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This is to advise that the [ ] Section de la Surveillance  
de l'Extérieur (SSE), French domestic counterespionage service [ ] (S)  
has been conducting investigation in connection with the  
case entitled JOHN PITTMAN; SM - C; MARGARETE ADLER PITTMAN;  
SM - C, Bufiles 100-333702 and 100-30067.

By letter dated 9/17/59 the Bureau advised that JOHN  
PITTMAN was expected to arrive at LeHavre, France on 9/17/59  
en route to Moscow where it is expected he will serve as a  
correspondent for "The Worker". Information had been received  
that subjects would obtain visas for travel to Moscow from the  
Soviet Embassy in Paris sometime after their arrival in France.  
The Paris office was instructed to [ ] alert its sources and follow [ ] (S)  
this case closely. We were instructed to attempt to verify the  
issuance of visas to the subjects in Paris and immediately  
advise the Bureau.

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The DST was requested on 9/26/59 to verify the subjects'  
arrival in Paris; their attempts to obtain Soviet visas from the  
Soviet Embassy in Paris; and to verify their departure from  
Paris, and to determine their destination. The DST placed  
extremely close coverage on this matter. They located the  
subjects at the Hotel Gallic, a small hotel in Paris, ascertained  
that they departed Paris on 9/30/59 for London, returned to Paris  
on 10/4/59 and departed again on 10/6/59 by air for Moscow. The  
DST also ascertained that the subjects' Soviet visas were  
personally handled by Soviet Attaché IGOR TONOV of the Soviet  
Embassy. The DST was also able to photograph addresses and other  
material in the subjects' baggage which was left in the hotel  
room in Paris during their visit to London. This information has  
been furnished to the Bureau and should be of considerable value  
in other investigations. (S)

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The cooperation of the DST was outstanding in this case and we have likewise received excellent results in other cases of similar nature in the recent past. We are attempting to improve our relations with the DST at this time and it is believed that a letter over the Director's signature addressed to Mr. GABRIEL ERIAU, Director, Direction de la Surveillance du Territoire, Surete Nationale, 11 rue des Saussaies, Paris, France, via liaison, would be appropriate. (S)

It is suggested that Mr. ERIAU be thanked for the cooperation of his agency and particularly the cooperation of Messrs. MARCEL CHALEY and PIERRE BARNAY in a matter of considerable interest to the Bureau. It is also suggested that Mr. ERIAU be thanked for his cooperation in other matters and that he be assured of our desire to cooperate in all matters of mutual interest. (S)

It is noted that when ERIAU took office as Director of the DST information was received from the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) indicating that it had been alleged by one WILLIAM J. PORTER that ERIAU had been anti-American in Morocco. This has been watched carefully since ERIAU has taken office and ERIAU has demonstrated no anti-American attitude, but on several occasions has mentioned that a person named PORTER had been extremely anti-French. It is believed that this may have been a clash of personalities and that possibly the blame does not rest on ERIAU. (S)

During our contacts with ERIAU he has been extremely friendly, cooperative and appears to have considerable respect for the Bureau. He seems to be a man of outstanding administrative ability and has an excellent reputation in official circles in Paris. It is believed that a letter addressed to ERIAU from the Director would assist considerably in helping to build our liaison relations with the DST and would furnish them further incentive to furnish us similar excellent service in the future. (S)

(S) 10/26/54  
[DST] did not exert effort  
to obtain information  
in possession of PITMAN  
during their stay in Paris.  
Subversive Control Agency  
with recommendation of  
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