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17 November 1943

Harry T. Klein, Esq.
135 East 42nd Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Klein:

In General Donovan's absence I am writing in reply to your letter to him of November 6, 1943 inquiring about your nephew, First Lieut. Harry Klein Arnold.

We have made inquiries of the War Department and can find no record of your nephew having been wounded in action.

We believe that you will be able to get the quickest information about your nephew if you write directly to the Casualty Branch, Adjutant General's Office, stating all the facts that you know and requesting that they advise you and Mrs. Arnold directly. Should we receive any news about your nephew as a result of our inquiries we will, of course, let you know immediately.

Yours very truly,

O. C. Doering, Jr.
Major, AUS
Chief, Secretariat

cc: Major James

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HARRY T. KLEIN
135 HUNT STREET
NEW YORK, N. Y.

November 6, 1943

Brig. Gen. William J. Donovan
Office of Strategic Services
25th and East Streets
Washington, D. C.

Dear Bill:

I have been informed that my nephew, Harry Klein Arnold, who is a First Lieutenant of Cavalry, assigned to a Tank Destroyer outfit, has been wounded in action. Apparently a jeep in his detachment, in which he was riding, was blown up by a land mine.

My assumption is that he was serving with our Fifth Army just North of Naples, Italy, when wounded. His number is 02030324. He is in the 69th Station Hospital. My information is he was not picked up for three days.

He is the only child of my youngest sister, and naturally she is very much concerned about him.

Would it be asking too much for you to have an inquiry made through an appropriate channel and advise me how badly he is hurt, what his condition is now, and any other information about him that may be proper to pass on?

I am leaving for Chicago tomorrow, and will be at the Blackstone Hotel there until Wednesday, November 10th, and expect to reach Cincinnati, Ohio, on Friday, November 12th, to spend a few days. My telephone number there is Cincinnati East 2205, and my address #3 Observatory Hill, Hyde Park, Cincinnati, Ohio.

I trust that you are well and enjoying life, and that I shall have the pleasure of seeing you soon.

Assuring you that I will appreciate your courtesies in the matter, with kind regards and best wishes, I remain

Very truly yours,

Harry T. Klein

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*Handwritten: L. B. ... 12, 6, 18
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15 December 1943

Sava N. Kosanovich, Esq.
Yugoslav Minister
112 Central Park South
New York, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Kosanovich:

I am deeply grateful to you for your very frank letter of November 29, 1943, to General Donovan, which came to me for attention in his absence.

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Secretary of State Hull's recent declaration of United States policy with reference to material aid to the Partisans has undoubtedly been reassuring to you. There is no question of our failing to follow that policy in letter and in spirit. In fact, we have already done so.

Yours very sincerely,

G. Edward Buxton
Acting Director

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

DATE: 14 December 1945

TO: R. Thrun

FROM: Whitney H. Shepardson

SUBJECT: Draft of letter to Mr. Kosanovich

Returned herewith is copy of draft of letter you sent to me during my absence at the end of last week.

I repeat what I said briefly to Colonel Doering at the time the letter was received and said again to General Magruder this morning, namely that I did not think this agency should argue with a foreign gentleman in questions concerning the suitability of our own personnel.

For Colonel Buxton's information, the Captain Kobal referred to in the communication is regarded in the highest terms by MIS as well as ourselves and in fact we have had to make an arrangement with MIS to deliver him to Colonel Jadwin at the end of February because Colonel Jadwin says he can not do without him.

The burden of the Yugoslav gentleman's complaint is that not enough is being done for the Partisans. This complaint was registered with us a good many days ago and prior to the recent statement of Secretary Hull to the effect that we were rendering all possible aid to the Partisans in the way of supplies, and I should think that the author of the letter should have his attention called to this statement of Mr. Hull's and should be told that since this is the policy of the United States Government as declared by the Secretary of State, there could be no question whatsoever about OSS following it and that in fact we are already doing so.

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C. (25)

9 December 1943

Sava N. Kesanovich, Esq.
Yugoslav Minister
112 Central Park South
New York, N. Y.

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Dear Mr. Kesanovich:

I am deeply grateful to you for your very frank letter of November 29, 1943, to General Donovan, which came to me for attention in his absence.

For security reasons, we do not, as a matter of policy, disclose the connection of individuals with this Agency. I regret the necessity this imposes of avoiding individual discussion of the cases you mention since I knew that I should be better able to put your mind at ease by a less general answer. Inasmuch as Military Attaches do not come under our jurisdiction, I may say that Major Stepanovic is not our representative.

You may be sure that we do not intend to have in the field men whose purpose is to block aid to a group engaged in fighting the enemy. Where there is reason to believe an individual is unfitted by bias for the particular task assigned to him, his case will be reviewed and appropriate action taken. Accordingly, we have taken full cognizance of your comments and shall take all steps which may be necessary to satisfy ourselves that any person involved will carry out our objectives and devote his full energies to fighting the enemy.

Yours very sincerely,

G. Edward Suxton
Acting Director

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

3 December 1943

MEMORANDUM

TO: Robert Thrun
FROM: J. M. Scribner
SUBJECT: Attached Letter to 109 from Yugoslav Minister,
dated 29 November 1943

It is the policy of the Middle East Area Operations Office of SO to recruit personnel for Yugoslavia who have no political bias. Although this is a desirable objective, from a practical standpoint, it is not always possible, so that as the next best expedient and as a matter of operating principle, an attempt has been made, where political bias exists, to at least maintain an equal balance of personnel having Pan-Serbian or Greater Yugoslavia inclinations.

The subject referred to in the attached memorandum is one that has been brought to our attention several times before and it is known to this office that certain officers are very close to the Yugoslav Minister in Washington, who, I am given to understand, shares a different political viewpoint from that enjoyed by the Minister in New York, whose letter is attached.


It is the writer's opinion it is not completely possible to control this situation.

I have investigated the record of Captain Kobal, who is directly referred to by the Minister, and I can find no evidence that he is acting as the attached letter indicates. I have, however, discussed the matter with Major Lincoln, Acting Chief, SO, and steps are being taken to the end that Captain Kobal will be advised that he should not at any time indulge in the type of conversation referred to by the letter.

With respect to Major Stepanovic, to whom the Minister refers, I am informed that he is not in any way identified with OSS but is an officer working for G-2.

I hope these comments will be helpful in addressing a proper reply to the Yugoslav Minister in New York.

JMS/amp
cc. Major Lincoln


J. M. Scribner
Deputy Director, SSO

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x Yugoslav*BAYA N. KOSAROVICH
YUGOSLAV MINISTER ~~XXXXX~~o.d.
112 Central Park 50
N.Y.C.

November 29, 1943

Brigadier General
Wm. J. Donovan
Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

Dear General Donovan:

Although I have never had the opportunity of meeting you personally, I hope that my name is familiar to you in connection with a plan advanced by your office and with which I have heartily agreed to cooperate. Attaching due significance to that plan and wanting to see it realized to the benefit of the democratic policies of the government of the United States and of the peaceful future of my own country, Yugoslavia, I am writing this letter expressing some of my recent worries.

These I want to keep in confidence and wish to convey them to you personally.

Ban Subasic and I have without any doubt or reservation accepted the plans and suggestions made by your office. I, on my part, was and am willing to invest all that I possess in both political credit and personal experience in promoting this scheme. The aim of which was to be liberation of the Yugoslav people from foreign oppression, the unification of the various national and political elements and the democratization of the political life in the future Yugoslavia. In order that this plan may succeed it is of utmost significance that to the people of Yugoslavia, this action be presented as coming from a country interested in their better future. To the people of Yugoslavia the policy of the United States of America must be presented as a policy of democracy, progress and unification. Unless we are accepted in that confidence, our plans, regardless of the perfection of details, are worthless.

The credit that America has among the people of Yugoslavia is great. It is great among large masses, and also great among those leading the struggle against the enemy, which today means the Yugoslav Partisans, it would be harmful to do anything to endanger or diminish that credit. Therefore, those representing America and American sponsored actions must do their best to maintain and deepen that confidence and to show to the Yugoslavs that Americans are coming as liberators and friends. This concerns any American representative, but in the first place the officers of Strategic Services and those sponsored by them. The Yugoslavs must see in them individuals friendly to them, individuals with sense of im-

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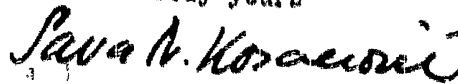
impartiality and fairness, I personally have best experience of the high quality of the officers of Strategic Services with whom I had the opportunity to speak. However, I want to express a certain fear that has occupied my mind. From the circles of the Yugoslav Embassy in Washington, from loose talk and overconfidence, news has reached me that some of the higher officials of the Embassy have repeatedly boasted that their "friends" will see to it, that no American aid will be forthcoming to the Partisans. In connection with that, it continues, that someone whom they termed "our friend" has gone to the Near East to head the Yugoslav section of the OSS. I also have direct informations from a Yugoslav seaman that a certain Captain Kobal from the OSS is openly acting and speaking in the same way. His outspoken anti-Partisan stand from what I hear, is directly opposed to the principles I expressed above. In addition to this, comes the fact that a certain Major Nick Stepanovic is being promoted to the rank of Lieutenant Colonel and given the post of U.S.A. Military Attache to the Yugoslav King in Cairo. It is known that Stepanovic was closely associated with the American Srbobran and circles pursuing the anti-Yugoslav and chauvinistic Serbian policy, which is most harmful to all that we stand for.

As a Serb and democrat, I consider such a policy directly opposed to the particular principles which guide our work in reference to the plan which the OSS has discussed with me. Furthermore, I consider such policies and such utterances as directly dangerous, not only to the political developments, but also to the military interests of the allies in the Balkans.

I consider it my moral duty to call your attention to the above. Two such peril actions, the one represented chauvinists, and the other centered around our plan, are incompatible. They are so much opposed to one another, that the result must be negative. Under such conditions the things I represent politically and morally would be compromised. That responsibility I cannot accept before my conscience and my people.

As current developments in Jugoslavia go perfectly in line with the views and actions of those of us, who have stood for the principles of unity of Serbs, Croats and Slovenes in tolerance and democracy, expressed mainly by the Partisans, and knowing your views I hope that this can be rectified and our plans speeded.

Sincerely yours



Sava N. Kosanovich

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Date: 9/20/43

To: Mr. J. Scribner

Re: Memo from Lt. Dolan to Col. Buxton
9/10/43
SAVA KOSANOVICH

copy of letter 9/2/43 to David H. Winton

This also I have just seen.

Of course, JCS say they are not
interested in ideologies but certain
types might be embarrassing to State
Dept. Especially as our official
representative.

G. EDWARD BUXTON

PLEASE RETURN THE FILE.

G. Edward Buxton
Assistant Director

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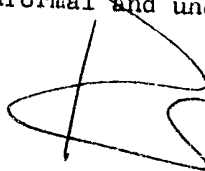
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: Colonel E. G. Buxton
FROM: Lt. Patrick Dolan
SUBJECT: Sava Kosanovich

DATE: 10 Sept 1943

1. Attached are a note from one of our recruiters on Sava Kosanovich and a report on this man from SI. We have checked also with the Balkan Section of R&A and they join with SI in giving Kosanovich a glowing send-off.
2. MO would like to use Kosanovich not as a member of the Staff but as a consultant on Yugoslav affairs in Cairo and as a recruiting agent for us in Cairo.
3. Because of the policy questions involved with a man of this stature, we are submitting it first to you before proceeding any further.
4. Kosanovich could probably do more than any one man to help us in our work in Yugoslavia, but we would have to handle him carefully because the British there are more or less committed to the Government in Exile. However, we think it could be so arranged, so that there would be a minimum of trouble in that direction so long as our relations with Kosanovich are kept on an informal and unofficial basis.


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Of course J.C.S. say they
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embarrassing to State Dept.
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New York, September 2, 1943

Mr. David H. Winton,
Office of Strategic Services,
212 Central Building,
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Winton:

While endeavouring to contact a few Yugoslavian and Bulgarian prospects, I've run across two problems which I do not wish to handle before securing your advice.

1. Mr. SAVA KOZANOVICH, former member of the Yugoslav government in exile, and the member of the Yugoslav National Assembly, Secretary of the Yugoslav Democratic Party.

Recently, after King's decision to discard all politicians from the government, Kozanovich was also placed on the pension list. He is now in New York, where he was delegated by the Yugoslav government for the propaganda purposes about two years ago. He is very bitter toward the present arrangement in the Yugoslav Cabinet, not because he is against the King or monarchical form of government, but because he does not believe that the members of the present Cabinet, all of them being career diplomats, can solve the country's problems. Furthermore, he is still a young man, in his retirement he cannot be active, as he wishes to be, in our war efforts. Therefore, he would welcome any offer from the U. S. government where he could be most useful.

The political and personal reputation of this man is excellent. He is one of those rare Yugoslav politicians whose past is blameless, he has a great number of friends in London, in Cairo and in Yugoslavia, and I believe that we could use him much to our advantage. He would like to go to Cairo, and there he could influence many young Yugoslavs to enter the country as our agents. Inasmuch as he has great many friends among the Yugoslav patriots, he could enlist them to cooperate with our agents there. He is not interested in any financial compensation with exception of actual expenses and the trip to Cairo, which could have to be furnished by us. Mr. Kozanovich receives a pension from the Yugoslav government in the amount of about \$500 monthly.

Please let me know of your opinion in the matter. I have not approached Mr. Kozanovich as yet and will not do so until I hear from you.

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Report from SI
Rec'd Sept. 9, 1943

Mava N. Kusanovich

Jugoslav statesman and political leader. Serb from Plasko (Serbian populated part of Croatia). Studied in Rijeka (Fiume) and Budapest. Graduated from Law School.

Journalist, lecturer, political leader. Edited political magazine "Volja" (Belgrade).

One of the most popular and distinguished political figures in Yugoslavia. Person of high moral (both personal and political) integrity. Known for his stand of unconditional honesty in political affairs. Ardent democrat. Became M.P. and Senator through popular vote. He is Secretary General of the Independent Democratic Party (Party of Serbians from Croatia) and one of the foremost leaders of the democratic opposition during the period of dictatorship (1929-1939).

Strong advocate of Serbo-Croatian understanding and collaboration, had full confidence of Macthek, leader of the Croat Peasant Party.

Known friend of the United States. Visited this country already in 1926. Wrote preface for Yugoslav edition of Emil Ludwig's book on President Roosevelt.

Became minister after the coup d' etat in the Simovich pro-Allied cabinet (March 27, 1941) and went into exile after the Nazi invasion. Came to the United States in September 1941 and lived in New York thereafter.

In the period 1941-1943 is known for his official and private activities in behalf of the allied war cause. Has assisted various agencies of the U. S. Government many times in their effort to foster various political and other causes, especially among Yugoslav immigrant groups. Strong advocate of solidarity among Americans of different national stock. Enjoys full sympathy of majority of Americans of Yugoslav origin.

In 1941 was chief Yugoslav Government delegate to the International Labor Conference (New York). In January 1942 became chairman of the Central and East European Planning Board. In February 1942 became chairman of the Committee of Ministers on Postwar Reconstruction of the Yugoslav Government. Withdrew from the Yugoslav cabinet January 1943.

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In view of his record, past and present, he is most valuable for the democratic future of Yugoslavia and the Balkans. Reports coming from Yugoslavia indicate that he enjoys wide support among population. His broadcasts from New York heard in the country and approved by actively resisting anti-Axis forces and guerrillas.

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

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INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: General Donovan

DATE: August 29, 1943

FROM: James R. Murphy

SUBJECT: Transfer of Major King to X-2 - Cable from London, #25189

Major King was highly recommended to X-2 in London. It is proposed that he be used as a general administrative officer with particular emphasis on the handling of military personnel who will be going through the London X-2 office for training. In view of his wide Army experience and many military contacts in England it is felt that he could be most useful.

He has been interviewed by Pearson in our London office who has also covered the matter of his employment with Colonel Cowgill. King is known to Colonel Wren, X-8, who says King would be a useful officer for X-2 because of his military training and contacts with O-2 and the British in London.

It looks now as though Major King's transfer will have to be arranged via O-2 inasmuch as the TO for the London OAS mission has not yet been approved.

J.R.M.

*I think the TO is
 being approved by JCS
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 should be sent
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Kuniholm, Bertel E. 12/2/43

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICESINTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: General Donovan
 FROM: William A. Kimbel
 SUBJECT:

DATE: 18 August 1943

We are advised by the Department of State that
 Mr. Bertel E. Kuniholm, Consul at Tabriz, has returned to
 the United States. If you have an interest in seeing him,
 please instruct me.

cc: Colonel Paxton
 Colonel Huntington
 Colonel Hoar
 Commandant Hatfield
 Mr. Richardson
 Dr. Langer
 Dr. McKay
 Mr. Murphy
 Mr. Cottrell
 Psychological Warfare Staff
 Lt. Beebe

Kanzer, M. A. 12/15/41
x Davis, Senator, N.Y.

12 August 1943

Honorable James J. Davis
The United States Senate
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Davis:

I am very glad to have the information about Pvt. M. A. Kanzer in your letter of August 5, 1943.

It appears that he would be a valuable addition to our Reproduction Branch.

Unfortunately we are unable to add personnel at this time because of limitations in our allotment of enlisted men. If we receive an additional allotment, we will attempt to have Pvt. Kanzer assigned to this agency.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

WJL:AMH:jpm

To: Major Lawrence H. Hunsicker

Please prepare a draft of reply to the Senator's letter for the Director's signature and forward it with the attached letter from Senator Davis to this office at your early convenience.

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COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

August 5, 1947

Brigadier General W. J. Donovan
 Director
 Strategic Service
 261 & M Streets, N.W.
 Washington, D. C.

Dear General Donovan:

It has come to my attention that Private A. Kanzer with the 98th Signal Troop, located at Fort A.A. Johnston Field, Colorado Springs, Colorado, is desirous of getting into the Strategic Service, Reproduction Division, Washington, D.C., and I am informed that he has already filed his application with that department. Private Kanzer is a well-known person, and his commanding officer, the postmaster, is a friend.

Private Kanzer is a specialist in the field of photography and has had considerable experience in the field of photography, and is a member of the branch of the art. He is a well-known person, and is a member of the field of the art. He is a well-known person, and is a member of the field of the art.

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James J. Davis

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

Handwritten: Pe B. Shepherdson

TO: GENERAL DONOVAN
FROM: WILLIAM A. KIMMEL
SUBJECT:

DATE: 10 JUNE 1943

The Department of State has received a copy of a letter which you have received from Mr. Francis Kettaneh. As the Department had information in amplification of this information, they handed me the attached memorandum which may be of interest to you.

Handwritten: WAK
 W. A. K.

Attachment

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I think the underlying shit pretty well sums up our knowledge and thoughts with regard to Kettaneh's comments on Daftary and Kia. It might be added that if either one had so dubious a background as Kettaneh makes out, we should have heard something from our Legation at Tehran on the subject.

For your information, both men are held up for the time being by inability to obtain air priorities for their families. Daftary is in Tehran and Kia is believed to be in Cairo.

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May 31, 1943

Kettaneh has got some of his facts twisted and in other respects exaggerates, regarding Daftari. Daftari was in Berlin before he came to Washington, not the other way around. We have heard he was implicated in a visa scandal in Berlin but do not know any details. His brother, Matine Daftari, is I believe French-educated, and a very intelligent sort. He became Minister of Justice when I was in Tehran and did good work. He is young, energetic, and more public-spirited than most Iranians in public life. Engert was in Charge in Tehran while Daftari was Prime Minister. Engert's telegrams were confusing. In some of them he would have Daftari down as pro-German, in others as the opposite. The Shah's policy was pro-German so far as it was pro anything foreign as he thought the Germans were the best balance wheel to keep Iran out of the clutches of Britain and Russia. More able and powerful Iranian Ministers such as Davar were also pro-German in that sense and cultivated close commercial relations with Germany. This policy may have been mistaken, but I think they were sincerely working for what they regarded as the best interests of Iran.

I do not think Ali Akbar Daftari is a very reliable person, but we had no trouble with him except for unpaid Legation bills, and I believe he was sincerely impressed with the American scene and the President in particular, who made a little fuss over him and whom Daftari regarded at the time, as he told us, as the greatest man in the world.

Kettaneh Bros. has important business interests in Iran, in fact one of the brothers, Rene Kettaneh, has been running the Chrysler-Dodge-Plymouth shop there for a good many years. They have made a lot of money out of Iran and run the best service shop in that country (I am speaking of normal peace times; probably the army outfits have splendid ones now). But making money in Iran takes the best wit of a super-clever Syrian, (and the Kettaneh Bros. are masters at their trade) and it is not impossible that they have run afoul of the Daftaris one way or another.

I know nothing about Iman Kia.

To: General Donovan

Mr. Weston Howland has the file which Mr. Cox would like to see. Mr. Howland thought the matter might be handled in 2 ways:

1. He could carry the file over to Mr. Cox and let him look at it.

2. He could make a resume and you could send that to Mr. Cox (the resume would include photostat of application blank and other pertinent material.)

Director's Office *tho*

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Kempner, Fred C. 11,743
** Justice, Department of*

THE ASSISTANT SOLICITOR GENERAL
WASHINGTON

May 29, 1943

Dear General Donovan:

We are looking over Frederick C. Kempner for
a possible opening with the Department of Justice.

I understand that he is doing some work for
O.S.S. To avoid getting him to fill out some more
application blanks, and to do an independent check on
him, I wonder if it would be at all possible for me to
see your file on him?

Sincerely yours,

Dean Cox

Brig. Gen. William J. Donovan
Director, Office of Strategic Services
25th and E Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

*Mr. Howland to
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Kingman, Eugene 11,651
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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: Brig. General William J. Donovan DATE: 5-18-43
 FROM: William L. Langer
 SUBJECT: Transfer of Private Eugene Kingman to the Map Division.

Below is the information on the case of Eugene Kingman which seems to indicate that some action on your part would be desirable:

On or about the 27th of April we filed a request with Headquarters Company for the transfer of Private Kingman immediately upon arrival at Camp Lee, Virginia. Our request was in plenty of time to have the transfer request get to Camp Lee before Private Kingman did. However, it seems that Private Kingman was immediately transferred from Camp Lee to a station at Miami Beach. Upon notification from Kingman by wire we forwarded the new address to Headquarters immediately and placed a special request that he be brought back as quickly as possible.

We have been checking continuously with the Headquarters Company and have found that something went wrong in the Adjutant General's office in the handling of our transfer request. We were finally notified at the end of last week that a completely new request was being sent out for Kingman to the Miami Beach station.

It has been well over the usual time necessary to effect a transfer and knowing of your interest in the case we thought you might like to send word to Headquarters on this in order that we may have Private Kingman at the earliest possible moment for work on which we are behind.

William L. Langer
 William L. Langer
 Director, Branch of
 Research and Analysis

Koulias, Chas N. 11 5945
X Marine Corps Personnel

May 14, 1948

From: The Director of Strategic Services
 To: The Commandant, USMC Attn: Lt. Col. Lee
 SUBJECT: Qualifications of Sergeant Charles N. Koulias, USMC
 For Commission

1. It would be much appreciated if Sergeant Charles N. Koulias, USMC., now serving at Quantico, Virginia, could be assigned to the Office of Strategic Services - SO Branch - for secret operations abroad after a period of training in this country.

2. Sergeant Koulias has special abilities and training which qualify him for this secret work. He has the particular advantage of fluency in the Greek language.

3. In view of Sergeant Koulias' special qualifications and the nature of the duty he is to perform, it is desired, if possible, that he should have the rank of Second Lieutenant, and this would be a necessary qualification before he could be accepted for transfer to OSS.

4. A special class is starting on Monday, May 17, for this particular type of work and there will not be another one for a considerable period. It is regretted that this application could not have been presented earlier for consideration in the usual manner.

William J. Donovan

*Signed &
 delivered
 by H.A.D.*

King, Samuel G. 11, 588
x Merlot, Carl F.
x Q. G.

June 7, 1945

Rear Admiral Alan G. Kirk
U. S. Atlantic Fleet
Amphibious Force
c/o Fleet Post Office
New York, New York

Dear Alan:

Thanks very much for your speedy
and courteous response to a request that
you make available to us the services of
Captain Samuel C. King and First Lieutenant
Carl F. Merlot.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

UNITED STATES ATLANTIC FLEET
AMPHIBIOUS FORCE

Kirk, Samuel C. 116588
x Merlet, Carl F.
x O.G.

c/o Fleet Post Office,
New York, N.Y.
May 18, 1943.

Dear General Donovan:

Due to the number of official conferences, Admiral Kirk regrets that he cannot personally reply to your recent letter, and has requested that I do so.

The Admiral is very pleased to make Captain Samuel C. King and 1st Lieutenant Carl F. Merlet available at any time you desire.

Very respectfully,

A. Richard Rose.

A. RICHARD ROSE,
Flag Secretary.

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

King, Samuel C. 115'88
X Merlet, Carl F.
X O G

May 15, 1943

Rear Admiral Alan G. Kirk
Commander, Amphibious Forces
Norfolk, Virginia

Dear Alan:

✓
You have two officers recently transferred to your Beach Jumper Unit, Captain Samuel C. King and 1st Lt. Carl F. Merlet, who would be very valuable to our operational groups because of their knowledge of languages which would qualify them for special missions in connection with certain of our operations abroad. Would it be possible for you to make them available to us?

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

to *Mr. Latham*
DATE *May 1947*
TO: *Mr. Donovan*
Recommended -
These officers have been
approved by the
OSS Officers Board
OLW

Office of the Secretariat

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King, Samuel C. 11,588
 x Merlet, Carl F.
 x O. G.

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
 WASHINGTON, D. C.

CONFIDENTIAL

May 13, 1943

MEMORANDUM

To: General Donovan
 From: Ellery C. Huntington, Jr.
 Subject: OSS Operational Groups Personnel -
 Captain Samuel C. King and 1st Lt. Carl F. Merlet.

1. The above named officers were formerly at Camp Ritchie and while there their services were requested by Colonel Livermore.
2. Recently said officers were transferred to the Beach Jumper Unit, Amphibious Training Base, Camp Bradford, Norfolk, Virginia. Their Commanding Officer is a Navy Officer who has objected to their transfer, although it is not believed that either officer has any special qualifications which would make him particularly useful to this Command.
3. I wonder if you would be good enough to write a note to Admiral Kirk asking him if he would intercede.
4. The request has already gone forward through channels and it might, therefore, be advisable to telephone Admiral Kirk asking for his assistance as these officers will be particularly valuable to us because of their experience in working with language groups at Camp Ritchie and because in one case, Lt. Merlet, the officer speaks excellent French and could easily be used on a special mission in connection with which his language qualifications would be important.

E. C. H., Jr.

To, Mr. Gen. William J. Donovan

3/25/73

Although the information in Mr. Koeves' letter is not very complete, it would indicate that he might be useful on our staff. I have asked Lt. Comdr. Hinks to call Mr. Koeves and talk with him when he is in New York in the near future.

Ed/ Edmond L. Taylor

To Mr. Koeves

He might come

AT this time

Psychological Warfare Staff

Edmond

Koeves, Tibor 11540
** McCloy, J. J.*



THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF WAR
 WASHINGTON

May 8, 1943

Dear Bill:

Here is a letter addressed to the Secretary of War from a Doctor Tibor Koeves, stating his qualifications and desire to enter the military service. I do not know this man personally; however, as he seems to speak and write several languages, you may be able to use him.

Sincerely,

J. J. McCloy

Colonel William J. Donovan
 Office of Strategic Services
 25th & E Streets, N. W.
 Washington, D. C.

Enc.

Ltr. 5-4-43, to S/W from Dr. Tibor Koeves.

Col. Hail, will see Dr. Koeves on June 20, 1943

May 4, 1943.
114 East 64th Str.
New York City.

His Excellency
Henry Stimson
Secretary of War
Washington, D.C.

Sir,

May I respectfully request the honor of being permitted to join the U.S. Army?

In August 1942 I was classified 1A. As an alien I was investigated by the Army and was found acceptable for service. Unfortunately my induction was prevented by the regulation barring men over 38 from service. However, it is my strongest desire to serve under the flag of these United States, and I believe I possess qualifications which might justify my ambition.

Born in Budapest, Hungary, in 1903, I've been living in the United States since 1938. A Ph.D. of the Sorbonne, Paris, by profession I'm an author and a foreign correspondent. As such I've lived successively and for years in Hungary, Germany, Italy, France and England, studying, and reporting about the political life, the social organizations, and, in general, the contemporary civilization of those countries. I speak and write in English, Italian, German, French, and Hungarian.

In this country I've published numerous articles, pamphlets and books. Among the latter "Time Table for Tramps" is an informal study of the comparative national psychologies of the various European countries, while "Satan in Top Hat" is a biography of Franz von Papen, as well as a study of German propaganda and diplomacy. Through personal research I'm thoroughly acquainted with Nazi and Fascist literature, and methods of political warfare.

Since 1941 I've been a member and a consultant on foreign affairs of the Committee for Nationale Morale.

2.

/President: Major George Fielding Eliot, Chairman Mr. Arthur Upham Pope. I've prepared several memoranda for and on behalf of the Committee, among which "Fascism and Italian Morale" and "Morale in Hungary" have been submitted to the President of the United States.

May I add that I'm married to an American citizen and that it is my wife's intention to join the WAAC'S as soon as I'm permitted to join the Army?

It is my sincere hope that my experience will be of some service to our great cause and that your Excellency will grant me the permission to become a member of the armed forces and thus to do my share.

Respectfully,



Dr. Tibor Koeves

P.S. My local draft board is #17 in New York.

May 12, 1943

Dear John:

Thank you for sending me the letter which
Doctor Tibor Koves addressed to the Secretary of War.

I will have Dr. Koves interviewed, and if
he seems suitable to our work will try to find a spot
for him.

Sincerely yours,

WILLIAM J. DONOVAN
Director

The Honorable John J. McCloy,
The Assistant Secretary of War,
4E886 Pentagon Building,
Arlington, Virginia

Karsthof, Albert H. 1175
x German Agent
x Portugal
x Paramount

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

DATE: MAY 8

A. J. 14/15, S.

TO: General Wm. J. Donovan
 FROM: Whitney H. Shephardson
 SUBJECT:

Mr. Stanton Griffis should presumably be informed of the following:

On April 22 we cabled Lisbon as follows:

"We are given to believe from a good source that Albert von Karsthof, reputed to be head of German Intelligence in Lisbon, is concentrating on U.S. activity in Portugal and that he is seeking specifically complete dope on American agents, particularly with regard to addresses, phone numbers, and who they work for. Moreover, he is interested and has requested immediate and full details on Paramount agents in that country, who, he says, are working actively for us."

A reply to the above cable arrived on April 27, saying that it seemed quite plausible that Karsthof was interested in Paramount personnel. If difficulties should arise, our man will inform us.

W.H.S.
 W.H.S.

SECRET

Kilgour's 4:11 45
X Navy Dept Personal

MAY 4, 1943

From: The Director of Strategic Services
To: The Chief of Naval Personnel
Subject: Frederick G. Kilgour

1. Mr. Frederick G. Kilgour is applying for a commission in the U. S. Naval Reserve. He is employed in the Office of Strategic Services.

2. He is hereby released for service with the armed forces.

3. If qualified for appointment and is appointed, it is requested that he be certified and ordered to the Office of Strategic Services for assignment.

4. Mr. Kilgour is recommended as being qualified under Special Program No. 28-42.

5. The nature of Mr. Kilgour's duties will such as to warrant a waiver of any non-organic physical defect and it is requested that such waiver, if required, be granted.

6. Mr. Kilgour's address is:

Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

William J. Donovan
Director

Kline, Hibbard, U. 11/4/43
 X Navy Dept, Personnel

April 29, 1943

From: The Director of Strategic Services
 To: The Chief of Naval Personnel
 Subject: Hibbard Van Buren Kline

1. Mr. Hibbard Van Buren Kline is applying for a commission in the U. S. Naval Reserve. He is employed in the Office of Strategic Services.

2. He is hereby released for service with the armed forces.

3. If qualified for appointment and is appointed, it is requested that he be certified and ordered to the Office of Strategic Services for assignment.

✓ 4. Mr. Kline is recommended as being qualified under Special Program No. 10-2a.

5. The nature of Mr. Kline's duties will be such as to warrant a waiver of any non-organic physical defect and it is requested that such waiver, if required, be granted.

6. Mr. Kline's address is:

Office of Strategic Services
 Washington, D. C.

William J. Donovan
 Director

Ketchum, H. 11,340
x Navy Dept Pers

Ser. No.
 Supers/GSS

April 21, 1943

From: The Director of Strategic Services.
 To: The Chief of Naval Personnel.
 Via: The Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks.
 Subject: Lieut. Howard Ketchum, D-V(S), USNR
 Enclosure: Navy Form NSO 220

1. It is requested that Lieutenant Ketchum who is now on duty with the Bureau of Yards and Docks be ordered to the Office of Strategic Services for duty.

2. There is forwarded herewith Navy Form NSO 220 in compliance with SecNav letter SO 12181016 NON of Dec. 11, 1942.

William J. Donovan.

WJE

17545B
To: General Donovan

Mr. Delaney called reference to Mr. Terrance Keenan, of Philadelphia, Penn. Censorship has asked Mr. Delaney about him.

Mr. Keenan is going to Ireland via Lisbon. Mr. Keenan has been deferred from the army until August.

Director's Office

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Keenan, Terrence 11313

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

H. H. L. -

D. G. 1/10

Have you anything about this

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WSD.

April 10, 1973

Regret to say I do not know
about this. Whisper.We have no knowledge of this person
in the British Empire SectionW. H. Beale
X. C. Nicholas
Frank P. Miller

SECRET

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

Keigley 11-255
x Zimmerman
x Transfer
x Camp Ritchie

April 15, 1943

MEMORANDUM

To: General Donovan
From: Ellery C. Huntington, Jr.
Subject: Transfer of Officers and Enlisted Men for
Operational Nuclei - Camp Ritchie Personnel.

1. I am attaching a copy of a memorandum just received from Major Livermore who would like to have transferred from Camp Ritchie, Captain Kire and Lt. Zimmerman.

2. In addition to these officers there are a few capable officers and enlisted men at Camp Ritchie who would be particularly useful in our language groups and perhaps as individual operators.

3. It is my understanding that Colonel Sanfill must ultimately pass upon the transfers of any individuals requested. He is evidently a great admirer of yours and a telephone call from you to him saying that there are a few officers and men who would be particularly useful to us for the purposes indicated, and asking his cooperation will undoubtedly help us materially.

S. C. H., Jr.

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"COPY"

April 13, 1943

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Colonel Huntington

FROM: Major Livermore

SUBJECT: Transfer of Officers

In accordance with our discussion I am submitting the following concerning the status of the Second Signal Radio Service Section which is now stationed at Camp Ritchie, Maryland. These units were organized in the manner stated by Captain Samuel C. King. It appears that there are several men in these units who besides being good linguists are good possibilities for the combat units now being formed. The cables from Colonel Hazeltine are as follows:

April 3, 1943, #1269 (CD 16916)
 April 6, 1943, #2045 (CD 17026)

The last cable states that it is not necessary to send over a rather long list of the officers including Executive Officers, Commanding Officer, and Adjutants as these men are already in the field.

I have already applied through our Adjutant's Office for the transfer of Captain Samuel C. King, Jr., INF, Serial No. O-453271 and 2nd Lieutenant Carl G. Zimmermann, BI, Serial No. O-1844876, but no action has been taken on this transfer. Captain King has had considerable infantry training but has no linguistic ability or radio qualifications, and would probably be the Executive Officer of this group, but the cable from the field states that an Executive Officer is not required.

The Commanding Officer of the camp is Colonel Banfill, AC. Captain King's immediate commander is Captain Caskey who has consented to the transfer.

It is suggested that General Donovan, who knows Colonel Banfill, call him on the telephone and talk to him about the possibility of his consenting to the transfer of these two officers and also a few of the other men in this unit whom we could use.

s/ Russell B. Livermore
 Major, AC

MEMORANDUM
 To:

Knauth, Oswald 11/272

ASSOCIATED DRY GOODS CORPORATION OF NEW YORK
366 Fifth Avenue
New York

April 18, 1943.

OSWALD W. KNAUTH
 PRESIDENT

Dear General Donovan:

I have delayed writing you as it has taken some time to think and talk out various plans.

It looks now as if I could not get free even for a part time for several weeks. I have to be in St. Louis this week and in Washington next week for the Medical Corps. At that time, may I drop in to see you?

However, I think I could make a real contribution to your work, and I hope you will be able to keep the place open for a several weeks interim period. Please let me know if this is satisfactory to you. As I shall be away from here, will you kindly address me care of Colonel Royal Bloddy, U. S. Medical Depot, 11th and Spruce Streets, St. Louis, Mo.

Sincerely yours,

Oswald Knauth

Attn: General William J. Donovan,
 Office of Strategic Services,
 25th and K Streets, NW.,
 Washington, D. C.

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Your suggestion regarding
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*Kelley, Jos. B. #222
x Navy Dept. Pers.*

April 7, 1943

From: The Director of Strategic Services
To: The Chief of Naval Personnel
Subject: Joseph D. R. Kelley

1. Mr. Joseph B. R. Kelley is applying for a commission in the U. S. Naval Reserve. He is employed in the Office of Strategic Services.
2. He is hereby released for service with the armed forces.
3. If qualified for appointment and is appointed, it is requested that he be certified and ordered to the Office of Strategic Services for assignment.
4. Mr. Kelley is recommended as being qualified under Special Program No. 21-1.
5. The nature of Mr. Kelley's duties will be such as to warrant a waiver of any non-organic physical defect and it is requested that such waiver, if required, be granted.
6. Mr. Kelley's address is:

Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.

William J. Donovan
Director

Kirstein, Lincoln 10,957

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

March 17, 1948.

TO: Colonel William J. Donovan

FROM: Arthur J. Goldberg *AJG*

SUBJECT: Mr. Lincoln Kirstein

Mr. Lincoln Kirstein was recommended to me for possible employment by Mr. David Niles, Administrative Assistant to the President. I interviewed Mr. Kirstein on two occasions, the first on January 2, 1948 at our New York Office, and the second on January 13 at our Washington Office. Both interviews were very brief. I have not seen or spoken to Mr. Kirstein since. In response to an inquiry from me as to the present whereabouts of Mr. Kirstein, Mr. Niles advised me today that he recently enlisted and is now serving in the Army of the United States.

In the course of my interviews with Kirstein and in response to an inquiry from me as to his background and experience, he advised me that he had been sent on a mission to South America by the Coordinator for Latin American Affairs. We had a quite general discussion since it is not my practice in interviewing people for possible employment to enter into any specific discussion of the work of the OSS.

I believe that I made it quite clear to Mr. Kirstein that OSS was not interested in Latin America as such, or in any subversive activities in Latin America. I did ask him, if I recall correctly, some questions about possible avenues to Europe and European information from South America.

The only reference to the State Department in the course of the two interviews was a statement by Kirstein to me that he felt that he possibly was persona non grata with the State Department as a result of certain reports which he rendered upon his return from the mission to South America.

Kewwick 10,790

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March 2nd, 1943.

MOST SECRETCOPY OF TELEGRAM RECEIVED FROM LONDON, March 1st, 1943.

FOLLOWING FOR STEPHENSON AND FRANCK FROM HAMBRO:

- A. John Kewwick is making a quick trip to India to assist MacKenzie on various problems and in his contacts with Chinese for his work into Malaya, Dutch East Indies.
- B. He is still officially part of British Embassy staff at Chungking, and may find it of advantage to spend some weeks there in connection with our work into Malaya and D.E.I. from India.
- C. He will of course not interest himself with purely Chinese affairs or in OSS operations there. I am primarily interested that he studies the possibilities of securing Chinese cooperation in cooperation from British territory.
- D. I appreciate that certain sections of the Chinese Government mistrust John Kewwick and those with his experience. I feel sure, however, Colonel D. will understand why I want John Kewwick to make the tour suggested and very much hope he will raise no objection. His and my understanding covered purely work in China. What I want John Kewwick to do should in no way encroach on this field.

SECRET

Date April 6, 1945

To: General Donovan

Subject: Attached File on Baron
Knyphansen

We are advised by SI
that this matter has been dis-
posed of after consultation with
you and accordingly are returning
the papers which you sent us for
your file.

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D. V. L.

Office of the Secretariat

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FROM:

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ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

Accession No. 16681

Date Rec'd SA

To	Room No.	Date		Officer's Initials	Comments
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1. <i>Chief of Staff</i>		3/11	3/12	WHD	
2. <i>CS. Room</i>	2262	3/12	3/15	<i>CPH</i>	<i>CPH</i> No need for this but in his book. You have my blessing.
3. <i>Shepherdson</i>		3/15	3/16	WHD	
4. <i>Chief of Staff</i>					
5. <i>Chief of Staff</i>	1138			WHD	<i>2-3</i> The Colonel has expressed his opposition to bringing the Chap into the U.S., since he doubts his usefulness if he were here. This is probably wise. I will see if I can figure out anything. <i>CPH</i>
6. <i>Chief of Staff</i>	1023				
7. <i>Chief of Staff</i>					
8. <i>Captain Lee</i>					I am herewith your file on Graf Anton Engelhausen. Would you please return Mr. Hoover's correction to Mr. Shepherdson for his file? <i>WTMB</i>
9. <i>Chief of Staff</i>					
10. <i>Chief of Staff</i>					

Each comment should be numbered to correspond with number in 1a column.

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For Officer Designations see separate sheet.

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
WASHINGTON, D. C.

MEMORANDUM

March 11, 1943

TO: Mr. Whitney H. Shepardson
FROM: Calvin B. Hoover
SUBJECT: Graf Anton Knyphausen

I think we might well pursue the Knyphausen case since it might enable us to get hold of a German national for interrogation. If it were to be done, it would apparently have to be done with the active collaboration of the F.B.I. in order that he could be kept under the most rigid surveillance. Indeed, it would probably be necessary to put him in a concentration camp after his arrival in this country.

I personally take no stock in these last-minute "conversions" by Germans so if we act in the matter it should be handled by us in a completely Machiavellian way. That is, I would favor simply granting the fellow a visa which would enable him to get in and out of Sweden. Then, when he got to London, I would advocate putting him in custody with immediate interrogation by ourselves and the British. He could then be sent to the U.S.A. as a prisoner with his future to be determined by his conduct and the convenience of the United States Government.

As a first step, I would suggest that we discuss with Colonel Duxton the feasibility of securing the cooperation of the F.B.I. Thereafter we would have to see what could be done to work out arrangements with the State Department and other parties at interest.

C.B.H.
C.I.O.

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FROM:

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ROUTING AND RECORD UNIT

Accession No.

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Date Rec'd

MAR 10 1968

To	Room No.	Date		Officer's Initials	Comments
		Rec'd	Fwd'd		
1. <i>Stanton</i>		3/6	3/9	WTHB	Calvin Hoover has seen this file - and has some opinions on the matter.
2. <i>Director ST</i>				MD	
3. <i>CBHONGER</i>		3/10	3/10	CBH	2 to 5 - Please let me know your views.
4. <i>Director ST</i>		3/10	3/10		W.H.B. St. 5. See attached memo CBH
5. <i>Shepherdson</i>				MD	
6.					
7. <i>Critch</i>	L 1138	See Comments		11	
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INTEROFFICE MEMO
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DATE: March 8, 1943
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TO Lt. Conle
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FROM Capt. Lee
FROM Capt. Lee
SUBJECT Graf Anton Knipphansen
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Knyphausen, Graf Anton
X State Department

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: COLONEL BUXTON

DATE: MARCH 6 1943

FROM: WILLIAM A. KIMBEL

SUBJECT: CABLE NO. 318, DATED FEBRUARY 20th, FROM HELSINKI RE
ANTON GRAF ZU INN UND KNYPHAUSEN

I attach herewith copy of letter concerning
the above subject which I have received from Mr. Frederick
B. Lyon at the Department of State.

Please instruct me if you wish me to take
further action in this matter.

WAK
W. A. K.

Attachment

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

WASHINGTON

March 4 1943

In reply refer to
FC

My dear Bill:

I have received your letter of February 26 1943 regarding your desire to obtain from Colonel John Paul Rattay, the former American Military Attache at Bucharest, certain information concerning one Anton Graf Zu Inn und Knyphausen.

I have been informed that Colonel Rattay is now serving with American troops somewhere in Africa, and I therefore believe that the most expeditious way to obtain information from him would be through the War Department. It is also suggested that you may desire to interview Colonel Rattay's secretary, Freeman Eaton, who is understood to be serving as a Lieutenant in G-2 of the War Department.

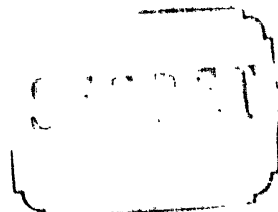
I may mention that a search of the Department's records failed to disclose any information concerning Graf Zu Inn und Knyphausen.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ FREDDY

Frederick B. Lyon
Assistant Chief, Division of
Foreign Activity Correlation

Mr. William A. Kimbel
Special Assistant to Director
Office of Strategic Services
Washington, D. C.



OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

DATE: March 8, 1943

TO: Major Doering
FROM: Alvan W. Sulloway
SUBJECT:

Mr. Kimble advises me that the State Department has checked on the subject's other references and they are all out of the country. Mr. Kimble feels that he can do nothing further to obtain information about this man.

aws.
A.W.S.

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March 10, 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR: THE SECRETARIAT
 FROM: G. Everett Huxton
 SUBJECT: Circle 213, Dated 2/29 From Berlin

Attached is a letter from H.H.
 Van Houton, Director attached to the Netherlands
 Embassy concerning ANTON GUAF 231 and KRIEHAUSE.

The attached letter
 requests this man to be admitted in London and
 to be sent to the U.S. Van Houton's letter
 requests that he be sent to the U.S.

W. E. S.

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OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

TO: COLONEL BUXTON

DATE: MARCH 3 1943

FROM: WILLIAM A. KIMBEL

SUBJECT: CABLE NO. 318, DATED FEBRUARY 20th, FROM HELSINKI

With reference to my memorandum of
February 26th concerning the above subject I
attach herewith copy of letter received from
Dr. H. R. van Houten, Counselor of Embassy at
The Netherlands Embassy.

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W. A. K.
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Attachment

SECRET

Netherlands Embassy

Washington, D. C.

March 1, 1943

STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

SECRET

Dear Mr. Kimbel:

I would like to confirm our conversation of February 26th, concerning the person about whom you made inquiries.

As I told you, I have first of all to make one general reservation which should be applied to all Germans. I have had in this respect too many disillusiones to dare to state today, with complete conviction, of any German that he is reliable. Moreover, we have unfortunately had in Holland too many instances of Germans, who had resided in my country for many years and who seemed to be reliable, but of whom it afterwards became clear that they had been undermining the country which had given them hospitality.

I have known the person in question well during the years when I was attached to the Netherlands Legation in Berlin. This was especially true from 1936 through 1938, because after 1938 he was transferred abroad. After that time I saw him occasionally; the last time being Christmas 1939. My general impression of this person was always good. In these years I observed him, I definitely got the impression that he was anti-Nazi. However, the fact that he was sent abroad after 1938, should cause us to be prudent. In general no German was ever sent abroad without having been checked and double checked; and the supervision and scrutiny of those who, from time to time, departed from Germany and returned, was even more rigid. On the other hand, as he is a clever fellow who has several good connections, I am inclined to believe that he might have managed to come through this checking without the Nazi authorities having found out his private views concerning them. His job should put him in a position to have quite a good picture of what is going on inside the Axis or Axis-occupied territories.

Married to a Norwegian girl, his outlook on life used to be internationally minded.

The Ambassador has been informed by me of the purpose of your visit last Friday and has seen this letter.

With kind regards,

Sincerely yours,

/s/ H. R. van Houten
Counselor of Embassy

March 1, 1943

MEMORANDUM FOR: Colonel William J. Donovan
FROM: G. Edward Buxton
SUBJECT: Cable No. 315 from Helsinki, 2/29

You referred the attached cable to me and I had Bill Kibel check on the Washington people who knew the Count.

Bill's memorandum sounds like a recommendation until you get to the P.S. which seems to nullify the confidence previously expressed.

*Other references are out of town - State Department
is checking.*

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
INTEROFFICE MEMO**SECRET**
OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICESTO: COLONEL BUXTON
FROM: WILLIAM A. KIMBEL

DATE: FEBRUARY 26 1943

SUBJECT: CABLE NO. 318, DATED FEBRUARY 20th, FROM HELSINKI

Pursuant to your instructions, I have investigated the subject mentioned in the attached cable. His name as given is incorrect; it should read Anton Graf Zu Inn und Knyphausen. I called on Dr. van Houten, Counselor to the Dutch Ambassador, for this information. As we have from time to time exchanged courtesies on various subjects, he was responsive and gave me the following:

Van Houten was attached to the Dutch Embassy in Berlin for many years. He knew this subject intimately. Subject was at that time attached to the DEUTSCHE ALLGEMEINER ZEITUNG. He is married to a Norwegian girl whose father was Norwegian Minister to Helsinki. Subject to those reservations which he would have to apply to all Germans, van Houten considered subject reliable and at that time (up to 1939) anti-Nazi. Subject was extremely well versed in German affairs and Nazi plans. In spite of his presumable anti-Nazi views, he was highly regarded by the party as evidenced by the fact that he was sent to Holland as a correspondent. Subject also spent many years in Vienna and Bucharest and knows the politics and conditions in those countries well. Up until the declaration of war van Houten knew this subject extremely well and thought highly of him. He has no means of knowing, however, if his subject's views may have changed in the last three years. Van Houten emphasized that he has been disillusioned by other Germans in whom he had reason

February 26 1943

Colonel Duxton

to have confidence. When the Germans invaded Holland, this subject wrote to van Houten and expressed his regret and feeling of shame for the act which had been committed.

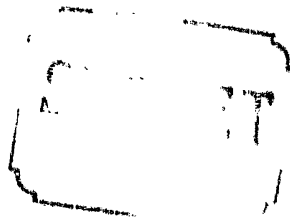
Van Houten states that this subject is equipped to be of real value to us if he can be trusted. He suggests that if he were brought to this country, he should be closely guarded at all times. If we so desire, van Houten would be willing as a former friend of the subject to cooperate with us for the purpose of determining his present views and reliability.

I am endeavoring to supplement the foregoing information by pursuing the matter at the Department of State. The other references given by subject, however, are presumably out of the country at this time.

W. A. K.
W. A. K.

Attachment (2)

P.S. Van Houten called to emphasize that his information was given on the basis of his acquaintance of three years ago and must be discounted by probable later developments and his belief that "none of these people can be trusted". He asked that knowledge of his connection with this case be restricted to Colonel Donovan.



Keehn, Maj. Grant 10 649
X Weinberg, Sidney J.

February 23, 1943

Mr. Sidney Weinberg
Assistant to the Chairman
War Production Board
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Weinberg:


Colonel Donovan has given me
your letter of the 17th regarding Major
Grant Keehn. Major Keehn sounds as though
he might be very useful to us and I am
writing him.

With many thanks, I am

Very sincerely,

William H. Vanderbilt
Commander, USNR
Deputy Director-Services

cc - Colonel Donovan ✓



Keehn, Grant 10,649
X Weinberg, Sydney

February 18, 1943

Mr. Sidney J. Weinberg,
Assistant to the Chairman,
War Production Board,
Washington, D.C.

Dear Sidney:

✓ Thank you very much for your letter concerning
Major Keehn. Bill Vanderbilt is going to try and get
in touch with him.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

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★ CHIEF OF OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES=

I GAVE MRS LEO KESSEL OF NEWYORK A MEMBER OF THE ASSOCIATION OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN, A LETTER OF INTRODUCTION TO YOU. SHE TELEPHONED ME THAT UNABLE TO SEE YOU PERSONALLY AND THINKS IT IMPORTANT TO DO SO IF YOU THINK SO SHE CAN BE REACHED AT STATLER HOTEL WASHINGTON TODAY AND WOULD APPRECIATE MESSAGE FROM YOU. SHE MIGHT BE USEFUL ALL GOOD WISHES TO YOU=

RAY LYMAN WILBUR=

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To: Mr. Cheston

Would you please get
in touch with Mrs. Kennel.

W.J.D.

Director's Office

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Kessel, Evelyn G 10,608
X Wilbur, Kay Symon

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February 25, 1943

Colonel William Donovan
Office of Strategic Services
25th and E Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Colonel Donovan:

I forgot to say in asking for a personal appointment, in accordance with Dr. Wilbur's suggestion, that I am the Vice President of the College and University Women's Center.

Very truly yours,

Leo G. Kessel
(Mrs. Leo Kessel)

February 24, 1943

Mrs. Leo Kessel,
The Sherry-Netherland,
5th Ave. at 59th Street,
New York, N.Y.

My dear Mrs. Kessel:

I received your letter, and shall be very glad
to see you at any time you come here.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

Received February 2, 1948
Mr. J. Edgar Hoover



The SHERRY-NETHERLAND

FIFTH AVENUE AT 59TH STREET
NEW YORK

February 25, 1948

Colonel William Donovan
Office of Strategic Services
25th and E Streets, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Dear Colonel Donovan:

I send you herewith a copy of Dr. Wilbur's letter of introduction. I shall be in Washington from the 14th of March for about a week or ten days. May I have a short appointment with you?

Dr. Wilbur particularly wanted me to see you personally and I should be greatly obliged for that privilege.

Sincerely yours,

Freda J. Kessel
(Mrs. Leo Kessel)

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STANFORD UNIVERSITY
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New York

February 2, 1945

Chief William Donovan
Office War Information
Washington, D. C.

Dear Friend:

I have been "watching your smoke" with great interest and satisfaction. Have been in New York for a few days. My friend, Mrs. Leo Kessel has something of the spirit of the crusader and wants to make use of her knowledge of Europe and of the French, Italian and German languages in the war effort. It may be that you can use her talents. She is a woman of means, a leader in the Association of University Women and has skill as a writer. If you happen to have time to see her, it might prove helpful.

All good wishes to you.

Yours

Ray Lyman Wilbur

Introducing
Mrs. Leo Kessel
Sherry-Netherland
New York

Kremer, Hayes, A. G. 10,299A
x London Office

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES
 WASHINGTON, D. C.

x Bruce, David - (10,757)

March 29, 1943

MEMORANDUM

To: General Donovan

From: William H. Vanderbilt

Young Hayes Kremer, I am informed, has been approved for Officer Candidate School and will enter such a school about April 28. He would, therefore, not be available to us until approximately August 1 at which time we could request his transfer if you so desire.

W.H.V.
W.H.V.

See also Bruce, David 10,137
3/12/43

Kroner, Hayes A.C. 10,299
War Dept

SFCP 201 Hayes-Kroner, Hayes Ashby Clarke
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WD, SOS, Officer Procurement Service, Washington, D. C., February 1, 1943.

TO: Director of Strategic Services, Building "Q", 25th & Constitution.

Recommendation for the appointment of Mr. Hayes Ashby Clarke Hayes-Kroner in the Army of the United States has been resubmitted to the Secretary of War's Personnel Board and again disapproved.

For the Director:



E. G. WELSH
Colonel, A. G. D.
Chief, Administrative Division

January 28, 1943

Officer Procurement Service
War Department
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

I respectfully request that the application of Hayes
A. C. Hayes-Kramer for commission as Second Lieutenant be
reconsidered.

I make this request because he has a combination of
qualifications which are unique and rarely to be found in
young officers. In addition he has six weeks basic train-
ing in our camp. It is intended to send him to be with
our mission in London. He has been selected because:
1) He has a knowledge of Italian and French; 2) He has
had long residence in England at various times, attended
Oxford and knows the people; and 3) he is acquainted with
many of the British officers with whom we must associate
in our training and our operations and as the result of
his experience in our schools where he made an excellent
record, he will be of real service to the head of our mission.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

January 28, 1943

Officer Procurement Service
War Department
Washington, D. C.

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I respectfully request that the application of Hayes
... Hayes-Kroner for commission as Second Lieutenant be
approved.

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Sincerely,

William J. Donovan

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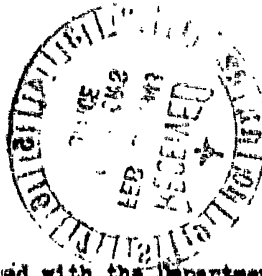
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GENERAL MAGRUDER

FEBRUARY 8 1943

WILLIAM A. KIMBEL

CAPTAIN EDMUND KELLOGG



I have again discussed with the Department of State the possibility of Captain Kellogg's being of use to us. Apparently the original statement of the Department concerning Captain Kellogg was misleading in its application to Russia.

Captain Kellogg's background is as follows: He is a Harvard Law School graduate; was on the Harvard Law Review; later worked for Davis, Polk, Wardwell, Gardiner & Reed; was connected with the Department of State for one year; has language facilities and has evidenced considerable ability. The Department did not suggest him for Russia but thought that he had personal and ability qualifications which would make him useful to us, possibly in solving our personnel problem in Portugal or Spain. While at the Department of State he was particularly interested in handling for the Financial Division a study of concealed foreign accounts.

W. A. K.

cc: Colonel Donovan ✓

Kerchoue Baron Pen
X Hays, A. G.

February 7, 1943

Mr. Arthur Garfield Hays
Hays, St. John, Abramson & Schulman
120 Broadway
New York City

My dear Arthur:

I appreciate very much your message about Baron de Kerchoue. I am glad you brought to my attention the long delay in communicating with him. However, Mr. Hewes has communicated with the Baron and has advised him of our needs.

I am sure everything is working all right now and I appreciate your writing me.

Sincerely,

William J. Donovan
Director

Call 8 am 1/24

MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Roy January 26, 1943
From: Mildred L. Brookdorff
Subject: Contact with Baron de Kerchove

Attached is our file concerning
Mr. Gordon Hewes' contact with Baron de Kerchove.
Dr. Langer returned the letter addressed to Colonel
Donovan on this matter to him personally and spoke
to him about it at the time.

Will you please return this correspondence when it has served your purpose?

M. L. Brookdorff
M. L. Brookdorff
Sr. Administrative Assistant

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To: Dr. Langer

Would you please let me
know about this?

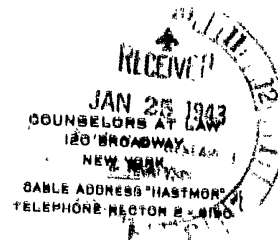
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January 22, 1943

William J Donovan Esq
Office of Strategic Services
Washington D C

My dear Bill,

A very good friend of mine, Baron Rene de Kerchov (formerly of Belgium, now living in New York), has for years been engaged in nautical research in preparation for the compilation of a dictionary of marine terms. He has first-hand knowledge of ports, harbors, craft, etc. and quite a collection of material, including maps, designs and plans. This includes the Far East, New Guinea, Solomon Islands, North Africa, European countries; in fact, his researches have been world-wide.

In November and December last one of your associates, Gordon W Hewes, of the Geographic Reports Section, corresponded with Baron deKerchov and evinced considerable interest in what he had. On December 26th Mr Hewes wrote deKerchov that he was anxious to see him and that he, Mr Hewes, expected to be in New York in the early part of January. The Baron assembled a considerable body of material in preparation for the conference and, knowing Baron deKerchov, I know that it is valuable material. He has not heard from Mr Hewes since that letter of December 26th.

Your reputation, Bill, and that of your office is that you are consistently on the job. I suggest that someone from your office should take a look at this material.

With best regards, I remain

Cordially yours,

Arthur Hays Sulzberger

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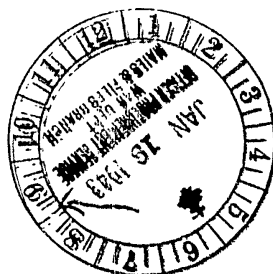
Mr. Ray Franklin Kauffman
Bankers Trust Company
Des Moines, Iowa

Dear Sir:

Your recent application for appointment in the Army of the United States has been given very careful consideration, and while your desire to be of service is appreciated, favorable action cannot be taken as your physical disqualifications are in excess of limits acceptable for military service in a commissioned status.

Very truly yours,

FREDERICK M. WARBURG
Lt. Colonel, A. G. D.
Executive Officer
Administrative Division



Copy to:
Capt. Allen
Director Strategic Services, Temple "4" Building

Kent Frank 9948
 Column
 & his opinion

OFFICE OF STRATEGIC SERVICES

INTEROFFICE MEMO

DATE: January 11, 1943

TO: Col. W. J. Donovan

FROM: Emile Despres *ED*

SUBJECT: Comments on Frank Kent's Column

In response to your request for a comment on Frank Kent's column in the Baltimore Sun of January 8, my main points are the following:

1. The number of physically fit men in the appropriate age groups is vastly in excess of that required to meet the planned expansion of personnel of the armed forces in 1943. Moreover, on the basis of our work to date, it appears that this withdrawal of manpower from the civilian labor force will not weigh too heavily on our productive capacities. It appears that a volume of military production adequate to equip and supply this force can be achieved and essential civilian needs provided for with the manpower and womanpower remaining available for civilian employment. Moreover, this expansion in our armed forces is not out of line with a reasonable forecast of our prospective capacity to transport troops and supplies to overseas theatres.

2. Despite this confirmation of the Army's estimates and plans, the general principle stated by Mr. Kent that the decisions of our military leaders in such matters necessarily deserve uncritical acceptance by civilians is one from which I should strongly dissent.

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6/11/43

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

My dear Mr. Shaw:

Please refer to previous correspondence relative to the financial arrangements regarding payments to be made to Dr. Adele J. Kibre, Associate Field Representative, who has been performing duties at the American Legation in Stockholm, Sweden as a representative of the Interdepartmental Committee for the Acquisition of Foreign Publications.

In accordance with instructions set forth in Bureau of the Budget Circular No. 410 and the schedule of rates subsequently issued by the Department of State, it is desired that arrangements be made whereby Dr. Kibre may be paid the sum of \$1612.00 per annum for quarters and living allowances. Dr. Kibre's quarters and living allowances are to be effective retroactively to February 1, 1943. Any payments which may have been made to Dr. Kibre for living allowances subsequent to January 31, 1943, should be adjusted through the facilities of the American Legation in Stockholm, Sweden to permit payment of the full quarters and living allowance rate of \$1612.00, effective February 1, 1943.

Your assistance in making the necessary arrangements with the appropriate officials of the American Legation in Stockholm relative to Dr. Kibre's quarters and living allowance status will be appreciated. All payments made on behalf of Dr. Kibre, who is an Authorized Certifying Officer for the Office of Strategic Services, will be reimbursed to the Department of State in accordance with the procedure outlined in Section V-45 of the Foreign Service Regulations.

Sincerely yours,

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cc: General Donovan (2)
 Dr. Kibre
 Pay-Roll Section
 Mr. Kilgour
 Mr. Kimbel
 Mr. DuRant
 Lt. Woodring

William J. Donovan
 Director

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September 27, 1948

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 February 16, 1948, in which it was advised that Dr. Adels Kibre would be dispatched to Lisbon, Portugal as an Assistant Field Representative for the Coordinator of Information. Due to a change in plans, it has now been determined that Dr. Kibre will be dispatched in the same capacity to Stockholm, Sweden rather than to Lisbon, Portugal for the Office of Strategic Services.

In order to facilitate Dr. Kibre's activities, it would be appreciated if arrangements may be made which will authorize the proper officials of the American Legation in Stockholm to honor all salary, travel and other expense vouchers transmitted by Dr. Kibre. In addition, Dr. Kibre is now an authorized and bonded Certifying Officer for the Office of Strategic Services.

Dr. Kibre's salary will be \$3200 per annum, of which amount it is requested that \$200 a month be paid through the American Legation in Stockholm, Sweden. Travel and other expenses should also be paid through the American Legation in Stockholm. The remainder of her salary will be paid by this office in Washington. Retirement deductions will be made from that portion of Dr. Kibre's salary which will be paid by this office. This salary arrangement should take effect on September 1, 1948, in order that the first payment of salary by State Department will be made on September 15, for the period September 1 to 15.

For diem allowance will be on the following basis:

- \$6.00 within the continental limits of the United States.
- \$7.00 outside the continental limits of the United States, to terminate upon her arrival at Stockholm.

September 17, 1946

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Mr. Harbo

It is requested that an allowance for living quarters, food, fuel and light at the rate of \$1000 per annum be paid to Dr. Kiser through the American Legation at Stockholm, to begin on the first or sixteenth of the month, whichever is the nearest subsequent to date of arrival at her post.

The Office of Strategic Services will reimburse the State Department, in accordance with Section V-45 of Foreign Service Regulations of your department, for all payments made by the Legation.

There is enclosed a copy of my letter of deputation to Dr. Kiser setting forth her duties, responsibilities and authorities.

Sincerely yours,

William J. Donovan

Enclosure

JAS:ayikmd

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

Kibbe, Adele 3904
 x Micropfilm
 x Interdepartmental
 Committee on
 Foreign Publ.

5/18/42

Dr. Adele J. Kibre
 c/o Coordinator of Information
 870 Madison Ave.
 New York, New York

Dear Dr. Kibre:

You are hereby authorized, subject to such instructions already given you, or which you may in the future receive, to coordinate and exercise full responsibility in all fiscal, organizational and administrative functions for the Interdepartmental Committee for the Acquisition of Foreign Publications of the Coordinator of Information in Stockholm, Sweden.

This authority includes authorization to serve as certifying officer on purchase vouchers, pay rolls and other vouchers and official documents, and to enter into necessary contracts for supplies, space and services since you have been bonded under the provisions of Public Law No. 389 of December 29, 1941.

You are also authorized to appoint or employ such personnel as may be required, subject to my approval.

You are further authorized to direct and control official travel to such places as may be required.

You are further authorized to delegate any of the above responsibility in writing to one or more subordinates of your office, provided a copy of such delegation of authority is forwarded to this office and a copy to the American Legation in Stockholm.

Expenses for entertainment will be allowed when such expenditures are certified by you to be necessary in the performance of your functions.

You will be in complete charge of all functions of the Interdepartmental Committee for the Acquisition of Foreign Publications in Stockholm, and will be administratively responsible to such committee until this authority is revoked in writing by me.

Dr. Adele J. Kibre
Page Two

You are instructed to report frequently and fully to this office on matters pertaining to the Interdepartmental Committee and to cooperate with other branches of the Office of the Coordinator of Information in the transmission of information and in other services.

You are to report to the United States Legation in Stockholm, Sweden for instructions from the Chief of Mission. In addition, you are expected to cooperate fully with him and it is expected that he will assist you in the transaction of your official business by aiding with such services as the transmission of mail and cables, the handling of funds and assisting with your reports.

You are expected to give full cooperation to any other representatives of this office who may be in touch with you or who may be assigned to that area by any other branches of this organization. In the event that a general representative should be sent to that area to supervise and take charge of all work there by all branches of this office, including the Interdepartmental Committee, you shall report to and be governed by the instructions and orders of such general representative so designated.

Very truly yours,

William J. Donovan

FREDERICK G. KILGOUR: HJS

Kibre, Adele 3904
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 Committee on T.O. R.H.

COORDINATOR OF INFORMATION

INTEROFFICE MEMO

FROM: Frederick G. Kilgour
 TO: Col. William J. Donovan
 SUBJECT: Cooperation of British in
 Microfilming- Dr. Adele J. Kibre
 to London.

DATE May 14, 1942

As an enclosure I am sending you a letter addressed to Adele J. Kibre to which I hope you will affix your signature. You will remember that some time ago you signed a similar letter to Dr. Kibre, when the Interdepartmental Committee was trying to send her to Lisbon. However, the Portuguese never gave her a visa, so we are now sending her to Stockholm as an "Attache" to the Legation.

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You will be interested to know, if you have not already found out about it, that the Interdepartmental Committee's microphotographic activities in London got the British so excited about Microfilm that they approached us and asked us to cooperate with them in obtaining foreign publications. It appears that the British are receiving about four hundred newspapers in Stockholm, but they are only able to send on to London about fifty. Apparently the same percentage holds for periodical material as well. Therefore, the plan is for us to send Dr. Kibre to Stockholm to establish a microfilming post in the same building as the British reading room, where she will film all of the material which the British receive, and the British and Interdepartmental Committee will each receive one copy of the film.

The Interdepartmental Committee will also continue to maintain its small post now in operation in the American Stockholm Legation.

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Memo

Col. Donovan

May 14, 1942

The State Department, because of lack of transportation facilities has been forced to use our equipment in Stockholm to make microfilms in order to transmit its usual reports to Washington. We are working on a process for reproducing microfilm images of these State Department reports on to photo-offset printing plates so that it will be possible for the State Department to make multiple paper copies of the reports that come in to them on microfilm. It is our hope that we shall be able to be of further assistance to the State Department, particularly after Dr. Kibre has reached Stockholm.

F.G.K.

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Attachment-1

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