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Subject: Mrs. BACHYNSKA of 145 E. 16th St. New York, N.Y.

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NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT

- Age 27-30. Visited Ukraine with the primary purpose of visiting relatives in JANIV.
2. Subject visited her relatives, informing Intourist beforehand. Her family was not approached by any officials and coached on what to say to her, but Subject later found that out the family of one of the members of the tour was visited by officials who told them to watch what they say.
3. In Western Ukraine information about the Ukrainian emigration is very scarce. Even when rumors do appear about the emigration, they are rarely believed, due to the lack of facts. When Subject told her ~~niece~~ <sup>nephew</sup> about emigre life, and organizations, he replied that it was a pity that youth do not group together in Ukraine on the basis of common national interests. When questioned on membership in the Young Communist League, her nephew replied that there is nothing to attract youth to it, and the only ones to join do this if they have to. Subject's nephew is from JANIV, is married and presently attends Lviv University. Commented that there is no trust among youth, and that he has only two good friends with whom he can speak to about any topic.
4. A relative of one of the tourists works for the post office, and told that there is a strict postal censorship of letters leaving Ukraine. All letters leaving are opened and the first few lines are read, if the contents are innocent it is sent on, but if other things are mentioned a few photocopies of the letter are made and sometimes it is either sent on or held up. This person who works for the post office asked that whenever people write from abroad they should stick to neutral topics.
5. Youth still attend church services, but not all and not everywhere. When they do attend, they go in another town. Subject's nephew goes to church only in Janiv, never in Lviv being afraid that he might be noticed by his friends. In Janiv there is a

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young priest whom the people consider a very good person, saying that "you can even go to confession to him". This ~~implies~~ implies that he is trusted.

6. One of the leaders of the group in Lviv was the deputy head of Intourist for Lviv, STRUK, 29 years old and born in Western Ukraine. Gave the impression that he was a fanatical communist and went by the party line all the time.

7. Subject plans to visit Ukraine next year.