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Transmittal of CAPELIN Reports, dated 18 January 1951

1. Attached hereto are [] translations of two CAPELIN reports dated 18 January 1951. Attachment A is a brief account of Miron MATVIYENKO's accusation of CAPELIN as an informant of U.S. Intelligence. CAPELIN's state of extreme agitation when visited by case officer on 18 January is easily understandable from a perusal of the report. (It might be noted that several months prior to the incident mentioned in Attachment A, [] casually asked CAVATINA 3 for MATVIYENKO's whereabouts. At that time, CAVATINA 3 declared that he had not the slightest notion of MATVIYENKO's whereabouts and the matter was dropped there.) It is case officer's opinion that MATVIYENKO's accusation could only have been a gross provocation with the probable intention of sounding out CAPELIN for latter's possible connection with U.S. Intelligence before recruiting him to act as go-between in CAVATINA 6 discussions with CASSOWARY 1 regarding the compromise as suggested in the homeland mandate. CAPELIN accepted case officer's assurance that the security of his reports and his contacts with us have always been respected.

2. Attachment B is entitled My Conversation with the Former Head of the SB 23rd OUN, Miron MATVIYENKO, and SB Staff Member, Ivan KASHUBA. The existence of a U.S. State Department Investigative Committee checking on the activities of the SB in Germany, as is reported in this attachment, is unknown to MOB.

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