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FROM: [ ]

Re: Andrew Artukovich.

On reviewing this file I advise you not to take all the time it would require to study it, and I think it would be proper to close off discussion of Artukovich on the grounds that it is outside your field. The file is filled with allegations, both pro and con, either altogether unsupported or insufficiently supported. The strong interest of the Catholic clergy, especially that of Croatian origin, and probably also of Cardinal Spellman, is apparent. The long speech from the Congressional Record by Congressman Utt of California in 1955, is a good indication of the kind of sentiments the case arouses: how we must not throw this great Croatian patriot to the Communist wolves, etc., etc. Neither accusation nor defense is sufficiently well proved for me to feel that we ought to take sides or use any influence.

If you do feel that this file is worth studying, I suggest that you let me have it long enough to put it into better chronological order, or else draw up a memorandum summarizing its contents.

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