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Hyde, Henry 9615
X Travel Orders
X OSS Missions, N. Africa

December 16, 1942

From: Director of Strategic Services
To: Mr. Henry Hyde

1. You are hereby authorized and directed to proceed from New York, New York, to Tangier, Spanish Morocco, and to Algiers, and such other points in North Africa as may be necessary in order to carry out your mission and prepare your report and recommendation.

2. Pursuant to the approval of Brigadier General W. B. Smith, (now Major General), Chief of Staff of the Allied Forces in North Africa, you are hereby designated as one of the members of a survey party being sent by this office to North Africa for the purpose of organizing the work of OSS in and from the North African area. Your work will be confined to the S.I. Branch.

3. You will report to Colonel William A. Eddy, USMC, at Tangier, who is in charge of all OSS activities in North Africa. You will act under his primary instructions, and under directions of the Chief of the survey party, and cooperate with Colonel Eddy in every way.

William J. Donovan
Director

Hyde, Henry 9615
X Travel Orders
X C. S. Mission N. Africa

December 16, 1942

To Whom It May Concern:

The bearer, Mr. Henry Hyde, is proceeding abroad upon a confidential mission for the Office of Strategic Services. He will carry official mail and documents of this office. It is requested that he be accorded the courtesies of customs or other officials of the United States and other governments with whom he may come in contact, in order that examination or censorship of such mail, documents or baggage may be avoided.

William J. Donovan
Director

Hughes JOHN 9614
~~XOSS Mission~~
~~X Travel orders~~

CONFIDENTIAL

December 30, 1942

MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. James Murphy

FROM: Mr. John C. Hughes

This will acknowledge receipt this morning of two photostatic copies of the General Directive. I plan to take one of these with me and I am putting the other copy in our secret unaccessioned files to be used as reference by this office.

With reference to my trip, the latest information I have is that weather permitting, I am scheduled to leave Thursday, December 31st, at noon.

J. C. H.

I will telephone you about 10³⁰ - Thursday morning

Hughes, John C. 9614
x OSS Memos, N. Africa
x Travel Orders

December 16, 1942

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1. You are hereby authorized and directed to proceed from New York, New York, to Tangier, Spanish Morocco, and to Algiers, and such other points in North Africa as may be necessary in order to carry out your mission and prepare your report and recommendation.
2. There is attached a photostatic copy of a memorandum signed by Brigadier General W. B. Smith, (now Major General), Chief of Staff of the Allied Forces in North Africa, together with copy of a plan submitted by this office. In accordance with this letter and plan, you are hereby designated as the Chief of the survey party being sent to North Africa for the purpose of organizing the work of OSS in and from the North African area, and submitting a report and recommendations for the implementation of the attached plan.
3. You will report to Colonel William A. Eddy, USMC, at Tangier, who is in charge of all OSS activities in North Africa and you will act under his general instructions and cooperate with him in every way. Colonel Eddy will make necessary arrangements for travel within North Africa.

William J. Donovan
Director

December 16, 1942

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William J. Donovan
Director

Huot, Mrs. Louis 8904
x VIZ
x 1/1/42 (D 4705)

October 28, 1942

Mr. Howard K. Travers, Chief
Visa Division
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Travers:

I shall greatly appreciate your assistance in expediting action on the application for an exit permit recently filed with the Visa Division by Mrs. Louis Huot.

Mrs. Huot, a British subject, is the wife of Captain Louis Huot, A.U.S., now assigned to special duty with our London Office. She wishes to return to her home in England for the duration of the war, and passage has been arranged for her by the British Embassy on a ship scheduled to sail from New York in the course of the next few days.

I have every confidence in the loyalty and integrity of both Captain and Mrs. Huot and am satisfied that the issuance of this exit permit could not in any way prove inconsistent with the national interest.

Sincerely yours,

William J. Donovan

RRQuay

Hughes # 8818
X Foreign Service
X S. I. Work

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

Just

FROM: Lt. H. S. Hughes
TO: Colonel William J. Donovan
SUBJECT: Foreign Service

DATE: October 22, 1942

I had a talk with Major Bruce yesterday about the suggestion that I should go abroad on SI work. Major Bruce informed me that vacancies for someone with my linguistic background existed only in the London Office. We agreed that my serving in that office would represent only a slight change from what I was already doing here, especially since R & A has already established a London branch.

Furthermore, my work with Mr. McKay is developing in such form that it looks as though I shall have a program of pretty intensive study of the Russian Front set out for this winter and spring, and it would seem inadvisable to interrupt this program. I have gathered that, under these conditions, it is the opinion both of Major Bruce and of Mr. McKay that I might properly remain in my present position for the coming months at least. This corresponds to my own wishes in the matter.

Thank you very much for the very kind interest you have shown in this whole question. I do not wish to convey the impression that I am not at your disposal at any time for any special duty to which you wish to assign me.

H. Stuart Hughes
H. S. Hughes

Howley, J. 8720

→ 1 p.w.

10/13/42

TO: Colonel Donovan
 FROM: John Howley
 RE: Suggested Use of PT Boats in Conjunction
 With Naval Task Force, and Means Thereof

Dear Colonel:

The loss of three of our cruisers and a destroyer while screening troop-laden transports in Tulagi Harbor brings back in my mind an idea I've had which might have averted the loss (or at least inflicted heavier damage on the Jap naval units).

I suggest that on offensive expeditions where there is a likelihood of "in fighting" with enemy naval vessels, that our battle vessels of about 8,000 tons and upwards carry on their decks smaller editions of PT boats, to be launched by the catapult method.

Advantages:

1. Torpedo boats enable a naval task force to bring a better-controlled torpedo fire closer to the enemy than larger firing units.

2. Because of their speed and small size it appears that they are pretty difficult to stop. (Witness our experience in the Philippines, and the German use of E-boats in the Channel.) It seems the only way of stopping them is by creating mounds of water in their path or by strafing them

from fast-flying planes.

3. At present they cannot operate far from a land base because of comparative unseaworthiness and fuel limitations. *My suggestion overcomes this difficulty*

Thus at Tulagi when we made our initial appearance, we could not have torpedo boats because of the distance traversed. However, if, as the Japs sped behind Savo Island, we had had torpedo boats, they could have out-raced the Jap cruisers and perhaps gotten in body blows. As it was, I gather from news dispatches that our cruisers that had to protect the disembarkation ~~and~~ were in narrow waters ^{where they} were easy marks.

Disadvantages:

1. Reluctance to have combustible or inflammable material on decks, ~~in battle actions~~. (But isn't the same objection true as to the scout planes that are catapulted off?)

2. Lack of deck space.

On the cruisers I have been on, I suggest the space that's immediately behind the first funnel, ^{which is} ~~that's~~ ordinarily used for crew assemblies and recreation such as movies.

3. Difficulties of securely lashing boats to deck in transit and ~~launching~~.

I leave this to the engineers, but don't see too much difficulty in putting the boats on rollers with a catapult arrangement. The drop is only 15 or 20 feet to the surface.

Reduced to simplest terms, the PT boats would perform the same function on the surface as the torpedo planes, carried by the same vessels, perform in the air.

A broader use of torpedo boats in this fashion could be accomplished by the construction of naval auxiliary vessels with speed sufficient to keep up with the task force - constructed like the modern whaling ships, with a runway in the stern so that the torpedo boats could slide through the stern into the water.

If you think the idea of any worth, do with it what thou wilt.

Your armchair strategist,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Allen', written in dark ink.

Honorskamp #303
X to a
X London

September 18, 1941

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

My dear Mr. Shaw:

Please refer to my letter dated September 10, in which was outlined the financial arrangements made in connection with the dispatching of Miss Rosalind Honorskamp to London, England to perform certain duties for the Board of Analysis, Research and Analysis Branch of the Office of Strategic Services.

It is requested that the provisions with respect to the allowance of per diem for Miss Honorskamp be revised to read as follows:

- \$6.00 per day while traveling within the continental limits of the United States.
- \$7.00 per day while traveling outside the continental limits of the United States and for sixty days after arrival in London, England.
- \$3.00 per day while en route.
- \$4.00 per day beginning sixty days after arrival in London, England, except that the \$7.00 rate shall apply in the event that Miss Honorskamp is required to travel outside the city limits of London, England.

It is further requested that the allowance for quarters, heat, fuel and light at the rate of \$400 per annum, provided for in the third paragraph of my letter of September 10, be disregarded and revoked, inasmuch as Miss Honorskamp's official station has not been changed to London, England; therefore, she will not be entitled to the allowance as originally prescribed.

5,

Mr. [illegible]

November 17, 1946

As indicated in my letter of November 15, the Office of Strategic Services will reimburse the Department of State in accordance with Section 7042 of the War Relocation Authority Act of your Department for all payments made by the Agency on behalf of [illegible].

Sincerely yours,

William J. Donovan

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cc: Col. Donovan
Mr. Barnes ✓
Fisher Howe
Fiscal Office
Mails & Files

JWS

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

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*Honerkamp 8333
X-R+d
X London*



DEPARTMENT OF STATE
WASHINGTON

In reply refer
to FA

September 11. 1942

The Secretary of State presents his compliments to the Director of the Office of Strategic Services and acknowledges the receipt of a letter of September 5, 1942, concerning plans for sending Miss Rosaline Honerkamp to work as a secretary in connection with the Research and Analysis Division of the London Office of the Office of Strategic Services.

The Department of State is pleased to advise that it has approved this appointment and that appropriate instructions have been issued to the American Embassy at London.



Honerkamp 8333
X R+a
X London

September 10, 1942

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

My dear Mr. Shaw:

This office is dispatching Miss Rosalene Honerkamp to London, England to perform certain duties for the Board of Analysts, Research and Analysis Branch of the Office of Strategic Services. It is anticipated that Miss Honerkamp will depart at a very early date.

It will be appreciated if you will make arrangements with the American Embassy in London, England to honor all salary, travel and other expense vouchers submitted by Miss Honerkamp. Miss Honerkamp's salary will be \$2300 per annum of which amount it is requested that \$152.00 per month be paid through the American Embassy in London. As indicated above, travel and other expenses should also be paid through the American Embassy in London. The remainder of her salary will be paid by this office in Washington. Retirement deductions will be made from that portion of Miss Honerkamp's salary which will be paid by this office. The salary arrangements indicated herein should take effect on September 16, in order that the first payment of salary by the American Embassy in London will be made on September 30, for the period September 16 to 30. Per diem allowance will be on the following basis:

- \$6.00 per day while traveling within the continental limits of the United States.
- \$7.00 per day while traveling outside the continental limits of the United States.
- \$3.00 per day while on shipboard.

It is requested that an allowance for quarters, heat, fuel and light at the rate of \$605.00 per annum be paid to Miss Honerkamp through the American Embassy in London to take effect on the date of her arrival.

Mr. [Name]

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Sept. 19, 1948

The Office of Strategic Services will reimburse the State Department in accordance with Section 704 of the Foreign Service Regulations of your Department for all payments made by the Embassy in behalf of His Honorship.

Sincerely yours,

William J. Donovan

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cc: Col. Donovan
Mr. Fisher Howe
Mr. Barnes
Mr. Mygatt
Fiscal Office
Mails & Files

December 28, 1943

Received of Mr. Weston Howland the sum of
Two Thousand Dollars (\$2000.00) as a voluntary
contribution to the Office of Strategic Services
to be used exclusively for the public purposes
of the United States and of this Office.

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

BY: _____
Director

*Handwritten: Memorandum of Understanding #186
Subcommittee Affairs*

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: Colonel Donovan

DATE: December 28, 1942

FROM: Lt. Lee

SUBJECT: Mr. Weston Howland

1. On the basis of the attached memorandum from Colonel Rehm, will you kindly execute the attached form of receipt?

2. This receipt is in the same form as the receipt for \$3,000.00 which was given to Mr. Howland in acknowledgement of his earlier contribution to OSS last August.

D.C.L.
D.C.L.

Attachment

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

Howland, Walter R. B. B. Security Officer
St. J. J. J.

INTEROFFICE MEMO

FROM: W. L. *Re...*
TO: Capt. Doering
SUBJECT:

DATE December 19, 1942

Weaton Howland has given me his check for \$2,000.00 which represents the remainder of his salary for the year 1942. He has asked me to have you write a memorandum to be signed by Colonel Donovan, similar to the one you wrote before, acknowledging this amount of money.

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Hand / Sec. 101
Security Office
8/26
[Signature]

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

FROM: Col. Huntington DATE: August 31, 1942.
TO: Colonel William J. Donovan
Attention: Mr. James R. Murphy
SUBJECT: Security Office Organization - Appointment of Security Officer
to Succeed Lt. Potter.

1. We have had Weston Howland in the Security Office for some time acting as "Administrative Security Officer". Actually Lieut. Potter and I have assigned to Mr. Howland supervision of all Security activities and have been in the process of familiarising him with the various duties of Chief Security Officer.

2. Mr. Howland has administrative experience and an obvious ability to get along with people and accomplish things. I am wondering, therefore, if it would not be advisable to appoint him Acting Security Officer in place of Lieut. Potter or, perhaps, "Director of Security". I do not suggest that he be appointed Chief Security Officer for the reason that it may be considered desirable that this Office be held by a military or naval officer.

3. Mr. Howland appears to be thoroughly capable.

[Handwritten initials]
Wiley C. Huntington, Jr.
Lt. Col., A.U.S.

Note: Proposed Administrative Order left by me with Mr. Murphy 8/29/42.

Mykhailiv 8094
X Ukrainian Com
X Ischay, Adm

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

September 4, 1942

To: Colonel Donovan

From: Commander Vanderbilt

Reference is made to your memo of August 29 regarding Mr. Nikifor Mykhailiv. His letter was forwarded to you by Commander Freeman, Aide to Admiral Leahy. We will send him Personal History forms to fill out so it will be determined whether or not he could be of any use to this organization.

WSTU
W.H.V.

Handwritten notes:
Highland Park, Michigan
X / ...
X / ...

August 29, 1942

Commander W. L. Freseman
The Combined Chiefs of Staff
Public Health Building
Washington, D. C.

My dear Commander Freseman:

Thank you very much for your letter
enclosing communication to Admiral Leahy. I
shall have it looked into at once.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

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*Hughes 7965
AM*

August 19, 1942

Commander A. M. Hughes
Room 33
Public Health Building
Washington, D. C.

My dear Commander Hughes:

Many thanks for your note of yesterday. I want you to know that we are most grateful and appreciative of your coming here to work with us these past few weeks. It has been a pleasure to have you, and your interest in and contribution to the work we are doing has been of real assistance. The people in this office and in the Army and Navy with whom you have been working have all told me of their deep appreciation and of their feeling that you have made a real contribution. I know that your trip will result in lasting benefits to both your country and ours.

Please convey my thanks and good wishes to Admiral Godfrey.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

Hughes AM. 7965

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THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

August 18, 1942

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

Dear Colonel Donovan:

Having completed my mission and being on the point of returning to England, may I take this opportunity of thanking you personally for your very kind consideration and hospitality.

I should like also to express my keen appreciation of the help afforded me by all members of your staff. It is difficult to pick out individuals but I am especially indebted to Lieutenant Commander Stirling P. Smith, U.S.N. for his co-operation on all occasions, also to Drs. Hartshorne and Leonard S. Wilson of the Geography Division and Drs. Tryon and Scofield of the Psychology Division.

I can only say that I hope most sincerely that my efforts will prove of some value.

Yours sincerely,

A. M. Hughes

A. M. Hughes,
Commander, R. N.

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Form 525-NSM

AUG 5 1942

1-4113

From:
to:

The Chief of Naval Personnel,
Lieutenant (JG)
Ralph O. Gage, SN(S), U.S.N.,
Naval Operations,
Navy Department.

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 any part of commercial air, or any other mode of transportation is authorized.

2. In addition to the actual cost of travel you will be reimbursed a per diem of \$6.00 while absent from your duty station, Washington, D. C.

3. You will look to the Director of Strategic Services for reimbursement for all travel performed in obedience to these orders.

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

HAROLD J. COBBS.

Hodgson 7/20/42
File
X Masaryk
X Benes
X Czechoslovakia
X [unclear]

August 6, 1942

SECRET

Dear Mr. Berles:

Some time ago you were informed by us of a meeting in New York between Dr. Hodna and Mr. Jan Masaryk. Following this meeting, Dr. Hodna committed to Mr. Masaryk's hands a letter to President Benes which it is understood Mr. Masaryk carried with him to London and duly delivered.

I have now received from Dr. Hodna a translation of this letter and I send a copy to you herewith, without correction, in the precise form in which it came from Dr. Hodna.

In transmitting this letter, Dr. Hodna writes:

"I am able to reckon at this moment upon 174,000 members of different Slovak organizations including two Catholic unions. That is a clear majority of Americans of Slovak descent entering Czechoslovak Republic plus Slovak selfgovernment. One "centralistic" organization is apart -- but of course in favor of the Republic; two big ones (Catholics) remain indifferent without doing any harm. So the American Slovaks present themselves as a small but faithful part of the anti-Hitlerite front, an idea emphasized - very rightly indeed - by Mr. A. Berles a few weeks ago."

Sincerely yours,

DeWitt C. Peale

The Honorable
A. A. Berles, Jr.
Assistant Secretary of State
Washington, D. C.
cc: Col. Donovan & The Hon. James G. Dunn.

New York, June 23rd, 1942.

Mr. E. Benes, London.

Mr. President,

Grave as our general situation may be I have to send you this information, through the intermediary of Jan Masaryk, bearing on the Slovak position.

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You certainly remember the Czecho-Slovak Government having decided, in June and July 1938, to establish a Slovak Parliament and, in principle, substantially to enlarge the power of the Slovak self-government. This decision was and remained important. It marked a decisive step towards a satisfactory settlement of Czecho-Slovak relationship. It gave evidence that the democratic pre-Munich Czecho-Slovak Republic was ready and also capable to solve its vital internal problem.

It was in the spirit and on the line of this Slovak, or better: of this Czecho-Slovak reform that we have organized underground activities in Slovakia as soon as towards the end of 1938. It was the same underground which subsequently united with the Czech underground, a fact we have stated in the course of our conversation of July 20th in London. It was in the sense of a collaboration we had then agreed upon that I sent word to Lichner in Slovakia.

It was in the spirit and on the line of the same decisions

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that the idea of the Czecho-Slovak state succeeded in prevailing among all decent Slovaks including very many of those who temporarily had allowed themselves to be fooled by "Independence".

It was upon this basis that I considered Czecho-Slovak relationship as settled, in principle, also during our activities in exile. A resolution of the National Committee (in Paris) as formulated towards the end of 1939 and published as a New Year's proclamation (1940) bestowed upon the Slovak people a function which was outspokenly political and which ignored our constitutional conception of the "Czechoslovak Nation".

I

The situation I found among American Slovaks in November 1941 was from the standpoint of Czecho-Slovakian exile activities not satisfactory.

There were and are, as always, enthusiastic individuals to whom a patriotic tradition sufficed to be an incentive to public work for the reconstruction of the Czecho-Slovak Republic. On the other hand however there were, and partly are a surprisingly large number of those indifferent and sceptical, not to speak of adversaries or even traitors.

For many years past I have known the ideological development of American Slovaks and their sentimental relationship to their old country of descent. So I was aware that a disorientation spread as widely as this obviously has had its particular reason. It certainly was not the pronounced and sincere American patrio-

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tism of our former countrymen. Certainly not, because American and our own ideals and objectives, also in this war are fully identical and do not fail to strengthen each other even as far as a general attitude of mind is concerned.

An explanation occurred rapidly and was spontaneous. With an overwhelming majority of the American Slovaks sentimental relationship with their former country never failed to bear also upon the position of Slovakia in the Czecho-Slovak Republic. They have not to make decisions, of course and they are far from cherishing any aspiration of this kind. Nonetheless their interest and satisfaction in this matter may bring about a favorable effect in many directions. It means a new strong support for the Czecho-Slovak activities in exile. It further implies a substantial reduction if not liquidation of groups formerly infected by Hitlerism and quislingism. This result would further mean an enlargement and unification of the Slovak element inside the American anti-Hitlerite front.

As for their interest in Slovak affairs there is full satisfaction with Slovak position as established by us in June and July 1938.

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The task to inform Americans of Slovak descent that already the pre-Munich Czecho-Slovakia had started an effective Slovak settlement goes obviously to the Czecho-Slovak Information Service. I was very sorry indeed to see that our "Propaganda" actually neglected this issue. If its agents dealt with the matter they

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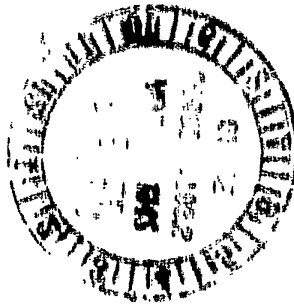
happened to do so in a centralistic spirit. The first man to have given the American Slovaks impartial information was Minister Lichner (September-October 1941).

I regretted very much he was not able to stay in U.S.A. His departure gave me personally great concern.

My position is that as to the Slovak reform of June and July 1938 I cannot help shouldering full political responsibility for it, much more so than any one else. I insist upon its content and spirit. I also see it is able to line up on a common mental platform those very numerous Americans of Slovak descent who may hold divergent views but whose opposition (to the Czechoslovak cause) is by far not unsurmountable. They just lack correct information and therefore go astray. For this reason I had - very much against my personal intentions - to take up the task to inform American Slovaks as far as a responsible politician may give information in the frame of the respective rulings.

In view of my personal experience I am sure that this effort as achieved by Lichner and by myself already resulted in a sincere re-orientation of very many scepticals and in encouraging of a great many of those indifferent. I therefore am also certain that there is no more doubt about a majority of American Slovaks wholeheartedly endorsing the anti-Hitlerite front and becoming further potential supporters of our fight for the reconstruction of the Czechoslovak Republic.

I wish to ask you, to take note of this my information.
If you were able to accept it with satisfaction this certainly
would contribute to strengthening the moral ties of subsequent-
ly more and more American Slovaks with our exile activities.



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WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON

*Hust, Louis C. 11794
Service Command*

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Dr 76921-79069

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(1-22-42) (1-22-42)

Subject: Amendment of Orders
To: Director, Strategic Services,
Washington, D.C.

Approved 11/29/42

November 30, 1942.

Re: Captain Louis C. Hust, 0914201, 403.

The Secretary of War amends Classified Letter Order, above classification, November 25, 1942, pertaining to Captain Louis C. Hust, 0914201, 403, to include the following:

Upon departure from Washington, D.C., Captain Hust will be equipped for extended field service, temperate climate, including:

- 1 Pistol, auto, .45 Cal. M-1911
- 1 Holster, leather, .45 Cal.
- 1 Pockets, Karacine, web, double
- 21 Rounds, Cartridges, ammunition, .45 Cal.
- 1 Bell, pistol
- 1 Packet, first aid
- 1 Pouch, first aid packet
- 1 Magazine, ammo. (GI) .45 Cal.
- 1 Brush, cleaning, Cal. .45
- 1 Rod, cleaning, Cal. .45
- 1 Cleaner, rifle bore
- 20 Matches, cut, antiseptic

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4 files (4)
11 copies record section, etc.
C. R. T. London, Capt and (1-1-42)

Adjutant General

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Handwritten notes:
H. J. ...
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THE DEPARTMENT
The Adjutant General's Office
Washington

November 29, 1945

TO: [Illegible]

FROM: [Illegible]

SUBJECT: [Illegible]

RE: [Illegible]

The report of [illegible] dated [illegible] is being referred to the [illegible] for their information. The report of [illegible] dated [illegible] is being referred to the [illegible] for their information.

The report of [illegible] dated [illegible] is being referred to the [illegible] for their information. The report of [illegible] dated [illegible] is being referred to the [illegible] for their information.

Handwritten signature:
[Illegible]

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*Huot, Louis C. 4796
X Service Command*

WAR DEPARTMENT
The Adjutant General's Office
Washington

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November 25, 1942

Subject: ~~Officers~~

To: Director, Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.

SECRET
Auth: T.A.G.
Initials: *W/L*
Date: 11-25-42

From: Captain Louis C. Huot 0914204, AUS.

1. The Secretary of War relieves Captain Louis C. Huot 0914204, AUS, from assignment and duty in the Office, Strategic Services, Washington, D. C., and assigns him to permanent station outside the continental limits of the United States, to participate in the, European Theater, London, England. He is to report to the Commanding General, European Theater, London, England, and from Washington, D. C., and/or New York, N. Y., to London, England, upon arrival to the Commanding General, European Theater, London, England.

2. Travel by military aircraft, army transport, commercial steamship, ballast vessel, or rail is directed. Travel by air from Washington, D. C., and/or New York, N. Y., to London, England is necessary for the accomplishment of his mission. In lieu of subsistence, a flat per diem of \$6.00 is authorized while traveling by military or commercial aircraft in accordance with regulations and regulations. Baggage allowance of fifty-five (55) pounds by military or commercial aircraft is authorized.

3. Correspondence by mail will be addressed to the Adjutant General, New York Port of Embarkation, Brooklyn, N. Y. Upon arrival at destination, all baggage will be carried with the officer's baggage tag. The baggage tag will be used as baggage tag will be carried with the officer's baggage tag.

4. Expenses incurred in connection with the travel of the officer will be paid by the Office of Strategic Services. The officer, upon completion of the travel performed will submit a voucher, showing the amount paid, month in which paid, voucher number of this order, and other pertinent data, to the Adjutant General's Office, Washington, D. C., stating that the enclosed copy of voucher is being returned to the Office of Strategic Services for reimbursement.

5. This order is subject to Section I, Circular 220, 1, P.M., regarding the use of extract of this order.

W. P. H. Huot
Adjutant General

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WAR DEPARTMENT
The Adjutant General's Office
Washington

WLD/sbs/1515-114
br. 79065-76221

November 25, 1942

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Auth: T.A.G.
Initials: *[Handwritten]*
Date: 11-25-42

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Subject: *[Faded]*
Sector, Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.
Captain Louis C. Huot 0914204, AUS.

- The Secretary of War relieves Captain Louis C. Huot 0914204, AUS, of his present and duty in the Office, Strategic Services, Washington, D. C., and assigns him to permanent station outside the continental limits of the United States, temporary station, i.e., European Theater, London, England, and from Washington, D. C., and/or New York, N. Y., to London, England, reporting upon arrival to the Commanding General, European Theater.
- Travel by military aircraft, Army transport, commercial steamship, ballast vessel and rail is directed. Travel by air from Washington, D. C., and/or New York, N. Y., to London, England is necessary for the accomplishment of this mission. In lieu of subsistence, a flat per diem of \$6.00 is authorized while traveling by military or commercial aircraft in accordance with and regulations and baggage allowance of fifty-five (55) pounds by military or commercial aircraft is authorized.
- The officer should advise his correspondents that mail will be addressed to 10726, c/o [Faded] Theater, New York, N. Y. Upon arrival at destination, mail will be used. Excess baggage will be carried with the officer's Transportation Officer, New York Port of Embarkation, Brooklyn, N. Y.
- Reimbursement for the expenses incurred in connection with the travel of the officer should be made by the Office of Strategic Services. The Accounting Officer in connection with the travel performed will submit a voucher, showing the amount paid, month in which paid, voucher number of this order, and letter of transmittal to the Adjutant General's Office, Fiscal Section, stating that the enclosed copy of voucher is the original. Accounting reimbursement from the Office of Strategic Services.
- Attention is directed to Section I., Circular 220, 11, 1941, regarding the distribution of extract copies.

[Handwritten Signature]
Adjutant General

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THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
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WAR DEPARTMENT
The Adjutant General's Office
Washington

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September 21, 1942.

Subject: Orders.

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Auth: T.A.G.
Initials: *NR*
Date: 9-21-42

Thru : Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.

To : Captain Louis G. Huest 0914204, AUS.

1. The Secretary of War direct, as necessary in the military service that Captain Louis G. Huest 0914204, Jr., proceed on temporary duty from Washington, D.C. and/or New York, to London, England, and such other places in the British Isles as may be necessary in the performance of this mission. Upon completion of this temporary duty he will return to his proper station, Washington, D. C.

2. Travel by military or commercial aircraft, belligerent vessel or aircraft, commercial steamship, tramp or naval transport, and rail in direct (TD) by air from Washington, D. C., and/or New York, N. Y., to destination, and such other places as may be necessary, and return, as necessary for the accomplishment of an emergency war mission. In lieu of subsistence a flat per diem of \$6.00 is authorized while traveling by military or commercial aircraft, and for the period of temporary duty outside the continental limits of the United States, in accordance with existing law and regulations. A baggage allowance of fifty-five (55) pounds while traveling by military or commercial aircraft is authorized.

3. Authority is granted to make such changes in the above itinerary and to proceed to such other places, in such order as may be necessary to carry out this mission. The duties to be performed being exceptional, may require more than seventy-two (72) hours at different places for their performance, therefore a delay for any period required at any place where necessary is authorized.

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5. Reimbursement for the expenses incurred in connection with the travel will be made to the War Department by the Office of Strategic Services. The Finance Officer will receive in connection with the travel performed will submit a copy of the voucher, showing the amount paid, month in which paid, voucher number, and citation of this order, by letter of transmittal to The Adjutant General's Office, attention Fiscal Section, stating that the enclosed copy of voucher is furnished for the purpose of securing reimbursement from the Office of Strategic Services.

6. Attention is called to Section 1110 220 1941, regarding the preservation and distribution of travel copies.

J. F. Ruth
Adjutant General

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

FSC

FROM: Ensign W. J. Horrigan

DATE:

TO: James R. Murphy

8/8/42

SUBJECT: F.K.M. Hunter

I will certainly keep you advised of the progress of subject's application. He has certain language and technical qualifications which are extremely interesting. If you know him personally, I would like very much to talk to you concerning him.

Respectfully,

William J. Horrigan
William J. Horrigan
Ensign, USNR

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& Douglas
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120 BROADWAY
NEW YORK

August 7, 1942

James M. Murphy, Esq.
Office of Strategic Services
25th Street and E. - N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Murphy:

Just a few lines to thank you
very much indeed for your kindness in giving
me an introduction to Ensign Harrigan.

I am hoping that something
may come of this.

Very sincerely yours,

F. K. M. Hunter

F. K. M. Hunter

FKMH:VVS

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& Douglas

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

August 4, 1942

From: David Bruce
To: Colonel Donovan

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

In accordance with your request I am returning the letter dated July 29, 1942 from Mr. Douglas regarding his nephew, Francis Kinloch Middleton Hunter.

Our files indicate that Allen Dulles on July 16, 1942 sent to you the biography of Mr. Hunter together with the following statements:

"Hunter impressed me quite favorably, but as I am not indulging in any expansion program here in New York I have no immediate place for him. I understand, however, that we have been asked to suggest names of persons who might be considered for posts in the Military Attache's offices in various South American countries, and this man, because of his experience in Chile, might be valuable there.

"If you are interested in following this up, you might pass it on to David Bruce, who I believe is getting together some suggestions for U-2 in connection with South America."

Accordingly we referred his name to Colonel Leslie Carter, who has asked for the suggested names, on July 21, 1942. Allen Dulles received another letter from Mr. Hunter dated July 21, 1942, which was in turn referred to this office. We advised Mr. Hunter on

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July 20th, that we could not use him at the present time but that we had furnished his name to the War Department as a prospect for South America.

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David Bruce

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MEMORANDUM

August 4, 1942

FROM: James R. Murphy

TO: Ensign Herrigan

I am interested in the case of Mr. F.K.M. Hunter. I understand you interviewed him on last Saturday and that he is filling some papers with you. He was recommended here by a friend of Colonel Donovan and I would appreciate your advising me from time to time of the status.

Hunter 7653
x Douglas

File

Room 805, Willard Hotel,
Washington, D. C.

August 3, 1942

James Murphy, Esq.,
Office of Strategic Services,
26th & "E" Streets, N. W.,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Murphy:

At your suggestion I went over to Temporary Building "Q" on Saturday, but found that Commander Vanderbilt and Major Bruce were out, but found that Ensign William J. Herrigan was expecting me and I had a very encouraging interview with him and am this morning returning to him some lengthy questionnaires which he asked me to fill out.

I expect to be going back to New York tomorrow or Wednesday but wish to thank you before leaving, for your kindness in helping me at this time.

Very sincerely yours,

F. K. M. Hunter

F. K. M. Hunter

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August 1, 1942

MEMORANDUM

FOR: Colonel Goodfellow

FROM: J. R. Murphy

Would you care to have somebody look this fellow
over in view of his foreign experience.

Entire file to Goodfellow

Minton - 7083
X Douglas

Card to Minton (July Aug 15)
La Jolla, California
July 20, 1948

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My dear Bill:

You will remember that just before I left New York for this Western trip I spoke to you on the telephone about my nephew, Middleton Hunter, and you very kindly told me you would turn him over to Mr. Dulles. My nephew has seen Mr. Dulles and he writes me that he has forwarded his papers to you.

I thought I would give you a brief sketch of my nephew, his background, experiences (linguistic and otherwise) and his scope of travel and knowledge of the world.

Middleton Hunter's father, who was Francis Kinlock Hunter of Hunter Island New York City, married my sister. Middleton was named for his grandmother's family who are the Middletons of South Carolina and, as you know, famous from pre-Revolution days.

After her husband's death she and Middleton and his sister lived abroad from the time he was a small boy until he returned to this country to enter Missouri School of Mines. When he was abroad he learned to speak French and he has some slight knowledge of German. He graduated from the School of Mines, working his way through there by teaching French and working in summer at the Inspiration Copper Company. After he graduated from Missouri he spent some time in the South on some mining operations and then went to Orizaba, Chlil where he was one of the young mining engineers of the Anaconda Copper Company and he worked up there, and has, a ready use of Spanish.

When he was in Chlil he became an expert on explosives and particularly about used in T.M.T. He married there. Afterwards he was set to work by a company whose name I forget which is detailed in explosives and was their advisor, etc., in that work.

Later he returned to New York and in making a trip with Dr. DeGroot to Europe, Dr. DeGroot took a great interest in him and long thereafter made him an offer to become a partner in the firm of DeGroot and DeGroot, an old banking firm in New York City. We urged him to give up his very dangerous experiments in explosives and to go into that firm. He has continued to be a member of the firm ever since.

He never, when he was in the West, and before the 1st of Dec., he stated that he was going to enlist in the Navy as a

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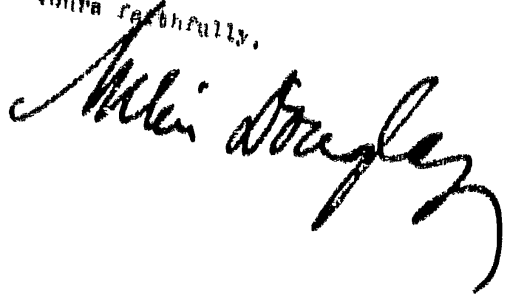
private. I wired him to come on to New York and to join the Seventh Regiment and that I would get him a job during the time of his enlistment. He did so. Later a request was made that members of the Seventh Regiment speaking languages should go overseas in advance of the regular Army, so Middleton went to Camp Green in North Carolina as a private but was promptly promoted to Corporal and then Sergeant and went overseas where he unfortunately side-tracked and became a member of the Military Police and at nineteen had charge of the red light district of Brest. However, before the war ended he was sent to officers training camp in France and retired a Second Lieutenant when the war ended.

Middleton has the soft voice of an English boy as he was in school there. He doesn't sell himself well but he is a man of great character and has worked himself out of difficult positions time after time and is now eating his heart out to get somewhere. I called you up hoping you would have some use for a man like Middleton who speaks, as I say, French and Spanish and who is a college graduate, a man of background and education.

I know the pressure you are under and I hate to write you so long a letter but because of the fact that I am deeply interested in my nephew I am doing so.

Cheerios!

Yours faithfully,



Colonel William Donovan

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

June 27, 1942

Mr. Aubrey De Nye Hitchenson
Centerville
Maryland

Dear Mr. Hitchenson:

This letter will formally instruct you that you are, as of this date, a properly registered and accredited employee of the Office of the Coordinator of Information. Your assignment is to the Branch of Research and Analysis. You will consider yourself immediately responsible to the Director of that Branch, Mr. Jason P. Baxter, Jr.

Your present mission will be the study of agricultural problems peculiar to an area of the West Coast of Africa, presently to be defined. More specifically, the matters which you will investigate are:

- (1) The overall production of plantation crops (animal and vegetable).
- (2) The level of production of the above.
- (3) The exportable surplus of the above.
- (4) The measures which might be undertaken to increase the exportable surplus of the above or of those particular crops of relatively high strategic importance.
- (5) The present means of crop distribution.
- (6) The measures which might be undertaken to expedite the distribution of crops.

The area in which you are authorized to carry out your investigations is that lying between the Gambia and the Congo rivers, and which falls under British, Free French, or Liberian control. You are not authorized to enter or to carry out investigations in territories now under the control of the French Government at Vichy.

In the expediting of your mission you are to consider yourself free to assist other representatives of this office whom you may meet, and in turn to ask assistance of them.

Sincerely yours,

William J. Donovan
Director

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June 27, 1942

MEMORANDUM

FOR: Mr. Opsata

FROM: Mr. Murphy

I am attaching a memorandum from Fisher Howe in London. Colonel Donovan discussed this with Fisher and agreed that he would recommend Fisher's promotion to a salary of \$4,600. Fisher will be the general administrative officer in the London Office of OSS. I also discussed it with Bill Whitney and he stated that the promotion should be given. Would you let me know what can be done about it.



UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT
COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION
WASHINGTON, D. C.

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JUN 13 1942

PERSONAL

TO: Colonel Buxton
FROM: Hugh R. Wilson

The attached memorandum regarding interview with Milton W. Holden is transmitted by Dulles in his memorandum of June 10. I suggest that you may desire to add this paper against the Colonel's return. It need not be returned to our files.

Attachment

HRW

CONFIDENTIAL

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June 8, 1942

MEMORANDUM

TO: AWD

FROM: HGT

SUBJECT: Interview with Milton W. Holden (at request of Nelson).

Holden came to this office on June 5 with the following story which he thought would be of interest to Colonel Donovan.

Holden left Miami early in May to join George Vanderbilt in Mexico City. Upon his arrival there, Holden says he was taken into GV's confidence as to the type of work which GV was doing. GV told Holden that he was engaged in intelligence work with regard to Axis agents and propaganda in the Mexican capital. Holden believes that GV had done useful work in Mexico City at some previous time, but that now he had outlived his usefulness and taken too many people into his confidence, and that, as the following story will show, he was mixed up in a web of intrigue which might make it physically dangerous for him to remain in the Mexican capital. Holden said that his entire story might no longer be of value, because Mexico had declared war on the Axis Powers and because GV has been ordered to San Diego where he is now a Naval officer.

Having spent a few days in Mexico City with what Holden termed "the international riff-raff," he embarked with GV on GV's yacht, their companions being: a Mrs. Ferrand, the American wife of a prominent Peruvian who was due to arrive in Mexico City about May 25, (she is the cousin of Tommy Shevlin); a Miss Marguerite Lambert of Chicago who was employed as a secretary and receptionist at the Reforma Hotel; Winston Quest, the well-known polo player, who was in Mexico City for the International Polo Matches; and a Miss Nova Gilmer, said to be the mistress of the French Charge d'Affaires, and who was a close friend and companion of Miss Sandra Kambeau, well known in Paris international circles, a professional beauty, who was the wife of the aged General von Epp. Miss R. was also in Mexico City at the time.

Embarking at Acapulco, the yachting party cruised up the East Coast of Mexico to a point some hundred miles to the north where, in the vicinity of Zacatula near the mouth of the Rio Mescala, the party were guests of a charming German, Hans Womberg, who, with his Austrian wife, Vicki, had built a home

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at this out-of-the-way place. During this time Winston Guest had left for a "tigre hunt" with a secretary of Maximino Avila Camacho, the President's brother and a guard of soldiers. Holden's impression was that Wemberg was undoubtedly a German agent.

Upon their return to Acapulco, Holden flew with GV and the other yachting companions back to Mexico City. It was at this time that Holden first became concerned for GV's safety.

Mrs. Ferrand told of receiving threatening telephone messages, warning her to mind her own business and not to play with international affairs. One day upon returning to her apartment where she was hostess to a Miss Betty Field, Mrs. Ferrand found a strange man in her living room, and later found that this man was not known to Miss Field. Mrs. Ferrand had also been accosted in the street and threatened several days prior to the yachting trip.

After attending a bullfight and having dined at the Reforma Hotel, Mr. Holden says that GV saw Mrs. Ferrand to her apartment and he himself retired for the night. At approximately 1 a.m., he was awakened by a phone call from GV, asking him to come at once to Mrs. Ferrand's apartment. Upon reaching this apartment, at 25 Avenue de la Reforma, he found Mrs. Ferrand with her face covered with blood, saying that she had been attacked and severely scratched by an unknown assailant. Holden was anxious for the welfare of Mrs. Ferrand, who was expecting a baby within five weeks, but since the scratches appeared to be surface wounds only, the matter was not reported to the Mexican Police. Betty Field, who was asleep in the apartment at that time, had not been awakened by any noise of the struggle. Holden believed that the circumstances surrounding this whole affair were so mysterious that he suggested that Mrs. Ferrand should return immediately to the United States. She departed with GV for San Diego on the morning of May 18, much against her will, as she was expecting her husband from Peru the following Sunday.

Holden stressed the fact that he did not wish anyone to believe that GV had shown any sentiment other than friendship for Mrs. Ferrand, and he pointed out that it was well known that GV and Mrs. V. were a closely united couple. He mentioned that GV had shown him letters from Mrs. V. which were full of affectionate messages. Holden repeated at this point that his visit and report to us was solely for the purpose of preserving GV from danger, GV having told Holden that his sitting room had mysteriously caught fire some days prior to the yachting trip.

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Holden went into considerable detail as to the people that were most in view in the international crowd in Mexico City. Among these he drew particular attention to a man whom GV had seen frequently, a man by the name of Bruno Paglia, an American citizen of Italian origin. According to Holden, GV had told him that Bruno Paglia was the Nazi pay-off man for Mexico City. Officially he seemed to be closely associated with Ben Smith, the Wall Street financier, in the promotion of a local race course.

In the same group Holden made particular mention of the activities of a very beautiful German girl by the name of Hilda Kruger, in whom Winston Guest showed some interest, but, according to Holden, to little avail. Henry Fletcher also appeared very assiduous in his attentions, and these seemed to be more favorably received.

A. C. Elumenthal and Dorothy di Frasso were prominent in this group. They were often seen in the company of Richard Gully, said to be a cousin of Anthony Eden, and described by Holden as "a perfect Ritz Red." Also seen with this group was an English girl by the name of Betty Eden, whom H. appeared to view with certain suspicions.

Holden went on to say that all of these people impressed him as relatively unimportant in comparison with the Swedish financier, Axel Wenner-Gren, who spoke bitterly about his "persecution by Franklin D. Roosevelt," and who told Holden how much Maximino Avila Camacho had done to help him. He told a story which was difficult to understand concerning the payment of \$250,000 to obtain the transfer of his yacht, "The Southern Cross," to Panamanian from Swedish registry. The crew of Wenner-Gren's yacht were all members of the Swedish Royal Navy, and when the yacht was taken over by the Mexican Government, these men were apparently cast adrift in Mexico.

According to information given to Holden by Hendryck Jollas, Wenner-Gren did have control of the Continental Bank in Mexico City. This he was obliged to sell to a man by the name of O'Connor when he was placed on the Black List. Mrs. Wenner-Gren was described as particularly bitter against the United States, and full of regret that the action which had been taken against her husband would prevent the development of an enterprise outside Mexico City with Morton Downey.

At this point Holden said that the information might sound like a mixture of Walter Winchell and Cholly Knickerbocker, but that he felt it his duty to pass this information on to Colonel Donovan in the interests of his good friend, George Vanderbilt. (HGT)

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Room 3603
630 Fifth Avenue

June 4, 1949

Mr. Milton W. Holden
530 Park Avenue
New York City

Dear Mr. Holden:

Colonel Donovan has asked me to see you with reference to your letter of May 31. I will be very happy to arrange an appointment at any time which may suit you. I would suggest that you telephone me at Columbus 8-8540.

Yours truly

H. Gregory Thomas

HOT/mjk

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Mr. Dulles:

Colonel Donovan would like
you to look into this.

COPY

Nelson

530 Park Avenue

Dear Bill:

I have just returned from Mexico
and have a rather interesting story
to tell. Shall I save it until I
come to Washington or is there some-
one here in N.Y. whom you recommend?

Sincerely,

/s/ "Doc"
(Holden)

May 21st

530 PARK AVENUE

Dear Bill -

I have just returned from Mexico & have a rather interesting story to tell. Shall I save it until I come to Washington or is there someone here in N. Y. whom you recommend.

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COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION

INTEROFFICE MEMO

FROM: C. W. Horn **DATE** April 28, 1942

TO: Colonel Donovan

SUBJECT: Activities of the Office of the Technical Advisor to the Coordinator

I was informed by James Murphy that it was your desire that I look into matters concerning technical activities in the COI and that I write a report with recommendations. I am hereby submitting my opinions.

It was quite natural that a certain amount of duplication without coordination should develop in our organization because of the very rapid growth and the wide field of activities in the affairs of the Coordinator of Information. Therefore, I would like to emphasize that what I say here is not a criticism of any individual or policy, rather it is an intimate analysis of the existing condition, which if the analysis is correct, will lead to logical results and reorganization.

It is felt that we have reached a crucial moment in our development. It becomes practical as well as necessary to coordinate the efforts of the different departments in the organization. The organization established, and the activities carried out to date, are secondary matter. The primary consideration should be that the activities would only have

historical value and we can concern ourselves with the present and the future.

The Coordinator of Information has a number of branches which make use of a number of devices of a technical nature. In addition there exists a liaison with other experimental agencies which are engaged in the development of devices of a technical nature. It is possible that all such activities are being carried out and that they could be coordinated in a more efficient manner.

It is possible that the above mentioned activities are being carried out in a more efficient manner than at present and that they could be coordinated in a more efficient manner.

The following is a list of the activities mentioned above:

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- 10. The development of a number of devices of a technical nature.

It is possible that the above mentioned activities are being carried out in a more efficient manner than at present and that they could be coordinated in a more efficient manner.

10. That the men at present engaged in technical work in the different divisions will operate under the policies laid down by the Technical Advisor. It is desired also that there will be a gradual change in organization but it is desired, nevertheless, that all technical matters will be coordinated and approved by the Technical Advisor before any execution.

11. A detailed list of the type of equipment, quantity, etc., as well as the establishment of policies directly to cover the same, are to pass through the office of the Technical Advisor before final approval is given. (The contents of this report should be made available to all staff members of the office of the Technical Advisor.)

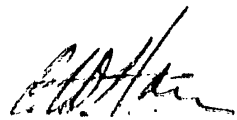
12. The Technical Advisor will be responsible for the selection of the personnel to be employed in the office of the Technical Advisor. The Technical Advisor will be responsible for the selection of the personnel to be employed in the office of the Technical Advisor.

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Adviser. In order to prevent duplication or conflict in the policies of the Coordinator of Information, it is suggested requests for information or apparatus needed by the Coordinator of Information.

2. That the Technical Adviser assist all the Director in the obtaining of the relevant information which is requested by the Coordinator of Information.

3. The above recommendations are approved if with the cooperation of the would be the complete transfer of all the information to the Technical Adviser. It is suggested that the Technical Adviser should be given the authority to follow up on the matter. It is suggested that the Technical Adviser should be given the authority to request the necessary information from the Director. It is suggested that the Technical Adviser should be given the authority to request the necessary information from the Director.



Technical Adviser

COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION

INTEROFFICE MEMO

FROM: [Faint text]
TO: Colonel [Faint text]
SUBJECT: [Faint text]

DATE: April 27, 1948

The recommendations contained in the memorandum
concerning the proposed changes in the list "which did
not list out as well". In the list only an
statement was included for each recommendation.
The illustrations which were submitted were
considered. A decision was made regarding
the proposed changes. It was decided to
[Faint text]

Recommendation C was made because of the unnecessary duplication which has been found to exist. Also the record shows that advice was obtained, sometimes from outside sources, from people not fully acquainted with our requirements with consequent divergent opinions and results. As an instance it can be cited that a check was made with the Navy as to their communication facilities in London and it was found that they are making use of cables which are only available for the use of the military and we should not depend on their traffic. Also in the case of commercial operations it is desired to have all such equipment be processed through our office, to ensure proper control and to have all necessary cables available for our use and that the present practice of having cables processed through the Navy is not desirable. It is also noted that the Navy is not in a position to handle our traffic and that the Navy is not in a position to handle our traffic and that the Navy is not in a position to handle our traffic.

It is recommended that the Navy be advised of the excellent facilities available for the processing of our traffic and that the Navy be advised of the excellent facilities available for the processing of our traffic and that the Navy be advised of the excellent facilities available for the processing of our traffic.

wallet, in only about one quarter of the size, is more
 rapid, reliable and powerful than the equipment now
 used by the British. In fact the British have ordered
 quite a large quantity of this particular piece of
 equipment if it was shown to them. Such things can
 be manufactured in a coordinated central effort,
 and this service should be extended to all of the
 divisions because of the contacts the Technical Advisor
 has in the industry.

Re: condition 1. There has been some discussion
 in the matter of conducting a survey or inspection, as well
 as a report on the situation. Also the mission in respect
 to the situation in the area of the country is being
 reviewed. It is believed that such "information" and
 other data will be of great value.

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[Handwritten Signature]
 Technical Advisor

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Washington

In Reply refer to
PA

June 11, 1940

The Secretary of State presents his compliments to the Coordinator of Information and acknowledges the receipt of a letter of June 1, 1940, concerning the appointment of Mr. Ernest John Hughes to represent him at Madrid, Spain.

The Department of State is pleased to advise that Mr. Hughes has been attached to the American Embassy at Madrid and that a copy of the letter under acknowledgment concerning the payment of Mr. Hughes' salary, travel expenses, and allowances, has been sent to the Embassy. Since Mr. Hughes has been bonded under Public Law No. 500 approved December 20, 1941, and designated "Authorized Certifying Officer", the Embassy has been authorized to honor vouchers approved by him covering payments due him from the office of the Coordinator of Information. The amounts of the vouchers approved by Mr. Hughes will be taken up in the regular accounts of the Embassy for reimbursement by the office of the Coordinator of Information upon presentation by the Department of State of adjustment vouchers on Form No. 1000.

*Hughes
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June 12, 1948

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

Dear Mr. Shaw:

Colonel Donovan has written you
that we hope to send Emmet J. Hughes to Madrid
shortly.

By error, two letters on this same
subject from Colonel Donovan have come to you.
The first letter was dated June 1 and was in-
correct. This letter was superseded by the
letter dated June 6. The difference in the
two letters is that in the June 6 letter Colonel
Donovan asks you to have \$100.00 of Mr. Hughes'
salary paid him by the American Embassy in Madrid.

Will you please destroy the letter of
June 1.

Sincerely yours,

William A. Kimbel
Liaison Officer

JWK:rk:ish

cc: Colonel Donovan (B) ✓
Mr. Strom (State)
Mr. Barnes
Mr. Opata

Mr. Woodring
Mr. Quinsburg
Mr. Smiley
Mr. Newson

Inter-office memo

COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION
Foreign Information Service
SPECIAL REPORTS DIVISION

Date June 11, 1948

From: Carlo B. L'Honnédieu

To: Mrs. Marian O'Donnell
Colonel Donovan's Office

Subject:

This letter superseded letter of June 1st to Mr. Shaw because of change of salary payments. Through the Liaison Office this letter has been signed and sent by the Colonel but I do not believe you have any copies for your files.



Approved: _____

Hughes
6690
J.P.S.
R.P.

June 6, 1948

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

Dear Mr. Shaw:

We would like to send Ernest John Hughes to Madrid, Spain, to be attached to the American Embassy there, and to serve as an Assistant to the Senior Representative of our Foreign Information Service at that post after such a Senior Representative is appointed.

Mr. Hughes' salary will be \$3,800.00 a year, to be paid by the Coordinator of Information, Washington, D. C., except for the sum of \$200 monthly, which is to be paid by the American Embassy at Madrid.

His per diem allowance will be \$6.00 within and \$7.00 outside of the continental limits of the United States, (except that he shall receive only \$3.00 a day while traveling by ship). These per diem allowances are to be paid by the American Embassy at Madrid up to the time Mr. Hughes arrives at his post when they shall cease. After he arrives it is requested that the Embassy pay him an allowance for living quarters, heat, fuel, and light of \$1,000.00 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 Embassy in Mr. Hughes' behalf.

I shall appreciate it if you will notify the American Embassy in Madrid about Mr. Hughes' status. He will leave the United States about the middle of June by plane.

Very truly yours,

William J. Donovan

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E.A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Gurnea
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn
- Mr. Nease
- Mr. Gandy
- Mr. Update
- Mr. Nelson

Hughes file
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June 2, 1944

**Mr. Samuel John Hughes
American Embassy
Madrid, Spain**

Dear Mr. Hughes:

You are hereby designated as a Field Representative of the Foreign Information Service at Madrid to serve as an assistant to the senior representative of the Foreign Information Service of this office at such future time as he may be appointed. Until his assignment, you will report to the American Ambassador for his instructions.

Upon the arrival of the senior representative, you will be responsible to him in all matters, in addition to conforming to the general instructions of the American Ambassador.

You are expected to extend full cooperation to all other representatives of this office who may be in touch with you or who may be assigned to your area by any other branches of this organization.

In the event that a general representative should be sent to Spain to supervise and take charge of all work there by all branches of this office, including the Foreign Information Service, you will report to and be governed by the instructions and orders of such general representative so designated.

Until a senior representative of the Foreign Information Service is appointed, you may serve as certifying officer on purchase vouchers, payrolls, and other vouchers and official documents and you may enter into necessary contracts for supplies, space and service.

Mr. Hughes

July 4, 1941

Any official travel necessary in connection with your functions while at your post will be controlled and directed when required by the American Ambassador to Spain, until the arrival of the Foreign Information Service senior representative, and no travel allowances or expenses will be paid you except on vouchers properly submitted and certified by the American Ambassador or the Foreign Information Service senior representative or by any other properly authorized administrative officer who may in the future succeed him.

In addition to your salary, you will receive an allowance of \$1000 per annum for living quarters, heat, fuel, and light in accord with State Department Order No. 854 dated July 11, 1941. This post allowance falls under Class S, Group 3 of Appendix II, and will be paid by the American Embassy at Madrid.

Very truly yours,

William J. Donovan

cc: Secretary of State
 K. E. Woodring
 Thomas Early
 H. K. Guinzburg
 W. A. Kinbel
 R. E. Smiley
 David K. Brass
 C. W. Barnes
 Col. Donovan (S) ✓
 J. B. Opatka
 H. D. Herson

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June 6, 1942

The Honorable
 G. Ireland Shaw
 Assistant Secretary of State
 Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Shaw:

We would like to send Emmet John Hughes to Madrid, Spain, to be attached to the American Embassy there, and to serve as an Assistant to the Senior Representative of our Foreign Information Service at that post after such a Senior Representative is appointed.

Mr. Hughes' salary will be \$3,800.00 a year, to be paid by the Coordinator of Information, Washington, D. C., except for the sum of \$200 monthly, which is to be paid by the American Embassy at Madrid.

His per diem allowance will be \$5.00 within and \$7.00 outside of the continental limits of the United States, (except that he shall receive only \$3.00 a day while traveling by ship). These per diem allowances are to be paid by the American Embassy at Madrid up to the time Mr. Hughes arrives at his post when they shall cease. After he arrives it is requested that the Embassy pay him an allowance for living quarters, heat, fuel, and light of \$1,000.00 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 Embassy in Mr. Hughes behalf.

I shall appreciate it if you will notify the American Embassy in Madrid about Mr. Hughes' status. He will leave the United States about the middle of June by plane.

Very truly yours,

William J. Donovan

Handwritten notes:
Mr. [unclear]
[unclear]

June 2, 1948

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

Dear Mr. Shaw:

We would like to send **Robert John Hughes** to Madrid, Spain, to be attached to the American Embassy there, to serve as an Assistant to the Senior Representative of our Foreign Information Service at that post, after such a Senior Representative is appointed.

His salary will be \$3500 a year, to be paid by the Coordinator of Information, Washington, D.C.

His per diem allowance will be \$5.00 within and \$7.00 outside of the continental limits of the United States, (except that he shall receive only \$3.00 a day while traveling by ship.) These per diem allowances are to be paid by the American Embassy, Madrid, up to the time he arrives at his post, when they shall cease. After he arrives it is requested that the Embassy pay him an allowance for living quarters, heat, fuel, and light of \$1,000 per annum. We will reimburse the State Department in accordance with Section V-48 of its Foreign Service Regulations for all payments made by the Embassy in his behalf.

I shall appreciate it if you will notify the American Embassy in Madrid about Mr. Hughes' status. He is leaving the United States about the middle of June by plane.



Very truly yours,

William J. Donovan

Handwritten:
Sent back
revised by
RJA 6/1

- cc: Colonel Donovan (2) ✓
- Mr. Strom
- Mr. Wygant
- Mr. Barnes
- Mr. Opsata

- Mr. Wendring
- Mr. Guinsburg
- Mr. Smiley
- Mr. Newson
- Mr. Kimbel

HDW:jad

Houghton 6393a
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MEMORANDUM

June 3, 1942

FROM: William J. Donovan

TO: Colonel Goodfellow

I am attaching applications of Mr. Augustus Seymour Houghton, Jr. for a commission in the Specialist Corps. Mr. Houghton is Chief of the research work in the Pictorial Records Section of Visual Presentation. We would like to have him commissioned and assigned for duty with this office. This pictorial work is being done for the Army and Navy and it is felt that his duties can be more effectively carried out in the military status.

✓ Would you have one of your officers go over this and prepare the proper form of letter for Colonel Donovan's signature.

I am attaching a recent circular from the (16015566) Adjutant General's office on the Specialist Corps.

*Houghton 343
x Draft Board
L. H. ...*

May 20, 1942

Local Draft Board 26H
64 Wall Street
Norwalk, Connecticut

Dear Sirs:

I understand that Mr. A. Reynour Houghton, a resident of Norwalk, comes under the jurisdiction of your draft board.

Mr. Houghton is employed in this office in connection with a highly specialized work, and I should like you to have for your records the action which we are now taking in order to retain him on the staff. We feel that he has the necessary qualifications to be commissioned either in the Army Reserve Corps or in the Army Specialist Corps, for assignment to duty in this office. We are, therefore, recommending to the War Department that, if he is found fully qualified he be commissioned in one of the branches just mentioned as soon as it may be done and that he be assigned to duty in this office. It is anticipated that action upon this recommendation may not be taken by the War Department for several weeks.

We would greatly appreciate it if his classification or induction by your board could be suspended for a sufficient length of time to enable us to obtain final action upon the recommendations which we have made to the War Department. We are not at this time recommending deferment for Mr. Houghton. If there is any further information you require, I should be glad to furnish it.

Yours very truly,

William J. Donovan

Colonel Donovan

November 10, 1942

The Honorable Frank Knox
Secretary of the Navy
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I would be grateful if you would take such steps as would be necessary for the promotion of Ensign William J. Horrigan USN File No. 141967 to the temporary rank of Lieutenant (j.g.). He was originally commissioned an Ensign D.V.(B) on April 4, 1942 and attached to the U.S. Naval Receiving Station, Brooklyn, New York, where he was in charge of the submarine chaser and mine sweeper pools. As of May 25, 1942 Ensign Horrigan was assigned to administrative duty with the Office of Strategic Services. He has been on duty with this office continuously since that time.

Ensign Horrigan has for some months been in charge of recruiting personnel for the Special Operations Branch which, as I believe you know, is engaged in work of an important and confidential character. He is also acting as an Assistant Operations Officer and he has received, at a special school, a special course of training which renders him particularly well qualified for the work in which he is engaged. In connection with his present work, Ensign Horrigan is in constant consultation with officers of higher rank in both the Army and Navy and with important officials of State and other government agencies.

Ensign Horrigan has a practicing attorney in New York City from 1936 to the date of his entry into service. He was an associate executive attorney in the firm of [redacted], [redacted] and [redacted] and from 1940 to 1941 was a partner in the firm of [redacted] and [redacted]. In the course of his practice, he has had extensive experience in utility and other corporations and in administrative investigations. He has acted in an executive capacity for various companies. He is twenty-nine years of age and is a graduate of Villanova College and Fordham School of Law.

Ensign Horrigan's record in accomplishing the duties assigned to him has been excellent, but has been outstanding. He has shown a high degree of initiative and judgment and it is believed that he can be of increasing amount of service to the Government. Lt. Colonel Ellery C. Huntington, Jr.,

The Honorable Frank Knox

the Chief of the Special Operations Branch, has informed me that there is no other available officer who has had the special operations training referred to above, who combines the background and abilities required for the position of Recruiting and Assistant Operations Officer in so thoroughly satisfactory a manner. I believe that the promotion of Ernest Morrison will definitely result in "better administration of the duties to which this officer has been assigned."

Sincerely yours,

William J. Donovan
Director

*Horrigan 6346
x 100, Dept.*

THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY
WASHINGTON

MAY 22 1942

My dear Colonel:

In reply to your letter of May 13, 1942, requesting that Ensign William J. Horrigan, D-V(S), U.S.N.R., be assigned to the Office of the Coordinator of Information, I am glad to advise that despatch orders have been issued to Ensign Horrigan directing him to proceed to Washington, D.C., for temporary duty in your office.

Very truly yours,

Frank Knox

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

*Ensign 634
U.S. Navy Dept*

May 13, 1942

The Honorable
The Secretary of the Navy
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

It is requested that Ensign
William J. Horrigan, file number 141967,
attached to the United States Naval Re-
ceiving Station at 52nd Street, Brooklyn,
New York, be assigned to the Office of
the Coordinator of Information to handle
work of a highly secret and confidential
nature.

Very truly yours,

William J. Donovan

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May 10, 1948

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SECRET

MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL DOBOVAN:

We have just had a report from FBI on Dr. Milan Hodza, the former Czech Prime Minister, and his "niece", Anna Graphina Farcikova. In this report the withdrawals from their two bank accounts in New York are interesting. During 12 months at Lake Placid the two of them drew out a total of \$1,245; and during a similar period at Hot Springs the two of them drew out a total of \$11,300. Note that the money was sent in currency by mail. All our information indicates that they lived simply enough, at least at Lake Placid. The "niece" in fact must have been pretty rich.

In addition to the foregoing, there was a withdrawal from the "niece's" account of \$1,245, which is without explanation. There was also a withdrawal of \$1,200 from the "niece's" account which is without explanation.

The balance in Dr. Hodza's account would appear to be down to \$1,000.00.

Records kept by the bank of the serial numbers of the money mentioned to him.

7000 ROMAINE STREET
HOLLYWOOD, CALIFORNIA

June 11, 1948

Henry H. ...
...
...
...

Mr. William J. Donovan
Coordinator of Information
United States Government
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Donovan:

I want to thank you
sincerely for your letter of May 19th.

Please dismiss from your
mind any thought of paying Mr. Lodwick's
expenses. I wouldn't consider allowing
you to do that.

I know you are extremely
busy and you really shouldn't have bothered
to write. I appreciate your courtesy in
doing so very much indeed.

Most cordially,

Walter ...

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(S.A.S.)

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ALBERT I. LODWICK
MARBLE ARCADE BUILDING
LAKELAND, FLORIDA

copy to Col MacDonald

May 27, 1942

file

My dear Colonel Donovan:

I want to thank you for your very nice letter of May 19, with reference to certain information which I gave you several weeks ago at the request of my good friend, Howard Hughes, and also after conferences with my friend of long standing, Colonel George McDonald.

I want you to know that I deeply appreciate your offer to pay the expenses of my trip to Washington and return to Florida in connection with furnishing this information, but I do not desire any reimbursement inasmuch as it was a pleasure to be of service to you.

I sincerely trust that if you are in this section of the country at any time you will drop in to see us.

With kindest regards always, I am

Sincerely

Al Lodwick

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

"Keep 'em Flying"
REMEMBER PEARL HARBOR



Hughes Howard 6273
x Russia
x War G-2
x Lockheed

May 19, 1942

Mr. Howard Hughes
211 South Nuirfield Drive
Hollywood, California

Dear Mr. Hughes:

I want you to know that we are most grateful for your kindness in making available to us the documents which were brought here by Mr. Lodwick. They are a valuable contribution to our work and we are most appreciative for your cooperation in this matter.

I have also written to Mr. Lodwick and asked him to send us a statement of any expenses incurred in connection with his trip. If such expenses were paid by you, I should like to see that you are reimbursed if you will advise me of the amount.

With best regards.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

May 19, 1942

Mr. Albert I. Lodwick
Marble Arcade Building
Lakeland, Florida

Dear Mr. Lodwick:

I wanted you to know that we are most grateful for the material which you recently brought to Washington for our use. It has been a very valuable contribution to our work.

Also I wish you would let me know what expenses you incurred in going to and from Lakeland. I should like to make arrangements to see that you are reimbursed as soon as possible.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

May 19, 1942

Colonel George C. McDonald
Military Intelligence Division G-2
War Department
Washington, D. C.

Dear Colonel McDonald:

I have your letter of May 17 on the subject of Howard Hughes and Mr. Lodwick. I am sorry this matter was apparently handled in a somewhat careless fashion. I have looked into it and am now enclosing copies of letters which Colonel Donovan has sent to Mr. Hughes and Mr. Lodwick.

I hope this will ease your mind slightly. I offer our humble apologies and send to you the personal thanks of Colonel Donovan and myself for your kind and thoughtful interest.

Sincerely,

J. R. Murphy

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forwarded to Mr. Howard Hughes, 11 South Boulevard Drive,
Hollywood, California; also that another letter somewhat along
the same line be forwarded to Mr. Albert T. Ludwig, and at
the same time giving Mr. Ludwig an opportunity to express
himself. If he sees fit, as to the amount of personal expense
he was subjected to out of his pocket to bring this valuable
material to Washington from Lakeland, Florida.

Sincerely,

George

GEORGE T. HUGHES, JR.,
Colonel, U.S.A.

Hoover 6201

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Officers Br. WEF-3059

AG 210.31
(9-14-42)OD

September 17, 1942

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 01283431, 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 13, 1942.

2. Announcement is made of the relief of Second Lieutenant Robert C. DeVilbiss 0452214, 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 13, 1942.

By order of the Secretary of War:

W.C. McMillion

Adjutant General

DISTRIBUTION:
Director, Office of Strategic Services
2nd Lt. Lawrence G. Hoover, Office, War Information, Washington, D.C.
2nd Lt. Robert C. DeVilbiss, Office, War Information, New York, N.Y.
Record Section

Hoover 6501

September 14, 1942

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

My dear General Ulio:

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

Second Lieutenant Lawrence G. Hoover, Jr. 01283431, *DeVilbiss*
Infantry, and Robert C. DeVilbiss 0452214, Signal Corps, *5019*
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.

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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Hcover's orders were issued June 17th
and were referred to FIS

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DeVilbiss 5018
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WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON

IN REPLY
REFER TO

AO 210.51
(8-7-42)OD

WHP-sp-amm-1809

September 1, 1942.

SUBJECT: Request status of officers.

*Call for info
on individuals
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To: Director,
Office of Strategic Services,
Washington, D. C.

Information is requested as to the status of Second Lieutenants Lawrence G. Hoover, Jr. O128451, Infantry, and Robert G. DeVilbiss O45214, Signal Corps.

According to the information of this office, both officers were assigned to Office of Coordinator of Information, 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.

[Signature]
Adjutant General

May 18, 1948

The Honorable
Henry L. Stimson
Secretary of War
Washington, D. C.

My dear Mr. Secretary:

In connection with the functions of the Publications Division in the Foreign Information Service Branch of this organization, we are desirous of securing the assistance of Lieutenant Lawrence G. Hoover, Jr., who has recently completed his training at the Infantry School at Fort Benning, Georgia. His superior officer is Captain William B. Griffin, Company D, 8th Student Training Regiment.

We are greatly in need of the immediate services of a person to contact various government departments and secure information for picture stories to be used by our Publications Division.

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

Sincerely yours,

William J. Donovan

WJD

Howe Fisher 5971

X ~~Stanley~~ ~~Stanley~~*Howe***COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION****INTEROFFICE MEMO****FROM:** Fisher Howe *F.H.***DATE** 5/5/42**TO:** Colonel William J. Donovan**SUBJECT:** My Status with the Department of State

I talked once again with Mr. Shaw who now feels that there may be a compromise in my anomalous position as applicant for the Foreign Service and my position with this office. I am attaching the letter which I have written to him confirming our conversation. Mr. Shaw said that he would submit my problem to the Personnel Board and would let me know.

In any event, you have my assurance that my position with your office will not be affected by this personal problem with the State Department.

CC to Colonel William J. Donovan

May 5, 1942

My dear Mr. Shaw:

I would like to confirm our conversation of this morning. I regret very much finding myself in the difficult position of being an applicant for appointment to the Foreign Service, and at the same time filling a position with the London office of the Coordinator of Information.

With your advice I have considered the decision very carefully and have discussed the matter at length with Colonel Donovan. I must therefore advise you that I cannot be held as available for appointment to the Foreign Service during this war period while I am working for the Coordinator.

I had hoped that my appointment might be deferred until after the war or, alternatively, that I might be appointed and loaned to the Coordinator for the duration. If either of these alternatives is possible, I believe it would resolve the problem. If not, I feel I must withdraw my application.

I am well aware that you, personally, and the State Department have shown already great consideration of my case and have afforded me concessions, and I am indeed grateful.

My present plan is to leave tomorrow morning from Canada to take up my position once more in London. I would be most appreciative if you could inform me of the decision of the Personnel Board.

Yours sincerely,

Fisher Howe

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

Howe - 5971
~~Foreign Service~~

April 29, 1942

MEMORANDUM

TO: COLONEL DONOVAN
 FROM: FISHER HOWE

Fisher Howe

Dear Colonel Donovan:

A personal matter has arisen with regard to my Foreign Service career with the State Department and I should naturally want you to be fully aware of it.

As I think you know, I studied for the Foreign Service before the war and passed the written examination before coming to Washington, in fact before joining this office. Two weeks ago I passed the oral examination and so have become eligible for appointment as Vice Consul in the Foreign Service. When I talked to Mr. Farhart, Chief of Personnel, last week, he led me to believe that I could continue my work with the Coordinator's office and that when the war ended I would then be able to go on active service with the Foreign Service. Today, however, I talked to Mr. Howland Shaw and he said quite definitely that I must choose one or the other of the two alternatives.

The position from the State Department side is that they are in need of Foreign Service officers, that they are not in the habit of lending men to other offices even in this time of war. Mr. Shaw said of course he would be willing "to lend me" for two or three months but that such a loan could not be extended any further.

The position from my side is that I must choose between my present effort and being a Vice Consul with absolutely routine work and no responsibility in some distant spot. Mr. Shaw said that the difference this would make to me personally could not influence his refusal to have me loaned to the Coordinator of Information. I am, therefore, faced with the personal decision as to where my most effective effort can be made in the war. Actually, there is no question in my mind about this. I want to remain with this office and especially while I can feel I am making a definite contribution in London.

I have not communicated this to Mr. Shaw since I wanted you to be fully aware of the situation. Needless to say, I would welcome, would want, your opinion on this matter.

I have kept Mr. Kimbel apprised of all my dealings with the State Department.

May 10, 1942

Honorable Thomas E. Martin
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Congressman:

I am sorry not to have answered your letters sooner, but I have just returned from a long siege as the result of an automobile accident. I find that in my absence the matter about which you and General Surles wrote was considered by our planning committee. They advise me that at about the same time Mr. Horn's proposal was received, Dr. Gallup came in the office with a similar proposal; that careful consideration was given to both and it was decided that under present conditions there was no way this could be put to practical use for foreign broadcasts.

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However, it was thought that both the Gallup and the Horn plans were of potential value for the Office of Facts and Figures for use in the domestic field. I do know that Dr. Gallup's proposal was taken by him to Facts and Figures, and I believe it would be advisable to contact that office directly and lay the plan before them.

I am returning herewith the original of Professor Horn's letter to you.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

THOS. F. MARTIN
1st Dist. Iowa

1004 HOUSE OFFICE BLDG.

COMMITTEE:
MILITARY AFFAIRS

HOME ADDRESS:
IOWA CITY, IOWA

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

April 29, 1947

Dear Mr. [Name]:

I have received your letter of April 24, 1947, regarding the [Subject].

The [Subject] is being reviewed by the [Committee].

I am sorry that I cannot provide a more definitive answer at this time.

Sincerely,
Thomas F. Martin

Horn 4681

COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION
270 MADISON AVENUE
NEW YORK

May 8, 1942

TO: MR. JAMES R. MURPHY
FROM: EDMOND L. TAYLOR

I am returning the dossier on William Horn for which you asked me. It was referred to several people and had been floating about. Mr. Horn himself was never contacted by anyone in this office because Mr. Hall came in about the same time with a similar phone and after careful consideration it was decided that an employment outlet there was not a way this could be used to provide a cover for foreign broadcast.

Mr. Hall got back to me and presumably Mr. Murphy. Mr. Hall's proposal was not accepted by the COT. The project was not carried out but we have heard since that Mr. Hall was not to be considered as by anyone there. It would, therefore, be desirable for Prof. Taylor to contact the COT directly.

Horn
4681
Committee on
Military Affairs

THOMAS E. MARTIN
Rep. Dist. 18WA

1944 HOUSE OFFICE # 88133

COMMITTEE ON
MILITARY AFFAIRS

HOME ADDRESS:
IOWA CITY, IOWA

Congress of the United States
House of Representatives

Washington, D. C.

March 13, 1943

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Col. William J. Donovan
Coordinator of Information
National Institute of Health Bldg.
20th and M Streets
Washington, D. C.

Dear Colonel Donovan:

Major General A. D. Burles wrote me March 6th in reply to my letter of February 26th that he was referring my letter to you for consideration. I am enclosing a copy of my letter of February 26th herewith, but of course Mr. William Horn's letter that was enclosed with my letter of February 26th is attached to the letter that General Burles sent to you.

I will appreciate your giving me any information regarding the possible use of Mr. Horn's outstanding ability in our war effort.

Sincerely yours,

Thomas E. Martin
Thomas E. Martin, M. C.

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Encl. 1

February 26, 1942

Re: William D. Horn
Young & Rubicam, Inc.
285 Madison Avenue
New York City

Major General A. D. Surles
Director - Bureau of Public Relations
War Department
Washington, D. C.

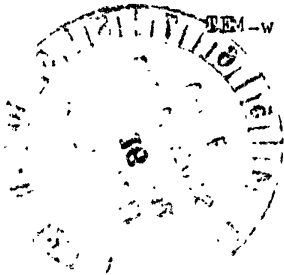
Dear General Surles:

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Thos. E. Martin, M. C.



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**WAR DEPARTMENT
BUREAU OF PUBLIC RELATIONS
WASHINGTON**

March 6, 1942.

Colonel William Donevan,
Co-ordinator of Information,
Washington, D. C.

Dear Colonel Donevan:

I am enclosing herewith for your information copy of correspondence which I have received from Representative Thomas E. Martin, which is self-explanatory, and a copy of my reply. It may be that the letter from Mr. Horn will be of interest to someone in your organization.

Sincerely,



A. D. SULLIVAN,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Director.

Encls. 3.



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Major General, U. S. Army,
Director.

Encls. 3.

April 1, 1954

Honorable Thomas E. Martin
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Martin:

Your letter of February 27th has been received and I have read with interest the excellent recommendations you have written.

A greater part of the available information is being carried on by the Office of the Special Liaison at Washington. The purpose of this Bureau is merely that of giving to the public as much information as is possible concerning the activities of the Army, and I do not know that there is any place in our organization where Mr. Kern's development might be used to an advantage. I have taken the liberty, therefore, of returning his letter, together with the copy of your letter to me, to Colonel Bennett.

In the event, however, that Mr. Kern is interested into the service, I am sure that he will be given every opportunity to utilize his past training and experience. Of course, as far as this Bureau is concerned, we can only use commissioned officers and civilians who are selected through the Civil Service Commission. However, there is a public relations group at each Army post and Camp, and with his background and training I am sure that Mr. Kern will have no difficulty in getting into this work wherever he might be sent.

Your interest in bringing this young man to our attention is appreciated.

Sincerely,

A. D. SWINEY,
Major General, U. S. Army,
Director.

CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES
House of Representatives
Washington, D.C.

February 26, 1942

Major General A. D. Surles
Director - Bureau of Public Relations
War Department
Washington, D. C.

Re: William D. Horn
Young & Rubicam, Inc.
285 Madison Avenue
New York City

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February 25, 1942

Mr. Stenely K. Hornbeck
Department of State
Washington, D. C.

Dear Dr. Hornbeck:

Thank you for your memorandum on Byas's
book "The Japanese Enemy, his Power and his Vulner-
ability". I bought it and read it, I think with
profit.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
ADVISER ON POLITICAL RELATIONS

February 19, 1948.

To: Colonel Donovan
From Stanley K. Hornbeck

Self-explanatory.

Wet

February 19, 1944.

For those who have responsibilities in the field of this country's relations with Japan--especially responsibilities in connection with the conduct of the war and/or the arrangements for peace thereafter! extremely valuable secondary reading! Hugh Bynas's newly published book The Japanese Show! His Power and his Vulnerability.

This book is brief and self "briefed". It can be read in less than two hours.

Among outstanding statements, Mr. Bynas says:

"Some are saying that Hitler dragged Japan into this war. Nobody who knows the Japanese would say so." (page 6)

"This is neither hara-kiri nor face-saving any more than it is Japan swinging into war in chivalrous obedience to an alliance that reads as if it had been drawn by a shyster lawyer. I have heard nothing so loaded with unconscious ill-omen as those views. They show how little we know Japan. They won't last." (page 7-8)

"The Japanese can be fanatics individually, but as group thinkers they are cautious, calculating, and deliberate." (page 11)

"Where so much is hidden, let us start from points we can take to be true. First, the Japanese navy did not get into this until it believed it had secured itself and the Empire against defeat. Second, the Japanese are not

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in it to help Hitler, but to help themselves." (page 14)

"... the Japanese have made their plans for a long war, and they have not left out the possibility of a German defeat." (page 15)

"The Japanese officer, who was always a chauvinist, is now a Nazi." (page 21)

"The war that the Japanese have brought on is war in the air in its biggest form. Before it ends, the pace and the range will be something never seen before. The Tokyo strategists saw that it would be air war with ocean bases ... " (page 29)

"The most important political fact about Japan today is that it has not finished the revolution that began in 1868." (page 36)

"The Japanese complained of encirclement. By their own doing they are indeed encircled, not only by the Anglo-Saxon democracies so long distant and indifferent, but by the Asiatic nations whom they have taught to fear and hate them." (page 36)

"History repeats itself ... because character repeats itself. ... Japan shut itself off from the world for two hundred and thirty-one years. ... There seems to be a subconscious feeling [among the Japanese] that many of the distinguishing

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distinguishing features of Japanese civilization cannot survive contact with the world. ... *

"In Pearl Harbor in 1941 as at Port Arthur in 1904 Japan snatched a start which she expected would win the race. ... Japan had many advantages in her war with Russia which she does not enjoy today. ... When the war ended, Japan was exhausted. She had shot her bolt. ... In repeating their opening move did the Japanese calculate that, at worst, they could repeat the close? ... So in the present case they expect that at the end they may be left with the foundations of hegemony in the Pacific securely laid. Japan will eventually be defeated by the Fabian method. ... The defeat of Japan will be a long process, but it can be expedited by taking thought. ... Psychological rather than strategical myopia is the fatal Japanese handicap; after all the intensive studies Japanese military men have made of China in the last twenty years, they do not understand the Chinese. ... After five years of continuous military successes the Japanese in occupied China are still 'sitting on bayonets'.

"The military minds which began the China war rule Japan. They are unconscious of their blind spots. ... Realism might begin by dropping the fiction that China can give

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give us substantial military help at present. Chiang Kai-shek is pinned in his remote northern hinterland by superior Japanese forces. He cannot defeat them until he gets the planes, tanks, and guns needed. This does not minimize his heroism or the strength of his resistance. It has been a magnificent feat, but it has consisted in harassing the Japanese army along their extended lines and refusing them the orderly occupation in which they could sit down and exploit their gains. Later, when the Japanese line begins to sag and break everywhere, it will break in China also. -- But it is America that has to defeat Japan in the Pacific. ... American production lines will make bigger and better planes ... We should not expect that any Napoleonic short cuts to victory will be found. ... Victory will come from the irresistible pressure of superior power." (pages 100-107)



Hoover 36

January 28, 1948

MEMORANDUM FOR DR. CALVIN B. HOOVER

Dear Dr. Hoover:

I quite appreciate the reasons that led you to decide to return to Duke and to postpone that return in order to accept special work for the Vice President.

I know firsthand, as well as from Dr. Senter, of the great contribution you have made to the work of the Board of Analysts and to many of the studies prepared under their direction, and I regret very much, as I know they all do, our having to lose you at this juncture.

With thanks for your splendid cooperation and with best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,

William J. Donovan

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

January 23, 1942

Colonel William J. Donovan
Coordinator of Information

Dear Colonel Donovan:

About six weeks ago it became apparent that I would be under considerable pressure to return to my regular duties at Duke University for the second semester beginning February 1. Dr. Baxter was good enough to urge that I remain with the Research and Analysis Branch of COI, while agreeing, subject to your approval, that I might be released if it became necessary. It became necessary for me to make a final decision so with great reluctance I informed Dr. Baxter definitely of the necessity for returning to the University.

Yesterday to my surprise I received a call from Vice President Wallace, a personal friend whom I had served as Economic Advisor when he was Secretary of Agriculture. He asked me to make for him and for Mr. Perkins a survey of the personnel, organization, and objectives of the Board of Economic Warfare. He told me he had heard that I planned to return to the University but felt that nevertheless he must ask me to put off my return in order to do this task for him.

I told the Vice President that my acceptance was contingent upon two factors - your agreement, and the willingness of the University to extend my leave for this new task. I felt that my release from duty here to return to the University did not cover the case of my taking on other duties with the government.

I am now writing to the President of Duke University requesting the extension of my leave. I would very greatly appreciate it if you would consent to my release from duty with the COI to undertake this new work.

In forwarding this letter to you through Dr. Baxter, allow me to express my appreciation for the courtesy and kindness which you have both shown me and for the privilege of having had a small part in so important an undertaking.

Sincerely yours,

Calvin B. Hoover

JAN 7 1942

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AG 301 Hughes, Henry Stuart
(1-7-42) JA

[Handwritten signature]
January 7, 1942

**Temporary Appointment in the
Army of the United States.**

**The Commanding General,
Second Corps Area.**

1. There is inclosed a copy of letter of temporary appointment as Second Lieutenant, Army of the United States, dated January 6, 1942, in the case of Henry Stuart Hughes, 3040 Independence Avenue, Riverdale-On-Hudson, New York, New York. The original letter was delivered to Lieutenant Hughes in person at the War Department and he accepted the appointment by oath of office executed January 6, 1942.

2. The Military Fingerprint Card, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Department of Justice and War Department, A.G.O. Form No. 178 have also been received.

3. Lieutenant Hughes has been retained for the General Assignment Group.

By order of the Secretary of War:

[Handwritten signature]

Adjutant General.

1 Incl.
Copy of letter of Appt.

Copy for:
C. C., 3rd C. A.
Coordinator of Information. ✓

WAR DEPARTMENT

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

WASHINGTON

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TO

JAG 202 Hughes, Henry Stuart
(13-22-41)JA

January 6, 1942

SUBJECT: Temporary Appointment.

THROUGH: Commanding General, Third Corps Area.

To: Corporal Henry Stuart Hughes, U.S.A.,
(Appointed Temp. 2nd Lt., AGO.)

A O-980114
B None

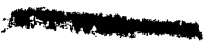
1. By direction of the President you are temporarily appointed in the Army of the United States, effective this date, in the grade and section shown in address above. Your serial number and length of active service in your present or any higher grade are shown after A and B respectively.

2. This commission to continue in force during the pleasure of the President of the United States for the time being, and for the duration of the present emergency and six months thereafter unless sooner terminated.

3. There is inclosed herewith a form for oath of office which you are requested to execute and return promptly to the agency from which it was received by you. The execution and return of the required oath of office constitute an acceptance of your appointment. No other evidence of acceptance is required. Upon receipt in the War Department of the oath of office, properly executed, a commission evidencing your appointment will be sent to you.

By order of the Secretary of War:

Inclosure:
Form for oath of office.


Adjutant General.

Copy for: Coordinator of Information.

(General Assignment Group)

October 29, 1941

Hughes

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

Dear Mr. Secretary:

I thank you for your letter of October 8, 1941, with respect to the possible commissioning as a second lieutenant of Corporal Henry Stuart Hughes, Headquarters Battery, First Battalion, 103rd Field Artillery, 43d Division, A. P. O. 43, Hagley, Louisiana.

In view of the possibility that there may later be changes or exceptions in the general suspension of appointments in the Officers' Reserve Corps, I am taking the liberty of asking that if such a situation arises consideration be given to commissioning Corporal Hughes as a second lieutenant in the Specialists' Reserve and thereafter as interim him for duty in this office. It would be of very great value to us to have his services. I have already stated in earlier correspondence his peculiar qualifications.

This is not in any way a case of a man attempting to avoid service in the ranks. Corporal Hughes has been in the Army more than six months. Furthermore, this office has sought his services and Corporal Hughes has neither directly nor indirectly applied for a position with us.

I am satisfied that there is no person available in civil life or already commissioned who could adequately perform the duties in our office for which Corporal Hughes is so well qualified.

With great appreciation for such consideration as can be given to the circumstances surrounding this particular request, I am,

Very sincerely,

Miss Pierre 591

Mr. K. H. Woodring

June 4, 1942

Miss Margaret Evans, Administration Building
Travel Reimbursement Voucher

Travel Reimbursement Voucher submitted by
Mr. Pierre Hans for the period December 18, 1941
to February 18, 1942 is herewith transmitted for
Colonel Donovan's signature as immediate super-
vising official in accordance with Paragraph 13,
Administrative Instructions No. 17, dated Octo-
ber 23, 1941.

When the voucher is returned to this office,
properly certified, it will be processed.

Attachment.

February 19, 1942

Mr. John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Edgar:

Many thanks for your letter
of the 17th containing observations
of Pierre Husk.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

W. J. Donovan 571

JOHN EDGAR HOOVER
DIRECTOR



Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

February 17, 1947

REGIONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL
BY SPECIAL DELIVERY

Colonel William J. Donovan
Coordinator of Information
20th and P Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

As of possible interest to you, information has been received from a reliable, confidential source to the effect that Marie Curie, heard representative in Berlin, Germany, for the past two years, stated on January 21, 1947 that inasmuch as the Nazis always endeavor to do the unexpected thing in the way of an offensive move, it would not surprise him if they should attempt to sabotage and Fifth Column activities, to start fires in our oil fields which might devastate these fields.

He goes further to state that he understands the Mexican oil fields are of vital importance to this country and that for that reason he believes this country should take definite steps to protect the facilities in the oil producing districts.

He subsequently stated that he had observed submarines in the Bismarck Sea, which were equipped with a compartment for a collapsible rubber boat capable of carrying 15 or 20 people. He stated that it is possible that certain dangers might be sufficient to cause a submarine to be driven ashore in the vicinity of the United States.

Sincerely,