

Interview with subject a letter with further comments giving biographical details of subject's career and projected plans. See document for details.

MSB-77  
10/30/46

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Subj. with TOMAYA and ALCHIBAYA (qv) suspected of being Soviet agent as early as 1942-43, having joined Germans on orders from Moscow. When Bavaria occupied by US forces, Subj ALCHIBAYA and von MENDE crossed into Switz., were apprehended and turned over to Americans. Offered to work for SAC.

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HSC-76  
21 Apr 47  
S. MAGHLAKELIDZE  
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NOTE EVALUATION

See

Letter from Khariton CHAVICHVILIY (TCHAVICHVILY) to subject, dated 16 Jan 47. Both men located in Geneva. CHAVICHVILIY states that subject is center of a fascist group, not a true Georgian patriot. Says subject has promised to abstain from all political activity while in Switzerland and has engaged in all manner of intrigues. Asks him to give these activities up. States that subject entertained relations with Soviet agents at same time he offered his services to the Americans.

KPT-1499  
20 Apr 47  
York/Bridlington

Col. Melnyk reported to have seen Subject's wife, Madame Michel KEDIA, when he went to Paris on "secret" trip from Germany. Ukrainian Trilogy circles in Germany speculated about the purpose of this meeting. Both MELNYK and Subject known to have connections in Spain among former German SD personnel. "Trilogy" circles believe there is some US project behind Col. MELNYK's "secret" trip and meeting with Madame KEDIA, as Col. MELNYK could hardly have left US zone without knowledge of US authorities.

MSB-808  
6 May 47

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Subject reported being taken over by the British. Source believes the chain in Spain which KEDIA ran for the Germans may be put into operation for BIS. In connection w. above, S. Bern reports that Klop USTINOV (qv.) of MI 5 & MI 6 has spent all of his time in Geneva since arriving in Switzl.

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Acc. to this report Subject met GVINADZE of Soviet Legation, Bern, through KOBASHIDZE (qv. France) & met just accidentally in WEIZENFELD's delicatessen. Subject's wife in Paris is completely under KOBASHIDZE's influence; has been trying to persuade Subject to return to Soviet Georgia w. her. BERIDZE is still financing Subject to the extent of 500 Sw. frs. per month, & arranged for KEDIA to make contact w. the British. Subject's contacts w. the British were still in embryonic stage acc. to KANTEMIR (qv.) But [ ] reported that Subject was disillusioned & disappointed by his first contacts w. BIS. Subject's frequent courier service betw. his wife, KOBASHIDZE & BERIDZE serves to keep the latter well connected in France. [ ] comments that whatever concerns either BERIDZE or KOBASHIDZE also involves Subject, & is keenly interested in all info relating to Subject, his contact w. BIS etc.

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21 Oct 47  
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KEDIA, Michael (Michael)

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SWITZERLAND

Subject says that Soviet request for his extradition (Sept. '46) was ignored by Swiss gov't. Attacks on Subject by French communist press and "Voix Ouvriere" of Geneva (Mar. '47) coincided w. intensified Swiss surveillance of Subject, who is no longer allowed outside Geneva. Swiss customs police interrogated Subject re his connection w. the JOANOVICI affair. KEDIA's version of alleged reconciliation of the Menchevik Georgian emigre group in Paris with the Soviets is that only part of the group are sincere about it; rest of group are trying to get a good press in France to pave way for greater Georgian immigration. Reportedly Subject's financial backer BERIDZE (qv.) is attempting to secure a permis de sejour for himself, Subject and friends in Spanish Morocco.

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6 MAY 47

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Thanks to connection w. Subject, the Georgian Tenghia DADECHKELIAN, (qv. Italy) was able to go to Germany frequently during war. After liberation of France, DADECHKELIAN was in Berlin working for Subject's group.

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13 June 47

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Subject a contact of Nicolae GVIMADZE (qv). Contact established through Arcadi WEISSENFELD. Source suggests that KEDIA was still in control of a former GIS chain in Spain, though uncertain whether working for RIS, BIS or what. Subject continues to live peacefully in Switzerland.

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KEDIA, MICHAEL

Germany

Georgian emigre of the 1914-18 war, leading member of the "Caucasian Committee" in Berlin. According to OEBSEGER-ROEDER Interr. Rpt. on GIS operations directed against the Caucasus is intelligent, enthusiastic, has wide knowledge of all Caucasian problems and particularly Georgian matters. OEBSEGER-ROEDER (qv) believes that subject was behind plan by which HENGELHAUPT SS Stubaf Dr (qv) intended to send Georgian agents to Georgia, operating from Turkey.

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8/19/46

Interr. of OEBSEGER-ROEDER

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CIC agent in Bad Reichenall has informed us that in the course of a conversation he had on 11/9/46 with Michael ALCHIBAYA (qv), the latter showed him a note he had just received from subject, mailed from Switzerland, in which the latter mentioned that he was in touch with both the British and Americans in Switzerland.

\*\* PSRO 772

LTS 974

11/18/46

Ukrainians with APN, Germ. ordered source to cut off relations with subject and watch Georgian activities. See cable for reasons given. Reports Subj.'s wife in Paris mistress high Soviet official, still corresponds with Subj.

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13 Dec 46

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Subject's wife in Paris reported mistress high Soviet official. Still corresponds regularly with Subject and they exchange information.

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