

2 November 1957

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**SUBJECT:** Contact with AKREDA in New York on 27 November 1957

1. Contact with subject was made by telephone in New York in the morning of 27 November by the undersigned and arrangements made to meet with him for lunch that day at 12 noon. The following business was discussed during the luncheon with subject in Schrafft's restaurant located around the corner from subject's place of employment.

a. Package 1/2/3/4. Acknowledgment received for the 2 packages mailed under the project.

b. AKREDA: 157A-4. Subject has had no direct contact with AKREDA: 157A-4 during the past 5-6 weeks.

c. VLA Byelorussian broadcasts. Subject plans to be in Washington on 7 January, along with a Byelorussian delegation in an effort to initiate a Byelorussian section with the VLA.

d. BNR Building in New York. The building purchased by the Byelorussian community in New York (Brooklyn) last month was purchased in the name of the BNR for \$25,000.

e. Anti-BNR/BCR Literature. The letter received by Satsvitch (AKREDA trainee) also has been received by other Byelorussians and by the BNR in New York. Subject will try to determine additional information.

f. REDSKI/REDSKIN Operations. Subject was requested to supply additional information on his friend in Argentina and the brother in Poland with regard to the letter received by Subject's friend in Argentina in which was outlined possibilities for contacts in Byelorussia.

g. AKREDA. Subject submitted the names of 4 additional AKREDA candidates.

2. The undersigned returned to Subject the copies of the 2 letters which were written to the 2 recipients of the parcels under the Byelorussian package

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project previous to dispatch of the parcels. Subject then gave to the undersigned the 2 letters received from Byelorussians in acknowledgment of the parcels. The undersigned promised to have the letters photographed and returned to Subject within 2-3 weeks. There will be no more parcels mailed until after the first of the year.

3. Subject stated that he has had no direct word from AKCANDISTA-4 for 5-6 weeks, although there was indirect contact via A. Adamovich who visited with AKCANDISTA-4 when he was abroad last month.

4. Subject is planning to come to Washington with a Byelorussian delegation on 7 January for discussions with Voice of America officials in an effort to initiate Byelorussian broadcasts.

5. The undersigned asked Subject whether the building they had purchased in Brooklyn last month was purchased in the name of the BNR. Subject stated that it was purchased for \$25,000 in the name of the BNR with the help of Congressman Dorn of Brooklyn. The building is in a very bad condition. It was purchased from a negro group which, although they had been using the building, had neglected it to a point where considerable refurbishing has to be done before the building can be used.

6. Subject was shown a copy of the letter received by Satskevitch (an AERFADY candidate) from Toronto, Ontario, Canada. This is an anti-BNR/BCR letter signed "Independent". Subject then produced a copy of the same letter (plus a translation which he had prepared of it for the undersigned). The letter was received in the BNR Post Office box at Williamsburg Station. It had been mailed in Canada. Subject is going to inquire around to determine whether many Byelorussians have been receiving copies of the same letter. He stated that there is presumed that this letter is the work of Mr. Sergiej ZIRIAX (Chmara) who publishes the Byelorussian newspaper, BYELORUSSIAN VOICE, in Canada.

7. The undersigned told Subject that there now seemed to be some interest expressed in the letter his friend in Argentina had received from a brother in Poland who expressed a desire to visit him in Argentina and suggested the possibility of the west being interested in contacts he could make in Byelorussia and Poland. Subject was asked to supply additional details regarding biographical information on his friend in Argentina and as much information as he could obtain on the man's brother in Poland. Subject said he would write to his friend in Argentina to determine as much as he could regarding the man in Poland.

8. Subject gave the undersigned the names of 4 candidates for the AERFADY program, along with biographical information on each. The candidates are Nikodym ZYZNIEUSKI, Vaclau RADZIUK, Anthony KOBLAKO and Walter STANKIEWICH. The information has been passed on to SA&E for processing.

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9. No date was specified for the next contact. The meeting was terminated about 1330 hours. Subject said he would telephone the undersigned if he received information from Argentina before the next contact.

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