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Subject:

ANISSIN GEORGE VAINTRAUB;

CHARLES TOURINE, aka.

FPC

Re Paris letter 11/28/61.

On 12/14/61, the Police Judiciaire (Criminal Police), Sureté Nationale, made available the following information:

The results of stops placed on the subjects in order to determine their activities during the period of their stay in France were, as of 12/8/61, insignificant.

The Police Judiciaire advised, however, that it has been ascertained that the subjects actually arrived at Le Bourget Airport en route from London on 8/24/61. Subject VAINTRAUB went to the Prince de Galles Hotel, 33 avenue George V, where he stayed from 8/24 until 8/29/61. During his stay at this hotel, he made the following telephone calls:

1) To Miss MARGUERITE KOECHLIN, telephone no. [88-52-56], Nice, France;

2) To Mr. JOSEPH ROHR, telephone 88-52-26, at Nice, France;

3) To telephone on mber GUD 2-6575, New York City.

According to the Police Judiciaire, subject VAINTRAUB reportedly

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telephoned the above New York telephone number from the Prince de Galles Hotel, Paris, France, on 8/25 and 28/61.

The above French service advised that Miss KOECHLIN, born 11/14/88 at Belfort, France, is a former American national who became a naturalized French citizen by decree on 3/2/56 and resides at 38 boulevard Victor Hugo, Nice, France. This person has resided in France for approximately twelve years and leads a respectable life. She has sufficient capital in a bank account and to all intents and purposes appears to be retired. She visits the United States rather frequently where she reportedly has relatives. She is not known to have any police record and enjoys an excellent reputation (U)

According to the Police Judiciaire, Mr. JOSEPH ROHR was born 4/24/97 at Crzenylany, Poland. He is an Austrian national who is married and has one child. He resides at 16 boulevard Gambetta, Nice. Since the date of his arrival in France in 1938, it appears that he has not exercised any profession. He reportedly is being supported by an Aunt, Mrs. MARGARET ERBER, who reportedly is the head of a corset manufacturing company at "1683 Street, Brooklyn, New York", as well as by his wife's family who are reportedly very wealthy. In 1953, ROHR was suspected of having engaged in the illegal sale of "emblems"

ROHR has resided in Nice since 1942 and frequents the Buffa Café situated in the vicinity of his residence.

ROHR has no known criminal record. (U)

The Police Judiciaire advised that since subject VAINTRAUB's departure from the Prince de Galles Hotel on 8/29/61 no indication has been received that he has returned to the Paris area.

With respect to subject TOURINE, the Police Judiciaire advised that all trace of him was lost after his arrival at Le Bourget Airport on 8/24/61.

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The French authorities have been alerted to the Bureau's interest in this matter and any information coming to their attention will be furnished the Paris Office.

In view of the foregoing, no further action is recommended in this matter at Paris.

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