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Mr. Allan Dulles
Director C.I.A.
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Dear Sir:

I am writing this note in view of the demonstrations now going on in Moscow in front of the various Western embassies. With these demonstrations the Kremlin is playing with fire, as it can boomerang.

In my opinion no other people in the world are as afraid of war as the Russian people themselves, for the great number of them have experienced in their own personal lives, the consequences of war, and while the Government thinks it can threaten foreign embassies, the people because of these demonstrations, realize the animosity with which Russia is threatened all over the world. When it was only a question of a small country like Denmark, it could have been shrugged off. In the case of Germany, it happened to coincide with the date of the German invasion of 1941, however, the demonstration in front of the American Embassy, I am sure is making many a Russian wonder where else and in what part of the world are the people and the governments turning against the Soviet Union.

It could be very interesting if the Soviet Embassy in Rome, Paris, and preferably in New Dehli, India, and in some South American countries received the treatment of the Russian Embassy in Bonn. A few demonstrations in Moscow in front of "neutralist" embassies, would put fear and panic into the hearts of the Russian people. In Russia the people have a natural self-defense mechanism to cheer when you are asked to cheer and to boo when you are told to boo, but no one goes out of his way to sacrifice their lives ~~for~~ their leaders. The best example of this was the cave-in of the Russian Army in the first few days after the German invasion. It is one thing to cheer when you are told to; it's another to sacrifice your life for a Government in which you have no faith. The Russian Government has a tiger by its tail in this Moscow demonstration, because I am sure the rumors are spreading all over the city that the whole world hates the Russians, and people who are frightened like the Russian people are of war, these demonstrations bring to them visions of the past war many times magnified.

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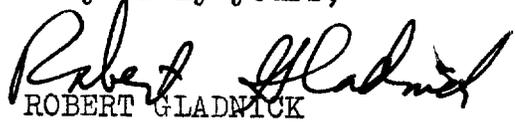
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I repeat, a few more Soviet embassies in key parts of the world subjected to the proper treatment that would cause continuance of the present Moscow reaction, would certainly be a great victory in the cold war. I am writing this to you not expecting you to comment, however, if I were a director in your agency, I would have the means and know-how to arrange for it quite spontaneously. If, on the other hand, your agency cannot do so, I think the American tax payers are wasting their money, or you need a few qualified labor leaders to help you out in this ideological struggle.

Nothing would be finer than a few rocks being thrown at the Indian Embassy in Moscow to clarify the ideological air a bit.

I hope this note ~~gets~~^{hits} a respondent chord somewhere and something gets done somehow, because up until now, we have only worked on a series of defensive reflexes. It's time that we show a little initiative spiced with a little imagination.

Very truly yours,



ROBERT GLADNICK

Director Local 600 I.L.G.W.U.

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For your information and whatever action you deem appropriate.

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action against Soviet embassies in neutral countries with consideration.
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