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Personal Data

Declassify on: OA Subject was born 9/17/06 in Atlanta, Georgia. currently resides in Prague, Czechoslovakia, where he is the CPUSA's permanent representative on the editorial board of the "World Marxist Review". (U)

> "World Marxist Review", also known as "World Marxist Review - Problems of Peace and Socialism", is the official theoretical journal of the international communist movement headquartered in Prague, Czechoslovakia. (U)

## Position Within the CPUSA

As a member of the Central Committee, CPUSA, and the National Council, CPUSA, he participates in the formulation of CPUSA policy and leadership of the Party.

## Characteristics and Personality Data

Due to his permanent residence overseas, no new personality data has been developed since 1974

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## Proposed Investigation

NYO will continue to assess PITTMAN's policy-making and leadership role in the CPUSA and will remain alert to develope any information indicating covert intelligence activities, foreign travel, espousal of criteria country propaganda, and contacts with Soviet's or other criteria country nationals which might confirm (5) his role in the spread of international communism.

Although PITTMAN is a member of the Central Committee, CPUSA, investigation to date has not produced any evidence that he has been actively involved in the policy making process or that he has provided any leadership for the CPUSA since his assignment overseas in 1974. Accordingly, NYO hereby downgrades investigation of the subject from Category II to Category III.

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