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AMERICAN LEGATION, VIENNA, AUSTRIA,  
March 5, 1948.

SUBJECT: Biographic Report on FERENC VAJTA.

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The Minister has the honor to refer to the Department's Instruction No. 36 of February 19, 1948, enclosing a biographic report form on FERENC VAJTA, Hungarian.

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"1. The information in our files concerning Ferenc Vajta largely confirms that presented in the Department's biographic report.

"2. In addition, we have the following material, which may be of interest to you:

"Vajta was arrested in Salzburg on 6 June 1945 by agents of the 42nd Div. CIC Det. at the request of the 2677th Regt. OSS (Prov). Shortly after, he escaped from the 7th Army Interrogation Center and made his way to the French Zone of Austria. Having convinced the French authorities that he had been the victim of Hungarian-American persecution due to his anti-Soviet activities, Vajta was employed by the French Intelligence Service as an interpreter and informer in Innsbruck.

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"Some time in August or September 1945 Vajta appeared in Rome. Although his arrival was reported to the Allied and Italian authorities, no action was taken against him. It has been reported that he was in the employ of the Deuxieme Bureau in Rome.

The Legation is endeavoring to obtain further information from French sources in Vienna.

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