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28 February 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR: SR/COP/FI

SUBJECT: Soviet Defectors and Former Soviet Agents in our
Employ.

REFERENCE: (a) SR/COP/FI Sec Memo to All Branches, dtd
24 February 1955.

1. In accordance with the request contained in Reference (a) the following information is hereby submitted:

- a. [] a pseudonym which was accepted by this individual on 17 December 1952. He was never assigned a cryptonym. [] was contracted by this Division on 5 January 1953. He is engaged in translating, as a general consultant and language instructor. [] has been a problem as he has adjusted (during the past year) to the fact that gaining U. S. citizenship has not opened the magic door to staff status.
- b. [] a pseudonym which was accepted by this individual on 6 October 1952. According to the records of this office he was never assigned a cryptonym. [] was contracted by this Division on 7 March 1953. He is engaged as a research analyst, general consultant, agent trainer and language instructor. There have been no problems in handling []
- c. [] who accepted her pseudonym on 11 June 1953 and was contracted by the SR Division on the same date. No cryptonym was never assigned to her. [] is engaged in translating, drawing (diagrams and sketches) and typing English, Russian, German and Lithuanian materials. There have been no problems in handling []
- d. [] accepted his pseudonym on 26 September 1951 and was contracted by the SR Division on the same date. [] is engaged as a general consultant, agent trainer, research analyst, translator and language instructor. [] has not been a problem in handling.
- e. [] accepted this pseudonym and was contracted by the SR Division on 12 July 1951. [] is engaged as a research analyst, agent trainer, general consultant and translator. [] was a problem during the past year as he was removed from spotting and assessing activities and confined to "grey" activities only. Once this was accepted [] presented no further problems in handling.

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f. Mario K. GIORDANO accepted this pseudonym and was contracted by the SR Division on 5 September 1951. GIORDANO is engaged in agent training, as a general consultant, translator and language instructor. GIORDANO presents a problem in handling only during those times he is training agents. He cannot accept the role of a trainer only, but insists on wanting an operational responsibility, too. Even though he may outwardly accept it, GIORDANO will never feel deep inside that his responsibility for operational matters can or should be denied him.

2. It should be understood that the six subjects of paragraph 1 above are not truly either Soviet defectors or former Soviet agents in the strict sense of the word. None of them have ever served in the Soviet armed forces or in any part of the Soviet intelligence apparatus. However, all of them were born and raised in countries which are now either a part of the USSR or behind the Iron Curtain.

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Chief, SR/DOB

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