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1. YAROSLAV STETSKO, AKA YAROSLAW STECKO, BORN 19 JANUARY 12 IN TERNOPOL, UKRAINE. WIFE ANNA NEE M U Z Y K A BORN 14 MAY 20 IN ROMANOVKA, UKRAINE. STUDIED AT UNIVERSITIES IN LWOW AND KRAKOW AND WHILE A STUDENT BECAME A MEMBER OF THE ORGANIZATION OF UKRAINIAN NATIONALISTS (OUN) PRIMARILY AS A PUBLICIST WRITING ANTI-POLISH AND ANTI-SOVIET NATIONALIST PROPAGANDA. FROM 31-34 HE WAS IN CHARGE OF AN OUN GROUP ENGAGED IN SMUGGLING ANTI-SOVIET PROPAGANDA INTO THE SOVIET UKRAINE, AS WELL AS ANTI-POLISH ACTIVITIES. ARRESTED AND TRIED BY A POLISH COURT AND SENTENCED TO FIVE YEARS IMPRISONMENT. LATER SIDED WITH STEPAN BANDERA WHEN OUN SPLIT INTO TWO RIVAL FACTIONS. SUBJECT PRESIDED OVER AN ASSEMBLY CONVOKED IN LWOW ON 30 JUNE 41 TO PROCLAIM AN INDEPENDENT UKRAINIAN STATE IN WHICH SUBJECT OCCUPIED POST AS PRIME MINISTER. THIS GOVT WAS DISSOLVED IN LESS THAN TWO MONTHS AND HE WAS ARRESTED BY GESTAPO. ESCAPED

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70 GERMAN CONTROL IN 1945 AND WENT TO AMERICAN ZONE OF GERMANY SPENDING MOST OF HIS TIME IN MUNICH WHERE HE WAS PROMINENT IN EMIGREE POLITICS.

2. SUBJECT'S POLITICAL ASSOCIATIONS INCLUDE ACTIVE MEMBERSHIP IN VARIOUS UKRAINIAN NATIONALISTIC ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE UKRAINIAN MILITARY ORGANIZATION (UVO). HAS BEEN CHAIRMAN OR PRESIDENT OF THE ANTI-BOS. DREVIK BLOC OF NATIONS (ABN) SINCE ITS FOUNDATION IN 1945. CHAIRMAN OF EUROPEAN FREEDOM COUNCIL.

3. HE VISITED THE U.S. IN 1958 AND TESTIFIED BEFORE THE HOUSE UN-AMERICAN ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE AND HOUSE COMMITTEE FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

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