

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

OSUBJECT: Contact with AECASSOWARY/2 and 29 in Washington (safe office) on 17 June 1965

The meeting was arranged by mutual consent for the purpose of talkina bout A/2's trip to Australia, to obtain from A/29 information on V. Wowk's trip to the USSR and to discuss \subset \Box report on Roxanne SMYSHKEVICH.

The first order of business was to have A/2 and 29 l. 7 report of his debriefing of Roxanne so that they would be ready to discuss any problems with Bob when he arrived at the safe office. There were not many questions asked by them which had not already been discussed during past meetings but they felt it still was necessary to get many more details from Roxanne before certain conclusions could be reached on the internal contacts made by her. It was decided A/29 will submit a list of questions for Bob to ask Roxanne during a meeting he will try to arrange with her for the near future. Bob will inform Roxanne that the Agency is interested in the internal contacts but does not wish to become involved at present and he will try to direct her back to the AECASSOWARIES. If she does not pick up her earlier relationship with the AECASSOWARIES after her meeting with Bob, we then will arrange a meeting for interrogation of Roxanne by Bob, AECASSOWARY/29 and an additional Agency staff officer all present, during which time pressure will be brought to bear that if she refuses to tell everything her case will be considered a mattent in which the national security is involved and will have to turned over to the FBI.

2. Introduced the Subject of the plans to establish local contact between AECASSOWARY/29 and the Contact between AECASSOWARY/29 and the Contact established with PU 2. Soviet citizens in the New York area and other matters which require coordiation with the FBI. A/2 and 29 accepted this calmly and expressed their willingness to cooperate in any way necessary. They were told A/29 would be introduced to an IP/RPU Agency staff officer in New York, probably by me, in the very near future and that his contact with the Agency officer in New York would be verbal with the usual written reports continuing to be sent to me.

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- \square also briefed A/2 and 29 on Agency requirements on the Dnepropetrovsk area.
- 4. A/29 reported on the itinerary of Vera WOWK. She left New York on 4 June for Moscow, Kharkov, Valta, Odessa, Kiev, Lvov, Uzhgorod, and was due in Vienna on 28 June before continuing on to Bled to the P.E.N. congress. A/29 plans to debrief her in Vienna. Other details on her trip are being placed in her 201-file.
- A/57 is going to the youth festival in Algiers with the Independent Research Group (CA/5 activity) from New York. A/43 will be going from Germany. A/43's travel and operational expenses will be financed by AEBEEHIVE. The CASSOWARIES have prepared a text in English on Moscow's violation of Lenin's principles of self-determination (for translation into French) which they will have printed on the back of photographs of Tito for distribution at the festival.

There was a telephone call from the New York office

- to me on the sterile phone during the meeting with A/2 and 29. A/29 telephoned the New York office to determine the reason for the call. It was A/17 who wanted to know what to do in the event two members of the Moyseev group with whom A/57 has been meeting in New York (and who made certain inquiries which led him to believe they might defect redecided to defect that York was to be notified. A/17 (and $\Lambda/29$) was told to have A/57 play it cool and not say anything to encourage the defection but to contact the FBI and me at my home if in fact the two decided to defect. (There was no defection that evening but the contact continues.) The two men are: Rudi KHODZHOYAN, now born 10 September 1943 in Baku, Armenia, 5'5", 135-140 lbs., dark complexioned, black hair, black eyes, speaks Russian and Armenian, smokes, friendly, outgoing nature, interested in jazz and women. Lives in Moscow and has been with the Moyseev group for 5 years. Sergei OGANOV, form 9 February 1940 in Baku, user Armenia, single 5'9", 150 lbs., curly brown hair, speaks Russian and Armenian, friendly, interested in music (Jazz), women and wine. Lives in Moscow. Has been with Moyseev for 8 years with which group he has been in the United States on one other occasion.
 - A/2 gave a brief account of his visit in Australia. He was quite satisfied with the reception given him in all the cities he visited there. There was one conference in the Australian press held for him, resulting in three newspaper articles (favorable), and he appeared on a TV program.

There are about 35,000 Ukrainians in Australia located in and around Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, Brisbane, Perth and a small group in Canberra. They are organized into "all kinds of parties" but maintain representation in one overall committee. According to A/2 the various groups could quite easily be unified into one group, with the exception of the Bandera followers.

An Australian intelligence officer (?), Jack CRIFFITH, contacted M. BOLUKH and requested that he try to establish contacts with Sowiet citizens in the Soviet Embassy. BOLUKH selected Bohdan PODOLYANKO from Sydney to keep in touch with GRIFFITH for purposes of contact operations against Soviet citizens. It is believed this contact continues.

Panas Titovych WERESHCHAKA, 356 Emo Road, E. Malverne, Victoria Melbourne Former U.N.D.S. (Mykola LEVYTSKY group). WERESHCHAKA is about 62 years old. He has two sons, 32 and 26 respectively, both married and living in Australia, one is an electrician, the other an architect. WERESHCHAKA arrived in Australia from Germany about 1949. He was an "energo-electrician" Who made visits from his home in the Ukraine to the Donbass until the year 1938. At that time his chief was PERVUKHIN, former Tambassador in East Germany. In 1938 WERESHCHAKA was arrested ♥and sentenced to 18 years (he never knew the charges). Because of his high position, his case had to be reviewed by the CC. He was freed in 1939 and sent to Zaporozhe near Dnepropetrovsk, to replace fnu KHATAYEVICH, and he was made chief of electrification In southern Ukraine. There he met Leonid BREZHNEV who was chief of smelting ovens (domna pich). BREZHNEV was given a high Pof smelting ovens (domna pich). BREZHNEV was given a high position "because his father had been a long-time Communist proleterian." WERESHCHAKA said BREZHNEV was not much of an engineer but was a real bureaucrat. In 1939 he became secretary of the Communist Party in Zaporozhe. WERESHCHAKA worked under Athe Germans in his profession and came West with them. remembers Aleksei KÖSIGAN from the time he had to go to Moscow when his sentence was being reviewed. He described KOSIGAN as always willing to defend the decisions and actions of his professional men. He was not the bureaucrat #REZHNEV was. AMORAL @ Dmitro chub

Dmytro Vasilyevich NYTCHENKO, 436 Percy Street, Newport, Victoria, Melbourne. Writes under the name of Dmitro CHUB.

NYTCHENKO worked on an editorial board in Kharkov. He was acquainted with Soviet Ukrainian writers like Bazhan, Tychyna and others. He is married and has 2 daughters, 1 married, the other in school. A/2 was given NYTCHENKO's name by Vasyl BARKA.

NYTCHENKO is a literary type. He is working on his memoirs and has written several books.

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Ivan PROZNYCKYJ, 13 Harpley Street, Cheltenham
Victoria, Melbourne, comes from Kamyanets Podolsk where he completed the Soviet Pedagogical Institute. He was divorced in Australia. A one-time member of the URDP, he is now non-party. Three years ago he wrote an open letter to the Ukrainian Minister of Education, Alla BONDAR, asking why there were no Ukrainian schools in the Caucauses and other places in the USSR where Ukraiwians live.

Kost HIMMELREICH, Oak Avenue, Lot 5, Mentone, Victoria, Australia P. O. Box 28. HIMMERREICH is a Ukrainian married to a Russian. He has a son about 25 and a daughter about 12. He operates a vegetable store. BROZNYCKYJ claims HIMMELREICH is a KGB agent. His father returned to the Soviet Union from Australia in 1961 and he (KOST) has a younger brother in Lvov. He belongs to the URDP. HIMMELREICH reportedly deserted from the Soviet army. He used to belong to the Bahriany group at which time he wrote articles attacking the ZP/UHVR. HIMMELREICH attended talks given by A/2. He claims he fought with the UPA and left with A/2 a list of his UPA division colleagues to whom he feels awards should be made.

Fnu PAWLYSHYN, Brisbane, Chairman of the Ukrainian community there.

Fnu YEREMIYENKO, Brisbane, economist, about 65 years old. Knows Soviet economists in the Soviet Union.

Petro KARDASH ZP/UHVR. Made a film of Ukrainians in Australia. He hopes to show it in the USA. He corresponds with Soviets in Kiev and Moscow regarding the movie film industry. One of those with whom he corresponds is fnu PAVLENKO, Kiev, vul. Yereuvanskaya, kv. 24.

Professor Roman DRAGAN, Melbourne, about 56 years of age. Employed as a bus driver. Former member of the CP. Left the Soviet Union about 1933-34. He was in Kharkov and reportedly escaped to Iran where he joined the legion. From Iran he went to Jerusalem, then to France and to Munich after WWII. He arrived in Australia in 1948-49. DRAGAN speaks English well. He subscribes to Soviet Ukrainian literature. He once belonged to the UNRADA leader-ship but now belongs to the ABN.

Bohdan UMRYSH, M.D. Former CP member. Studied medicine in Cracow. He has a son George who wrote to the Soviet Embassy requesting permission to go to the Soviet Union for permanent residence. He was turned down because he is not a former Soviet citizen? A/2 said he was suspected of being a narcotics user.



8. A/2 said it was time to consider raises for his people, particularly CHOMIAK who was told he would probably be given one after one year, which time now is up. DMYTROVYCH informed A/2 his firm was moving away from Paris. A/2 said they will have no one to depend on in Paris of DMYTROVYCH leaves. The latter said he would get a part-time job and stay in Paris if A/2 supplemented his income in the amount of about \$200 monthly. A/2 feels this should be done. He was told I would notify him as to whether or not he should promise this to Mytrovych.

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