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Chief of []
SUBJECT: REDWOOD IMPROVE APPROXIA 1
Activities of Tamara HRYCIUK in Munich 1-15 August 1960

ACTION REQUIRED: For Your Information

[] 1799, 30 September 1960

1. The attached report has been translated from a German and is self-explanatory. The fact of HRYCIUK's connection with Vasily VYASNEVO [] is not unexpected and has been reported in reference. The contact with Volodymyr SHANSHAK (on whom there are no [] traces) is of interest as reciprocal confirmation of possible RIS connections.

2. The most interesting and possibly far-reaching leads are the contacts with ENU BAKUM and Christa WELINSKY, on whom there are also no [] traces. It is highly possible and even probable that HRYCIUK has by now communicated to an RIS case officer the information elicited from those two for transmittal to some RIS operative in the U.S. The [] regrets that the information on the two is rather sketchy at this point but believes that Headquarters should have no great difficulty in establishing their identity.

17 October 1960

Attached Herewiths:
Report-to all addressees

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NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT
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SECRET

SUBJECT: Miss Tamara HRYCIUK, 6 rue Guy Moquet, Choisy-le-Roi, Seine

Tamara HRYCIUK arrived in Germany with her mother on 1 August 1960 and spent her vacation in Freiburg near the French border until 15 August. On 15 August she went to Munich where she remained until 15 September, when she went to spend a few days in Geneva, from where she would return home to Paris on about 20 September. During the period 15-20 August she and other Ukrainian students from Germany, France, England, the U.S. and Canada attended the Ukrainian High School, which was held in Konigsdorf, not far from Munich. During her attendance at the high school, she saw a lot of Fraulein Natalia BANDERA, the daughter of the murdered ZCH/OUN leader Stepan BANDERA, and a certain Mr. BAKUM, who is a teacher in a U.S. military school.

In her conversations with Mr. BAKUM, Tamara HRYCIUK sought to find out if there were students of Russian, Ukrainian, Polish and Czech background at the military school. Mr. BAKUM, who had no idea of why HRYCIUK posed these questions, told HRYCIUK that there were about 7 students of Russian descent, 8 of Polish and one of Ukrainian descent. HRYCIUK then asked him the names of the students of Slavic descent, some of which BAKUM gave her. When he gave her the name of the Ukrainian student from Philadelphia (or Chicago, Source does not remember which) HRYCIUK later went to an American female student of Ukrainian descent from Philadelphia named Christa ZELINSKY and asked her if she knew a Ukrainian family of this name from Philadelphia. Christa ZELINSKY said that she did know this family and then HRYCIUK asked her all sorts of questions about the family: where the father is from, how much he earns, how long he has been in the U.S., and many other questions.

Source's theory as to why HRYCIUK needs this information is the following: If Tamara HRYCIUK is a Soviet agent, then she will immediately call the attention of the Soviet intelligence service to Mr. BAKUM, and to the students of Slavic descent and it can happen that some of them will become Soviet agents even before they finish school.

Tamara HRYCIUK claimed, in a conversation with Source, that an employee of the Soviet Embassy in Paris named MJAKUSHKA or MIKUSHKA proposed that she do some translations from Russian to English for the Soviet Delegation at UNESCO. She declined the offer because she was too busy at the time. (Comment: the same explanation she gave to Helene HUNDER when the latter saw her talking to a Soviet.)

Source Comment: From another Source (AECAVATINA/12 who learned it from POPOVICH), Source has learned that MJAKUSHKA is a KGB operative working on the Ukrainian emigration in France. (Comment: POPOVICH told Source that he has been convoked by the French Police to discuss the matter of an arrested Ukrainian worker on 22 September and will inform Source of what he learns.)

While in Munich, Tamara HRYCIUK was in contact with a certain Wolodymyr STARVTZKYI. AECAVATINA/12 claims that STARVTZKYI is a Soviet agent who was expelled from England in 1947 for maintaining contact with Soviet diplomats. After being expelled from London he came to Munich, where he continues to reside. It is not known how Tamara HRYCIUK came to know STARVTZKYI, but it is a fact that she was in frequent contact with him in Munich, for she told Source once herself that she had seen him and the AECAVATINA surveillance team saw them in contact twice.

The following is another indication that Tamara HRYCIUK works for an intelligence service: on Wednesday 1 August 1960, Tamara visited her girl friends Helene and Olga HUNDER at Mozartstrasse 11/3 in Munich, where two HUNDER girls were then living with Source, Olga being sick in bed. One day Tamara HRYCIUK came to Source and said that she had a terrible headache, for which she had taken some pills, but asked permission to lie down a bit in the bedroom, to which Source agreed. In a few minutes, Olga HUNDER, who had received

a visitor, left the bedroom and came into the living room, leaving HRYCIUK alone in the bedroom. HRYCIUK immediately opened a drawer to a table and began leafing through and reading the letters and documents she found there.

[] Comment: Source said that he only had correspondence or church matters in the drawer.) She apparently assumed that Olga HUNDER would remain at least 15-20 minutes in the living room, but the latter became ill and Source had to escort her back to the bedroom after about three minutes. As Source softly opened the door to the bedroom, Tamara HRYCIUK immediately stuck the letters and documents back into the drawer, turned over and pretended to be sleeping heavily. She even left one of the letters sticking halfway out of the drawer. Olga HUNDER also noticed what happened and gave Source a poke in the ribs to draw his attention to it, but Source had already seen it for himself. [] Comment: Source added that HRYCIUK apparently was put on him by the Soviets and that she attempted to elicit rather aggressively what she could from him.)

Source noted that HRYCIUK has for some time had a scholarship from Free Europe University and that it is being renewed for 1960-1961 to study in Geneva. She is not anxious to go to Switzerland and asked Source's advice about it; He told her that it was a fine opportunity which she should take advantage of. She is leaving for Switzerland about 1 October. Further Source commented that HRYCIUK is generally very talented and aggressive in eliciting information from people and he guesses that she would stop at nothing to achieve her purpose. While in Munich she seemed to have a lot of money which she was able to lend out and spend on people.

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