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SOURCE : A radio engineer by education and a self-admitted former KGB informant who emigrated from the Soviet Union in January 1975. He graduated from the Leningrad Electrotechnical Institute and subsequently worked in Leningrad at several classified scientific/technical establishments and a branch of the Ministry of Foreign Trade. Later, he was employed in Moscow at export branches of the Ministry of Aviation Industry and the Ministry of Foreign Trade, did some graduate work at the All-Union Machine Building Institute, and worked as a translator at Tsniistroymash. His reporting reliability and bona fides have not been established.

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DATE OF INFORMATION: June 1968 - January 1975 DATE OF DEBRIEFING : 29 February 1976

Following his move from Leningrad to Moscow in June 1968, Source met Aleksandr Aleksanrovich ROZINKIN, a translator who works for a number of Soviet publishing houses in Moscow but actually does his translation work at his residence (address: Moscow 452, Balaklavskiy Prospekt, House No. 4, Korpus No. 5, Apartment No. 353; home phone number: 110-2311). ROZINKIN's father is Jewish and his mother is Great Russian. ROZINKIN graduated from the Moscow State Pedagogical Institute of Foreign Languages imeni Maurice Thorez in 1956 or 1957, traveled to Australia in connection with a one-year assignment as an interpreter attached to the Soviet antarctic expedition, and traveled abroad to at least one other foreign country (location unknown by Source). He was married twice. His first wife (name unknown to Source) bore him a son and his second (named Lena lnu) gave birth to a daughter. Although he is still married to Lena, ROZINKIN does not reside with her and the daughter. ROZINKIN loves his daughter and frequently visits her at his wife's residence located in the area of the Preobrazhenskaya metro station in Moscow. ROZINKIN had a mistress named Galina Sergeyevna ZHIRKOVA (refer to SX-28663, dated 14 April 1976, for data on ZHIRKOVA) who worked as a typist at the Higher Diplomatic School and was scheduled to be assigned PCS in 1975 to a Soviet embassy in an unidentified foreign country.

2. ROZINKIN expressed anti-Soviet regime attitudes to Source and to other friends, and indicated he had thought in principle of emigrating, but stated he did not wish to leave his daughter. Although he complained about Soviet propaganda and about life in the USSR in CROSS FILE COPY

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general, ROZINKIN, per Soviet standards, lived well in Source's opinion. On one occasion in about January 1970 or 1971, Source approached an American official in the restricted parking area of the Luzhniki Palace of Sports in Moscow - Source obtained a special pass and parking permit from a friend in order to observe boxing. matches, and while parking his car noticed what appeared to be an American official car being driven by a foreigner. (Source claimed that he already had thoughts of wanting to leave the Soviet Union and hoped the American could help or perhaps provide some suggestions. It should be noted, however, that Source was in at least semi-official contact during this time frame with a KGB officer named Lev Mikhaylovich GAVRILIN who reportedly was involved in operations against American Embassy personnel.) During the brief conversation which was held in English, the American official mentioned that he was the assistant to the American Military Attache, replied to Source's queries that Source's only chance of leaving the USSR would be through approved TDY or tourist travel, gave Source a calling card (Source could not recall the American's name), and suggested that Source phone him the next day. Source mentioned the encounter to ROZINKIN and on the following day ROZINKIN and Source phoned the American from a public phone booth. (In actuality, ROZINKIN spoke to the American during the telephone conversation because he was considerably more fluent in the English language than Source.) The American merely stated that there was nothing he could add to his previous statements and the telephone conversation was terminated. Source described the American as taller than average, having a thin face and perhaps light colored hair; Source was uncertain of the latter because the American wore a hat at the time of the initial contact. ROZINKIN had occasional contact with foreigners in Moscowand reportedly had lengthy correspondence with an Australian national. When questioned about the aforementioned correspondence and probable Soviet knowledge of it, Source commented that ROZINKIN might have been "hooked" by the KGB.

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3. In approximately 1972 ROZINKIN introduced Source to an American defector named fnu MARTIN at the latter's apartment in one of only two high-rise apartment buildings located on the southeast corner of the Obrucheva Akademika Ulitsa - Leninskiy Prospekt intersection in Moscow. Source visited MARTIN together with ROZINKIN on one other occasion during the same year. The front door to MARTIN's apartment had at least several locks. The apartment itself, consisting of two rooms, had unidentified security devices, according to ROZINKIN who related to Source most of the information reported below. MARFIN, who had stereo equipment and played music during the two brief encounters, allegedly would not permit anyone into his apartment without receiving an advance phone call. He had some capability in the Russian language and reportedly was not married at that time. Based on what ROZINKIN mentioned, MARTIN. during his early years in Moscow, surrounded himself with prostitution and black marketeers who often visited his apartment, and had been treated in a Soviet psychiatric clinic at one time. He later became suspicious of people and frightened of possibly being apprehended or harmed by American authorities and therefore curtailed his social

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activities and became cautious in inviting visitors to his apartment. No important or interesting Soviets associated with him on a social basis. He allegedly consumed large amounts of alcohol and usually was found in a rotten mood. ROZINKIN stated that MARTIN received 500 rubles per month from the Soviet authorities and had been assigned to work at the Institute of Hathematics imeni Steklova, but actually did not work there. ROZINKIN also remarked once that MARTIN indicated he felt he made a mistake in defecting to the Soviets and regretted it. Reportedly, MARTIN has had contacts with foreign diplomats in Moscow and in this connection ROZINKIN stated that a Swedish diplomat offered his assistance to spirit MARTIN out of the Soviet Union, apparently through the use of a diplomatic vehicle. MARTIN, as Source was told, declined the offer because he was afraid that the Americans would get ahold of him once he left the USSR.

Source claimed he did not know the reason for ROZINKIN's association with MARTIN and only guessed that ROZINKIN may have been involved in obtaining translation work for MARTIN. Relative to this, however, Source stated it was his (Source's) impression that MARTIN had no interest in seeking any form of employment. As concerned Source's relationship with ROZINKIN, in the fall of 1973 ROZINKIN became miffed at Source's one-time ill treatment of him (ROZINKIN) during a petty incident and the friendship dissolved at that time. They did not see each other after the incident and ROZINKIN did not bid farewell to Source at the time of the latter's emigration from the Soviet Union. Source did not know ROZINKIN's friends well, but did state that ROZINKIN was a very close friend of Yuriy pnu SHIROKOV (a translator/interpreter who had studied at the Moscow Institute of International Relations, is the son of a Soviet diplomat, and has a good capability in the English language).

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B. Fnu MARTIN is William Hamilton MARTIN (201-0232338), a former NSA employee, who defected to the USSR in 1960.

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\*ROZINKIN, Aleksandr Aleksandrovich SEX: М DOB: POB: USSR CIT: USSR **OCC**: Translator

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