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Reference is made to your memoranda dated August 23, and October! 1948, in the above-captioned matter. 1

In your memorandum of August 23, you furnished the Bureau with information indicating that Count Tolstoy, Nichelas Galitzin and his wife cooperated with the Central Intelligence Agency and the American Embassy in Paris, France. The information further indicated that the American Embassy had highly recommended these individuals to the Secretary of State as a red sult of this cooperation and suggested that visas be granted to them as soon as possible in order that they might travel to the United States & [4]

According to the information contained in your memorandum of October 12, 1948, Count Tolstoy and his mistress Princess Galitizine were considered important agents of the Soviet Intelligence Services. It was stated that they intended to change their field of action from France to t United States and further that Count Tolstoy intended to maintain close con tact with Countess Tolstoy, the head of the Tolstoy foundation in New York. This information was furnished to you by Inspector LeMeur of the French Intelligence Service who requested that no dissemination be made to other agencies.

In view of the conflicting nature of the information furnished, Bureau desires that you recontact inspector LeMeur in an attempt to further clarify the information furnished by him. In the event Inspector LeMeur's information is reliable, it should be pointed out to him that it will be necessary for this Bureau to disseminate, on a limited scale, the information furnished by him because of the allegation made that these individuals were agents of the Soviet Intelligence Service.

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