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OMAR FARUK DAJANY, aka.
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Re Buairtel 7/31/59.

Subject interviewed (8/1/59) from 9:45 A.M. to 2:21 P.M. (S)

He admitted his contacts with women and men employed by U.S. Government over period of time were purely for social reasons and at no time did they discuss political subjects or employment of these persons. At no time did he ask for or receive any info. from these persons, many of whom never knew him by name. (S) (u)

In regard to CAPT. JOSEPH SHIMON, Metropolitan PD, DAJANY met him through a mutual friend. They have visited each other on number of occasions on purely social basis. (S)

Sometime, which DAJANY felt was in 1954, he casually mentioned to CAPT. SHIMON that he felt his DAJANY'S phone was "tapped." Subject did not ask SHIMON to check for tap but shortly thereafter his relationship with SHIMON seemed not so friendly. From this subject surmised a tap had been found and SHIMON was dubious about associating with subject when tap found. Presence of a tap firmly denied by interviewing agents. (S) (u)

Subject denied knowing RAFAEL MEDAN or DAVID ZUTA by (S)

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name. From descriptions furnished it appeared a man he knew only as ~~BENNY MOURAD~~ or ~~MOURAD~~ (PH) and a young student introduced by MOURAD to DAJANY were actually MEDAN and ZUTA. Later, when photos exhibited to subject, he identified photo of MEDAN as MOURAD and one of ZUTA as person introduced by MOURAD. (He claimed this person was introduced by name but he could not recall it and did not recognize name, ZUTA). (S)

Claimed he met MOURAD in a cafe in Jerusalem in 1946 or 1947. A couple of years ago, MOURAD somehow contacted subject and said he was passing through WDC and wanted to renew acquaintanceship. MOURAD, according to DAJANY, was a student at Columbia or New York University in NY, and writing thesis in economics and wanted DAJANY'S help and ideas. DAJANY said MOURAD was in WDC about once a month and they met and went out for a drink or a meal and discussed current topics, mutual friends and persons who were either known by DAJANY or MOURAD. DAJANY said he never furnished MOURAD information about his work at the International Bank, never introduced MOURAD to Arab acquaintances and claimed he never received money from MOURAD, whom he did not know to be employed by the Israeli Government in any capacity. Even after being confronted with information developed on July 10, 1958 (when after meeting MEDAN and receiving magazine, he was observed to take white envelope from inside magazine and later deposit in bank \$350.00) DAJANY categorically denied that he received money. Stated on at least two occasions magazines were received from MOURAD and on one occasion magazine contained a thesis MOURAD was preparing. (S)

DAJANY has seen man introduced to him by MOURAD only on two occasions, once with MOURAD and next time alone. This man is a student, living in Baltimore. Appeared this individual was merely being sociable for he never asked DAJANY for anything and DAJANY did not receive anything in return. Man spoke Arabic and appeared to know where the DAJANY property was in Jerusalem. (S)

When asked if he had not received sums of money from the Israelis, DAJANY denied this strongly. Later, however, he said that on a fairly regular basis some of his friends or relatives on coming to the US would bring money on occasions, the amounts (S)

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various, were either by check, bank drafts or cash. Subject also recalled that about three years ago he met a citizen and realtor of Israel in Europe who spoke with him about the arrangement whereby DAJANY could apply for amounts up to \$100.00 and later \$200.00 per month from rental of property owned by DAJANY family. Through the Custodian of Enemy Property in Israel DAJANY submitted application and thereafter has received various amounts of money through his family. (Incidentally his three brothers and mother are in Beirut, Lebanon). This money came to him directly from Lebanon in form of cash, bank drafts and checks. How much of the money was actually furnished to the DAJANY family subject does not know. Subject has no accounting on amounts received to date and claims this is being stopped because of some arrangement or has already ceased since last received money in May or June, 1959. (S)

On departing from agents after being questioned repeatedly on receipt of funds, which he could not logically account, subject said he would report to the FBI upon return from his present trip, and after he has had an opportunity to talk with his family in Lebanon, and report the true story, a story which he said "would make you laugh". When asked if it would not be advantageous to furnish the truth now, DAJANY said he could not until he got permission of his family. (S)

On termination of meeting, DAJANY advised he would keep matter in extreme confidence and would report promptly any contacts with the Israelis for any purpose. (S)

It is to be noted that DAJANY'S accounts of his contacts with other than known Israeli intelligence operators were obviously true, however, his accounts of contacts with MOURAD (MEDAN) and ZUTA were just as false and fabricated. Repeated emphasis on the obvious untruths on his part merely brought more denials. It appears he is a pathological liar. (S)

WFO does not recommend further contact with the subject for the purpose of development as a double agent for reasons stated above. (S)

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