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MEMORANDUM

13 Feb 74

FOR The Record
FROM
SUBJECT CASUSTAIN/15 on AENOG

1. The following information, keyed to the FPAG, was obtained from CASUSTAIN/15 on 29 Jan 74, at a meeting held solely for this purpose.

2. FPAG

A. FAMILY

1. Regarding place of birth, we noted for first time that, although Irkutsk is a pioneer town, AENOG always had given CAS/15 the impression that he had gone there as a volunteer around age 18. CAS/15 has previously reported impression that AENOG's family originated somewhere in Western Russia. He doesn't have a Siberian accent. AENOG's patronymic is very unusual, possibly indicates French connections of some kind for his father.

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2. AENOG has at least one brother, apparently much older, since he served in the Sov space program in Baikonur and is already receiving his pension

B. PRESCHOOL, SCHOOL, AND ADOLESCENCE

3. No information

C. MARRIED LIFE AND SEXUAL BEHAVIOR

4. Wife is composed and silent in his presence, but lively and talkative when alone with one other female, a foreigner. He does the talking for the family and is definitely dominant.

5. He has two children, a 12 or 13 year old boy and a three year old girl. The boy has remained in the Soviet Union with his grandmother. AENOG was very disturbed over his inability to have the boy visit in the summer of 1973. He brought the boy a cowboy outfit as a present at Christmas 1973, which apparently was very successful.

6. In the classroom, AENOG passes over sexual double entendres in lesson material. He is obviously embarrassed, and not only in the classes attended primarily by elderly ladies.

D. GENERAL HEALTH

7. AENOG appears generally healthy. His drinking pattern, at least among foreigners, appears to be very cautious. At one reception, he took one drink and at first refused any more. The student who sits nearest him in class has told CAS/15 that she can smell vodka on AENOG's breath. He prefers vodka to champagne, because he has an allergy to champagne.

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E. EMOTIONAL REACTIONS

6. CAS/15 described his usual mood as friendly and impersonally polite. He is never uncon~~tr~~rolled, but does not give the impression of being overly controlled. When the subject of Solzhenitsyn was raised by students, he contradicted them, supporting the official Soviet line, but without obvious emotional engagement or appearance of being under stress. There is no midlife crisis apparent. One of CAS/15's fellow students thinks that AENOG feels himself superior, however CAS/15 finds him typical for Soviets in this respect.

F. THOUGHT PROCESSES

9. CAS/15 considers AENOG to be of medium intelligence, but believes that there are definite gaps in the education that would have been received by a teacher of German, particularly in German history and the German literary classics. He is ready to discuss new ideas and occasionally asks CAS/15 to interpret a passage in a Freudian sense, which he admits that he cannot do.

G. RELATIONSHIPS

10. AENOG overlooks conflicts and even rationalizes the decisions of superiors, including the refusal to allow his son to travel to the West. He does not play off people against each other.

H. BEHAVIORAL PATTERNS

11. CAS/15 assesses AENOG as not aggressive, but imaginative. He likes imaginative people. He is self-confident and not easily shaken. For advice, he goes to the Soviet Consulate. He is not a brooder. CAS/15 believes that, because he is a Soviet man, he is therefore manipulative. He definitely likes a physical comfort. His clothes can be considered elegant, even by Western standards. There are no known special fears or anxieties.

RELIGION

12. He has never mentioned religious subjects. CAS/15 believes that, if he were religious, he would not speak about it. There is no evidence of superstition, except for his awe of Freud.

J. POLITICAL

13. There is a rote quality to his political discussion. He does not personalize and has never mentioned Brezhnev.

K. GENERAL

14. CAS/15 believes that he is fairly typical. She has nothing against him and finds him not unsympathetic. She is neither comfortable nor uncomfortable in his presence. He is somewhat reserved. His most attractive feature is his good behavior and his imagination. The most unattractive is the general Soviet attitude which he shares of being "superior." He is not prone to misunderstandings and is thick-skinned. He seems preoccupied with requests for personal opinions on family life, Freud, and freedom in personal life.

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15. CAS/15 describes him as a modern Communist brought up under the Soviet system. He may once have wanted to stay in the West, but he ~~may~~ probably has a better position at home than he could obtain in the West. He is not at all a fanatic and does not show his doubts. He is not a refined person. CAS/15 added as her final thought, that the son's visit, which was not allowed, was definitely a very important topic for him.