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15 July 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR : Office of Security

ATTENTION []

THROUGH : DC/Security

SUBJECT : Ilmars RAINBACRS

1. This office has recently received a copy of the OO/Contacts report concerning Subject's experiences in Milwaukee; events which you reported to the FBI. This information is interesting, since it ties in with other information which you may wish to bring to the attention of the FBI. In [], there have been certain bits of evidence acquired by this office, of late, that some foreign power or political group has been attempting to run foreign intelligence operations from the United States into the Baltic States. This is most noticeable in the case of the Latvians and much less so in the case of the Lithuanians.

2. In this regard, the following information is brought to your attention for possible transmission to the FBI.

"During recent months a source of DC/SR has reported increasing evidence of unusual activity among the Latvian emigres on the East Coast. Individuals believed involved and/or knowledgeable include :

Voldemar KRICHENGS []
BPOB circa 1910 in Riga.

KRICHENGS is a native-born Latvian who was a member of the Latvian Diplomatic corps. Before the war he was stationed in Poland and in Geneva, Switzerland, where he married a Swiss girl. He was First Secretary in the Legation. By educational background he was trained as a lawyer. There were two sons as a result of the marriage. He spent World War II in Sweden, but it is not known whether

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he was involved in any of the Latvian partisan activity staged from Stockholm. He married again after World War II, this time to a Latvian woman. He is currently employed in Munich, Germany, by VOA at a salary of about \$400.00 per month, and serves as the responsible official for Baltic programs. He visited the United States for two months in the spring of 1963, and spent time in Washington, D. C., and the New York/New Jersey area. During his travels he visited with CPSTEINS and KADEGIS (see below).

(Fnu) CPSTEINS
DPOB circa 1910 in Riga.

He was a colonel in the Latvian army who married an opera singer. During World War II he served with the Abwehr for several years. Transiting Germany, following World War II, he now resides in East Orange, New Jersey, where he is employed as a chemical technician in a local laboratory.

(Fnu) FREIMANIS
DPOB circa 1915 in Riga.

FREIMANIS is a mechanical engineer who came to the United States following World War II. He is married and presently resides in East Orange, New Jersey. He is employed by the Bell Laboratories and is doing work on new automatic dialing systems.

Andris (Fnu) KADEGIS
DPOB circa 1936 in Latvia.

KADEGIS was brought to Germany as a child following World War II and was able to move with his mother to New Jersey thereafter. He returned to Munich, Germany, circa 1958 and studied medicine at Munich University for several years. During this period he made two trips to Soviet-occupied Latvia, and later wrote a book concerning his experiences which is entitled, Riga Retour. This book was published in Sweden by (Fnu) KLANS, who has the reputation of being involved with the Gehlen BND organization. In late 1962 he returned to the United States and now lives and works as an intern in Connecticut, although he spends much time in New York and New Jersey with his family and friends.

* Pauls KOVALEVSKIS-AKA: Pavels KLANS

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Janina (LNU) (COMMENT: possibly Janina (LNU))
DPOB circa 1935 in Latvia.

She is a rather striking redhead who lives in the South Orange, New Jersey, area, where she is employed as a dental assistant. (COMMENT : Was there not a "striking redhead" involved a year or so ago in the United States with Gunars GRIMBERGS, also of VOA, Munich? She was accused of being in contact with a hostile service.) * []

**CORRECTION:
/Munich Area

Gunars MEIKROVICS
DPOB circa 1918 in Latvia.

The son of a famous Latvian diplomat, he is a well known figure in Latvian emigre politics. He is currently residing in Washington, D. C., where he is employed by the American Latvian Association and an office of the Department of Defense. (COMMENT : For your information, []

"Reports indicate that certain Latvian emigres feel that the United States Government is not doing enough to assist the Latvian people, especially since 'the United States Government is no longer running any clandestine operations into Latvia'. Word supposedly has been received from the Latvian underground that they wish more activity to be undertaken, and a group of Latvian emigre patriots have taken it upon themselves to make the necessary contacts to secure large sums of money, to make necessary agent recruitment, to develop operational nets utilizing support points in Poland, Rumania and Bulgaria, to dispatch agents to Latvia on operational missions and to maintain clandestine letter contact with assets in Latvia by means of secret letter codes.

"Certain Latvian emigres have made light of the talk and believe it is merely a 'playing of games'. Others, however, point to a number of Latvian emigres in the New York/New Jersey area who allegedly have disappeared or who have taken trips to Soviet-occupied Latvia as proof that there must be some truth to the stories."

3. This office is unable to confirm any of the above

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allegations, but suggests that the FBI investigate to determine whether the KGB is attempting to run a series of controlled operations in the United States, or whether, in fact, a friendly power, e. g., the RND, is recruiting agents in the United States for dispatch to Soviet-occupied Latvia.

4. For your information, the only suspicion concerning the Lithuanians involves the "disappearance" or return to Soviet-occupied Lithuania of three fairly ambitious and talented Lithuanian youths. The father of one is Colonel SOVA, of New York, the man most knowledgeable about the cooperation in the field of "black" operations between CIA and the Supreme Committee for Lithuanian Liberation.

5. Additional information will be made available as it is received, and this office would appreciate receiving any information which the FBI develops. Please direct any correspondence regarding this matter to []
DO/SR, Rm 884, 1717 "H" St., extension 3092.

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Chief, DO/SR

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