

3. Armenians.

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a. During World War II, Mr. Garner and Berndt worked closely with the Armenian emigrants in Europe. The Armenians were and still are to a great extent lead by the famous Armenian General Dro alias Kanayan. There were a number of Armenians (under Kanayan) working for the organization. Kanayan openly admitted that in addition to the intelligence work which he liked to do against the Soviets, he also had political interests, which he described as Armenian nationalistic and anti-Soviet. The organization was certainly not the place for political activities, therefore Kanayan did his political work outside the organization. His contacts brought in some excellent information. One of his associates in Paris was in contact with Armenians around the former Soviet Commissar, later Minister for Economics, in the USSR, Mykoyan. At the time of the Moscow conference, we obtained two important reports, which were immediately forwarded to General Marshall.

In summer 1947, the well-known Armenian restaurant owner from the West coast, Mardikian, came to Europe to assist the army in improving the preparation of food. Kanayan got in contact with him. Mardikian also met Lt. Col Deane and myself. Due to the fact that Mardikian knew that we were located at Military Intelligence Service Center, he certainly must have realized the kind of work Kanayan was doing for us.

b. In fall 1947, Kanayan left Germany and went to Cairo to a Armenian conference from which he never returned to Germany. His former assistant Tigris, took over the small Armenian group in the organization, always remaining in contact with Kanayan. Kanayan then moved to Lebanon. X

After Berndt began to work on his new assignment, he once met Kanayan in Switzerland, prior to a trip of Kanayan to the US. During his stay in the USA, Kanayan was the guest of a number of Americans of Armenian descent.

After my return from Europe, I met Kanayan here in the States. He was here to get financial help for his political work among the Armenian emigrants. He was accompanied by two Americans of Armenian descent with the following names:

Dr. Levon K. Daghlian, 475 Commonwealth Ave., Boston, Mass. and Edw. S. Edwards, 461 - 8th Ave., New York City, N. Y. It appeared that both these men knew nothing of the kind of former association Kanayan had had with the Americans. It seemed they believed that Kanayan was helped by the American occupation forces because he was an Armenian and anti-Soviet.

c. I believe that Kanayan is not in any way a contact of the organization here in the USA. I also believe that none of the Armenians living here in the USA could possibly have any contact with the organization.

d. The present address of General Dro is as follows:

D. Kanayan ~~Morses~~ Dar Kaloustian
Rue Kantari, Beyruth, Liban (Lebanon)

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