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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Central Intelligence

VIA ~~Deputy Director (Plans)~~

SUBJECT: *Subject of* Sergei Lvovich SHEBALIN *in the United States*

REFERENCES: CIA Regulation No. 50-10  
SALZ 1134 (IN-49820)

1. It is requested that approval be granted for the entry into the United States this summer of Sergei Lvovich SHEBALIN, formerly Rostislav Lvovich ANTONOV; his wife, Tatiana Afanasiyevna (RAUN) SHEBALINA; and his six year old daughter, Margarita, under the authority of Section 8, Public Law 110 (81st Congress). Operational considerations render it essential for the subject to be brought out of Austria and into the United States with a minimum of delay. Exercise of the authority herein requested is the only legal method for securing the Subject's permanent admission to the United States at this time.

*Reasons of latest carriage - but see attached (5-)*  
a. Operational considerations preclude subjecting the subject to a carriage test in the field because of the sensitivity of his latest assignment. Without the favorable report of a carriage test, it would not be possible to obtain a Covert Security Clearance from T&S and thereby bring the subject in under "black" entry procedures.

*to handle of latest carriage - see attached (6)*  
b. As stated in SALZ 1134 (IN-49820), the American Consulate in Munich finds the Subject's immigration papers in order, but because of a recently cut Russian quota, he will have to wait for approximately eighteen months before he can enter the United States.

*1/* The Subject cannot be brought to the United States under a "preferential quota" (Section 203, a 1, of the Immigration and Nationality Act) because only atomic experts are in unquestioned demand in the United States. The need for other people well qualified in professions or trades will undoubtedly be contested by their counterparts in the United States.

2. This request is based upon the Subject's past and potential usefulness to this Agency:

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a. Service to date

The Subject, a former captain of the Soviet Army and later General VIASSOV's adjutant, has been utilized under various projects of the SR Division. In two of the projects the Subject performed the ground work, but, due to lack of funds, these projects were abandoned. At present the Subject is still connected, although indirectly, with REDCAP and CE operations. Reports from the field by the Subject's case officers speak well of his capabilities, motivation, and suitability for intelligence work.

b. Future services

If this request is approved, the Subject will be employed as a spotter and interviewer by the Assessment and Recruitment Section of the SR Domestic Operations Base in this country. It is felt that his immigration to the United States is desirable to assure his valuable services indefinitely and to secure his continued allegiance to American interests.

3. ~~Insert~~  
4. A detailed justification for the Subject's admission to the United States, plus biographic details of him, his wife, and his daughter, are attached.

Chief, SR Division

- Attachments - ~~4~~  
1 - Justification for Admission into US of Sergei Lvovich SHEBALIN  
2 - Biographic Information on Sergei Lvovich SHEBALIN  
3 - Biographic Information on Tatiana SHEBALINA, nee RAUN  
4 - Biographic Information on Margarita Sergeevna SHEBALINA

- 5 - ~~Request of label covering to~~  
Distribution:  
2 - DCI  
1 - DDP  
1 - Alien Affairs  
1 - EE/REDCAP  
1 - C/SR  
1 - SR/3  
1 - RI

*3. The Office of Operations  
responsibility for Subject's  
recruitment in U.S. and the  
Office of Operations facilities,  
personnel, & procedures are although  
adequate to assume this  
responsibility.*

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