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January 21, 1950

TO THE DIRECTOR, CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

I understand that you are interested in the activities of the Communist Party, U.S.A., in the United States, and in the activities of the Communist Party, U.S.A., in the United States, and in the activities of the Communist Party, U.S.A., in the United States.

I have been active in the Communist Party, U.S.A., in the United States, and in the activities of the Communist Party, U.S.A., in the United States, and in the activities of the Communist Party, U.S.A., in the United States.

WALTER J. WELLS

D'Agostino, J. 9427
Division Log



THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF WAR
WASHINGTON

January 9, 1948

Dear Bill:

I have secured action on the request made in your letter of December 3, addressed to the Secretary of War for the release of Private Giovanni D'Agostino to you. The action taken is described in the copy of the attached memorandum from the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, which is enclosed herewith for your information.

Sincerely,

Colonel William J. Donovan, Director
Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

Enc.

*D'Agostino, J. 7427
R. W. D. P. 114.*

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF WAR,
MR. HANLEY**

JANUARY 7, 1942.

**MEMORANDUM FOR THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF WAR,
MR. HANLEY**

**Subject: Discharge of Sgt. Edward
D'Agostino.**

With reference to the attached memorandum,
it is considered advisable to comply with the request
of the Director of the Office of Strategic Services.
Accordingly, the Adjutant General has been directed
this date to accomplish the discharge of Private
Edward D'Agostino without delay.

**H. G. WISE,
Adjutant General,
Assistant Chief of Staff.**

**WHL:
Sent to O-4 by
Mr. Hanley, 1-8-42.
WHL:WHL**

DO NOT ACCOMPANY ORIGINAL

January 9, 1948

Dear Sir:

I have secured action on the request made in your letter of December 8, addressed to the Secretary of War for the release of Private Clarence P. Agoston to you. The action taken is described in the copy of the attached memorandum from the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, which is enclosed herewith for your information.

Sincerely,

(SIGNED) JOHN J. GALTHER

Colonel William J. Burston, Director
Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

Enc.

December 3, 1942

The Honorable
The Secretary of War
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

✓
The services of Private Giovanni D'Agostino, Camp Upton, Long Island, are urgently needed by this organization for work of a confidential nature. His Army Serial number is 32,639,344. Our organization had originally requested a draft board release for Private D'Agostino. It was too late to procure this because the subject had already been inducted into the Army on November 21, 1942.

I should, therefore, appreciate it very much if you would arrange to have Private D'Agostino discharged from the Army.

Sincerely,

William J. Dunston
Director

Mr. Freeman
Chief, Italian Section, SE

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* Allocation of Funds

September 29, 1948

Mr. E. E. Stettinius, Administrator
Office of Lend-Lease Administration
115 - 2nd Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Stettinius:

This Office is planning for the purposes of its operations abroad to procure certain defense articles for distribution in various strategic areas to nationals of countries whose defense has been declared by the President to be vital to the defense of the United States under the Act of March 11, 1941 (Public Law 11, 77th Congress, 1st Sess.) For strategic reasons which have been discussed with representatives of your Office, it will not be feasible to prepare detailed programs in advance of the purchase of these articles, or to reveal the precise manner of their distribution.

These defense articles will consist primarily of food, communications equipment, guns, ammunition, and other weapons.

SECRET

Mr. Stettinius

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September 19, 1944

It has not yet been possible to estimate the cost of acquiring these articles during the coming year. However, our initial requirements are not expected to exceed \$500,000.

The Office of Strategic Services requests an allocation of \$500,000 from Lend-Lease funds appropriated to the President, to be used for such purposes. We shall, of course, be prepared to make whatever accounting you desire, with due consideration to the requirements of secrecy in these operations.

Sincerely yours,

William J. Donovan
DIRECTOR

Mr. Tolson, John E.
Director
FBI

10/20/54
Mr. Tolson
Washington, D. C.

From: Mr. Tolson, John E., Director, FBI, Wash., D. C.
To: Mr. [Name], [Address], Wash., D. C.

The Secretary of the Office of Strategic Services, Department of State, has advised that the [Name] is a [Nationality] and is [Status]. It is requested that you advise the Bureau of the results of your investigation of this matter.

The Bureau is requested to advise the Department of State of the results of your investigation by [Date].

The Office of Strategic Services, Department of State, is currently conducting an investigation of the [Name] and is requesting your assistance in this matter. It is requested that you advise the Bureau of the results of your investigation of this matter.

J. Edgar Hoover



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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON, D. C.

IN THE MATTER OF THE
APPOINTMENT OF
JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
AS DIRECTOR OF THE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF
INVESTIGATION

WHEREAS
JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
IS A PERSON OF
REPUTATION AND
ABILITY
AND
IS WELL KNOWN
TO THE PEOPLE
OF THE UNITED STATES
AND
IS A PERSON OF
REPUTATION AND
ABILITY



Mr. J. F. [Name], John F.
[Address]

October 11, 1954

Dear Mr. [Name]:

Second Lieutenant John H. [Name] [Rank], U. S. A.,
Office of Strategic Services,
1000 and 1 [Address],
Washington, D. C.

1. The Secretary of the Office is extremely in the
obligatory service that you proposed on or about October 11,
1954, from Washington, D. C., to New York, New York, on
temporary duty for the purpose of accepting and the [Name]
of the Secretary of War, and upon completion of the
temporary duty return to your proper station.

2. The travel involved is chargeable to [Name] [Rank]
A [Rank].

3. The Finance Officer making payment in connection
with the travel mentioned will attach a copy of the voucher,
showing the correct date, month in which paid, number [Name]
and citation of this order. The copy of the voucher will be
forwarded by letter of transmittal to the Adjutant General's
Office, Attention Fiscal Section, stating that the original
copy of voucher is furnished for the purpose of securing re-
imbursement from the Office of Strategic Services.

J. F. [Name]

Adjutant General,

Office of [Name], [Address], [City]

REPLY TO:

1000 and 1 [Address],
[City], [State]
[Name], [Rank]
[Address]
[City], [State]

Delafield 7395
+ Message Book

October 20, 1942

MEMORANDUM

FOR: The Adjutant General of the Army
FROM: Director, Office of Strategic Services
SUBJECT: 2nd Lieutenant John W. Delafield,
F.A. (O-214697)

It is requested that orders be issued transferring the station of the above-named officer, now assigned to duty with this office, from New York, New York to Washington, D. C. effective November 1st, 1942.

Lieutenant Delafield has heretofore been assigned to this office, with station at New York, New York by L.O. dated May 2, 1942 issued by Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D. C. as modified by Paragraph 29, S.O. No. 129, Hp. 2nd Corp Area dated May 13, 1942.

WING J. HARRIS
Director

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2nd Lt. John W. Delefield, P.A. (O-214697)
has heretofore been assigned to this office with
station at New York, N.Y. by [L.O. dated 5/2/42
issued by Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D.C.
as modified by Par. 29, S.O. No. 129, Hq. 2nd Corp.
Area dated 5/13/42.] Will you kindly arrange to
issue orders continuing his assignment to this office
but transferring his station to Washington, D.C.
where his services are now needed.

Sgt. J. W. Delefield

*effective
now*

MESSAGE CENTER

OFFICE NOTICE:

Second Lieutenant John W. Delafield A.U.S.
is hereby appointed Chief of the Message Center. Hence-
forth Mr. Delafield will have complete authority under
the Registry Officer in all Message Center matters.

J. Freeman Lincoln
Registry Officer

Dated: September 18, 1942

cc Mr. Murphy
Mr. Hayes



Daley 10-22-42
Chicago

October 22, 1942

Mr. Earl W. Daley
Treasury Department
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Daley:

✓ Thank you very much for your letter of October 14. I appreciate very much your cooperation in this matter, and assure you that your papers will be handled with great care. I am sure that they will prove very valuable to this office, and they will be returned to you as promptly as possible.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director



CUSTOMS AGENCY SERVICE
SUPERVISOR CUSTOMS AGENT
401 CUSTOMSHOUSE

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

UNITED STATES CUSTOMS SERVICE

BALTIMORE, MD.

October 21, 1942.

William J. Donovan, Director,
Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

Reference is had to your letter of October 14, 1942, to The Honorable, The Assistant Secretary of the Treasury, Washington, D. C., relative to files of Shanghai newspapers which the writer brought back in his baggage and which I have offered to make available for examination by officers of any of the intelligence services of the Government, which letter was forwarded by the Department on October 17 to the writer and received this evening by me upon return from a short leave.

It is noted that you suggest that I send the file of the newspapers to Mr. Frederick G. Kilgour, the Executive-Secretary of the Inter-Departmental Committee for the Acquisition of Foreign Publications, which is part of the Office of Strategic Services, in order that it might be microfilmed and distributed to such Government offices as have need of it, further that Mr. Kilgour will see to it that the file is returned promptly and in good condition. The file has not yet been unpacked, but I will unpack it this evening and tomorrow arrange it in chronological order and see that it is promptly forwarded to Mr. Kilgour. The writer is in no great urgency for the return of the file, except that I would like to have it back some time. My interest is to see that such information as is therein contained is brought to the attention of those agencies for whom it will have the most value.

The file will consist of a complete file of Japanese English language newspapers, i. e., Japan Times-Advertiser, Osaka Mainichi (identical with Tokyo Nichi-Nichi) and the Japan Chronicle for the month of November 1941, a practically complete file of the Shanghai Times from December 9 or 10, 1941, to June 28, 1942, a number of issues of the Shanghai Post and Mercury for the same period, and a few copies of the Ost Asiatichesches Lloyd, the German English language newspaper of Shanghai.

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With reference to the file of the Shanghai Times, the Navy
Navy issue (May 27, 1947) contained an interesting supplement
devoted to Japanese Navy Day which is missing from this particular
file. The supplement in question, together with two copies of
Freedom, the Japanese propaganda magazine issued in Shanghai in
Life format, and a copy of Foto-News, another propaganda issue,
is at present in the hands of Miss Harriet Crowley, of the Division
of Publications in the Office of War Information, Washington, D. C.,
from whom it may be borrowed if it is desired to make the file
complete.

Thanking you for your interest, I am

Respectfully,

Earl V. Kelly

EARL V. KELLY,
Treasury Representative.

EWD/mml
cc F. G. Kilgour
cc Bureau of Customs

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The Honorable,
The Assistant Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington, D. C.

Sir:

I am much obliged to you for communicating to me parts of a letter from E. W. Daley, former Acting Treasury Attaché at Shanghai. This letter, as you will recall, had to do with files of Shanghai newspapers which Mr. Daley brought back in his baggage and which he has offered to make available for examination or copying by officers of the intelligence services of the Government.

I need hardly say that any and all materials of this sort are of real and immediate interest to this office. No doubt they would have value for other Government agencies as well. It would seem to me that the proper course to pursue would be for Mr. Daley to lend this material to the Interdepartmental Committee for the Acquisition of Foreign Publications, which is part of the Office of Strategic Services, in order that it might be microfilmed and distributed to such Government offices as have need of it. I therefore suggest that Mr. Daley send the files of his newspapers to Mr. Frederick G. Kilgour, the Executive Secretary of the Interdepartmental Committee, who will see to it that they are returned promptly and in good condition.

Very truly yours,

William J. Donovan

cc Mr. Kilgour

WJL/mw

The Honorable,
The Assistant Secretary of the Treasury,
Washington, D. C.

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Very truly yours,

, William J. Donovan.

cc Mr. Kilgour

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ASSISTANT SECRETARY

TREASURY DEPARTMENT

Washington

October 1, 1942.

Colonel William J. Donovan,
Director, Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I quote from a letter addressed to the Commissioner of Customs by E. W. Daley, former Acting Treasury Attaché at Shanghai:

"At the time of the occupation of Shanghai, the venerable British controlled 'North China Daily News' was immediately seized and suppressed as likewise was the Chinese controlled anti-Japanese 'China Press', of which latter sheet J. B. Powell, the account of whose sufferings has appeared in local newspapers, was a director.

"The 'Shanghai Post and Mercury' which was American owned and violently anti-Japanese in policy was taken over on December 8, 1941, by the Japanese, along with its radio station, which was immediately utilized as a propaganda organ. Some weeks after December 8, 1941, the 'Shanghai Post Mercury' once again appeared on the streets, under the name of its former editors, although published with the aid of many of its former staff members. The revived 'Post Mercury' was an emasculated shadow of its former self, pro-Japanese in context and policy, and administered by a Japanese supervisor.

"The 'Shanghai Times' which had pursued a more or less pro-Japanese policy prior to the war and was understood to be Japanese controlled appeared on the streets on December 9, 1941, and continuously thereafter.

"The 'Ost-Asiatisches Lloyd', a German controlled English language newspaper, appeared on December 8, 1941, and thereafter under that name, but soon adopted the name of 'Noon Extra' which was the name formerly given to a small condensed four-page flyer, issued gratis daily as a propaganda effort before the war by

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The British 'North China News'.

"The writer had an almost complete file from December 9, 1941, to June 24, 1942, of 'The Shanghai Times', a number of issues of the 'Shanghai Post-Mercury' of the same period, and a few issues of the German 'Noor Extra', and also a complete file of the Japan 'Times-Advertiser', 'Osaka Mainichi' and the 'Japan Chronicle' (Kobe) for the month of November, 1941, packed in his baggage and brought with him from Shanghai to the United States ex GERTT TERDE and GRIPSHOLM.

"This file of newspapers presents a lay to lay picture of conditions in Shanghai, the manner of Japanese occupation, the type of Japanese presentation of their communiqués and narrative of their war effort, and, to a large degree, the Japanese side of the picture, probably as fully as a file of the Japan Times-Advertiser (Tokyo) or the Osaka Mainichi would do."

Mr. Daley is willing to make this file available for examination by officers of the intelligence and informational services of the Government under such circumstances as will assure him that it will be returned to him intact. This would not of course preclude the photostating or otherwise copying of any portion or portions that might be of special interest.

If you think any part of this file might be of interest to you, I should appreciate having your suggestions as to a method of making it available.

Very truly yours,



Herbert E. Gaston,
Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

September 11, 1942

Mr. Herbert H. Casson,
Assistant Secretary of the Treasury,
Treasury Department,
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Casson:

Thank you for your letter of September 10, 1942,
which enclosed a report made to the Commissioner of Customs
by Mr. J. J. Kelly, former Treasury Attaché at Shanghai.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

ADDRESS OFFICIAL CORRESPONDENCE TO
THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON, D. C.



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

In reply refer to
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August 25 1942

My dear Colonel Donovan:

The receipt is as will be seen attached hereto of August 21, 1942 enclosed Treasury check No. 2716, \$27,000.00. Davis has enclosed the Treasurer of the United States. A letter has also been received from Mr. J. H. Miller, Chief Disbursing Officer, enclosing check No. 10,000 payable to the Treasurer of the United States for Mr. Davis.

The above checks totalling \$5,000 have been deposited in the Special Deposits account of the Department of State in the Treasury. The American Express at London has been authorized to advance \$5,000 to Mr. Davis, charging the payment to the Department's Special Deposits account.

Sincerely yours,

For the Secretary of State:

J. Howland Shaw

J. Howland Shaw
Assistant Secretary



Colonel William J. Donovan,
Director, Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.

*Case 7041
X Transfer Order*

August 27, 1948

The Honorable
C. Richard Sorensen
Acting Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Sorensen:

Enclosed is Treasury Check No. 1,514,000, in the amount of \$1,500.00, drawn in favor of Lt. Harry Henry Davis, Agent-Cashier, which Lt. Davis has endorsed back to the Treasury of the United States. There is also enclosed a copy of my letter dated August 26, 1948, transmitting Lt. Davis' request for an additional advance of \$1,000.00 to Mr. G. F. Allen, Chief Accounting Officer.

Lt. Davis is being dispatched to London, England in connection with the work of the Office of Strategic Services and, in his capacity as Agent-Cashier, will have need of the above-mentioned funds at that point.

In accordance with established procedure, will you please place Lt. Davis' check in "Special Deposits" and establish a credit with the American Embassy in London in his favor. Mr. G. F. Allen has been advised that the proceeds advanced on Lt. Davis' request for additional advance of funds are to be made available to him in London through State Department facilities.

You will doubtlessly receive early confirmation of the additional advance to Lt. Davis from the Chief Accounting Officer, so that ultimately a total credit in the amount of \$1,500.00 can be made available to Lt. Davis in London.

Expedient handling of this matter will be greatly appreciated since Lt. Davis will depart at an early date.

Sincerely yours,

William J. Donovan

Enclosures

cc: Col. Donovan
Mr. Eustling
Fiscal Office
Mails & Files

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AUGUST 24, 1948

Mr. C. F. Allen
Chief Accounting Officer
Division of Management
Security Operations
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Allen:

Enclosed is an application for advance of funds in the amount of \$2,000.00, under agent-number bond for Lt. David L. Davis.

Lt. Davis is being dispatched to London, England to act as an agent-number at that point in connection with the work of the Office of Strategic Services. It is desired that the proceeds from this advance be made available to Lt. Davis in London.

In accordance with established procedure, will you please transmit the funds requested to the Department of State in order that Lt. Davis may receive credit therefor through the American Embassy in London, England.

Very truly yours,

William J. Donovan

Enclosure
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100-100000-1

cc: Mr. Tolson
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Nichols
Mr. Clegg
Mr. Glavin
Mr. Ladd
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tracy
Mr. Egan
Mr. Gurnea
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn
Mr. Nease
Miss Gandy

Do 12-784
17-10-1964

Form-213-77

7-2300

To:

Lieutenant
Harry H. Davis, D-0(B), U.S.N.,
Naval Operations,
Navy Department.

7. This detail to duty involving flying will terminate upon the completion of this temporary duty assigned by these orders.

8. The cost of this travel is chargeable to "Pay, Subsistence and Transportation", and ultimately chargeable to the Office of Strategic Services.

Copy to:
Naval Operations,
Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D.C.
Cdr., U.S. Naval Forces in Europe,
Naval Office,
Transportation Div.,
Mr. Taylor, Identification Section.

MICHAEL JONES

Recd. 7 1942
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AUG 14 1942

From: The Chief of Naval Personnel.
To: Lieutenant
Harry E. Davis, D-5(S), U.S.N.,
Naval Operations,
Navy Department.

Via: The Chief of Naval Operations.

Subject: Temporary additional duty.

1. When directed by the Chief of Naval Operations, you will proceed to such port as he may direct, and arrange your passage via naval or commercial vessel to the British Isles, on a mission the nature of which, cannot be divulged for reasons of security, and upon arrival proceed to London, England, and report to Commander Elias S. Howe, U.S.N., for temporary duty.

2. In the performance of this duty you are authorized to perform such travel as may be necessary including travel by land, sea, or air, in the United States, Canada, Newfoundland, and the United Kingdom, and to whatever countries as are deemed necessary in the successful completion of this duty.

3. Report also by letter to the Commander, U.S. Naval Forces in Europe, for this duty.

4. This is in addition to your present duties and upon the completion thereof, and when directed by the proper authority you will return to Washington, D.C., via such transportation, including via air, as may be available, and upon arrival resume your regular duties.

5. In addition to the actual cost of travel, a per diem of \$4.00 in lieu of subsistence will be allowed while absent from your station, except while at a government camp.

6. These orders constitute your assignment to duty in a part of the operational organization of the Navy, and you are hereby authorized to carry out such duties as may be assigned to you in the performance of your duties.



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Form-313-GLJ

AUG 5 1948

7-4117

From: The Chief of Naval Operations.
To: Lieutenant Harry E. ... U.S.N.,
 Navy ...
Via: The Chief of Naval Operations.
Subject: Travel Orders



1. In connection with your duties you are hereby authorized to perform such travel from time to time as may be directed by the Director of Strategic Services. Travel via government or commercial air, or any other mode of transportation is authorized.
2. In addition to the actual cost of travel you will be entitled to a per diem of \$6.00 while absent from your designated post of duty, Washington, D.C.
3. You will look to the Director of Strategic Services for reimbursement for all travel performed in obedience to these orders.

RANDALL JACOB

Copy to:
 Naval Operations.
 Office of the Director of
 Strategic Services,
 Washington, D.C.
 Detail Office.

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

July 29, 1942

Mr. Homer B. Mann
Mann, Barnum, Kerdolff & Welsh
800 Bryant Building
Kansas City, Missouri

My dear Mr. Mann:

I found your letter upon my return from London. I have carefully considered the matter of Manuel Davis, and it does not appear that we will be able to obtain him at the present time. Our assignment of military and naval personnel is controlled by the Army and Navy and they assign officers of their own selection to fit our requirements. However, if a vacancy in officer personnel should occur, I will be glad to keep Major Davis in mind. Changes are made from time to time and it might be that we could suggest him to the Air Corps when they consider filling any Air Corps vacancy here. At any rate, I am very grateful for your writing me about him.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

OFFICE
COORDINATION OF INFORMATION

INTEROFFICE MEMO

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SERIES OF 14 - NO. 58865

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June 1, 1942



Colonel William J. Donovan
Washington, D. C.

My dear Colonel:

Re: Major Marvel H. Davis

I tried to see you in Washington a little over two weeks ago but found that you had left for London the day before.

You will recall that you were the attorney for the defense in the big oil indictment case that was tried at Tulsa, Oklahoma, some time ago and that one of the defendants was Mr. L. L. Barnett, the founder of the White Eagle Oil Company, which was later merged with Socony-Vacuum Oil Company. Major Marvel H. Davis, the subject of this letter, is a son-in-law of Mr. Barnett, and I am writing on behalf of both Major Davis and Mr. Barnett, who has asked me to give you the facts.

Major Davis was a flier in the World War and my recollection is that he took the place of Quentin Roosevelt, when he was killed as a member of the Lafayette Escadrille. After the war, he resumed the practice of law in Kansas City.

Major Davis is a graduate of Yale University and Harvard Law School. He served two terms as a member of the Missouri Legislature and one term as State Senator from my district. In 1940, he was nominated by an overwhelming majority as the Republican candidate for United States Senator from Missouri and ran far ahead of his ticket, although he failed of election. He was attorney for some time for the TWA corporation and has been an active practicing lawyer in Kansas City for more than twenty years. His father served as a State Senator in the State of Kansas for more than thirty years.

Major Davis is at the present time at Lowry Flying Field in Denver, Colorado, subject to definite assignment in a few days. He was a reserve officer. When you were appointed by the President to be at the head of the liaison work between the Army and Navy, Major Davis, knowing that I knew you, asked me to get in touch with you. I tried to reach you by telephone but did not succeed, and then tried to call on you while in Washington. He desires to be attached to your organization and is very anxious to have you request that he be sent to Washington for a personal interview with you.

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Colonel William J. Donovan
June 25, 1942

Major Davis is a man of fine appearance, sound judgment and strong personality. I know of no man in Missouri who has more personal friends, both among the citizenry and in the American Legion, than has Major Davis. He was born and reared in Kansas and has a large number of friends in that state. The present Republican National Committeeman, the Honorable Harry Darby, is a close friend of his. Former Governor Alf M. Landon and many other men in that state will gladly recommend him for the place he seeks on your staff. He is a close personal friend of Governor Bennett of Missouri and campaigned throughout the state with him. I respectfully urge and request that you look into his qualifications and if you can use a man of his fine attainments, I trust that you will ask the head of the Air Corps to have him ordered to Washington for a personal interview. He is fifty-one years of age, is married and has three fine young sons.

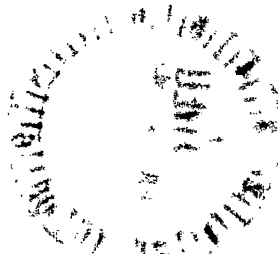
I am very happy to know that Colonel Knox, Commander S. A. Lyles and yourself are all so prominent in the defense of our country. My grandson is in the Navy, attending the training school in the Hudson River, New York City, and my son, a former officer of the 89th Division, has already offered his services.

Sincerely your friend,

Homer B. Mann

Homer B. Mann

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July 16, 1944

Colonel William J. Donovan, Director
Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

Dear Colonel Donovan:

I appreciated very much your letter of June 28 pertaining to my son-in-law, Major Manvel H. Davis.

I wish to advise that Mr. Davis was assigned this week to the First Bombardment Wing, U. S. Army, Tucson, Arizona. It would be very kind of you if you could keep Major Davis in mind for any position that you might have open in your organization as he is well equipped to fill almost any position in the Army. During the First World War, he was stationed in France so long that he talks the French language quite well. As I stated in my other letter to you, Major Davis would be pleased to come to Washington for an interview if he had a few days leave of absence, authorized by a superior officer.

I understand that Mr. Colthwaite E. Ford is in Washington trying to do his part in helping to win this war. Should you run across him, please give him my best regards.

Thanking you again for your interest in Major Manvel H. Davis, I am

Sincerely,


L. L. Marcell

LLM:jl

Joe - Total
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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

June 28, 1942

Mr. L. L. Marcell
Socony-Vacuum Oil Company, Inc.
926 Grand Avenue
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Marcell:

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Upon my return from abroad I find your letter of June 15th. It is probably too late to do anything about having Major Davis assigned here, but at any rate for the time being we would not be able to request his assignment. Our organization has now been renamed the Office of Strategic Services and will come under the jurisdiction of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Thank you for writing me, and I shall keep Major Davis in mind in the event we may wish to ask for him at some future date.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

June 17, 1954

Mr. L. L. Marcell
Socony-Vacuum Oil Company, Inc.
925 Grand Avenue
Kansas City, Missouri

Dear Mr. Marcell:

In the absence of Colonel Donovan
I wish to acknowledge receipt of your letter of
June 15 regarding Major Davis. Colonel Donovan
is out of the country for a brief period, but I
shall bring your letter to his attention upon
his return.

Very truly yours,

Wayne Nelson



Handwritten notes and stamps in the top right corner, including a date that appears to be "May 1944".

SOCONY-VACUUM OIL COMPANY
WHITE EAGLE DIVISION
325 GRAND AVENUE
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

OFFICE OF
L. L. MARCELL

June 18, 1943

Colonel William J. Donovan
25th and "E" St. N.W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Colonel Donovan:

I am writing you in behalf of my son-in-law, Major Marvel H. Davis, who has just registered at Lowry Field, Denver, Colorado.

Major Davis had full service in World War II and was a pilot in the French Aviation Division. He was a buddy of Quentin Roosevelt's until he (Mr. Roosevelt) was killed. Major Davis is an attorney here and is a man fifty years of age with a family consisting of a wife and three boys--ages three, six and eight. He also made the campaign in 1940 for United States Senator (Republican party) in the State of Missouri and lost in the landslide by about 30,000 votes.

Major Davis advises me that he would like very much to be a part of your organization in Washington, and I would appreciate it very greatly if you could ask the proper authority for leave of absence for him so that he might come to Washington for a conference. He would be willing to do so at his own expense. If you will be kind enough to do this, it should be done immediately as he will be ready for an assignment within the next ten days.

You will remember me as being among the oil men defendants at Madison. Also, our Mr. R. R. Irwin sends to you his best regards.

Very truly yours,

L. L. Marcell

LLM:jl

Londres, le 21 mars 1940
reçu le 22 mars 1940

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Le Général de Gaulle a prononcé le 20 mars 1940 à la fin du déjeuner National de France Publique à Forest Hill, près de Worcester à Londres, le discours suivant :

La guerre, il s'en va, est un grand effort pour la liberté. N'est-ce pas évident pour la guerre actuelle, où l'enjeu est, non seulement la grandeur de notre nation, mais le destin de chaque individu. Il est évident que dans un conflit de cette nature, l'acceptation de l'effort et le déploiement de l'effort soient commandés par les éléments moraux. Mais ce qui est vrai, surtout pour une nation moralement séparée par l'ennemi et la trahison, ce qui fut la malheureuse avant-garde et que seules sa force et sa confiance en ses alliés peuvent préserver.

Puisque vous avez fait l'honneur de m'inviter à parler devant un auditoire aussi qualifié, je voudrais dire d'ailleurs nous en sommes au point où les dignitaires doivent rappeler leurs devoirs en face du sacrifice. Je voudrais franchement certaines idées qui se faisaient avant la guerre la base des rapports entre la France combattante et les Nations qui sont ses alliées.

En juin 1940 Hitler ayant rapporté la victoire sur les armées françaises, décide de susciter, dans nos pays le régime favorable à ses desseins. Il veut la neutralisation de l'Empire et de la flotte, de manière à assurer dans la Méditerranée et en Afrique la couverture des entreprises qu'il voulait accomplir ailleurs.

Il lui fallait...
 nos matières premières, notre industrie, nos
 taïres, le travail de nos enfants. Il lui
 ment...
 Pour la signature...
 ont le ralliant...
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 Mais il...
 national...
 singuliers d'indépendance...
 allées se...
 vocaux, Messieurs, de ces...
 de France...
 qui garder...
 voudrait prendre et même, il...
 les poisons d'ordre nouveau. Oh, Messieurs,
 sont si habilement commis...
 out, en les voyant, se garder...
 tion. Ainsi, en...
 la stratégie Nazie...
 rans nous pas d'adresser à Hitler...
 chapeau.

Dependant, il n'est...
 chapeau, Hitler répond...
 s'est trouvé...
 rallient les territoires français et comb...
 sur tous les champs de bataille. Bien...
 comme auxiliaires, mais comme alliés...

rennent à tout ce qu'il y a de plus grand dans la France combattante. Pour elle, la France combattante n'a pas de réserve formelle que ses alliés ne soient pas prêts à lui verser, et elle ne se mesure pas à la grandeur du monde, elle se mesure à la grandeur de son peuple. Elle sait que cette victoire sera la victoire de la liberté, de la démocratie, de la justice et tient à ce que tous, dans le monde, ne pas l'oublier. Elle sait que la liberté, les droits combattants n'ont qu'une seule justification, c'est d'être la seule justification de son peuple comme telle et ses nobilités.

Messieurs, si je ne devais y assister, ce fait psychologique et politique, toute l'attitude de la nation française d'aujourd'hui, parce que la France combattante ne peut ni même durer si ses alliés ne tiennent pas et parce que la France ne saurait jamais, ses alliés, les puissances aux côtés des alliés pas combattu jusqu'au bout. Dans le monde, le peuple français, étant donné toutes les raisons, serait disposé à faire s'il acceptait le l'affreux régime de démolition nationale soumettent les champions de la capitulation, comment possible de garder ce peuple comme liés si ses alliés ne faisaient pas ce qu'il faut pour les soutenir.

pousser aux dernières conséquences le régime qui
 qui pourrait sérieusement se figurer que les
 désirs et les ordres d'Hitler, sont balancés
 que par la résistance de la France combattante,
 France combattante, et même par exemple, le
 de combattre, un autre jour, même une fois
 Hitler d'utiliser son armée pour le parti de la
 parti de la Liberté, et il n'est pas en vain
 en évitant de telles illusions.

Comment oserait attribuer aux suggestions
 suggestions privant les démocraties de
 reconnaître la France combattante comme
 que dans celle des chefs de la France combattante,
 que les démocraties ont fait assés nettement
 faveur de la Liberté, et y a-t-il de telles
 outrage aux démocraties alliées. C'est
 lieu l'intention d'intervenir au profit
 ment à la souveraineté du peuple français. Mais
 imputer un voeulement de ce genre
 ont détruit toutes les libertés, les
 le régime sur le fascisme, et se caractérisent
 confiance aux bons Français, et luttent
 de la République, luttent jusqu'à la mort
 totalitaire et font hautement profession
 enchaîné pour le refaire souverain, se rendit
 re dans la politique les principes de la
 se jetait dans la mer le crainte d'avoir

Comment a-t-il pu...
 via-à-vis de la...
 à un enoblissement...
 respect de...
 Il y a...
 d'un...
 pour...
 d'ailleurs...
 et...
 un...
 toute question française...
 c'est la révolution...
 Trinitaire par ses élites...
 sies, a commencé d'accomplir...
 sans qui, dans le monde, se figurerait...
 après le premier coup de canon, la France...
 soixièmement, non seulement pareille à celle...
 connue commencent une insigne erreur. Sans le secret...
 ses douleurs, il a...
 rement nouvelle dont les guides seront des hommes...
 Les gens qui s'étonnent de ne pas trouver...
 politiciens usés, des académiciens...
 d'affaires menagés par des combinaisons, les généraux...
 de grades, font penser à des attardés des petites...
 rope qui, pendant la dernière révolution française...
 de ne pas voir siéger Turgot, Mecker et Lomenie de Brienne...
 au Comité de Salut Public. Une France...
 préfère toujours gagner la guerre avec le Général Hoche...
 que de la perdre avec le Maréchal de Soubise. Pour proclamer...
 imposer la déclaration des droits, une France...

préface
l'ensemble de ces faits

Messieurs, l'ensemble de ces faits

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Avec...
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Pr...e Libre.

June 5, 1962

Mr. Warren Delano
Coordinator of Information
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Delano:

This is to advise you that your headquarters have been changed from Washington, D. C. to Honolulu, T. H., effective upon arrival at your new headquarters.

The reimbursement of your expenses in connection with the travel in accordance with existing orders and regulations, is hereby authorized. The cost of transfer of your household effects is also authorized in accordance with existing regulations.

This transfer is not for your convenience, but is for the best interests of the Government.

Very truly yours,

William J. Donovan

By: G. Edward Burton
Assistant Coordinator

James R. Opatasjrh

June 5, 1948

Mr. Warren Delano
Office of the Coordinator of Information
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Delano:

You are hereby designated as the Representative of the Research and Analysis Branch of the Coordinator's Office in Honolulu. The purpose of your mission will be to discover and collect such materials as you may find available in the Hawaiian Islands and as may be of use to the Research and Analysis Branch.

On your arrival in Honolulu you should report to Major J. A. Jones and subject to his approval you should establish contact and remain in close touch with the offices of Military and Naval Intelligence in Honolulu and cooperate in every way with the military, naval and civilian authorities. You are likewise directed to establish and maintain close liaison with the University of Hawaii, with the Bishop Museum and with other institutions and groups in Honolulu which may possess information on the Pacific area or may be engaged in research dealing with that region.

You will be expected to maintain communication with the Washington Office before making any decisions of major importance and you are authorized to communicate by cable at your discretion. In general it is my intention to give you wide latitude in the discharge of your duties so that you may explore and exploit any sources of information which will be of assistance in the work of this office.

Other members of this organization will probably be dispatched to Honolulu in the near future and as soon as the Chief of the Coordinator's Office in Honolulu is nominated you will subordinate yourself to him.

Mr. Warren Malone
Age Two

June 7, 1948

Your salary during your stay in Honolulu will be \$4000. per annum plus an allowance of \$5.00 per day when travelling in the Continental United States and \$7.00 per day while en route to Hawaii.

Very truly yours,

William J. Donovan

WILL/MB
cc/Dr. Baxter

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON, D. C.



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

Mr. Donovan
10/10/42
W. H. P. M.
10/10

In reply refer to
NE 861.01/424

May 4, 1942

CONFIDENTIAL

My dear Colonel Donovan:

I enclose herewith, for the confidential information of your organization, a copy of despatch no. 1310, dated April 1, 1942, from the American Consulate General at Algiers, concerning a pro-de Gaulle organization which is stated to be operating in France and is now proposing to extend its activities to North Africa.

Sincerely yours,

Paul H. Alling

Paul H. Alling
Chief, Division of Near Eastern Affairs

Enclosure:

Despatch no. 1310,
dated April 1, 1942,
from Algiers.

Colonel William J. Donovan,
Coordinator of Information,
Washington, D. C.



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ADDRESSED TO

Colonel William J. Donovan

AIR MAIL

1946

American Consulate General
Algiers, Algeria, April 1, 1946.

Subject: De Gaulle Activity

The Honorable
The Secretary of State,
Washington.

Sir:

I received today the visit of M. André FRADIN, whose address in Algeria is Ouled Triff, par Bey Ghisac (telephone 3 à Champlain), temporarily at the Hotel des Etrangers, Algiers, who came to me with the attached letter of introduction from Mr. John W. Chandler, an American citizen, who was associated as architect in the construction of the American Embassy building in Paris.

Mr. Fradin also bore a letter from the French Minister of Agriculture, M. Caziot, introducing him as Director-General associated with Dr. Stuhl of the Société Fraternelle de Tittery, an organization, he said, concerned with the welfare of refugees from Alsace and Lorraine in Algeria.

M. Fradin claims to be a manufacturer, the proprietor of a factory at Sarreguemines, now occupied by the Germans. He is also the proprietor of a property of 600 hectares at the above address in Algeria. He is a veteran of the present war, having been badly wounded in action in the Saar where he was taken prisoner by the Germans and repatriated later because of his adverse physical condition.

En . . .

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He informed me that he is one of the so-called leaders in France. He gave me copies of two newspapers published by the dissidents in France which, he said, have a circulation of about 100,000. They are called LIBERATION and COMBAT. He said that the organization is far advanced, has been provided with a considerable quantity of arms and ammunition, and is equipped with radio transmitters, putting it in direct communication with London. It is so organized that a raid on one unit by the French authorities does not endanger the balance of the organization because each unit works in ignorance of the names and activities of the balance of the organization. The total outline is known to a very few men. M. Fradin claims to have a comprehensive knowledge of the organization.

M. Fradin said that the Government leaders in Vichy live in fear and trembling of the growing power of this dissident movement. He cited, for example, his recent conviction to Vichy at a time when forty members of the organization had been arrested under Minister of the Interior, M. Pucheu's orders. He asserted that after M. Pucheu's conversation with himself and several other leaders, the Minister of the Interior ordered the release of the forty imprisoned party members, under an agreement whereby the group promised that no attempt would be made by the organization on M. Pucheu's life during a six-months' period.

M. Fradin said this incident is a good example of the craven attitude of a few men associated with the present French government, who know that they are on a sinking ship but who hope, nevertheless, by hook or crook to save their own lives and political careers by some sort of maneuver at the eleventh hour.

My visitor told me a long story of acts of sabotage committed by members of the organization, such as the dismantling
of . . .

of trains of supplies destined for Germany, sabotage in factories and on the docks and steamships. He said that his organization is bringing together Frenchmen of every political belief, from the extreme communist group to the Rightists, and that an important element in the organization was the Confédération Générale du Travail which, notwithstanding its official dissolution, retained its organizational outline.

M. Fradin's purpose in coming to North Africa, he said, is to continue the work of this organization in this area. He feels that the independent movement affecting the liberation of France will start in North Africa. He said that he is at our disposition for whatever assistance he could give. Without making any commitments, or indicating my sympathies in the slightest, I encouraged M. Fradin, asking him to keep closely in touch with me and to give me the benefit of his advice on the current trend here.

My visitor left with me an appeal, copy enclosed, to the President of the United States signed by him as representative of the two publications -- LIBERATION and COMBAT (copies enclosed). I told him that I had taken note with interest of this paper, but I made no promise to transmit it.

M. Fradin also left with me the enclosed booklet entitled "NOTRE COMBAT", published by the same group, which includes copies of a number of statements and sermons made by representative clergymen on the subject of Nazi aggression.

Respectfully yours,

Robert D. Murphy
 Counselor of Embassy

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Enclosures:

1. Letter from John W. Chandler dated January 16, 1948, Paris.
2. Appeal to the President of the United States signed by M. Fradin
3. Copy of publications COMBAT and Liberation (one only)
4. Copy of booklet entitled NOTRE COMBAT (one only)

In triplicate to the Department
 Copy to American Embassy at Vichy
 Copy to American Legation at Tangier

18 Rue de l'Arceve, Paris.
January 14th, 1944.

Dear Sir,

Mr. Fradin, who presents this letter, has been a great friend of mine for many years. He was directing a factory in Narbonne along American lines. This factory is now occupied by the Germans and Mr. Fradin has turned his attention to the development of a large property purchased by his family, near Alger, which naturally he wishes to develop according to American methods as much as possible.

I believe that your knowledge of both countries will permit you to give him the best possible advice.

Mr. Fradin is a fine gentleman who fought bravely as an officer and was wounded in this war. He has many friends in the industrial, financial and governmental circles in France.

If I take this liberty, it is because I remember meeting you through Mr. Keith Merrill, Secretary of the Foreign Building Commission, when I was representing the firm of Lelano & Aldrich as architect for the construction of the American Government buildings in Paris.

Thanking you for any advice you may give my friend and feeling sure that you will be pleased to make his acquaintance, I remain,

Very sincerely yours,

/s/ John W. Chandler

The Honorable Mr. Murphy
Consul General
of the U. S. of America
Alger.

Monsieur le Président,

A l'occasion de la nouvelle année, les groupements de résistance qui s'efforcent de maintenir l'espoir de la libération et la volonté de victoire dans la France nouvelle, guerrière, affaiblie, soumise à un régime de servitude morale et matérielle telle que notre pays n'en a jamais connue, ont tenu à vous adresser leurs vœux respectueux pour votre personnel et pour la grande République que vous représentez. Ils tiennent à vous exprimer leurs sentiments de reconnaissance pour tout ce que vous et les Etats-Unis d'Amérique avez fait dans le passé, pour tout ce que vous faites dans le présent et ce que vous ferez dans l'avenir pour notre malheureux peuple. Ils vous expriment également leur profonde admiration pour votre effort dans la lutte engagée contre l'ennemi mortel de notre commun idéal.

La tragédie de la nation française est de ne pas avoir de gouvernement qui représente ses véritables aspirations. Le pouvoir qui s'est établi à la faveur de la défaite est, vous ne l'ignorez pas, tout à fait artificiel. Le régime qu'il a imposé est rejeté par l'immense majorité de nos compatriotes. Nous nous sentons profondément humiliés par les concessions faites, sous le prétexte d'une collaboration fallacieuse, à un ennemi implacable. Nous avons notamment ressenti, jusqu'au fond de notre âme, la honte de l'abdication consentie en Extrême-Orient devant le Japon qui a utilisé, au mépris même du traité conclu avec lui, notre Indochine comme base d'attaque contre les Etats-Unis et la Grande-Bretagne. La France réelle ne s'incline pas et ne s'inclinera jamais devant une telle servitude et nous avons la certitude, nous qui partageons ses souffrances, ses humiliations et ses espoirs, d'en être auprès de vous les interprètes fidèles.

Le peuple français, dans la zone interdite, dans la zone occupée et dans celle qui n'a hélas! que l'apparence d'être libre, combat dans les conditions les plus difficiles pour nos libérations. Ses sentiments véritables ne peuvent se manifester au grand jour. Vous les connaissez cependant, nous n'en doutons pas. Au-delà des déclarations officielles du gouvernement de collaboration, l'écho vous est parvenu, non seulement de ses douleurs, mais aussi, et surtout, de l'espérance qui l'anime. Sa consolation est de ne pas rester, malgré tout, absente des champs de bataille. Il y est représenté par une phalange sacrée, par les meilleurs de ses enfants, groupés autour du Général de Gaulle, dont le nom seul, pour l'immense majorité de nos compatriotes, est le symbole de cette espérance de libérations.

Vous comprendrez ainsi, Monsieur le Président, l'émotion que tous les groupements de résistance à l'appréhension, que la France tout entière a ressentie en apprenant, par des nouvelles sans doute tendancieuses, par des télégrammes falsifiés, le déceveu qui aurait été fait par les Etats-Unis d'Amérique, pour l'affaire de St Pierre et Miquelon, à ces forces françaises libres qui sont la fierté et l'honneur de notre patrie. Nous nous en voudrions de nous imposer dans la conduite de la guerre de nos alliés. Nous comprenons fort bien que cette politique a ses nécessités. Mais nous souhaiterions, cependant, que nos soldats qui participent à la grande bataille pour un idéal qui nous est commun ne puissent recevoir des coups injustifiés. Nous ne les considérons pas comme des

"trahis" . . .

"désirés." Au sujet de nos concitoyens qui vivent hors de France, peuvent surgir des étonnements ou des malentendus qui proviennent de l'éloignement. Les soldats qui se battent ne peuvent être soumis aux mêmes soupçons. Ils sont les représentants de la nation française dans l'immense armée de la liberté.

Nous ne séparons pas, d'ailleurs, la lutte contre le régime de servitude intérieure, auquel notre malheureux pays est soumis, du combat contre l'occupateur. Nous savons que ce régime de servitude dépend de l'occupation, qu'il n'a pu s'établir que par elle. Il disparaîtra avec elle. Nous avons la conviction que la prétendue "résolution nationale" ne survivra pas à la défaite, quoi que puissent faire ou tenter les hommes qui, au moment opportun, voudraient sauver ce régime extérior, au prix d'une prise de position envers l'ennemi extérieur, plus conforme aux aspirations du pays. Mais si une pareille tentative était faite, notre pays serait livré à de nouvelles luttes intestines que nous voulons éviter.

Votre haute autorité, Monsieur le Président, peut contribuer puissamment au maintien de cette concorde éclairée. Nous avons simplement voulu, dans cette adresse, vous faire parvenir l'écho des aspirations les plus profondes de notre peuple. Il souhaiterait que les Français qui ont relevé après une bataille perdue, les tronçons du glaive, qui n'ont jamais désespéré de la victoire du droit, de la liberté, de la démocratie, fussent considérés, hors de France comme ils le sont en France même, comme les représentants les plus dignes des aspirations de notre patrie.

Veuillez agréer, Monsieur le Président, l'hommage de notre profond respect et de notre vive reconnaissance.

Le responsable des mouvements
de dissidence en France,

P.O. de: LIBERATION
COMBAT

/s/ A. FRODIN

April 1, 1944, from General, Algiers, Algeria.

Mr. President,

(Translation)

On the occasion of the New Year, the resistance organizations which are striving to maintain, in a France cut in pieces, bruised, starved and yoked to an order of men and material slavery such as our country has never known, the spirit of freedom and will for victory, take the liberty of sending their respectful wishes to you personally and to the great Republic which you represent. They wish to express their appreciation for all which you and the United States have done in the past; for all which you are doing now and that which you will do in the future for our unhappy people. They express likewise their deep admiration for your efforts in the struggle in progress against the mortal enemy of our common ideal.

The tragedy of the French nation is not to have any government which represents the true aspirations. The regime established by the defeat is, do not forget, completely artificial. It is rejected by the large majority of our countrymen. We feel ourselves profoundly humiliated by the concessions made, under pretext of a deceitful collaboration, to an unappeased enemy. Especially have we felt, to the bottom of our heart, the shame of the withdrawal agreed to in the Far East; a withdrawal before a Japan which, in spite even of the treat entered in to, has used our Indo-China as a base for attack against the United States and Great Britain. The real France does not bow, and will never bow, before such bondage; we who share her sufferings, her humiliation and her hopes, surely we are her faithful reporters.

The French people -- in the forbidden zone, in the occupied zone and in that which, alas, has only the appearance of being free -- fight for their freedom under the most difficult conditions. They cannot show their real feelings in the open. Nevertheless, we are sure that you know them. Beneath the official declarations of the collaborationist government, the echo has come to you not only of her sorrows but also, and above all, of the hope which inspires her. Her consolation is that, in spite of all, she is not completely outside the field of battle. This hope is represented by a sacred company, by the best of her children grouped around General de Gaulle, whose name alone for the great majority of our compatriots is the symbol of this hope for freedom.

From this you will understand, Mr. President, the emotion which all the resistance groups to oppression felt, which all of France felt in learning, no doubt through misleading news items and false telegrams, of the disavowal made by the United States to the Free French forces, the pride and honor of our country, regarding the incident of St. Pierre and Miquelon.

We would like to have a part in the conduct of our allies' war. We understand very well that this policy has its demands. But we would wish, nonetheless, that our soldiers who participate in the great struggle for a common ideal need not receive undeserved slaps. We do not consider them as "indignants."

On . . .

On the subject of our citizens living outside of France, there is the possibility of disagreements and misunderstandings developing as a result of distance and separation. But the soldiers who fight cannot be put under the same scepticism. They are representatives of the French nation in the great army for liberty.

Furthermore, we do not make a distinction between the domestic struggle against the regime of slavery to which our unhappy country is being subjected and the struggle against the invader. We know that this bondage is dependent on occupation; that without occupation it could not have been established, and that it will disappear with the latter. We are convinced that the so-called "national revolution" will not survive the defeat, no matter what the man, who would like to give this despicable order at the price of taking a position toward the outside enemy here in conformity with the ideals of the country, may do or attempt at an opportune moment. But were such an attempt made, our country would be given over to new internal struggles which we wish to avoid.

Your high authority, Mr. President, can contribute greatly to the maintenance of this desirable peace. We have simply wished in this address to acquaint you in a small way with the deep hopes of our people. It is wished that the Frenchmen who, after a battle lost, have raised again the fragments of their sword, who have never given up hope for the victory of right, liberty, democracy, should be considered, outside of France as they are in France itself, as the representatives the most worthy of our country's aspirations.

Please accept, Mr. President, our most respectful salutations.

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 (signed) A. Fradin

May 21, 1942

The Vice President
United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Vice President:

Thank you for your letter of May 12 enclosing a letter to you from Mr. John W. Brooks of Long Beach, California, regarding the employment of Jaime del Amo.

Mr. del Amo did apply at this office having been referred here by an officer in the Navy Department. Several personal interviews were had and we were seriously considering employing Mr. del Amo in connection with a mission to Spain. However, upon inquiry of other agencies, the Army Intelligence, and the FBI, in addition to private sources of information, they strongly recommended against his employment and their reports were unfavorable. Upon consulting the State Department, we were advised that they would refuse to issue a passport.

I wanted you to know this for your own personal information, in order that you may make such reply to Mr. Brooks as you deem appropriate. It would appear that in view of the adverse reports from the agencies mentioned, there is no action which we can take.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

JM:ja

Copy of this letter filed with Mr. Thayer, Bureau

September 2, 1952
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September 2, 1952

The Hon. J. Edgar Hoover
Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

This has reference to your letter with respect to the application of Public Law No. 135 - 77th Congress, in relation to Mr. William Despres of the Office of Strategic Services.

After a careful consideration of Mr. Despres' file, it was decided that this organization will take no administrative action. This decision is made in all fairness to Mr. Despres, who under direct examination, has denied association with any subversive elements. In view of the fact that there is no conclusive proof of any disloyalty on the part of Mr. Despres, we feel justified in this action.

Sincerely yours,

William J. Donovan

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April 1, 1963

Mr. Leonard M. Davis
Coordinator of Information
25th and K Street, N. E.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Davis:

This is to advise you that you have been selected by the Office of Coordinator of Information to have general supervision of communications and the message center in the Australia office, subject to any instructions you may receive from the general representative of the Coordinator of Information at that point.

Your salary will be \$2600 per annum, of which amount \$1300 will be paid by the Coordinator of Information in Washington, and \$1300 through the State Department representative in Australia. A living allowance of \$900 per annum, to be paid in monthly installments of \$75, will also be paid through the State Department representative in Australia. Your per diem allowance while in travel status to your new station will be \$6.00 within the continental limits of the United States and \$7.00 outside, and will cease upon your arrival at your new headquarters.

Very truly yours,

William J. Donovan

CMB:vap
cc: Mr. Mygatt
(Fiscal Section)
Mr. Strom (State)
Mr. Opata

April 11, 1948

Honorable G. Howland Shaw
Assistant Secretary of State
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Shaw:

We would like to send Leonard R. Davis to Canberra, Australia, to be attached to the Legation there, as assistant to Major Harold A. Jones. He will be in No. 2 category, as suggested in your letter of February 23rd, 1948.

His salary will be \$2000. per year, of which amount \$1200. will be paid by the Coordinator of Information in Washington, and \$800. by the American Legation at Canberra - per diem allowance to be \$6.00 within and \$7.00 outside of, the continental limits of the United States, to terminate upon his arrival in Canberra. We also request that the Legation pay him an allowance for living expenses of \$300. per annum. We will reimburse the State Department, in accordance with Section V-45 of its Foreign Service Regulations for all payments made by the Legation in his behalf.

I shall appreciate it if you will notify the American Legation in Canberra about Mr. Davis' status and approximate date of arrival.

Very truly yours,

William J. Donovan

~~WJD:shs~~

cc: Mr. K. E. Woodring
Mr. Carl W. Storn (State)
Colonel William J. Donovan (2) ✓
Mr. James B. Opsata
Mr. C. W. Barnes
Mr. H. Dorsey Newson

March 30, 1942

Mr. Ugo V. D'Annunzio
350 East 57th Street
New York City

Dear Mr. D'Annunzio:

I am sorry that the attached list
was not enclosed in Colonel Donovan's letter
to you of March 24th.

Yours very truly,

James R. Murphy

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A. B. ...

March 24, 1942

Mr. Ugo V. D'Annunzio
350 East 57th Street
New York, N. Y.

My dear Mr. D'Annunzio:

I hereby acknowledge the receipt from you of the list of materials mentioned on the sixteen appended sheets. This list consists of books, pamphlets, clippings, newspapers, and periodicals.

It is understood that all the items listed are being loaned by you to this office for the duration of the present war, and that they will be returned to you, at our expense, at the conclusion of the war upon your request.

We are glad to have this material and shall take good care of it.

I appreciate your courtesy in making the material available to us.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

Murphy:rb
cc: Mr. Magaro ✓

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September 17, 1948.

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Orders.

Thru: Director,
Office of War Information,
Washington, D. C.

To: Each officer mentioned.

1. Announcement is made of the relief of Second Lieutenant Lawrence G. Hoover, Jr. G188421, Infantry from assignment and duty with the Office of Strategic Services, Washington, D. C., and his assignment to the Army Group, Washington, D. C., for duty with the Office of War Information, effective June 15, 1948.

2. Announcement is made of the relief of Second Lieutenant Robert C. DeVillias G188214, Signal Corps, from assignment and duty with the Office of Strategic Services, New York, N. Y., and his assignment to the Office of War Information, with station at New York, New York, effective June 15, 1948.

By order of the Secretary of War:

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Adjutant General



RECORDED:

Director, Office of Strategic Services,
and Lt. Lawrence G. Hoover, Office, War Information, Wash. DC.
2nd Lt. Robert C. DeVillias, Office, War Information, New York, DC.
Record Section.

September 14, 1942

Adjutant General of the Army
War Department
Washington, D. C.

My dear General Ulloa:

Replying to your letter of September 1st, copy of which is attached, you are advised as follows:

Second Lieutenants Lawrence G. Hoover, Jr. 01283431, Infantry, and Robert C. DeVilbiss 0452214, Signal Corps, were originally assigned to the Office of Coordinator of Information, Washington, D. C., for duty with the Foreign Information Service of that Office. Lieutenant Hoover was assigned to the radio communications and Lieutenant DeVilbiss was assigned to the Publications Division of Foreign Information Service.

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On June 13th, 1942 the President created the Office of War Information, headed by Mr. Elmer Davis, and as a part of that order transferred to the Office of War Information the Foreign Information Service of the Coordinator of Information. At the same time the President

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changed the name of the Office of Coordinator of Information to the Office of Strategic Services, and attached the latter organization to the United States Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Since the two officers mentioned were, prior to and at the time of the Executive Order, assigned to duty with the Foreign Information Service, they automatically were included in that part of the Office of Coordinator of Information which was transferred to the Office of War Information.

In view of the foregoing the two officers mentioned should be charged to the Office of War Information and not the Office of Strategic Services.

Yours very truly,

William J. Donovan
Director

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September 1, 1948.

Request status of Officers.

Director,
Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.

Information is requested as to the status of Second
Lieutenants Lawrence G. Hoover, Jr. 012862H, Infantry,
and Robert C. DeVilbiss 048214, Signal Corps.

According to the information of this office, both
officers were assigned to Office of Coordinator of In-
formation, Washington, D. C. If not now assigned to your
office, request authority for dropping them, when officers,
assigned to Office of Coordinator of Information, were
transferred to Office of Strategic Services.

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Adjutant General



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The Honorable
The Secretary of War
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

In connection with the functions of the Radio Technical Division in the Foreign Information Service Branch of this organization, we are desirous of securing the assistance of Lieutenant H. C. DeVibbiss, who we understand is presently assigned to the First Armored Division in Fort Knox, Kentucky.

We are greatly in need of the services of an officer who is an experienced recording engineer to assist in the radio engineering work in our New York office.

Lieutenant DeVibbiss' background and qualifications make him a very desirable person for such an assignment, and it would be appreciated if you will consider his detail to this organization.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

March 20, 1942

The Honorable
The Secretary of War
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

In connection with the functions of the Radio Technical Division in the Foreign Information Service Branch of this organization, we are desirous of securing the assistance of Lieutenant R. C. DeVilbiss, who we understand is presently assigned to the First Armored Division in Fort Knox, Kentucky.

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William J. Donovan

April 20, 1942

The Honorable
The Secretary of War
Washington, D. C.

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Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

February 15, 1942

Mr. Frederic A. Delano, Chairman
National Resources Planning Board
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Delano:

I have learned that Mr. Newhall,
head of the Rubber Branch of the War
Production Board, has as part of his
duties the investigation of all poten-
tial sources of rubber supply.

Accordingly, I have sent your
letter on to him.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

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**COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.**

February 11, 1942

Colonel William J. Donovan
Administration Building

Dear Colonel Donovan:

I have sent to Mr. Newhall, head of the Rubber Branch of the War Production Board, a copy of the letter to you from Mr. Delano concerning the potential rubber supplies in the Amazon valley. It is a function of the Rubber Branch to investigate all potential sources of rubber supply, and they seem to be, therefore, the proper agency for handling this matter.

If there is any further action you would like to have me take, will you please let me know.

Sincerely yours,

Edward S. Mason

Edward S. Mason

February 21, 1942

Mr. Frederic A. Delano, Chairman
National Resources Planning Board
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Delano:

Thank you very much for your letter of
February 9th, which sounds most interesting. I
am taking it up with the economists here and will
write you further.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
NATIONAL RESOURCES PLANNING BOARD
WASHINGTON, D. C.

February 1, 1946

Col. William J. Donovan
Coordinator of Information
National Institute of Health
Washington, D. C.

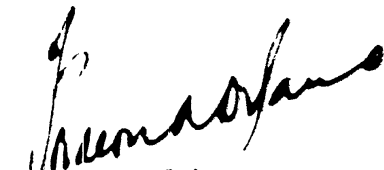
My dear Colonel Donovan:

I enclose herewith a memorandum in regard to rubber and other valuable resources to be found at the headwaters of the Madeira River, a tributary of the Amazon. I do not know whether there is any merit in this proposal, but if on reading the memorandum, you wish to look into it further, I can get you more information.

At the beginning of the world war I was asked if I would undertake the management of rubber estates belonging to Peru and Bolivia at the headwaters of the Amazon. I was offered very large inducements payable in land rather than in cash. I was then 56 years old and I thought I was probably too old and had too many family obligations to undertake even an investigation on the ground, but I satisfied myself that the possibilities were very large and hazardous.

As I say, if you are interested in looking into it further, I will communicate with the parties in New York to that effect.

Sincerely yours,


Frederic A. Delano
Chairman

Enclosure

MEMORANDUM FROM A FRIEND OF FREEDOM & DEMOCRACY

Dated February 1, 1942

Brazilian Rubber, Timber, Essential Oils, Fuels,
and Silk Fibre Properties

LOCATION Near the head of the Madeira River, a tributary of the Amazon, not far from the border of Bolivia. The zone of the original *Hevea Braziliensis* rubber tree, which gives the best rubber in the world.

PROPERTIES ARE IN FREE SIMPLA. They consist of 764,000 acres (1,198 square miles) containing about 1,000,000 rubber trees, with 75,000 ready to tap. There are also hardwood trees, minerals, nuts, essential oils, insecticide, etc.

NAVIGATION Madeira River runs through the properties, 4,116 acres on one side, and 679,592 acres on the other. Navigable for large vessels from PORTO-VELHO, about 60 miles from the properties direct to destination, from New York or elsewhere.

RAILROAD 250 miles of railroad runs through one of the properties from Porto-Velho to Guajara-Mirim, Brazil at the border of Bolivia.

MAIL Pan-American air mail from U.S.A. to Porto-Velho near to the properties takes about six days.

TRADING. These properties are located in the heart of the great Andes, and are specially well situated for the establishment of a general Import-Export Trading concern, along with various industrial undertakings. Cattle ranching, canning, etc.

MINERALS. It is said that there exists oil, minerals, and many precious metals. Seepages are abundant in the region.

P J ROSA - A tree, called the Pau Rosa, or Brazilian Rosewood tree also grows there, from which an essence is obtained by distilling the wood. This oil is extremely valuable, and is comparable to the Balkan Attar of Roses.

family. It is a colorless fluid, with an agreeable scent (resemble of rose, lemon and bergamot.)

It oxidizes easily when coming in contact with the air, and will then turn a syrupy yellow, having a disagreeable odor. It is largely composed of LINALOL, which makes it of great value when used as a perfume fixative. In order to refine the Pau Toon oil for shipment to this country (the cheapest way from standpoint of customs duty) it would be necessary to build a small refinery, this would cost about \$5,000.00. This product could be managed as a subsidiary business in connection with the rubber plantation.

TIMBO a plant called Timbo, grows easily and rapidly in this region, yielding a good crop in eight months time. This Timbo yields an alkaloid called Rotenone, which is of immense value being a very important and powerful insecticide. Here again, the cultivation of this plant in large quantities could be easily managed and considered as a subsidiary business in connection with the rubber plantation. It would be necessary to build a small mill in order to pulverize the Timbo for shipment.

RUBBER. About 2,000 metric tons can be taken out during this year's season (from May to December) 2,204 lbs. to the metric ton, or four million pounds of rubber can be delivered at the end of 1942. To obtain said quantity of rubber, some 2000 or more men and natives from the area around the plantation are needed for work in May 1942. They must be outfitted with food, clothes, guns, etc., for five months. This costs about \$200.00 per man or about \$400,000.00 is needed in advance to outfit the men for their work. This amount is deducted from the payment to the rubber gatherers when they deliver their season's output.

This man that I know here, who partially owns this property, has lived in South America most of his life, in the rubber section, is having some his business. He is prepared to go down to S.A. and organize the undertakings. He is also prepared to either sell outright, lease, or work the property on a royalty basis.

If the property is sold outright the price would be \$1.00 per acre for the entire 764,000 acres, plus a 10% tax, which has to be added for the transfer of the properties if sold.

If the rubber alone is purchased in crude form, the price would be around three cents net royalty per pound on the rubber.

Because of climatic conditions, and, if four million pounds are to be delivered in December, it is necessary to get as soon as possible in order to be prepared to have the man outfitted and ready for work in the forests by the end of May.

The legal Representative, with Titles and powers of Attorney is now in New York City.

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MEMORANDUM FROM A FRIEND OF FRIENDS A, SCLAND

Dated February 1, 1955

**Spanish Rubber, Timber, Minerals, Oil, Gold,
and Other Resources**

LOCATION Near the head of the Madeira River, a tributary of the Amazon, not far from the border of Bolivia. The home of the original Spanish Guayule rubber tree, which gives the best rubber in the world.

RESOURCES ARE IN THE AREA. They consist of 74,000 acres (1,175 square miles) containing about 1,000,000 rubber trees, with 20,000 sheep to top. There are also hardwood trees, minerals, zinc, essential oil, insecticide, etc.

NAVIGATION Madeira River runs through the properties, 61,200 acres on one side, and 677,392 acres on the other. Navigable for large vessels from FORTO-VELHO, about 60 miles from the properties direct to (navigation, from New York or elsewhere.

RAILROAD 290 miles of railroad runs through one of the properties from Porto-Velho to Guajara-Mirim, Brazil at the border of Bolivia.

MAIL Pan-American air mail from U.S.A. to Porto-Velho runs to the properties taking about six days.

MINING. These properties are located in the heart of the great Amazon, and are specially well situated for the establishment of a general Export-Import Trading concern, along with various industrial undertakings. Cattle ranching, mining, etc.

MINERALS. It is said that there exists oil, minerals, and many precious metals. Soapstone are abundant in the region.

THE ROSA - A tree, called the Rosa Tree, or Spanish Rosewood tree that grows there, from which an essence is obtained by distilling the wood. This oil is extremely valuable, and is comparable to the Balsam of Peru of Brazil.

(classified by name, it is also called *rubber-wood* of the *Acacia* family. It is a common tree, with an average height (between 10 and 20 meters.)

It yields easily when coming in contact with the air, and will then turn a grayish yellow, having a supple texture. It is largely composed of *cellulose*, which makes it of great value when used as a perfume fixative. In order to utilize the tree latex for shipping to this country (the cheapest way from standpoint of customs duty) it would be necessary to build a small refinery, this would cost about \$7,000.00. This project could be managed as a subsidiary business in connection with the rubber plantation.

There is a plant called *Timbo*, grows easily and rapidly in this region, yielding a good crop in eight months time. This *Timbo* yields an alkaloid called *lycoperone*, which is of immense value being a very important and powerful insecticide. Here again, the cultivation of this plant in large quantities could be easily managed and considered as a subsidiary business in connection with the rubber plantation. It would be necessary to build a small mill in order to pulverize the *Timbo* for shipment.

Approx. 2,000 metric tons can be taken out during this year's season (from May to December) 2,000 lbs. to the metric ton, or four million pounds of rubber can be delivered at the end of 1942. To obtain said quantity of rubber, some 2,000 or more men and mules from the area around the plantation are needed for work in May 1942. They must be subsisted with food, clothing, guns, etc., for five months. This costs about \$200.00 per man or about \$400,000.00 is needed in advance to outfit the men for their work. This amount is deducted from the payment to the rubber gatherers when they deliver their season's output.

This man that I know here, who probably owns this property, has spent
in South America most of his life, in the rubber region, he having been
his business. He is prepared to go down to G.S. and organize the
undertaking. He is also prepared to either sell outright, lease, or
work the property on a royalty basis.

If the property is sold outright the price would be \$1.00 per acre
for the entire 75,000 acres, plus a 1% tax, which has to be paid
for the transfer of the properties if sold.

If the rubber alone is purchased in crude form, the price would be
around three cents net royalty per pound on the rubber.

Because of climatic conditions, and, if four million pounds are to be
delivered in December, it is necessary to act as soon as possible in
order to be prepared to have the men equipped and ready for work in
the forests by the end of May.

The legal representative, with titles and papers of attorney to act
in New York City.

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January 26, 1942

My dear Mr. Secretary:

As a fitness report on Captain Francis C. Donohr, the senior naval officer detailed to this office from September 9 to December 18, 1941, I should like to say his services were outstanding.

Dr. Baxter, the Chief of the Research and Analysis Branch, with which Captain Donohr's activities were most closely related, has spoken to me in the warmest terms of Captain Donohr's assistance to the Board of Analysts, whose sessions he regularly attended, and of the help he afforded both in drafting security regulations and in serving on the special committee dealing with Latin American problems.

The impression of all of us who dealt with him here is that he is one of the ablest officers in his grade.

Sincerely yours,

William J. Donovan
Coordinator

The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Navy

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF STAFF
WASHINGTON


January 27, 1945

Colonel William J. Donovan,
Coordinator of Information,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Colonel Donovan:

We have issued orders to Lieutenant
Colonel de Pass bringing him to Washington without
delay for ten days' temporary duty. This period
of course can be extended in the event you need
him for more than ten days.

Faithfully yours,


Chief of Staff.

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January 23, 1942

Dear General:

Will it be possible for me to have Lieut. Colonel M. B. De Pass, Jr., come to Washington from Fort Benning, Georgia, to discuss a very important mission to China. You will probably remember De Pass who served with you. If he could have a few days detached service, it will suffice.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

General George C. Marshall
Chief of Staff
War Department
Washington, D.C.

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January 6, 1952

The Honorable Martin Dies
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

My dear Congressman Dies:

We believe that certain documents in connection with German activities in this country and abroad, subpoenaed by your Committee, will be of considerable value to members of our Foreign Information Service.

We would like to know if this material is available for our present use, if so, what steps we should take in order to secure such data.

We shall appreciate whatever cooperation you are able to give us in this matter.

Sincerely yours,

William J. Donovan

Orig. returned to Kinchel

January 13, 1942

Memorandum for Mr. Kibel

You may be right about this, but I think we should talk about it before writing the communication.

W.J.D.

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