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Washington, D.C. 20535 February 11, 2011

Subject: FILE NUMBER 105-HQ-14562

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☑ See additional information which follows.

Sincerely yours,

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David M. Hardy Section Chief Record/Information Dissemination Section Records Management Division

Enclosure(s)

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DATE: August 8, 1952 A. H. Bel W. A. Branigan FROM: SUBJECT: ATOM BOMB IN UNKNOWN CONSULATE, NEW YORK-CITY INTERNAL SECURITY - R PURPOSE: The captioned file is maintained in the Confidential Room, Room 6527. To recommend the continued maintenance of this file in the Confidential Room. DETAILS: Investigation conducted in this case is predicated on information supplied by who arrived in Brazil said the in the Summer of 1950. Soviets have placed an atom bomb in a consulate, the identity of which he did not learn, in New York City

to be detonated at such time as the Soviets consider expedient.

This file is maintained in the Confidential Room inasmuch as during the course of our investigation we asked several questions of the Atomic Energy Commission with respect to

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None of the information relative to the physical characteristics or the manner of assembling of the atom bomb has been disseminated.

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It is further recommended this file continue to be maintained in Room 6527.

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Mr. W. C. Sullivan

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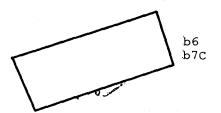
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IN NEW YORK CITY

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The above captioned file is presently maintained in the Special File Room of the Records Branch, Files and Communications Division. You are requested to have the substantive supervisor, responsible for this matter, review the file to determine if it is necessary to continue to maintain the file in the Special File Room, or whether it may be returned to the regular file sequence. The appropriate notation should be made on this memorandum which should be returned to the Filing Unit, Room 1113 IB. This memorandum will be filed in the case file to record the action taken in connection with this review.

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This will confirm oral advice furnished to b7C by a representative of this Bureau on May 28, 1954, the meeting of the Joint IIC-ICIS Committee on Countermocoures.

A reliable confidential informant has stated that in March, 1964, representatives of the Communist Party of Mexico informed local Communist Party leaders in the state of Pensulipse that the Polish Legation in Mesico City plane to see that small bembs, even stemis bembs, are smuggled into the United States to sause sabetage. It was reported that Soviet submarines could bring these bembs to the west coust of Mexico and return to their bases without refueling. It was also reliably reported that the Polish Legation in Mozice City had saked the Communist Party in Mesico for photographs of areas on the west coust of Mexico, "capecially baye with cause in the mountains." Referral/Direct ICE

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The Bureau agrees with your decision to place the captioned case in a closed status. You are instructed, however, to continue periodic contacts with your sources who might have information of this nature and further, to expand your inquiry to cover all establishments under Seviet er satellite control in the Ion should periodically check with informants and sources of information who have knowledge of Soutet and satellite establishments and submit the results of your survey to the Bureau under the caption "Smuggling of Atomic Bombe and Parts Thereof and Ather Foopens of Muse Destruction into the United States. (Bureau file 117-268).

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The following two items are being brought to the attention of the Bureau in that they may have some bearing instant matter:

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The 2/11/52 New York "World Telegram and Sun" carried an article captioned "Ace Squads Guard Ports for A-Bomb Smugglers" by the United Press, datelined Washington, 2/11/52. This article related that key personnel of customs searching squads at principal US seaports have been given a special course on atomic weapons by the Atomic Energy Commission at the Sandia Base, Albuquerque, New Mexico. The article further stated, among other things, that personnel of the US Customs, particularly the searching personnel, had been alerted for the unauthorized entry of unconventional weapons of war including A-bombs and parts thereof.

The following appeared in the 3/10/52 issue of "Newsweek", under the column known as "The Periscope":

1 Sincy "US atomic scientists have received reports that J- 23 - J2 though the Russians have exploded several A-bembs, none was owny designed for dropping from a plane. The explosions were from 6-/8-(1 specially rigged towers. The Soviets evidently haven't yet developed a mechanism for dropping the bomb and having it go off at a predetermined height. 7-11-52

In accordance with rebulet, in a reasonable length of time Infliffiants and sources of information who may be in a position to furnish information concerning this matter and who have been appropriately alerted will be renontacted.

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Bureau of Customs

Wilkins Building

1512 H Street, N. W.

Weekington, D. C.

Attentions

Mr. Chester A. Emerick

Deputy Commissioner

From:

John Edgar Hoover - Director

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject:

APONIC BOMB IN UNKHOWN CONSULATE.

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Transmitted herewith is a photostatic copy of the dated December 11, 1951, report of Special Agent at New York City, which contains information that may be of interest to you.

You will be advised of the pertinent developments connection with this inquiry.

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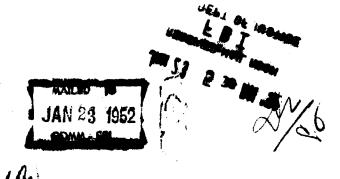
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Corrected pages of rerep have previously been furnished to your office by routing slip. It will be noted that the status has been changed from Closed to Pending Inactive. The Bureau is of the opinion you should periodically check your informants and sources of information who may be in a position to furnish information concerning the captioned matter.

By letter dated November 15, 1951, the New York Office advised that local Customs authorities had been requested to maintain a lookeut for a period of three months for incoming shipments under diplomatic seal which appear to be suspiciously heavy in proportion to their dimensions.

The Bureau desires that you report the results of this surmey upon the completion thereof.

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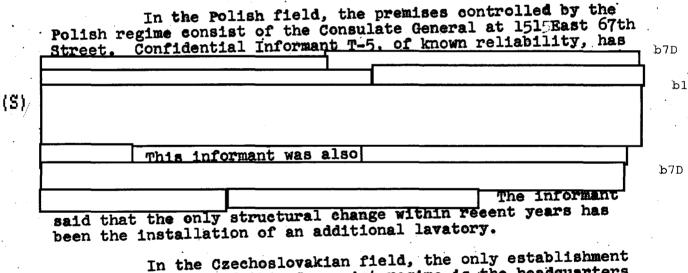
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The fourth Soviet controlled establishment in the New York area is the estate at Glen Cove, Long Island. No information was available regarding whether or not atomic weapon components have been received or are stored at this establishment.



In the Czechoslovakian field, the only establishment under the control of this Communist regime is the headquarters of the Czechoslovak United Nations Delegation at 6 East 67th Street. Confidential Informant T-6, of known reliability, has

ported no indication of any atomic or other suspicious materials being received or stored at the Delegation.

In the Hungarian field, there was no establishment in New York City under the control of the Hungarian regime during the period mentioned by A Consulate has, however, been opened in recent months at 11 East 84th Street. No information is available as to whether or not this building is used

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In the fields of the other Soviet satelite regimes, such as Albania, Rumania, and the Communist regime of San Marco, there are no premises in New York City at the present time under the control of these regimes. The Republic of San Marco did maintain a consulate at 90 Rockefeller Plaza for a time, but this is no longer in energies. but this is no longer in operation.

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Reference is made to your memorendum of Bosember 4. 1951, entitled as above, to the attention of Mr. Whearty, in which you maquested to be advised whether the Department can at this time furnish the Bureau with appropriate instructions as to the mainly and procedure to be followed by representatives as to the stidy and precedure to be followed by representatives of the FR and of Customs in the event a shipment of diplomatic beggage from one of the Tron Curtains countries of suspicious weight or commissions is noted.

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The New York Office is of the opinion further evaluation of the information furnished by may possibly be made if detailed answers to the following questions are obtained:	b6 b7C
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To date, the Bureau has made no dissemination of the foregoing information.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that this memorandum be directed to the Liaison Unit with the request to discuss the foregoing with the appropriate official in the Atomic Energy

Commission. Detailed answers to the questions set forth above should be obtained and AEC requested to furnish such suggestions as might aid in the location of an assembled atomic weapon, assuming the approximate location of the weapon is known.

If you agree, the attached letter to the New York Office is submitted for your approval.

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For your information, the policy to be followed in the event custome afficials discover a chipment of suspicious weight traveling under diplomatic seal, has been placed before the Interdepartmental founities on Internal growthy. To do to the families has not supplied an answer.

Pending the receipt of advice in this matter from the Interdepartmental Committee on Internal Security, you should notify the Durocu by the most expeditious means in the egent you are notified by encions officials of a shipment of suspicious weight traveling under diplomatic seal.

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Re NY letter 10/8/51.

Effort has been made to determine, through Customs sources, the extent to which unusually large or heavy shipments have been made under diplomatic seal to the Soviet and satellite establishments in this termitory. Due to the fact that such shipments are privileged, however, and are described in Customs declarations only as so many pieces of diplomatic material, without mention of weight, dimensions or contents, it has not been possible to learn anything of possible significance to this matter.

We are requesting the local Customs authorities to maintain a lookout, for a period of three months, for incoming shipments, under diplomatic seal, which appear to be suspiciously heavy in proportion to their dimensions. At the end of the three-month period, the matter will be reviewed to determine the usefulness of the Customs watch.

Advice is now requested as to whether the Bureau can ascertain from the state Department the policy that may be received, in the event customs should discover a shipment of succious weight.

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The questions set forth in relet dated 9-29-51 have been reviewed and from information available at the Bureau, the fallowing observations are made:

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For your further information, the Sureau has asked the Itemio Barryy Commission for detailed comments on the questions which you set out in relet dated 9-89-51

of this information from the Atomic Energy Commission,

It is believed advisable at this time for the New York Office to submit the results of the survey conducted to date in a report, suitable for dissemination.

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	With further respect to information that diplomatic pouches were being used for the shipment of parts, it appears unlikely that the Russians, who control directly all atomic energy activity within their area, would permit the pouches of satelite Governments to be used for this purpose. The trend, as indicated by the press reports and our own investigations, has been in the direction of increasing Soviet control over the various functions of the satelite regimes rather than in the opposite direction. The same trend seems to indicate that the Russians would not be likely to allow bomb components to be stored in places in New York which were not under direct Soviet control.	
3	While the extent of Soviet production of fissionable materials is not definitely known, it appears from press reports that their production is not great enough to permit dispersal of such material abroad at this time or during the period indicated by information.	
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As against the foregoing factors, there appear to be certain other considerations which tend to indicate that information may be true.	b6 b7C
As the Bureau has pointed out, the Atomic Energy Commission has indicated that it would be physically possible for parts of an atomic weapon to be shipped into the United States separately, and, thereafter, assembled. In addition, there are a number of premises available to the Russians within New York City for the collection, storage, and assembling of components, if they should wish to do so. The various possibilities in this connection are considered below. Consideration has not been limited to buildings formally designated as Consulates, but has also included other types of agencies which are under Russian or satelite control.	
In the Russian field, there are four known premises available. Foremost, is the Soviet U.N. Delegation. has been followed closely, but has furnished no information tending to indicate the pressure.	b2 b71

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The Tass Office in Rockefeller Center is likewise under direct Soviet control. No definite information is available from which a conclusion can be reached as to whether these premises are or have been used for the storage of components. It does not appear likely, however, that this space would be used for the purpose of storing components inasmuch as it is leased commercial office space and is not under exclusive Soviet control.

no information tending to indicate the presence of atomic components, within this building. There is also one live seurce of information regarding the interior of this building who is in the course of being checked at the present time.

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The fourth structure available to the Soviets in New York is the estate at Glen Cove, Long Island. These premises are under exclusive Soviet control. No information has been developed from which a conclusion can be reached as to whether or not these premises are or have been used for the storage of components.

In the Polish field, there is one structure, the Consulate General, which is under the exclusive control of the Polish Regime. b7D through and during all of the pertinent period, but have received no information which tends to indicate that components have been in the building at any time. A discreet inquiry has been made of Sec. Inft. to determine whether any structural changes b1 have been made in the building or etc., are known to be informant has indicated that the only structural change has been the installation of an additional lavatory. The informant reported that approximately one year ago! b1

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In the course of considering the possibilities in the Polish field, consideration has been given to the information furnished by the Bureau in its letter of October 10, 1951, in the case entitled, "Polish Intelligence Activities in the United States; Internal Security - R and Po," to the effect that Ambassador intends to bring into the United States some armor-plated cabinets for the use of one of the Polish Consulates. This matter will be followed and effort will be made through informants to determine the destination and contents of these cabinets if they should be brought to the United States.

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Letter to the Director b2 In the Czechoslovakian field, there has been a building under the exclusive control of this satelite regime b6 b7C throughout the pertinent period, namely, the building which now houses the Czech United Nations Delegation and which formerly contained also the Czech Consulate General. There is b2 at the present time. nas, however, furnished information regardb7D ing the establishment throughout the period, but has reported nothing which tends to indicate that the building is being used for the storage of fissionable material or other atomic components. b6 In the Hungarian field, it is noted that there was b7C pe premises under exclusive Hungarian control during most of the pertinent period. With the recent opening of a Hungarian Consulate General at 11 East 84th Street, there is now such a structure in the city. This building is leased from the owner, and, hence, it may be said not to be under complete Hungarian control. No information is available at the present time from which a determination can be made as to whether this building is now being used for the storage of atomic b6 components. b7C In the Albanian, Rumanian, Bulgarian and San Marino fields, it is noted that there are no diplomatic establishments or representatives of any of these regimes in the city at the present time. In addition, most of these regimes hade no representation in the city during most of the pertinent period. The Yugoslav establishments have been considered, but due to the existing political situation between the Titoist and Cominform factions, it is believed unlikely that any of the Yugoslav establishments would be used for the purpose bб mentioned in information. b7C b6 b7C

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Such additional live informants in the various satelite establishments as are available are being checked. In addition, efforts are being made through the Customs Service to determine the extent to which unusually large or vice to determine the extent to which unusually large or heavy shipments have been made under diplomatic seal to these establishments. The Bureau will be informed of the results.

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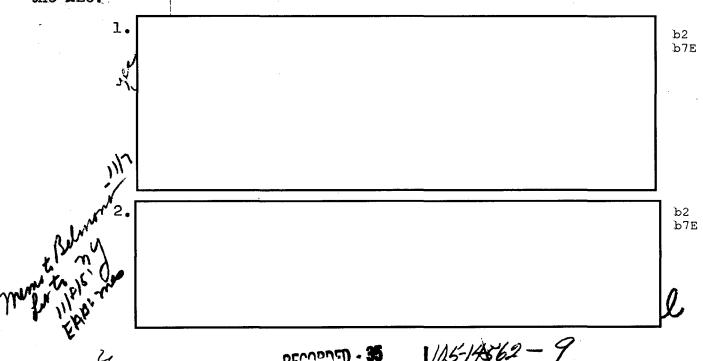
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Rebulet 9/17/51.

Preliminary evaluation of the information furnished in relet suggests two possibilities: (1) The information may be true, in which case we have a major security menace on our hands; or (2) the information may be false. In the latter case the possiblity exists of it having been disseminated from a Communist source for the purpose of producing panic. It is even possible, if the information is false, that it was disseminated in the hope of finding out what we would do in such a situation; that is, what means we would take to find out if it is true, what informants we may have in various Consulates, etc.

Further evaluation of the information may possibly be made if the Bureau can secure answers to the following questions from the AEC:



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For the time being, the only action that appears possible to this office is to inquire of all logical informants and also to alert certain Agents as to the information which has been received.

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Very truly yours

Dear Sir:

Attached are two copies of a letter from the São Paulo American Consulate to this Embassy, with the caption "Atomic Bomb in Soviet Consulate New York."

This is being forwarded as of possible importance, but no investigation will be conducted by this office in the absence of specific instructions by the Bureau.

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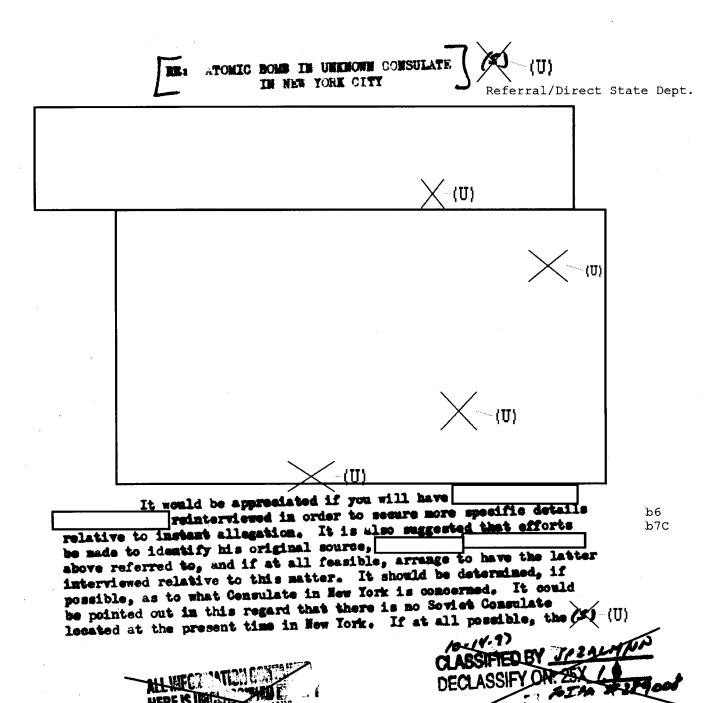
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John Edgar Hoover, Birector Federal Bureau of Investigation

Aubject:

SMUGGLING OF ATOMIC WRAPONS OR PARTS

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This will confirm eral advice furnished to b7C by a representative of this Bureau on May 28, 1954, the meeting of the Joint IIC-ICIS Countities on Counternecourse.

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h2 United Nations, housed at 680 Park Avenue, advised that nothing has come to his attention which would indicate that atomic material was being stored or assembled at 680 Park Avenue. Confidential Informant T-2. of known reliability, b7D Soviet-controlled Amtorg Trading Corporation, 49 West 37th Street, advised that nothing has come to his attention which would indicate that atomic material was being stored or an atomic bomb being assembled at the above address. Confidential Informant T-3, of known reliability, b7D Soviet News Agency, Tass, located at 90 Rockefeller Plaza, advised that he has observed nothing indicative of atomic material being stored or brought into the country clandestinely. Confidential Informant T-4, of known reliability, Polish b7D Consulate, 151 East 67th Street, advised that nothing has come to his attention indicative of atomic materials being smuggled into the United States. Confidential Informant T-5, of known reliability, b7D Czechoslovakian United Nations Delegation at Six East 67th Street, advised that nothing has been brought to his attention indicative of the above address being used to store atomic materials. The Hungarian Consulate which was located at 11 East 84th Street was opened about June 15, 1951, and was closed about December 31, 1951, A / / Referral/Consult DOE/AEC

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The Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

James M. Melmerney, Assistant Attorney General, Original Division SMUGGLING OF ATOMIC BOMBS OR PARTS THEREOF INTO THE DILLED STATES

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Anteronce is made to your memorendum of December 4, 1951, entitled as above, to the attention of Mr. Whearty, in which you requested to be advised whether the Department can at this time furnish the Bureau with appropriate instructions May and procedure to be followed by representatives as to the place and procedure to be followed by representatives of the FR and of Customs in the event a shipment of diplomatic beggage from one of the Tron Curtains countries of suspicious weight or manufors is noted.

Water date of Becember 5, 1951, the ICIS Subcommittee on Foreign Miplomatic and Official Personnel submitted a report on this maker in substance recommending that the present practice with regard to unlimited weight and examination of diplomatic pauches and baggage remain unaltered. The Justice Department representative on the Subsammittee submitted a minority report. These reports remain to be examined by the Standing Committee and by the ECIS, and you will be immediately advised when any final action thereon is taken.

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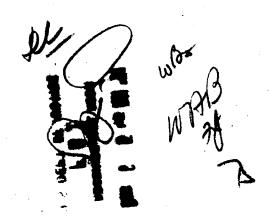
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The questions set forth in relet dated 9-29-51 have been reviewed and from information available at the Bureau, the fallowing observations are made:

For your further information, the Sureau has asked the Atomic Energy Commission for detailed comments on the questions which you set out in relet dated 9-89-51

of this information from the Atomic Energy Commission, you will be immediately advised.

It is believed advisable at this time for the New York Office to submit the results of the survey conducted to date in a report, suitable for dissemination.

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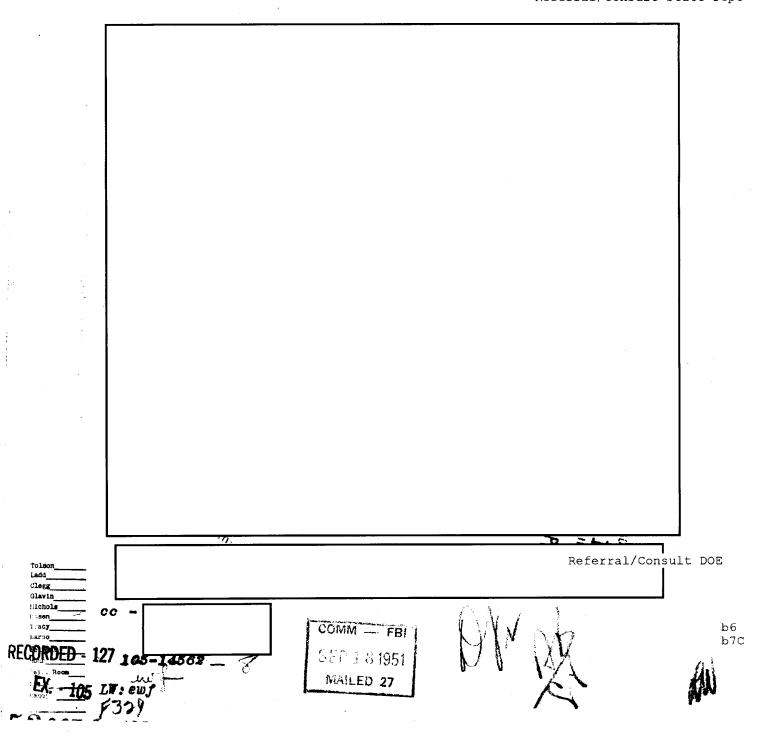
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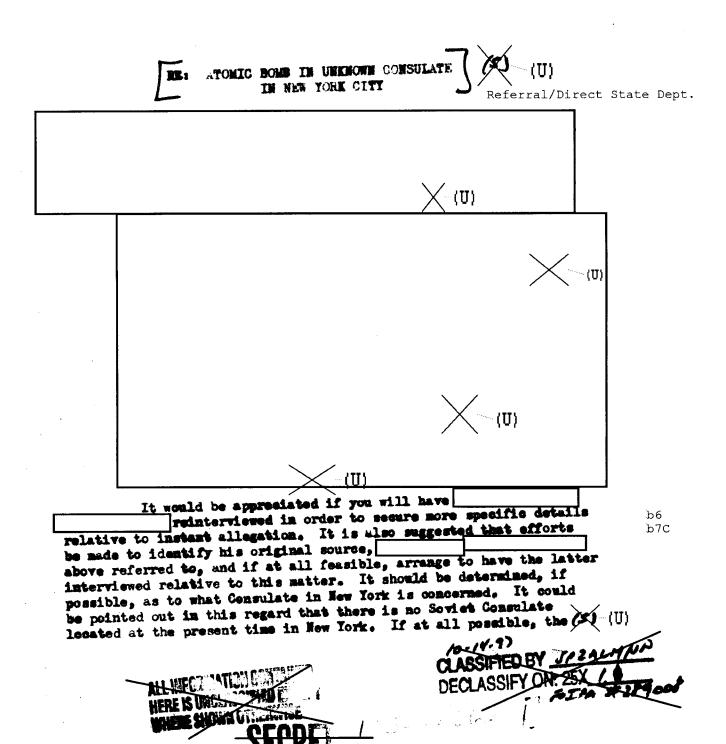
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