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Memorandum to Mr. Belmont
Re: Allegations of General Arthur S. Trudeau Re Infiltration of
Fabian Socialists into High Policy-making Areas of the
United States Government
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and Elizabeth T. Bentley, former self-admitted Soviet espionage agents, as participants in espionage activities in Washington, D. C., and New York, New York, in the mid 1930's and early 1940's. Several have been critical of the Bureau. Several alleged to be socialists; others "leftist" and "procommunist." Several reported as members, in the past, of organizations cited by the Attorney General under Executive Order 10450. Allegations generally name many individuals as questionable for strategic or sensitive Government employment.

4. Several were named by Louis Budenz, former Communist Party, USA, official, as being communists or under communist discipline.

Some of the sources of information used in the enclosure were closely associated with the individuals named and requested that their identities be concealed. Others expressed a willingness or unwillingness to testify in loyalty or court proceedings against individuals named. In order to indicate the desires of the source an (a) was placed after the names of sources who requested that their identities be concealed. A (b) was placed after the sources's name when he was willing to testify. A (c) was used to indicate source not willing to testify.

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The following eight individuals, who appear to be identical with names furnished by General Trudeau, have been investigated by the Bureau with no identifiable derogatory information developed. Results of investigations have been disseminated.

1. Edgar Jarratt Applewhite, Jr.
Central Intelligence Group-Applicant, 1947
2. Richard Dale Drain
Central Intelligence Agency-Applicant, 1951
Atomic Energy Act-Applicant, 1952
3. Gerard Droller
Central Intelligence Agency-Applicant, 1949

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(S) (62-40380-747X; 62-30092-485X3; 100-51234-1780;
62-40087-823; 62-30150-127)

Other Information

Reston has not been investigated by the Bureau. Reston was subject of G-2 name check request which indicated no subversive derogatory information. (62-60827-41336)

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Memo to the Director
from D. M. Ladd

RE: JAMES RESTON

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According to our files, James B. Reston contacted the Bureau on May 19, 1941, and wanted to talk to the Director or the proper Bureau official to secure information which he could use to work up a story on activities of the Germans in the United States. Mr. Reston was advised that the Director was out of town and upon Mr. Nichols' instruction was referred to [redacted] of the Department. (94-8-51-90)

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James B. Reston of the "New York Times" talked to Mr. Nichols on December 2, 1941, concerning a feature article which his Sunday Editor had suggested on the subject of "A Typical FBI Man"; however, in March, 1942, Mr. Nichols made the notation that he had seen Reston but as of that date had no further word on the article. (94-8-51-115)

In June, 1948, [redacted] of the State Department advised that the State Department was concerned with a leak of secret information to the press and was carrying on an investigation concerning the publication in a New York newspaper of information obtained from a secret document entitled, "Soviet Violations of Treaties and Agreements." [redacted] stated that they suspected James Barrett Reston and asked that the Bureau attempt to develop latent prints on the document in question to determine if one of these latent prints could be identified with known fingerprint impressions of Reston. The document was chemically treated for latent fingerprints but none of value were developed. The files did not reflect any further information on the above allegation by the State Department. (62-58301-242)

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(U) [redacted] (S) (65-40289-747X, 65-30092-435X2, 100-52226-1759, 65-48067-828, and 65-30150-127)

On June 15, 1950, Mr. James B. Reston was a witness before a Subcommittee of the Committee on Foreign Relations, United States Senate, appointed to investigate whether there were employees in the State Department disloyal to the United States. The questioning of Reston centered around methods and contacts he used in obtaining news from the officials of the State Department.

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- 1 - Mr. Brown
- 1 - Mr. Montgomery

March 11, 1959

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JAMES BARRETT RESTON

The Federal Bureau of Investigation has not conducted any investigation concerning James Barrett Reston, who is head of the Washington Bureau of the "New York Times."

[REDACTED] (U)

There is no information in the files of this Bureau that shows any association on the part of Reston with the Communist Party or Communist Party front groups.

The records of Tass News Agency, official Soviet news bureau, showed numerous articles written by James Reston were forwarded to Moscow during the period 1948 to 1951.

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Enclosure to letter to
Honorable James C. Hagerty
dated 3- -59 JWB/rlk

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June 23, 1961

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JAMES B. RESTON *Summary*
Born: November 3, 1909
Clydebank, Scotland

MAILED
JUN 26 1961
NAME CHECK

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At that time, Reston stated that his position was Diplomatic Correspondent of the "New York Times" Washington Bureau. He said his job was not to report primarily the spot and news announcements out of the State Department, but it was a job of primarily explanatory reporting. He attempted to explain the background of some particular announcements that might have been made by the Department of State. He also stated his job was to contact persons who knew most about the area or the problem that happened to be news at the time. That person would explain, to the extent of his ability and with the limitations placed upon him by his own job, what the facts in the

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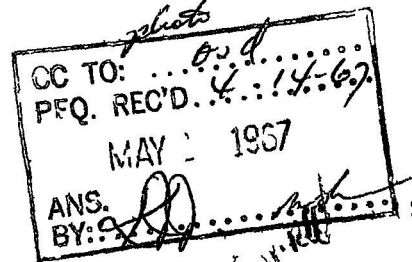
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FROM: SAC, WFO (105-New) (P)
JAMES BARRETT RESTON
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Enclosed for the Bureau are nine copies of a LHM.

WF T-1 is [redacted] WF T-2 is [redacted];
WF T-3 is [redacted]

WFO will review Passport Office, United States
Department of State, records to determine whether subject
has authority to travel to Cuba.

The LHM is classified "~~Secret, No Foreign
Dissemination~~," since [redacted]

[redacted] and since the information furnished by WF T-1 through
WF T-3 could reasonably result in the identification of
confidential informants of continuing value and compromise
their future effectiveness.

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JAMES BARRETT RESTON
INTERNAL SECURITY - CU

(S) On January 16, 1967, WF T-1, who has furnished
reliable information in the past, advised [redacted]

[redacted] According to the informant, James Reston was
born November 3, 1909, at Clydebank, Scotland, and Sarah
Reston was born September 5, 1912, in Illinois. Both are
United States citizens and reside at 3124 Woodley Road, N. W., WASH, D.C.
WDC. In addition, both are correspondents for "The New York
Times" [redacted]

(S) On January 24, 1967, WF T-2, who has furnished
reliable information in the past, advised [redacted]

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JAMES BARRETT RESTON

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(S) On January 25, 1967, WF T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised [redacted]

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(U) The November, 1966, issue of the "Diplomatic List," published by the United States Department of State, sets forth Hugo B. Margain as Mexican Ambassador to the United States. (S)

(U) The 1966, Volume 3, issue of "Chiefs of State and Cabinet Ministers of the American Republics," published by the Pan American Union, WDC, sets forth Antonio Carrillo Flores as Secretary of Foreign Affairs, Mexico. (S)

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DATE: 3/13/67

FROM : SAC, [REDACTED]

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Records of the Passport Office, USDS, were reviewed
on 2/20/67, by IC [REDACTED], and on 3/2/67, by
SA [REDACTED]

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Since the subject and his wife have had their
passports validated for a round trip to Cuba by the USDS,
instant case is being closed.

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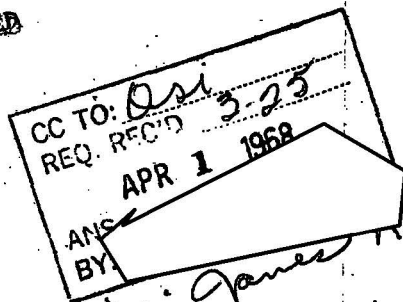
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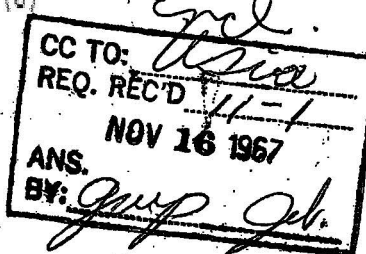
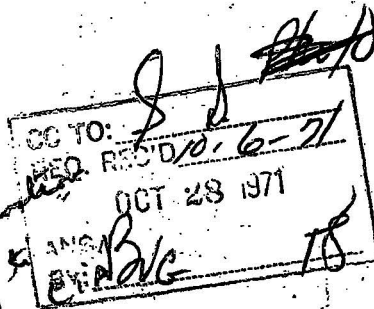


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JAMES BARRETT RESTON
INTERNAL SECURITY-CUBA

As previously reported, records of the Passport Office, United States Department of State (USDS) reviewed February 20, 1967, revealed that Sarah ^{MLT}Fulton Reston of 3124 Woodley Road, Washington, D.C., on or about October 21, 1964, renewed her Passport number B 484619, originally issued on September 5, 1961.

As previously reported, ^{MLT}records of the Passport Office, United States Department of State (USDS) were reviewed on March 2, 1967 concerning James Barrett Reston, 3124 Woodley Road, N.W., Washington, D.C. He is the holder of United States Passport H 139342 issued him on January 23, 1967, by the United States Department of State, (USDS), at Washington, D.C.

In communication dated January 3, 1967, as previously reported, the Passport Office advised both Mr. and Mrs. Reston the United States Department of State (USDS) had approved their requests for validation of their passports for travel to Cuba and their passports were endorsed to show that they are valid for one round trip to Cuba.

On July 12, 1967, a confidential informant, who has furnished reliable information in the past, determined that

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JAMES BARRETT RESTON

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The informant had no additional pertinent information.

The "Congressional Directory" dated March 1967, under Members of the Press Entitled to Accreditation James B. Reston is listed for the "New York Times."

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NEW YORK OFFICE

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Upon receipt of results of Washington Field's check of passport files, will take appropriate action.

WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE

AT WASHINGTON, D.C.

Subject is the bearer of United States passport #H139342, which may be of assistance in locating his file.

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On January 16, 1967, T-1 reported that [REDACTED]

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On July 27, 1967, T-2 reported that [REDACTED]

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The Attorney General

Director, FBI

1 - Mr. C. D. DeLoach
1 - Mr. T. E. Bishop
1 - Mr. W. C. Sullivan

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1 - The Deputy Attorney General

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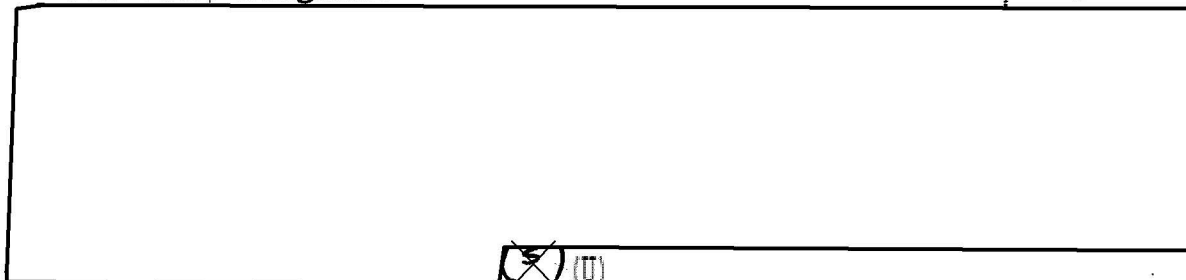
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Mrs. Mildred Stegall
The White House
Washington, D. C.

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MR. AND MRS. JAMES B. RESTON

James Barrett Reston, who was born on November 3, 1909, in Scotland and who is Associate Editor of "The New York Times," has not been the subject of an investigation conducted by the FBI.

There is no information in the files of this Bureau that shows any association on the part of Reston with the Communist Party or Communist Party front groups.

The records of Tass News Agency, official Soviet news bureau, showed numerous articles written by James Reston were forwarded to Moscow during the period 1948 to 1951.

On June 15, 1950, Mr. James B. Reston was a witness before a Subcommittee of the Committee on Foreign Relations, United States Senate, appointed to investigate whether there were employees in the State Department disloyal to the United States. The questioning of Reston centered around methods and contacts he used in obtaining news from the officials of the State Department.

NOTE: Per request of Alexander P. Butterfield, Deputy Assistant to the President. This memorandum being classified "~~Secret - No Foreign Dissemination~~" as it contains information received from highly confidential sources of continuing value.

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At that time, Reston advised it was his opinion that responsible journalists deserved more cooperation on the part of the Department whose policy depends upon the "consent of people" if there was to be an effective foreign policy in a democracy. He further stated that he felt public interest required an interchange of background information by the officials and the public despite the risk of occasional misuse of information, which he believed to be slight.

In Whittaker Chambers' book, "Witness" (pages 647-648), Chambers stated that when Reston was asked by John Foster Dulles for his opinion of Alger Hiss as a possible candidate for President of the Carnegie Endowment, Reston stated Hiss would be a very good choice.

The January 16, 1953, issue of "Counterattack," a publication self-described as opposing communism, accused "The New York Times" of giving aid to Joseph Stalin. It stated that a [redacted] had commented that the giving of a list of questions to Stalin for answers just before Christmas, as James Reston had done, was "journalistic bumblng." [redacted] suggested that the State Department give guidance to the press in order to prevent more boners on such matters. With reference to that matter, it is noted that "The Daily Worker," a former east coast communist newspaper which has suspended publication, published a notice in its April 2, 1953, issue announcing that the Communist Party had prepared a folder featuring a photograph of the late Joseph Stalin and the late President Franklin Roosevelt, together with Stalin's Christmas Eve reply to Reston.

The March 15, 1958, issue of "Editor and Publisher" contained an article setting out a statement by James Reston to the effect that the Democrats had followed the practice of having "gumshoes shadow reporters to detect their sources" for delicate news stories and that the Republicans were also doing it.



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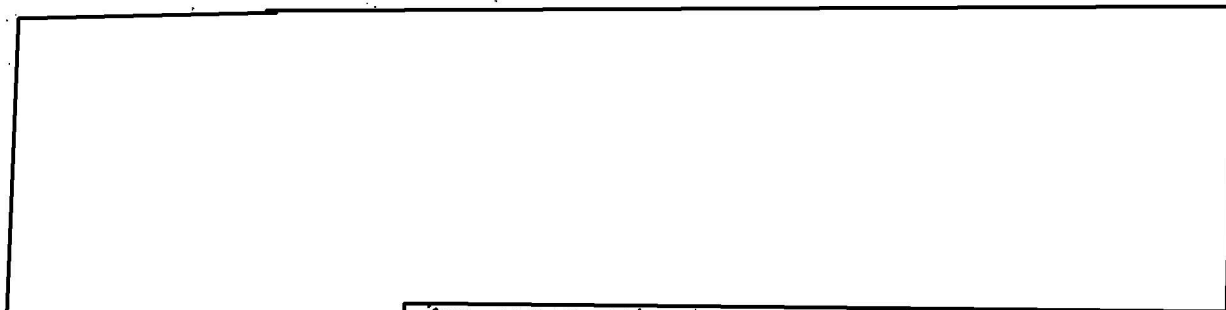


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At the request of the then Attorney General Robert Kennedy, the FBI launched an extensive investigation in July, 1962, concerning a leak of highly classified information, which classified information was published by "The New York Times" on July 26, 1962, in an article [redacted] entitled "Soviet Missiles Protected In 'Hardened' Positions." During this investigation, Reston contacted the Deputy Attorney General in Washington to complain that an employee of the local office of "The New York Times" had been interviewed by FBI Agents at her home, rather than at the newspaper's office. In August, 1962, Reston contacted [redacted] Special Assistant to the President, and was advised by [redacted] that he was unable to comment concerning the investigation. Reston also advised Treasury Secretary [redacted] that he felt there was excessive use of the FBI and intimated that some very high Government official should have personally taken the matter up with [redacted]

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The December 18, 1961, issue of "Newsweek" magazine contained an article entitled "The Columnists JFK Reads Every Morning." This contained background information concerning Reston and identified him as being one of three newspaper columnists upon whom President Kennedy "concentrated most intently." (62-5-19102)

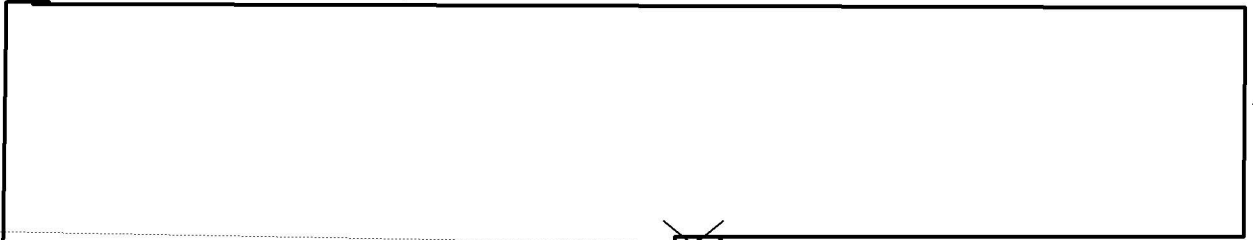


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The central files of the FBI contain no additional pertinent information identifiable with the above-captioned individuals.

The fingerprint files of the Identification Division of the FBI contain no arrest data identifiable with captioned individuals based upon background information submitted in connection with this name check request.

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ADDRESS

The current Washington Address Telephone Directory lists JAMES B. RESTON at 3124 Woodley Rd., N.W., WDC. The current Washington Area Telephone Directory lists JAMES B. RESTON, correspondent, at this address with office at 1920 L Street, N.W., WDC. This same source lists the "New York Times" Bureau at the latter address. The Congressional Directory, 92nd Congress, First Session, under "Press Galleries - Members of Press Entitled to Admission", lists JAMES B. RESTON, 3124 Woodley Road; "New York Times".

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In view of the fact that it has been established that the address 3124 Woodley Road, is that of the well-known correspondent, JAMES B. "SCOTTY" RESTON, no further action is being taken in this matter.

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