

28 March 1951 R-4

SUBJECT: Alexis SURKO (SURKO)

1. Reference is made to letter dated 14 March 1951 (R-3), same Subject.

The following additional information was received from Father Marcel van Cutsem on 23 March 1951.

2. Approximately on 8 March 1951 IRO DP officer, Mr. KURILICK (phonetic), saw Father van CUTSEM in his office. There he also met Mr. POPIAN (phonetic), who has his office at Hofstallgasse, and a US Major in uniform, whose name was not given, allegedly working for a safety-or security office.

3. Mr. KURILICK informed Father van CUTSEM that SURKO had seen him in his office and had alleged that Father van CUTSEM had forcefully tried to convert him to Catholicism. Mr. KURILICK alleged that SURKO might make an attempt on Father van CUTSEM.

4. Father van CUTSEM has since noticed on several occasions that SURKO seems to observe him and especially waits for him, when Father van CUTSEM is holding Oriental sermons at the Mirabell Church.

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