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Dear

Re: William Hamilton MARTIN, and Bernon Ferguson MITCHELL

Purther to your letter of 6 October 1975, we have identified and spoken to the Canadian professor, Dr. Hans KUNOV, referred to in your letter ______ The attachment outlines the contact between KUNOV and MARTIN and MITCHELL.

Also attached is a report on host at the USSR Academy of Sciences

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The F.B.I. has received the information contained in the attachments.

Yours truly,

Assistant Liaison Officer.

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