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Memo for the Record

Subject: C J and Grallspace 1's Trip to Munich re
Grallspace 1's Emigration Papers.

1. C J picked up Grallspace 1 at the Stein Hotel at 0700 hours 23 March 1953 and drove to Munich. Grallspace 1 was taken over the Austro-German border on a waybill. In contrast to the previous check at the border, the MP on duty carefully read and examined the waybill, taking considerable time during which a German border guard also took a glance at the paper. No difficulty was encountered on the return trip that evening.

2. Since Grallspace 1's letter from his wife stated that he was to meet with K J before he went to the American Consulate, C J first went to E J office leaving Grallspace 1 at a local cafe in Munich. E J stated that he knew nothing of Grallspace 1's summons to the American Consulate and also that he had no reason to see him. It was presumed therefore that the fears of Grallspace 1's wife that her husband's summons to Munich was concerning a past traffic ticket prompted Grallspace 1's wanting to contact E J. E J also expressed his dissatisfaction that SOB did not send Grallspace 1 to Regensburg to instruct at the artillery school. It seems that the Army unit that requested Grallspace 1's assistance had been a very useful liaison contact in the past and now the right time had come to reciprocate for past favors. SOB's decision forced Munich to refuse the Army's request thus causing a somewhat embarrassing point in their liaison. It was explained to C J and to a Major in C J office, who handled the liaison in this instance, that at the time of the request it was planned to start Grallspace 1 operating in the Linz area just at the time of the request. Also since then certain security implications made it necessary that extremely close tabs be kept on Grallspace 1. However, C J offered to discuss the matter further with E J and to call SOB the following day. (Note: After further discussion at SOB it was decided that the decision must stand. SOB was so informed.)

3. After visiting C J, C J returned to Grallspace 1 with the word that C J was unaware of the Consulate's call. It was therefore decided to go to the Tolstoi Foundation. There Grallspace 1 learned that the Consulate had new information on his emigration status.

4. C J drove Grallspace 1 to the American Consulate and let him off in front of the building. A little time later C J went in and talked to C J. C J had nothing new to report, but promised

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that as soon as Grallspace 1's file was available he would check. [] also reported that Grallspace 1's TTD had been sent off some time ago and could not imagine why it hadn't reached Salzburg yet. [] said he would send a dispatch to [] as soon as the document arrived. [] returned to the car to wait for Grallspace 1.

5. After some time Grallspace 1 returned and said that all his papers were in order and that he was ready to emigrate. However, the Consul told him that Grallspace 1 would have to wait out a quota number which under the newly-cut quota may take upwards of a year. The Consul then suggested that Grallspace 1's sponsor petition for Grallspace 1 as a "First Preference" under the new law. It seems that an emigrant receives first preference if he is either an expert in some strategic field or he is to be employed by the US Government. This petition can be filed either with the Commissioner of Immigration in Washington or with any local Immigration and Naturalization office. [] was naturally somewhat surprised to hear this latest turn of events and stated that he knew nothing of the entire affair. The last word [] had received was that there was no more information on the progress of Grallspace 1's papers. Grallspace 1 also could not offer an explanation as to how this type of suggestion (i.e., the petition for first preference under government employment) was made or who initiated it. At any rate Grallspace 1 was extremely happy to hear the news.

6. [] and Grallspace 1 then returned to Salzburg.

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