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CONTACT REPORT

19 May 1961

FLEMING -
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1. Roman GAMOTTA - Per Yellow No. 24409, gave FLEMING the EDC results on GAMOTTA forwarded per BGHA-68743. FLEMING said that UPHILL was reasonably sure that GAMOTTA was active in the East because approximately 6 months ago he had written a letter to a friend of an UPHILL source in the West. FLEMING said the letter had been mailed from Czechoslovakia and was intended to attempt to establish contact between GAMOTTA and the friend of the UPHILL source.
2. CALLIKAK Coverage - Per Yellow No. 24410, passed FLEMING the latest intercepts.
3. CALLIKAK Coverage on HOFMANN and CLEMENS - See Para. 2 of MUNI 5846.
4. KUBARK Surveillance Support - passed FLEMING, per Yellow No. 24411, a sterilized copy of the preliminary casing report in Oberandorf carried out by Skealube. noted that surveillance of the area was tough and that further casing would be needed before we would have sufficient information to attempt any surveillance. After reading the casing report FLEMING agreed. said that although close surveillance was very difficult, it was our opinion that surreptitious entry of the FRIESEN home would be very simple, providing that the house was unoccupied. FLEMING said he and BERNHARDT were not terribly optimistic about the possibility of surveillance turning up any really valuable evidence against FRIESEN. He said he and BERNHARDT both felt that in all probability FRIESEN was more or less on ice in view of the Blake and Lonsdale flaps. FLEMING said he felt that it was rather unlikely that FRIESEN would be making any meets with the RIS except in case of emergency. said he thought it probably was true, but thought it possible that even though there were no personal meets (which most probably were infrequent even in the most peaceful times), it was not unlikely that FRIESEN might try to fill a dead drop or two. FLEMING said he personally felt that surreptitious entry might be a much more productive exercise, since even a very careful spy usually had a few odds and ends around that would be very incriminating. FLEMING said that if there were a reasonable chance for successful surreptitious entry, he thought this warranted a serious effort.
5. Dr. MILDNER/FRIESEN EDC Check - FLEMING said GRAYKLE still had not questioned FRIESEN on this subject because FRIESEN had been out of town and was leaving again to spend the holidays in Oberandorf. FLEMING said he was becoming more and more interested in how FRIESEN would explain this request. FLEMING said he also had learned that MILDNER's name had been mentioned by Kleiman who claimed to have seen MILDNER in Argentina--although it was not just clear where or when.
6. FRIESEN License Numbers - FLEMING gave the two license numbers FRIESEN uses interchangeably on his QP vehicle: M-HN-516 and M-JT-151. The fact that FRIESEN was supposed to receive delivery on a new Taunus 17 M on the same date, which had come out of the intercept traffic, was already known to them. (Comment: According to the intercept, FRIESEN's new car is a 4-door sedan with a blue body and a white roof.)

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7. Friedrich FRANK - With reference to UPHILL's request for CALLIKAK coverage on FRANK, FLEMING said he had just learned that the Dutch were attempting to locate FRANK in connection with his involvement with German atrocities in Holland near the end of the war. FLEMING said the Dutch had information to the effect that FRANK personally had shot a number of Dutchmen--apparently of his own volition and not on orders from any superior.

8. Dr. Klaus HUEGEL - Per Yellow No. 2412, passed FLEMING the gist of Headquarters comments on HUEGEL forwarded per EMM-10632.

9. Col. Iru STEIMLE - FLEMING noted that STEIMLE was mentioned in the above Yellow and said UPHILL now was trying to run down the present whereabouts of STEIMLE, who apparently lived somewhere in the vicinity of Lindau. FLEMING said that in addition to other things STEIMLE had as yet an unresolved contact with PAIRWITZ. FLEMING also said that STEIMLE had been the chief of NSHA VI B.

10. FORGER Info re UPHILL - gave FLEMING Yellow No. 2421, passing appropriate portions of EMM-10529. The Yellow also forwarded three documents from our files concerning KRICHBAUM.

11. Helmut PROEBSTING--KRIEGER - FLEMING said he had uncovered a report that in 1949 FRIESEN, when he was working for the British, had had contact with one PROEBSTING who had been with the SS Division Niederlande. UPHILL had one other report that PROEBSTING possibly had Eastern contacts although UPHILL's last information on PROEBSTING was that he was running a Refershop in Krefeld. FLEMING said there was some indication that PROEBSTING might use the alias KRIEGER, although it was not certain. He also said that there was an alias DANARK somehow involved with PROEBSTING and that he unfortunately did not as yet have enough information to be able to say if PROEBSTING really was of interest in connection with FRIESEN or not. FLEMING said he would be interested in a preliminary check of our files and hoped at the next meeting to be able to come up with something that made more sense in writing. (Comment: No MINI traces.)

12. FRIESEN Interest in IL-18 - FLEMING said he had determined that UJDROVER had been full of references to the missing pouches and that FRIESEN's elicitation did not seem quite as mysterious or sinister.

13. Frl. KUNZ's Report on the KUBARK Briefing in Washington - FLEMING gave a copy of Frl. KUNZ's write up of the discussions on in Washington. FLEMING said a number of follow-up points for action were noted in the report and that we would be receiving appropriate requests in the future.

14. FNU BUCHSBERGER - FLEMING said that would be receiving a written request for traces on BUCHSBERGER from BROOK. FLEMING said BUCHSBERGER was the former Austrian Minister in Stockholm before the war who had stayed on there and presently was a business representative for various Austrian and Swedish firms doing business with the East. FLEMING said that BUCHSBERGER was in no way connected with the BEVISION investigation but that FLEMING wanted to know that he had a very special interest in BUCHSBERGER and would appreciate our tracing expeditiously.

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