

# SOUTH AFRICA SAYS A SPY CONFESSES

## Security Chief Announces Russian Admits Activity in 23 Other Countries

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DURBAN, South Africa, Sept. 9—South Africa's security police chief announced today that Yuri Nikoloyevich Loginov, described as a Russian spy who posed as a Canadian under the name of Edmund Trinkka, had confessed to espionage activities in 23 other countries.

Maj. Gen. H. J. van den Bergh said that the police had obtained a full confession, and that Loginov, born in Moscow in 1933, had been attached to the K.G.B., the Soviet intelligence service.

The security chief declared that details of Loginov's mission in South Africa, which does not have diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union, might be announced later, but that he "was involved in subversive activities as well as the illegal international transporting of currency."

"Loginov's training, missions, travels, contact instructions and secret mailing addresses involve Italy, Finland, Germany, Belgium, Holland, Austria, Czechoslovakia, Lebanon, Egypt, Turkey, Switzerland, Kenya, Indonesia, Iran, Australia, France, Israel, Jordan, Libya, Ethiopia

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Zanzania, Argentina and Brazil," the police statement said. Reporters were handed photographs of Loginov, of his forged passport and of two ships, the Kamenski and the Yuzan, in which he was said to have been smuggled to the West.

General van den Bergh said that Loginov had been in South Africa since last January and had been arrested in an apartment near the Johannesburg city hospital, and that documents and espionage equipment had been found in his possession. The security chief would not say "if and when" Loginov would appear in court. The arrest was the first of an alleged Soviet spy in South Africa.

General van den Bergh described Loginov as a "highly trained professional and extremely intelligent" and added that "we have a fantastic amount of information and material in our possession."

The security chief said Loginov had confessed that he was fully trained long-term Russian spy attached to the K.G.B. on a special mission.

According to Loginov, he is a married man living in enforced separation from his wife Nira.

She, too, was recruited by the K.G.B. and was sent to Cuba for training and to perform certain intelligence missions against Cuba, it was stated, but her mission was not entirely successful and that led to a political scandal in Cuba that was covered up only through the use of considerable Russian diplomatic pressure.

"As a result, she was deemed by the K.G.B. as unsuitable to accompany her husband abroad on his intelligence mission," the police statement said.

### 'A Fascinating Story'

"Loginov, who has been in South Africa since January has revealed a fascinating story of years of training and preparation given to him by the K.G.B. for his illegal mission abroad," it added. "His departure from Moscow was preceded by years of training in the Czech and English languages, among other things and by practice trips through the Soviet bloc and to various western countries under false identities.

He was also given courses on how to live abroad, how to manage secret operations and how to utilize secret writing codes and ciphers in these operations.

"He was briefed on life in the West by no less a person than the celebrated Soviet spy Rudolf Abel personally.

Abel was arrested for espionage in the United States in 1957 and imprisoned but was later exchanged for an American, Gary Powers, the pilot of a U-2 reconnaissance aircraft shot down in the Soviet Union.

"One of the K.G.B. officers involved in the handling of his case, Col. Yevgeny Ivanovich Mosevnin, placed him aboard the Soviet vessel Kamenski and he was smuggled to the West through the Kiel Canal during January, 1967. Loginov hid in the cabin of the ship's captain and both the captain and the mate were aware of the fact that he was a K.G.B. agent proceeding on a mission.

### How Passport Was Obtained

"Loginov's Canadian passport was obtained with the aid of the two K.G.B. officers, Yevgeny Mikhailovich, a Soviet consul in Canada, and 'Nick' a K.G.B. officer in Nairobi, [Kenya] who made use of the K.G.B. forged South African passport to obtain the Canadian document.

"Other K.G.B. officers with whom Loginov came in contact from time to time include Konstantin Ivanovich Frolov, who had served in Buenos Aires and Australia, and one Yuri Ivanovich Lyudin. Loginov alleges that Lyudin is in fact identical with Yuri Ivanovich Modin, who until quite recently was serving as Soviet Counselor in India.

"Another of Loginov's K.G.B. handlers was Vitaly Grigorovich Pavlov, who, using the false identity of Nikolai Kedrov, is now serving as Soviet Counselor and K.G.B. chief in a Soviet embassy in Western Europe.

"Pavlov was exposed as a spy in the famous Canadian spy case involving Igor Gouzenko [a clerk at the Soviet Embassy in Ottawa who defected] in the nineteen-forties. Other persons so far mentioned by Loginov include:

"Aleksandr Selikh, a Morflot [Soviet shipping line] representative in a West European country;

"Anatoly Kosolapov, director of the Baltic shipping line in the same country;

"Aleksei V. Tiblayshin, a Russian ostensibly working for UNESCO [the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization] in Paris back in the nineteen-fifties, who was assigned to Cairo while Loginov was there;

"Yuri Chekulayev, who is at present assigned to the Soviet Embassy in a country in the Near East as third secretary, and

"Boris Anisimovich Skoridov, who has been assigned to the Soviet Embassy in London under the false name of Boris Zhiltsov."