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TO : Mr. Cyril Rolo - No. 1 C. C. U.
FROM : ESD # 22, Hq USFA, APO 777, John R. Stockton
SUBJECT: ALFERTCHIK, Nikolai Feodorovich
REF : Report dated 14 April 1947 from No. 1 C. C. U., subject: Soviet Agents in Austria, forwarded under cover letter dated 30 May 1947, File No. 495/1371

1. Thank you very much for sending us the reference report. In your cover letter you requested an evaluation of the reliability of the information presented. We now have the following information:

2. As a result of investigations conducted in Salzburg, it appears to be quite certain that the immediate source of the information in reference report in Vladislav Fedorowicz, a Pole who has been circulating in the Salzburg area, and that Fedorowicz obtained his information from Nikolai Feodorovich Alfertchik.

3. Alfertchik, born in Gomel, Russia, in 1911, is a Russian emigre who has been doing intelligence work in the Salzburg area for almost two years. He is a member of the National Working Union of the New Generation. He is regarded as flighty, excitable, lacking in judgment and arrives at conclusions without proper evidence or evaluation. He is considered to be a low-level agent who operates without system or security, though with considerable zeal. He has been in contact with various Allied intelligence agencies and it is believed that the nature of his activities is widely known to the Austrians and to the emigre population of the Salzburg area. This office is inclined to give a low evaluation to any information received from Alfertchik.

4. You may be interested to know that reports containing information identical to that found in reference report were received by this office through two other agencies, and it is believed that the common source was Alfertchik.

5. We regret the delay in replying to your communication. Our reply was held up pending receipt of information from Salzburg.

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