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ADMINISTRATIVE (CONT'D) With reference to the ANNETTE EPSTEIN, identified as being acquainted with KOVALEV, attention is called to the fact that the New York Office is currently conducting background investigation regarding this individual and plans in future to give consideration to developing her as a PSI. However, attention is called to New York airtel dated 9/10/59, captioned " PSI - DESECO - R", which reflects derogatory information concerning some of EPSTEIN'S RELATIVES. This information will be taken into consideration in evaluating her double agent potential 7(5) For the information of the Bureau, New York does not plan to give consideration to developing DENNISTHARBER, also identified as an associate of KOVALEV, as a PSI because of his addegedly having undergone psychiatric treatment in past. However, NY has opened a contact case on HARBER and will upon the completion of this investigation will evaluate this [individuals double agent potential](5) In connection with the party given by KOVALEV (5) in December, 1958, as reported by CSNY (2683 S, (NY T-6)(5) it is noted that this is undoubtedly the same Christmas Party about which NY 2601-S and PSI LAWRENCE LESTER WHETTEN have previously furnished information. (\$ The Bureau's attention is directed to the fact that NY 2601-S is , one of the individuals identified by CSNY 2683 S as being present at the party Concerning the other individual identified by

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CSNY 2683 S, as being present at the December, 1958 party, namely JERRY VERNER, attention is called to the fact that

VERNER is the subject of NY closed file 105-29584



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[III. CONTACTS AND ASSOCIATES]

With NY T-5

On July 7, 1959 and August 13, 1959, NY T-5 voluntarily furnished information to the New York Office of the FBI concerning his past association with various Soviet nationals attached to the UN. One of these Soviet nationals was Translator LEONID A. KOVALEV.

Subsequently on September 17, 1959, the informant voluntarily furnished the below set forth details concerning his original meeting with KOVALEV and their subsequent contacts:

Informant first met KOVALEV at a party which he (NY T-5) gave at his place of residence some time in June, 1958. Informant had invited Soviets IVAN Y FEDORCHENKO and BORIS S IVANOV to this party. However, IVANOV was unable to attend the affair and KOVALEV came in his place.

NY T-5 related that most of the people present at this party were instructors and pupils from the Berlitz School of Languages, New York City, at which school the informant was an instructor at that time. Informant further related that among the people present at this party,

KOVALEY was friendliest with DENNIS HARBER, 454 West 22nd Street, Apartment 4W, New York City, who was also a Berlitz instructor. NY T-5 stated that during the party HARBER became somewhat intoxicated and began talking about Communism in Spain.

NY T-5 advised that as a result of the meeting at the above referred to party, he and KOVALEV Recided to exchange English and Russian Language lessons. Thereafter, for approximately four weeks they met on succeeding Wednesdays

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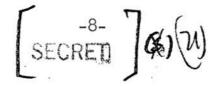
NY T-5 related that on July 30, 1959, he and ANNETTE EPSTEIN visited KOVALEV at the UN 19 They spent about 30 minutes together drinking and conversing in the UN cocktail lounge 19 According to the informant, this discussion was on general social topics. During this meeting, KOVALEV accepted an invitation from the informant to attend a party at NY T-5's residence on August 8, 1959, but actually did not attend this function. He contacted the informant on August 9, 1959, apologized for not havingg attended the party, and gave as his excuse the fact that his automobile had broken down, and he was unable to make the trip back to New York City from his summer residence in Rye, New York.

In connection with the DENNIS HARBER, who attended the June, 1958 party, NY T-5 advised that he had hear that HARBER had met and was friendly with KOVALEV before this party, and that they had gone out socially on several occasions. Informant further advised that he had heard from another instructor at the Berlitz School that HARBER had undergone psychiatric treatment at a veterans hospital in the New York City area. However, NY T-5 stated that he thought HARBER presently resides somewhere in the middle West.

With NY T-6

On August 12, 1959, NY T-6 voluntarily furnished the New York Office of the FBI with the below set forth details of his association with Soviet Translator LEONID A. KOVALEV and his wife, RIMMA KOVALEVA: (5)

Informant advised that he was an English instructor the UN in 1958. RIMMA KOVALEVA was one of several Soviets Temales, who attended one of his classes. Informant became friendly with KOVALEVA and as a result she invited him to attend a party which was given by her husband, LEONID A. KOVALEV, in December, 1958, at their residence.



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