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REPORT MADE AT LOS ANGELES	DATE WHEN MADE 1/10/43	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 1/1-4/10/43	REPORT MADE BY JOHN E. VIGAN DIX
TITLE HERBERT JUDITH SCHWARTZ, et al			CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - R CUSTODIAL DETENTION
SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED EXCEPT WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE CONFIDENTIAL JOHN HERBERT LARSON conferred and attended Communist meetings with ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG, national of official 2/7-4/43. [Received letter from CHARLES ALBERT RICH, cultural attaché, US Embassy, Uruguay, advising results of elections and condition of political prisoners in Brazil.] LARSON was instructor Los Angeles Communist Workers School, spring term, 1941. He contributed to special Hollywood issue, People's World, 1/21/43 and collaborated on script for motion picture re. activities of National Maritime Union, which picture brought high praise from People's World. LARSON observed at meeting with PAUL CUNNEILL, CARL WINTER, MAX SILVER, and LOUIS CHAMBERLAIN. HERBERT SCHWARTZ has delivered 3 public addresses on Russia and appears to be coming out in the open now. He is active in leadership (though not an official) of Hollywood Democratic Committee, which appears to be newest front organization in Hollywood. Informant believes SCHWARTZ active in CP recruiting campaign in Los Angeles. [Larson visited New York while in quest on death of his brother-in-law WILLIAM LARSON.] Contacts and meetings of subjects set forth. Bank accounts monitored. [Mail cover set forth.] LARSON deposited \$1000 to account in February, 1943. Unable to trace source of same.			Classified by 67788 Declassify on: OADR EXU Classified by NY 55669/88 Declassify on: OADR 259416
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THE LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

San Los Angeles, California, will maintain contact with COWI LA 78 for bank checks on Subjects, and also for check on entrance of BIRNBAUM'S safe deposit box at this bank, #320.

Will develop Informant in LARSON neighborhood for continuous surveillance, it being noted that MARIE and RICHARD RAY (employed at LOCKHEED AIRCRAFT CORPORATION) 1521 Coldwater Canyon Avenue, reside in a good location and one which we have previously used to advantage.

Will watch possibility of developing informant in the BIRNBAUM neighborhood, it being noted the home of E. B. LINDBERG may be vacated soon. Others in vicinity are friends of Subject.

Will conduct inquiries about BILLIE EKEL, in care of LILLIAN EKEL'S TEA ROOM, 315 East Seventh Street, Long Beach, California (telephone Long Beach 6-1095).

Will contact the appropriate officers of the U. S. GRANT COMPANY, 510 South Spring Street, to ascertain the identity and Communistic tendencies of H. A. BIRTH.

Will ascertain Subject BIRNBAUM'S activities prior to his leadership in the American Peace Mobilization through COWI LA 1135.

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Confidential Source B:

Confidential National Defense
Informant L.A. 153

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