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INFORMATION FILE NO

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F [REDACTED]

5 May 53

Unknown Soviet Drug

At an American OPS house, run by [REDACTED] in 1949, seven Soviet defectors were given an unknown poison by a Soviet agent who escaped. The victims were saved by prompt medical attention, but they had recurrent milder attacks. [REDACTED] who began getting symptoms of her fatal illness shortly after the event, died (recently apparently). Examinations at [REDACTED]

F/I [REDACTED] clinics identified sickness as multiple sclerosis. The autopsy contradicted the analysis but failed to identify the illness which caused partial dissection of brain tissues. Now [REDACTED] husband, [REDACTED], is developing similar symptoms. Request is made to locate the seven defectors and find out what has happened to them.

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RETYPE FOR CLARITY

3 DEFECTORS NOW AT <sup>F</sup> [REDACTED] AND <sup>F</sup> [REDACTED] INFORMATION  
BEING COMPILED AND ARRANGEMENTS BEING MADE MEDICAL  
EXAMINATION ALL SUBJECTS. WILL ADVISE.

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RETYPE FOR CLARITY

CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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Radio

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OPERATIONAL INFORMATION... WILL ADVISE

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S/C: PLEASE INQUIRE FOR ANY USES OF INFORMATION:

MEDICAL TREAT

[REDACTED] G

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[REDACTED] G

...with [REDACTED] G

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[REDACTED] G

[REDACTED] G

[REDACTED]

RETYPE FOR CLARITY

1. COMPLETELY DEBRIEF [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] ON  
POISONING WHILE IN [REDACTED] PLUS THEIR  
KNOWLEDGE OF EFFECTS ON OTHERS IN GROUP.  
POSSIBLY NEW SOVIET POISON USED.

2. [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] MAKE COMPLETE MEDICAL  
AND PSYCHIATRIC EXAM ON EFFECTS FROM TIME OF  
POISONING TO PRESENT.

3. ANSWER SOONEST.

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

[REDACTED]

OPERATING OFFICE

116

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

1971

[REDACTED]

SECRET

03519

[REDACTED]

AND [REDACTED]

IN PERSONS WITH

[REDACTED]

OF OFFICES IN GROUP. POSSIBLE

1971

[REDACTED]

AND [REDACTED]

MAD OFFICE

PSYCHIATRIC

FOR INFORMATION

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7 MAY 1953

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DIRECTOR, CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

FURTHER

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CONFIDENTIAL

[REDACTED]

DIR 03572

TO:

[REDACTED]

CITE: DIR

[REDACTED] A  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

1. AT STATION'S DISCRETION [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] SHOULD DETERMINE

RELEVANT CIRCUMSTANCES AND EFFECTS OF THEIR POISONING IN [REDACTED]

TO OBTAIN COMPLETE MEDICAL AND PSYCHIATRICAL HISTORIES TO AID IN IDENTIFYING

POSSIBLE NEW SOVIET POISON.

2. ALSO OBTAIN COMPLETE NARRATIVE STATEMENTS RE ALL CIRCUMSTANCES

Surrounding Poisoning.

Approved: [REDACTED]  
Date: 1 JUN 53

[REDACTED]

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MAY 1953

OUT 61169

[REDACTED]

DIRECTOR, CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

ROUTING

2117Z 14 MAY 53

[REDACTED]

IR 01295

INFO:

CITE: DOR

[REDACTED]

1. OUR IMPRESSION [REDACTED] EMPLOYED BY [REDACTED] AND ENTIRE POISONING CASE OCCURRED [REDACTED] JURISDICTION.

2. AT PRESENT INVESTIGATING CASE HISTORIES DEFECTORS AND DUE PAST DEROGATORY INFORMATION [REDACTED] DESIRE FURTHER CHECK STORY [REDACTED] MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS.

PLEASE ADVISE NAMES DOCTORS ATTENDING [REDACTED] FOR OUR INVESTIGATION.

3. SHOULD INVESTIGATION SHOW POSSIBILITY CONFIRMED SYMPTOMS SOFIST REDUCED DISEASE WOULD BE GREATLY INTERESTED EXAMPLE IN DETAIL INCLUDING EXAMINATION

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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TO: DIRECTOR CIA

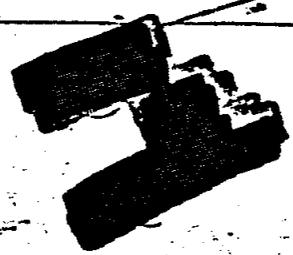
FROM: [REDACTED] F/ [REDACTED]

ROUTINE

ACTION: [REDACTED] G 2254Z 13 MAY 53

INFORMATION: [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] F/ [REDACTED] TO: DIR CITE: [REDACTED] F/ [REDACTED]



MEDIC [REDACTED] RE: DIR 55569 (OUT 55851)

F/I A 1. [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] DEBRIEFED AND EXAMINED AS REQUESTED BY [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED] A

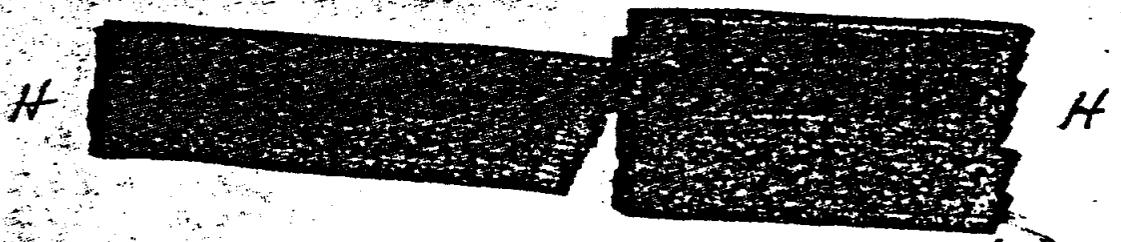
2. NO REASON TO BELIEVE ANY NEW OR POTENT POISON INVOLVED.

3. FURTHER DETAILS SUPPLIED BY [REDACTED] ON RETURN. A

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END OF MESSAGE

Date 1 JUN 1978



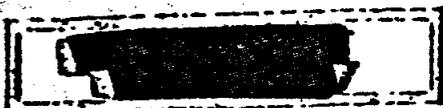
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ROUTINE

1500Z 21 MAY 53

TO: *G* *O* *G*

FROM:

TO: DIR

INFO: *F*

CITE: *A*

RE: DIR 04297

*F*

1. POISONING WAS DONE IN TWO SAFE HOUSES, ONE OURS, ONE *J*

2. ATTENDED BY NEUROLOGIST LAND OF *I*

CLINIC, DR. OF *I*

DR. OF CLINIC.

3. LEAVING BY PLANE FOR HOME 24 MAY AND CAN

BE REACHED C/O *D*

YOU CAN NOTIFY HIM ON RESULTS INVESTIGATION DIRECTLY.

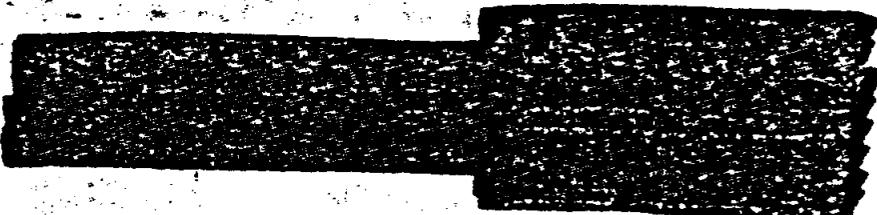
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COMMENT: APPARENTLY WRONG REF. SEE DIR 04295 *OUR*

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