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REQUEST FOR INVESTIGATION AND	APPROVAL	DATE 23 September 1957 PROJECT						
70: CI/Operational Approval and Support Division	FROM: (Division) SR/	AEMARSH /2						
SUBJECT	CI/OA FIL	E NO. SO FILE NO.						
TRUE NAME Vilis Arveds HAZNERS								
CRYPTONYM OR PSEUDONYM								
TYPE OF AGENT OR EMPLOYEE FI/REDSKIN								
USE OF AGENT OR EMPLOYEE (Fu	11 details - Specify	country of assignment)						
Subject is to be employed in the US to s	ject is to be employed in the US to spot, assess and recruit REDSKIN agents.							
He is a former Latvian army officer who	carries on an ex	tensive correspondence with						
his former army colleagues, some of whom	presently resid	e in Latvia. He will be						
utilized to activiate these correspondan	ce channels for	the procurement of FI and PP						
intelligence. Subject will also be util	ized in the recr	uitment of his officer						
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PART I - BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

	Instruction: 1. Write clearly.
	 Answer all questions completely. If question does not apply, write "not applicable" Attach blank pages if additional space is needed.
11	Full Name VILIS ARVEDS HAZNERS
- •	First Middle Last
2.	Name in native script
3.	Name at birth (if different from 1.) Same as # 1
4.	Allasss, nicknames, legal changes (State briefly time, reason and
	place of use.) none
5.	a. Date of birth 23 July 1905 b. Place of birth Virceva, Latvia
6.	Present citizenship, race if appropriate Letvian
7.	Nationality at birth and any subsequent nationalities (if different
	from 6.)
8.	Present residence (Owner, tenant, sub-tenant.) 4 Summit Street
	East Orange, N.J.
0	Permanent address (if different from 8.) same
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10.	Free Latvia (Salary prox. \$360 a month)
	Naturalization of subject or of close relatives in the United States.
ها	(Give date and name in which certificate granted.)
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l2. (Relatives, friends, correspondents in United States. (Explain re-
	lationship) unknown

Father - full name occupation, present residence, year and place 13. of birth, nationality at birth and subsequent nationalities.

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Davids HAZNERS, DOB: 20 August 1874 Deceased

14. Mother - same information as 13.

Elisabete HAZNERS, DOB: 25 October 1874 Deceased

15. Wife (or husband) - full name, maiden name, date and place of birth, date and place of marriage, nationality at birth and any subsequent nationalities, present residence, divorce, annulment. (Give data for all previous marriages.)

Elsa Veronika HAZNERS (nee BUNDZA), DOB: 28 June 1911 Married in Latvia. Latvian nationality. Present residence: 4 Summit Street, East Orange, N.J.

16. Children - full names, sex, year and place of birth, nationality

at birth and any subsequent nationalities, present residence.

Two sons between 15 and 18 years eld whose names are not known. The oldest is known as a good chess player. Both were born in Latvia and have Latvian nationality -Present address: 4 Summit Street, East Orange, N.J.

Brothers and sisters - Same information as 16.

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18. Relatives in service of any government, names and positions held.

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19. List all official identity papers held with dates, numbers, place of issue

and duration of validity. Presumably has a Latvian Foreign passport. Visa-permanant, issued in Hamburg, Germany on 4 June 1956, # A-10305336 US permanent resident identification card (INS)

20. Religion - degree practiced, membership in religious orders

Evangelical Lutheran

21. Present and past political affiliations

HAZNERS was not active in political life in Latvia.

He sympathized with the Farmers! Union

A strong anti-Communist . Ensmerly a member of the board of the Latvian Veterans' Organization (Daugavas Vanegi), as well as secretary in both the Ger. and the global bodies of that organization. Mor of the Cate for Free Latvia. Travel outside country of present residence - country, dates,

purpose, people and firms visited

HAZNERS gave a speech in Canada as a member of the Committee for Free Latvia

23. Education - school, location, course, degree, dates

Graduated from Agricultural School in Jelgava in 1923 Latvian Army Officers' School from 1929 to 1931 Latvian General Staff's Academy from 1937-te 1939

Languages and dialects (indicate proficiency as good, fair, poor.) 24.

Language Latvian Speak Read Understand

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English Speak Language. Read Understand

Russian

the outbreak of war bet n C sany and Russia, he was Add to 15. imprison i by the Russian NKWD on 22 June 1941 but escaped on 30 June 1941.

25. Military service - dates, country, unit, rank, duty, where

services performed, decorations, when discharged, why. Give

details if ever prisoner of war

1926-1940 - Latvian army officer

20 May 1943 - Entered Waffen -ss

Waffen-ss ranks: Waffen-Hauptsturmfuchrer (28 May 1943)

Waffen-Sturmbannfuchrer (21 June 1944) Waffen-ss units: ss-Grenadierregiment 32 (Lettische # 3)/15. Waffen-Grenadierdivision ss (Lettische #1) (20 May 1943); Regimenteadjutant, Batl, Kommandeur detailed to: ss-Panzergrenadier Ausbildungs and Ersatz-batl #10 from 16 to 29 Sept 1944. 23.Batls. Fuerherlehrgang from 30 Sept to 5 Nov 1944. From Nov 1944- 15th Div Reconnaissance Batl Cmdr.

His name mentioned in the "Ehrenblatt" of the German Army on 15 Aug 144 for bravery in action. Has the War Merit Cross 2nd Class with swords. *(see above) 26. Present and past membership in organizations (professional, social,

political, etc.) Latvian Veterans' Association (Daugavas Vanagi)-see # 21 Latvian Boy Scouts ABN

27. Special skills, abilities, hobbies (radio, photography, etc.) unknown

28. Financial status - earnings, bank deposits, securities, property

unknown

Employment history - type of work, salary, dates, employers, ad-29. dresses, reasons for leaving. Include employment by any government. 1940-41 - Bookkeeper for Cntrl Sugar Industry - Latvie 1943-46 - Regimental commander in Latvia (see military section) #25 1946-51 - Employed by IRO, IRO Hadars, Clausthal, Osnabrueck, Germany 1951-53 - Camp Administration, Augustdorf b. Detmold, Germany May 1953 - present - Committee for a Free Latvia, 270 Park Avenua, NY, NY (His salary in Europe for above Cate work: aprox. \$100 monthly; In the US, about \$360 monthly

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30. Has subject done any writing? Give details including titles of books, articles, publishers, dates. unknown

31. List persons living at same address, close associates, (individuals or groups,) correspondents at home and abroad.

Wife and two sons.

Subject lives in an apartment house where several other Latvians lives including a Mr. Opsteins

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32. List five character references.

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- Court record court, date, arrests, charges, punishments, 33. sentences, acquittals, denazification, etc.
 - Arrested by the Russians; imprisoned 22 June 1941, escaped 30 June 1941 as German Army approached Riga

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Other identifying features 19

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