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15 April 1947

TO: General Counsel

SUBJECT: Zsoldt Aradi

1. With reference to subject's application for an immigration visa to the United States, the following is quoted from a memorandum received 25 April 1946 from the Chief of Mission, SSU Austria:

"There is no question in our mind that subject's reports are among the most outstanding produced by the Mission. He has written anti-Communist as well as anti-Nazi books prior to the war and is at the present time "stateless" in the worst sense of the word. Should he be eliminated (from the organization) he and his wife and children would be in an extremely uncomfortable position in Europe. Our tremendous regard for subject is shared by [redacted] and Anson who have also worked with him closely."

"Subject is a Jesuit and an extremely devout Catholic. His writings against both the Communists and the Nazis were on religious grounds. He is in the liberal Catholic tradition and does not, for example, censure with the lack of courage exhibited by Cardinal Imtiser during the war, nor does he condone the anti-Russian politics of Cardinal Mindszenti in Hungary at the present time. He has exceptional balance, uncanny ability to organize intelligence contacts, and a very deep loyalty to those executives of this organization with whom he has worked for the past two years."

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