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MARKIS SHAMMERZA
Also Known As
AKA Shamil Marza,
AKA Marx Marza,
AKA Maks Mirza
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On June 21, 1971, Andrew Marchison, Paterson,
New Jersey, Attorney, furnished the following information:

Mahamet Marza, 161 North 5th Street, Paterson,
New Jersey, solicited his services to bring one Shamil
Marza to the United States as a visitor from the Soviet
Union. His name is Mahamet Kaze Shahmetia, who resides at

Marchison stated he never met with the subject,
however, believes the subject is between 25 and 30 years of
age. The subject's father has not seen the subject for
over 25 years.

On June 25, 1971, Albert Karali, Chairman of the
Committee for Liberation of North Caucasus, Headquarters
Alexander Hamilton Hotel, Paterson, New Jersey, admitted the
following:

Karali learned the subject is the Director or
Assistant Director of an industrial complex in the North
Caucasus. He believes the subject received formal
education in the Soviet Union and from his conversation
Karali said he is convinced the subject is a co-operant
of the Soviet Intelligence Service. Karali went on to state
the subject is not openly hostile to this country and talked
at times against the communist system.

On June 28, 1971, Tashirin Sobzakov, 714 14th
Avenue, Paterson, New Jersey, advised he learned the subject
was visiting his father at 161 North 5th Street, Paterson,
New Jersey. The subject reportedly visited this country
from the Soviet Union in June 1971, and planned to return
to the North Caucasus on or about July 9, 1971.

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Soobsokov advised the subject is the second person to visit this country from the North Caucasus in the past three months. Soobsokov believes such visits from educated people gave the Soviet Union a design to create doubt in the mind of persons in the Circassian Colony in the United States. Soobsokov went on further to state the visit by educated persons from the Soviet Union living in the Caucasus will cause a breakdown in the united front that the Circassian people have had for many years against the Soviet Regime. He added he has already seen splintering in the Circassian Colony in that these people no longer look upon the Soviet Union as their enemy.

In July, 1971, the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Newark, New Jersey, advised they were unable to locate any record for Shamil Marza, also known as Marx Marza.

On August 23, 1971, Albert Karali, President of the Committee for Liberation of North Caucasus with headquarters at the Alexander Hamilton Hotel, Paterson, New Jersey, and the residence of 143-23 41st Avenue, Flushing, New York, furnished a nine page, handwritten statement concerning Karali's interview with the subject. This statement was written in the Russian language and according to Karali, contains information which he, Karali believes, supports his opinion, that the subject is a co-opted member of the Soviet Intelligence Service.

In October, 1971, Karali's nine-page, handwritten statement in Russian language was translated and set forth as follows:

MARRIS, SHAMIL
Also Known As
Shamil Kirza,
Marx Kirza,
Mike Kirza

I believe that every intelligent and conscientious American citizen understands the real and terrible threat against the Free World and mankind from the USSR communist dictatorship. I cannot harbor the thought that the governments of the free countries, above all the USA, could believe the "peaceful" statements of communist leaders.

I do not want to expatiate on this theme, because I remain loyal to my people and government, and I believe that our American government understands only too well the danger I have mentioned above.

I should only like to draw people's attention to one fact, which, in my opinion, constitutes an omission by our Administration, and which might have sad consequences.

As is well known, after the end of the 2nd World War, the free nations of the world, with the USA at their head, gave refuge to tens and hundreds of thousands of so-called displaced persons, mainly former citizens of communist countries, particularly the USSR. I understand fully that the American Government and people, led by humanistic principles, offered an asylum to these refugees, the victims of communist and fascistic dictatorships.

There is no doubt that a great part of these refugees successfully and beautifully adapted themselves to the conditions of a free and democratic life in America, and became good and loyal USA citizens. But we must not forget that a certain percentage of these displaced persons managed to get into America quite undeservedly. Many convinced communists, during the time of the German occupation (being afraid of their past), threw themselves into the service of the fascists, and after Germany's defeat they remained in the positions of refugees; and maybe some of them were told to do so.

Today we are witnessing open anti-American acts perpetrated by this portion of emigres, as mentioned by me.

At the present moment, the Soviet Government is bestowing quite some attention on these former citizens of the USSR in America.

MIRZAS
Also known as
Shamil Mirza,
Marx Mirza,
Maks Mirza

taking advantage of tourist trips into the countries of communist dictatorships, which are offered to them by our Government as its citizens, the communist agency is blackmailing its former citizens on a wide and very skilful basis.

All methods of deception, threats, and open propaganda are being used.

Many American citizens going to their old native USSR are being subjected to a forced interrogation by special organs of the KGB. Some are allowed to go to their native villages as heroes, but others are not given any such privileges.

The entire emigre mass is well-nigh saturated with pro-communist materials of a propaganda character. Some emigres in America are conducting an overt anti-American activity.

To my regret, on this theme hundreds of pages could be written.

The most "remarkable" fact in this whole affair is that the communists, taking advantage of this freedom, are sending to America, under the guise of visitors and tourists, the most highly qualified agents of the KGB.

To America they come under false names and professions. It is very difficult to meet such "visitors" because fellow-travellers are protecting them. I was "lucky" to meet and have a few "heart-to-heart" chats with one of the visitors in Paterson, N.J.

Young, 34 years old, Mirza, Maks came here to visit his father, Magometneri Mirza, in Paterson. He is well educated and pretends to be an engineer and director of the menu combine of Nalchi. But really he is one of the functionaries of the Committee for the Return to the Homeland (an organ of the KGB) of Kabardin - Balkar ASSR (Azerbaijdzhan SSR).

My meeting with him was organized at the initiative of our committee and its members, but the talk under four eyes was suggested by himself.

MARTIN J. ...
Also known as
Shamir ...
Marx ...
Maks ...

To my first question, How he looks upon America and American life, he replied that he was delighted with the great number of cars, the wealth of products, and everything. He stated openly that he could not believe his eyes as to the strength and riches of America.

Question: Why cannot such a vast country as Russia, with such great natural resources, provide a secure life to its citizens?

Answer: The lack of private initiative, the bureaucratic management, and the tremendous expenditures on armaments are the cause of the low standard of living.

Contrary to other visitors, Maks proved to be honest, and for this reason I put many questions to him, to which he replied willingly.

Question: Against whom do you think the Soviet Union is arming?

Answer: - Naturally, against the USA.

Q. Can one expect a war between the USSR and America?

A. This war is going on now everywhere. In Vietnam, the Soviets are spending large resources; without the help of the USSR, the North Vietnamese could not wage war even for an hour. In Arabia, South America, and North America, as well as in other parts of the world, the Soviets are spending plenty in order to weaken the strength of the Free World, especially that of the USA.

Q. Do you think that the Soviets are achieving their goals in these areas?

I think that they are achieving them.

Q. Do you think that the Soviets might take the risk and suddenly attack the Free World?

A. The Soviets already know almost all the secrets pertaining to American bases and arms, but they need approximately three more years to carry out their main projects.

MARSH BROWDER, A.
Also known as
Shamil
Muz
Muz
Muz

- Q. What project is that?
- A. The "Cosmos" (or: Space) project, i.e. flying atomic bases.
- Q. How do you know about this?
- A. I hope what you know about it, too. We cannot sleep.
- Q. Can you tell me more details about this project?
- A. I do not know about the special details, but I am absolutely sure that work on this project is going on day and night.
- Q. If the Soviets are working successfully on this project, why weren't they the first to reach the Moon?
- A. The Soviets are interested not in the Moon, but in Earth, especially America.
- Q. What effect did the fact that the Americans arrived first on the Moon have on the USSR population?
- A. A tremendous and ravishing effect; but if the Soviets succeed in establishing a base in space or if they invent some weapon of mass destruction, then the Moon and the Sun will not help.
- Q. What would you suggest for America to do in order to avoid a world catastrophe to benefit communism?
- A. It is the Americans who must think about this; I can only say that time is not working for America.
- Q. And what about China?
- A. The most terrific threat to the Soviets; but after the USSR has attained its main goals, nobody will be capable of defending himself.
- Q. Are you expecting a war with China?

HANKIS, SHARON A.
Also known as
Sharon Hankis,
Wendy Hankis,
Marta Hankis

- A. The Soviets are expecting war every minute, not only with China but also with America.
- Q. Who do you think will be victorious in such a total war?
- A. Today - America; but after three years I do not know. In any case, even if I am a member of the Communist Party, I would not like a victory by communism. I have lived through a lot in the Soviet Union, and talking about it would take up much time.
- Q. Why don't you remain in America?
- A. I fear about the fate of my three sons, my wife, and my mother.
- Q. Do you know any emigres in America who are working for the USSR?
- A. There are many of them, but I do not know their names, because they are connected with another department. In any case, I am very much afraid of them, and our conversation must be cut short.
- Q. Can you expect a revolution in the USSR?
- A. No.
- Q. Why?
- A. There is a very complex question, but I can summarize it thus: (1) The people have no rights, but the leading class is satisfied with the system and would fear a collapse of the government. The system of surveillance and controls continues. The people do not know what kind of system might replace the present one; the emigres are doing nothing, etc.
- Q. Do you listen to the Voice of America radio broadcasts?
- A. These are empty broadcasts, from which one cannot learn anything except the news.

MARRIS SLAVIK, SR.;
Alec K...
Shamil...
Mark Mirza,
Maks Mirza

On which side will the peoples of the Soviet Union
fight in a total war?

On the side of that country which will be victorious
in the first days of the war, because the future war
will be a war of a few days.

I always thought that Maks's father, who resides in
Paterson, N.J., was an anti-communist, and he has spoken
openly everywhere against communist dictatorship. I do not
know whether he is his son; but we know that he, in 1942,
left a three-year old son in the North Caucasus.

I talked to Maks three times, several hours each
time, and I put to him hundreds and hundreds of questions.
He gave his answers willingly, and some of the questions and
answers which I consider important I wrote down here.

Maks, as I have told before, is very well educated.
He understands about culture, music, etc.

He is above average height, of athletic build, and
he is a man of high intelligence.

Albert Karali

Committee for Liberation of
North Caucasus Inc. in USA

MARKIS SHAHMERZA
Also Known As
Shamil Marsa
Marx Marsa,
Maks Mirsa

On November 5, 1971, Mahamet Kare Shahmersa, 161 North 5th Street, Paterson, New Jersey, advised he is the father of Markis Shahmersa. He stated his son was born January 1, 1940, North Caucasus, Soviet Union. During World War II, Mahamet Kare Shahmersa became separated from his son and the last time he saw him was in January, 1943. Mahamet eventually made his way into Italy in 1948. He then migrated to Jordan. He left Jordan in 1958 and arrived in the United States. He was naturalized in Paterson, New Jersey, on July 31, 1969, certificate 9145348. He is presently employed by United Coffee, Incorporated, Paterson, New Jersey.

Mahamet Kare Shahmersa advised he learned that his wife and son were taken to Siberia, in 1943, where his wife eventually died. His son remained in Siberia for 13 years and was permitted to leave and obtain an education in Caucasus. The subject is presently residing in the North Caucasus area and is employed as the Vice President of a meat processing factory in the North Caucasus area, and has two sons.

Mahamet Kare Shahmersa advised he has been trying for a number of years to get his son to visit him in this country and finally in June, 1971, the subject was permitted to leave the Soviet Union and visit him in this country for 30 days. Mahamet advised the subject has no strong sympathy for communist ideology and in fact was quite critical of the Soviet system. The subject enjoyed his stay in this country and marveled at the standard of living of the people here. Mahamet added the subject has, to his knowledge, no military background and has no connection with the Soviet Government Space Program.

Mahamet went on to state that the main reason in sponsoring the visit of his son (subject) to this country, was because he has not seen him for 25 years and the subject remained with him in Paterson during the 30 days he visited this country.

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