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Subject [] meeting with Churgin

Churgin called office around 10:30A and stated that he had just arrived from Lancaster. Subject was surprised to hear [] voice. [] explained that [] is busy and that [] was asked to meet Churgin. [] arranged a meeting with Churgin at Angus Rest (formerly Captain's) next to Rodger Smith Hotel at 11:00.

Upon arrival at Angus Rest, [] explained to Churgin that although he has been away from [] office he will assist [] while Churgin is in Washington. [] told Churgin that [] will see him on 23 Sep 59. After finishing a beer [] and Churgin went to Rodger Smith Hotel in order to obtain a single room for Churgin. No rooms were available. Thereafter [] and Churgin took taxi and went to Annapolis Hotel. Churgin was able to obtain a room for \$8.50 per day. Churgin inquired as to how long he will have to stay in D.C. [] replied that Les had indicated 2-3 days. Churgin's room number was 1016. After Churgin put his bags away Churgin and [] went to the CERES Rest. to have some lunch. During the lunch Churgin inquired about his status etc. [] was unable to provide too much information by explaining that he does not know everything about Churgin's affairs. Churgin asked [] if he knew why he (Churgin) was back in USA. [] replied that he knew that Churgin went to US Consulate to get back to USA. Churgin was wondering if by doing this he has done something real bad. [] replied that it was not a very smart thing to do. Churgin was interested to know if his action in Germany and his debt to [] (in Germany) would mean trouble to [] [] replied that he did not think so. Churgin continued to talk about life in Germany and how well he got along with the local Latvians etc. [] inquired if he has met some good looking Latvian girls. Churgin offered [] the name and address of a Miss BLUMITIS by indicating that she is still available, etc. At one time [] inquired if CHURGIN still has ANDY's pistol. CHURGIN's reply was affirmative. [] continued that Security people are interested in everything that concerns ANDY's belongings and all. Therefore it is necessary that that Churgin returns the pistol on his next trip to Washington. CHURGIN agreed and showed no visible objections. [] also informed CHURGIN that [] (p) would like to see him at apr. 15:30hrs. and that [] has to notify [] in re to the place where Churgin is staying. After lunch [] checked with [] secretary and was informed that [] can see CHURGIN at 16:00hrs. [] was given CHURGIN's room # at the Hotel. [] left CHURGIN in his room just before 16:00hrs and told CHURGIN that he [] or LES will call him around 17:00. Before departing [] told Ch. that he is not too familiar with the Drs. activities concerning CH., and that he does not know []. At apr. 17:00hrs [] called CH. informing him that LES will not be able to see him until tomorrow (23 Sep 59), however, [] will meet him in his hotel room at apr. 17:30hrs.

After contacting CH. at 17:30hrs [] and Ch. went to OLD STEIN Rest. Conn Ave. for refreshments and subsequently stayed for dinner. During the conversation Ch. inquired if [] has arrived in USA for his home leave. [] replied that he did not know since he has been away from the Latvian Affairs for a few months. However, [] continued that it is possible that [] might be in USA taking his leave. Ch. was wondering if he would see [] [] replied that he was unable to answer on this question. Other points of discussion covered Ch. personal travel in Germany. CH. tried to elicit info concerning future plans re our ops. in Latvia. CH. stated that his feeling is that we should concentrate on the Latvian youth. [] replied that as far as he remembers that was also current trend at HQS. [] added that he is not too well informed about the present conditions and feelings at the Latvian Section since he has been away. (Note: The indications were that [] had passed a word to Ch. that [] has not been seen for quite some time and that [] had disappeared quite suddenly.) CHURGIN inquired about the possibility to go to RIGA and asked [] how he felt about going to Riga. [] replied that that it would be unwise to do this since we must assume that RIS may suspect anybody who has worked for US Government regardless as working for AIS. [] replied that he does not even consider making a trip to Riga, [] felt that nothing much could be accomplished by CH. making a trip to RIGA.

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When [] asked Ch. how he enjoyed his stay in Germany, Ch replied that he liked it ~~xx~~ very much, however, he felt that people were playing jokes on him, were surveilling him, were reading his mail etc. CH. also said that even the mail intercepts that he read had information about him, such as the foll: Ch. had at one time been drinking beer intermixed with ~~xxxxxx~~ ^{cognac} some time later ~~xxxxxx~~ Ch. read in one of the letter intercepts where a fellow advised his friend not to mix beer with cognac etc. CH explained that this statement might have meant him and he was wondering if it could be that the RIS had zeroed in on him so much as to know his drinking habits etc. At apr. 20:30 hrs [] bid farewell to Churgin and told him that he would be called the next morning.

In addition to the above CH. also stated that the Drs. have told him that he is a man who needs treatment, although Ch. indicated that he has never felt better, Ch. added that ~~x~~ he might have been able to understand this had he been told so after his TDY in Madrid.

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