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TO : Chief, FI/Plans/Cover

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FROM : Chief, Contact Division, OO

SUBJECT: OO/C Case 12417

1. Attached are copies of a memorandum submitted by the Washington field office concerning a proposed plan of one Irving Davidson to arrange for the "escape" of one Dr. Leopold Stern from Czechoslovakia through the intercession (for a fee) of Mexican Communist figures.

2. Although the field office memorandum refers to similar plan back in 1950 by Davidson, a check with the field office failed to turn up any additional information on this first plan.

3. We have located a memorandum in our files dated 23 March 1950, however, as follows:

"An OPC character (Gleason) informed that one Irving Davidson had been to the Enforcement Division of the Office of International Trade where he stated to John Phillips, OIT, that he had information regarding travel between Mexico and USSR. He gave Phillips information on transshipments through Mexico, and the two subjects are connected. Davidson has in the past given information to the FIU /FBI/ and War Assets Administration and Phillips vouched for the accuracy of this past information given WAA. Davidson lives at 1727 Mass. Ave., phone Decatur 6100, extension 215. His business is public relations.

EH /signed"

4. According to the field office, Davidson now resides at 2801 Quebec Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

5. If the matter is of interest and you have need of further information, please call R. P. Lohmann on extension 2268.

Attachments

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