/30/59 Office Memo, Rittenburg to Crowley; RE: Kent (of WRU) conversation w/ H.J. Read re R.E. Webster

- 10/26/59 Memo, ~~Sheffield~~ ^{Agency interest in} ~~to~~ ^{RE: Webster} ~~DCM, Attn:~~ ~~Support Br. (Crowley)~~ ~~RE: Webster~~

- W has never been ~~seen~~ ^{by agency}; was considered for debriefing May-June 1959, however he wasn't contacted prior to dep. for USSR
- Agency does have a std. contractual relationship w/ Cleveland office of Read Develop. Corp. re develop. of tech. material of int. to Agency.
- In view of W's empl. w/ RDC, please forward any info. obtained in investig. of W.

10/23/59 Info. on Vera Svehenko, W's girlfriend

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10/28/59 Report re W:

W was given sec. clearance 6/5/59 but never had access to military info.

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Report of interview of W by Snyder ^{on 10/17/59} in presence of H. J. Rand & Geo. Bookbinder at the DBVIR in Moscow - reasons for defection; also signed renunciation of U.S. cit.

3/22/60 Office of Security Affairs, Kitterburg to Chief, Contact Div.; Attn: Support Branch (Crowley) - ^{re: W's return to U.S.} (from 3/22/60 Cleveland Press article) of W's desire to ret. to U.S.

3/25/60 DM, Kitterburg to LIAWIA

- Rand contacted by W's father to aid in bringing W home.
- Rand indicated he would contact SA & Sov. Emb. Wash. to see what could be done.
- R quoted Snyder of US Emb Moscow as saying there would be no difficulty from U.S. side. Even though W is Sov. cit., Sov. quota is never filled & since he's broken no laws, he should be able to enter US as alien if necessary.
- R indicated may be value in bringing W back for intell. reasons.

Several Office of Security Affairs re W's return & actions re return to US.

12/20/60 File Review of Office of Security files, SA reflected (besides doc. re W's defection) the following:

5/4/60 Telegram (# 2697) Am Emb Moscow to SA: RE: Visit of W that afternoon; interviewed by Security & Consular officers; asked for advice re ret. to US.

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- States that W's father should be advised to execute visa petition & also forward notarized letters of invitation from self & Mrs. W. for W's use in making Sov. and visa app.
- W was given standard invit. letter to facilitate future entries into Emb.

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Vol. I contains third agency docs. as follows:

17 FBI Reports -

2 Rept. of AF Memo

4 SR docs. - 11/12/59; 3/22/60; 1/11/62; 6/8/60

Vol. II ✓ - PRQ - Part I ^{Handwritten} ~~PROHIBITED~~ ^{Handwritten} someone after return to US.

- News articles re W's ^{permission} ~~retention~~ to ret. to US @ 5/16/62.

- Undated Memo, Jao. B. Yau, Assessment & Evaluation Staff, Office of Inq. to Mr. Rudy Salaban, SR/6 Attaching:
Report of Court Assessment of R.E. Webster - assessed on 7/23-24/62
- Report based on psych. testing

- Attach. to Pitt Report 21345 - "List of Known & Retention Items from R.E. Webster"

3rd Agency = 1 FBI Report of 11/8/62

Vol. III

Office Memo from Cleveland re Reid & W's ret.

Correspondence bet. W & family

CIA Info Report ^{Country: USSR}
Subj: Resigned Scient. Dir. Cent. of Poly. Plastics (NIIPP)
^{Res. & Org. of Sov. Plastics Ind.}

Date of Info.: 11/18/59 - 4/18/62

Report # 00-B-3232798

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CG/00 Case 38246

Joint report of Foreign Tech. Div., AF Systems Command, & CIA

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6/4/62 Request for Approval or Investigative Action

To: CI/Op. App. & Supp. Div.

From: AC/SR/6/Supp.

: Sec. Supp. Div. / DS

R. T. Balaban

Reqs.: Provisional Cover ~~Security~~ Approval

Spec. Area of the Debriefing & other Sov. matters data

Clearance req. to debrief ~~in~~ experience as a resident of S.U. prior to
during defection @ 9/10/59.

6/22/62 Memo, DD Security (Invest. & Oper. Supp.) to Chief, SR Div.; Attn: Balaban

- A PCSA may be granted for use as described; subj. is not to represent himself nor to be represented as an emp. of CIA. If change in status is desired, new request should be made.

7/5/62 Author. to expend funds ^{for debriefing} ~~for~~ of Cover Associate ^(RCW) of int. to SR Div.

Funds for use of safe house approx. 14 days. Chargeable to Project

DDA

7/11/62 Memo: Request for Handwriting Analysis

7/12/62 Telememo ^{for Stewart} ~~for~~ to EE, USSR (Rooley), att. data recorded on Sov. ~~assets~~

7/16/62 Personal History Statement of Webster

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7/18/62 Memo, J. F. Marzen, Chief TSB/GARB to Chief DA/P/SR; RE: Handwriting analysis re per req. of 7/11/62.

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7/24/64 MFR, ^{by Howard J. Stark;} RE: Assessment of R.W. in area of plastics

7/24/62 Interview Report by Dr. Chas. L. Bohner, 10pp.; RE:

Background info. of N; ^{into the} ~~analysis~~ ^{of} S.W. & ret. to U.S.

7's: Is this man ^{so} controlled? Highly unlikely.

If not, could he become a security risk, if things don't go well in future? He is offered suitable financial reward.

Undated MFR of 7/19/62 Debriefing of R.E.W. by Ned Bennett, CA/PROP/OB;
RE: Views on Sov. attitudes W/atts additional notes

8/1/62 MFR by Victor F. Zimin; RE: Area in interrogation which cast a shadow on W's bona fides.

8/27/62 Memo, Geo. Stone, IA/CR to Eleanor Reid; RE: Appraisal of Stern.

8/30/62 Memo, S. Duncan, SR/ER to W. J. ... support; RE: Photo Ident.

11/1/62 Memo, Virgil K. Harris, Chief, SE/6 RE: Debriefing of REW 7/16-17/62

I. Outline of life story of REW - complete chron.

II. Wide info. on Sov. realities 1959-62: TV, radio, mail, medical treatment, voting ^{sociological i.e. conditions, prices,}

III. Bug. info. on Sov. Personalities known to W-1959-62

IV. Assessment of REW

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Vol. III 3rd Agency docs.

2 SB telegrams - 5/4/62 and 3/27/62

5 FBI reports 3/6/62 - 5/24/62

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4/16/63 Memo, Balaban to Chief, SR/6 ; RE: Debriefing of R. E. Webster

1. Subj. debriefed by undersigned together w/00/Contact Div. & AF reps. in Pittsburgh during 7/2-3/62.

Balaban = Rudy Valentino

Other used names

= Keller Stewart

= Robert Sterling

= Jack [unclear]

= Major E. J. Zortina

= Mr. F. B. Taylors

00 Office, Pittsburgh

AF Foreign Sec. Div., Wright Patterson AFB, Ohio

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Recommended that subj. be brought to D.C. for detailed debriefing.

Arrangements for 2nd debriefing made by OS

Subj. stayed at Marriott Hotel, Key Budge, during 7/15-28/62.

Enclosure A: List of staff personnel who participated in debriefing.

" B: Notations made by Balaban during various phases of debriefing.

" C: Secrecy agreement, dated 7/16/62, signed by subj.

" D: " " Statement of truthfulness, signed by subj.

" E: Show drug on subj.

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Refs. to Oswald

5/11/64 memo, Angleton to Dir., FBI re LHO

- Attached copy of names, addresses & phone #'s re S.U. - one address in denigral of Lev Prizentsev is same or similar to W's address here.

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12/5/66 MFR, from [redacted] re "Am. Defectors to USSR" w/attached chron. re W.

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5/10/67 Memo, B. Keller Stewart, Jr. (Chief, Pitts. Office) to Dir. DCS; RE: RSN

- We've had no contact w/ W since 1963 when we completed handling of him
under [unclear]

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4 FBI Reports 10/22/64 - 2/13/67

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RE W.

Defection:

How aided by Sovs? Popov & Shukel - high govt. officials (KGB)

How aided in obtaining employment?

Any contact with [redacted] (3/60) After attempts to return to U.S.? After ret. to US?

Contacts at Sov. Emb. in Moscow

- SA

- CIA

PRQ- Pt. I - why; when (1st deb.)?

Debriefing

Did debriefing indicate any desire by agency to use him

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