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To: []
From: []
Subject: Contact with Grallspice 1, 23 July 1953
Contact Report #35

Opening of Meeting:

1. Case officer [] met agent Grallspice 1 at 1600 hours in front of the Hotel Maran on 23 July 1953. The meeting, which lasted a little less than one hour, was conducted almost entirely in English, German being used only in explaining certain points so that there would be no confusion. Agent and case officer went into a small garden-cafe next to the hotel where the meeting was held. Agent and case officer were the only customers in the cafe. Furthermore, the garden cafe was completely surrounded by a vine-covered fence.

Production:

2. Agent submitted his weekly behavior reports, which agent writes in English. According to the reports, agent spends his time studying English, taking walks with his family, reading, listening to the radio, which seems to be remarkably analogous to what case officer told agent to do. Agent was briefly cross-examined about his activities. Either agent had memorized the reports thoroughly after writing them or he is telling the truth.

Operational Matters:

3. Agent submitted three more "business" letters which are to be addressed and mailed to him as additional means for agent's cover. Agent was told that several of the letters would be retyped or rewritten so that agent could leave several different types of letters and envelopes lying about his apartment. Furthermore, agent was asked to write more letters from Land Salzburg area as they were easier to mail than those from Innsbruck.

4. Agent temporarily loaned case officer his wife's and his TTD's. Case officer will extract the information from them for use in obtaining additional documentation from MKTOPAZ.

Personal Matters:

5. Agent was told that he would soon have to go to Germany to sell his car, so that there would be no obstacle in his emigration. Agent replied that the

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car really wasn't worth the trip. He said he would be very happy to give it to our organization. However, it was decided that it would be better for agent to go to Germany and sell the car.

6. Agent and case officer spent most of the meeting on English lessons.

Security:

7. Agent reported that he had another chance meeting with the suspected Red agent Vassiljev (see contact report #4). However, the meeting lasted only a few minutes, during which time agent told Vassiljev that he came to Salzburg often.

8. Agent also reported that in the past weeks he has noticed a colored American standing near his apartment, supposedly watching the scenery. He often greets Grallspace 1 when agent approaches. The Negro wears civilian clothing. Agent did not feel it was any type of surveillance but reported the incident just the same. Agent was asked to report if the Negro hung around the area any more.

Administrative Matters:

9. Agent was paid 1800 schillings as payment for his rent for the period 18 July to 18 August. He was also reimbursed 305 schillings for charges on installing the telephone in his apartment.

10. Agent was also given two packages of American cigarettes.

Communications:

11. Agent reported that the telephone was installed in the apartment. The number is Salzburg 28 7 19.

Close of Meeting:

12. The meeting ended at 1655 hours. It was agreed to meet again on 28 July at 1600 hours on the corner opposite the Elmo Kino.

Case Officer Comments:

13. None.

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