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670.

4.11.65. Copy of letter to G.C.H.Q. re GRIEFFENHAGEN 670a

671.

11.11.65. From [redacted] enclosing copies of two letters to CAIRNCROSS from [redacted] 671

672.

29.11.65. To [redacted] 672a

673.

Copy to PF.606,847.

~~D.3.~~

With reference to our conversation this afternoon I find that John Street, who examined CAIRNCROSS' Indiv. file in February 1964 recorded the following piece of information:-

2. In November 1939 after CAIRNCROSS had been in the Treasury for about a year he called to see Mr. Mallet to ask whether the Foreign Office would have him back; he wrote the next day suggesting that he might be taken back on trial for a year and added that if "his work was quite ~~that~~ good but not quite good enough he hoped the Foreign Office would use their good offices to help him to obtain a post in the Code School or P.S.O.". He then added that if this was unacceptable he would like a post in the Foreign Relations Section of the Ministry of Economic Warfare.

3. John Street suggested at the time that with hindsight this looked like Russian direction. What occurred to me is that this might have some relevance to the possible recruitment or attempted recruitment of GRIEFFENHAGEN.

4. I attach PF.606,847 for GRIEFFENHAGEN which you may like to see.



E. McBarnet

D.1./Inv.
2.12.65.

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675.

22.12.65. Note for file.

675a

Encl. 12/11
676.

D.G. through D.D.G. through D.

You may care to see serial 675a. This is an account of my trip to Paris to see John CAIRNCROSS.

2. We have still not identified OTTO. From his description he still does not appear to be DEUTSCH, although it would appear to be likely that he left the country at the time of the GLADING case.

3. CAIRNCROSS' handling during the 1951 crisis appears to be distinctly odd. We are doing a detailed analysis of it.

Peter M. Wright

D.3.

Peter M. Wright

10.1.66

Encl. 12/11
677.

D.G. through D.D.G.

Please see minute 676. I do not think this interview has taken us much further although CAIRNCROSS' account of the Russian reactions after Arthur Martin saw him in 1951 is certainly interesting.

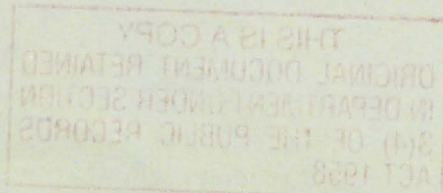
I greatly doubt whether there is the slightest chance of getting KLUGMAN to break - confrontation or no.

A.M. MacDonald

A.M. MacDonald

D.

11th January 1966



678.

D.G. 14/1

I share your doubts about the chances of getting KLUGMAN to speak, but the prize is of course enormous. I have no doubt that any plan to approach KLUGMAN should be discussed with F Branch.

D.G.

A.2. F. ...

14.1.66.

14.1.66

D.G. Loose Minute

678c

679.

D.3/PMW

Reference to the suggestion that KLUGMAN should be interviewed, I think you should know that this question was aired at the time of the CAIRNCROSS confession in early 1964. Serial 576a and Minutes 577 to 584 inclusive of PF.45,597 for KLUGMAN (which is attached) refer.

E. McBarnet

E. McBarnet

D.1/Inv

18th January, 1966.

680

18.1.66
1.2.66
21.2.66

Copy of note for file
Ext from interview report
Loose Minute to DG from B3

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4.2.66.

From [redacted]

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4.5.66.

From [redacted]

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10.5.66. From [redacted] 683. 683a

11.5.66. To CAIRNCROSS. 684. 684a

18.5.66. Telegram from CAIRNCROSS. 686. 686a

19.5.66. From CAIRNCROSS. 687. 687a

23.5.66. Note for file. 688. 688a

24.5.66. To CAIRNCROSS. 689. 689a

13.6.66 From CAIRNCROSS 691. 691a

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5.7.66. Copy of F.l.A. minute.

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19.9.66. To CAIRNCROSS.

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29.9.66 From CAIRNCROSS.

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21.11.66. From CAIRNCROSS. 698a

699.
24.11.66. To CAIRNCROSS. 699a

700.
1.12.66. From CAIRNCROSS. 700a

701.
29.12.66. Note for file. 701a

702.
7.4.67. From CAIRNCROSS. 702a

703.
11.5.67. Telegram to CAIRNCROSS. 703a

704.
12.5.67. To CAIRNCROSS. 704a

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705.

L.A.

Please see John CAIRNCROSS' letter to me at 702a. It is now 15 years since CAIRNCROSS broke the Official Secrets Act. I feel that we should consider whether anything can be done to enable him to visit the U.K. I understand that he has no desire to live here again but it is embarrassing from the point of view of his employment. There are many other spies who have not had to go through the penance that CAIRNCROSS has. Some of their names are well known to you! CAIRNCROSS has been completely co-operative with us and has done his best to help us, unlike certain other individuals. I believe that he has told us the whole truth within the capability of his memory. He is still useful as a minor source.

2. What do you think?

*P.M. Wright*D.3.Peter M. Wright

12.5.67

13.5.67.

Telegram from CAIRNCROSS.

705b

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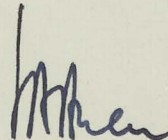
D.3.

The situation does not seem to have changed materially since I wrote minute 649. This was at a time when you contemplated getting CAIRNCROSS to the United Kingdom for a confrontation with BLUNT. The fundamental question is: could we, in the light of what was done about informing Ministers and others at the time of CAIRNCROSS' original confession to Arthur Martin, refrain from reporting to the D.P.P. if we knew that he was about to visit this country? I think this would have to be referred to the D.G. for a decision.

2. Of course, reporting to the D.P.P. would not have the automatic consequence of CAIRNCROSS being prosecuted. There is presumably still no/admissible evidence against him. If he declined to make a confession to a police officer questioning him under the usual cautions, I cannot see that he would be in jeopardy.

/independent

Secretariat


 J.A. Allen.

15.5.67

16.5.67

Note for file.

707.

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708.

D.G.

Please see minutes 705 and 706 and serial 707a. From my conversation with CAIRNCROSS it is apparent that he is getting into difficulties with F.A.O., in that he is likely to be sent to this country on F.A.O. business and he does not know how long he can hold this off.

2. Could I have your view before I go to see CAIRNCROSS on Thursday of next week, what you would like me to say to him?

3. I am still hopeful of using CAIRNCROSS in an operation against KLUGMANN one day, and would like to keep him in play.

Peter M. Wright

D.3.

Peter M. Wright

16.5.67

709

PMW
D.3.

We discussed this with D.D.G. and John Allen yesterday evening. I consider that you must tell CAIRNCROSS that the situation has not changed. You do not know whether he would be prosecuted if he came to the U.K. since the matter would not be in your hands. He has admitted that he committed serious offences and therefore would come here at his peril.

D.G.

D. G.

18th May 1967

18.5.67.	From CAIRNCROSS.	710.	710z
19.5.67.	Note for file.		710a
		711	
24.5.67.	F2 Note for File.		711a
		712.	
28.5.67.	From CAIRNCROSS.		712a
		713.	
31.5.67.	Note for file.		713a
3.8.67.	Extract from note of interview.		713b
		714.	
8.8.67.	From CAIRNCROSS.		714a
		715.	
17.8.67.	To CAIRNCROSS.		715a
		716.	
22.8.67.	From CAIRNCROSS.		716a
		717.	
? 8.67.	From CAIRNCROSS.		717a

	718.	
11.9.67.	To CAIRNCROSS.	718a
	719.	
12.9.67.	Extract from record of meeting.	719a
	720.	
28.9.67.	Note for file.	720a
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9.10.67.	Note of interview.	721a
	722.	
20.10.67	D.3. Source Report.	722a
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20.10.67.	D.3. source report.	723a
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15.11.67	D.3. source report.	724a
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22.11.67	D.3. source report.	725a

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Part 1.

Section and Officer of origin D.3/BP Report No. 43

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REPORT

Source, who worked for a time at Bletchley during the war, has commented that a young man, whose name he could not remember, joined them at Bletchley from Oxford, went back and told his tutor all about the work he was doing. He had left-wing sympathies and was indignant at the withholding of information from Russia. He was sacked.

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COMMENTS BY CONSUMER SECTION

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22.11.6

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Part 1.

Section and Officer of origin...D.3/BP.....Report No.....41.....
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REPORT

Source, who was a Communist at Cambridge in the mid-1930's, and who has admitted to working for the R.I.S., was recently given the name of Margaret RAMSEY among a list of names for comment. Source stopped at this name and said he had vague recollections she might have been involved in some way in espionage but he could not be more definite. He was asked if he was possibly confusing her with Lettice RAMSEY and said "No, no, I know Lettice".

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Part 1.

Section and Officer of origin D.3./PMW Report No. 39

Action copy to PF 296,798 Information copy to Typing Date 20.10.67.
GORDON.

REPORT

Source, who has admitted working for the R.I.S. during his Government service, and who was a Communist at Trinity College, Cambridge in the mid- 1930 's, said that Hugh GORDON was very active in the Party group. He was reported to be queer. Source did not exclude the possibility of GORDON's having been recruited for espionage, but he had nothing definite to say on this point.

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Part II.

COMMENTS BY SECTION OF ORIGIN

Source is reliable on the whole, although he tends to get his memories muddled. His confusions, however, are usually over names rather than facts. He is not himself homosexual.

Part III.

COMMENTS BY CONSUMER SECTION

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Part 1.

Section and Officer of origin D.3./PMW. Report No. 37

Action copy to D.1.Inv./MLBW for Information copy to PP 717,886 Typing Date 20.10.1

REPORT

Source, who has admitted working for the R.I.S. during his Government service, said that his Russian controller was not really interested in R.1. of S.I.S. (This was towards the end of the war.) He warned Source against revealing his true views to FOOTMAN, who he said was not true to the cause. Source commented that he, Source, thought that FOOTMAN was a good political reporter and very fair.

Source remembered discussing with the Russians a man in R.1. [REDACTED] This man is now a [REDACTED] was probably on the Balkan Desk in R.1. He came from S.O.E.

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F2 / Mr. Shipp

+ Mr. Blackburn

Bridget

Kane ¹²¹¹ / 110.

Thank you Col

To see - + return

to me please.

Bridget - Palliser

D3

10.10.67.

L.A. Chandler

721a

To see 721a, particularly para. 2.

Bridget Palliser

for P.M. Wright.

D.3.

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M.H.

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Note on Interview of CAIRNCROSS

by D.3/Mr. P.M. Wright in Paris on 19.9.67.

I saw CAIRNCROSS on 19.9. He seemed in better health and spirits than the last time I saw him. He had had an operation in Switzerland to repair damage to his face suffered in a car accident and he appeared as a result to be breathing better. I gave him lunch and then went back with him to his hotel, the Hotel des Balcons, and spent three hours in discussion.

2. The first subject taken was that of his own position. I said that this was as before: if he came to the U.K. he would be approached by a police officer to make a statement. It was therefore advisable for him not to come if he wished to avoid unpleasantness. He took this philosophically and was very grateful we had not hounded him round Europe but had left him to earn his living and pursue his academic studies. He had no intention of coming to the U.K. but was worried about what would happen if he were required to come here in the course of his work. I suggested we cross that river when we came to it. He asked about the situation with regard to America. I said I was unable to do anything about that; it lay outside my province. I very much doubted if the Americans would let him in. CAIRNCROSS then said that he would come to the U.K. on his personal initiative only if there were some form of family crisis, for instance if his brother were seriously ill. I said it would be up to him, in that case, to face the consequences. This, he said, he would be perfectly prepared to do.

3. I spoke next on the subject of Bletchley. I told him we suspected that there was another spy at Bletchley reporting on the German Order of Battle. CAIRNCROSS said that he had been working on the editing side of the air material, and that his controller, Robert (= Henry = GORSKY) had found it very interesting. He said that he had been commended for information he had passed which had been useful in the Battle of Kharkov. I asked him for more detail on this. He said that his analysis had shown there would be a major German air attack on Kharkov just before the land attack. He had been able to give Robert details of the distribution of the German planes, the airfields they would fly from etc. Robert told him that as a result of his information they had been able to inflict defeat and that over 400 German planes had been destroyed. CAIRNCROSS emphasized that the information which he had related to air forces, not ground, except incidentally. He had the impression that the major part of G.C.&C.S.'s information relating to the Eastern front was Air Force. He said there was a direct line to the War Office and the Air Ministry and if we were looking for a spy we should also look in these two departments. I asked him whether anything happened at Bletchley to make him suspicious that anybody else was in "the game". He said he remembered one occasion when they had some very good information on German air dispositions. There was a discussion in which (sic) showed great

anxiety.../

Probably Robert
was Under-Sec. in Aviation.

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anxiety to get this to the Russians and indignation that it was not being passed to them. CAIRNCROSS had the feeling that [redacted] might have been saying this deliberately, knowing that there were left-wing people there who might help in this direction - as CAIRNCROSS himself in fact was doing.

4. I told CAIRNCROSS that our information suggested that the leak to the Russians, if it was taking place, concerned intelligence which was geographically limited, from one part of Europe only. He said that there was no geographical limitation at Bletchley on the editing side - they dealt with functional matters. A leak of information geographically limited suggested it might come from the technical side, which was divided to deal with different stations, each tasked to an individual radio circuit. He commented that one of the people he remembered in this field was [redacted] possibly left-wing,

[redacted] CAIRNCROSS doubted very much, however, whether anybody in the technical section would have been able to make sense of the intelligence he was decrypting, as so much of it was in a pro-forma arrangement. In his view we should look for the spy in M.I.6, the War Office or the Air Ministry. He commented that a young man joined them at Bletchley from Oxford went back and told his tutor all about the work he was doing. He had left-wing sympathies and was indignant at the withholding of information from Russia. He was sacked. CAIRNCROSS could not remember his name.

6. I asked CAIRNCROSS whether he could remember anyone at Bletchley who might have been pro-Russian. He said that everyone at Bletchley was pro-Russian because of the events of the war. The particular type of person there tended to have left-wing sympathies in any case and there was a lot of enthusiasm. I asked him if he could give me any names. He mentioned three:

Hugo GATTI - the head of his watch, whom he got to know quite well.

Philip POUNSEY - now an art critic.

Douglas PARMIEE - now a don in French at Queen's or Magdalen.

He knew nothing against these three. He just felt them to be sympathisers. He apologised for not being more positive.

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7. Coming to the subject of OTTO, I asked CAIRNCROSS about the meaning of "eine bürgerliche Frau". He said it meant literally "a bourgeois wife". We discussed the story of this incident again. CAIRNCROSS emphasized that OTTO had not said whether he was referring to an individual case in the U.K. but he somehow felt that he was. I asked CAIRNCROSS if he assumed that as a result of the agent's marrying "eine bürgerliche Frau" the Russians had dropped him. He said he remembered very clearly the German expression used and, translated literally, it meant "so we laid him off after his marriage". He would interpret this as implying leaving him for some long period, say several years, after which they might, or might not, take up with him again.

8. CAIRNCROSS speculated that he first met OTTO in October 1936. During the time he knew him, OTTO went home on leave on at least one occasion. I asked him where he thought OTTO's home was and he said he presumed Russia. He met him once at the Paris Exhibition of 1937. We argued again about the date of OTTO's final disappearance. CAIRNCROSS dated it between September 1937 and March 1938. This last disappearance was completely without warning, and not to be compared with his going on leave or going to the Continent on business, in which case he would always give warning when he met CAIRNCROSS. He was originally introduced to OTTO by James KLUGMANN in Regent's Park. He said it was perfectly clear both then and at subsequent meetings with James that James knew OTTO, quite well. CAIRNCROSS saw OTTO only about six to twelve times altogether; OTTO was often away on trips abroad or on leave. He would make arrangements at one R.V. for the next and would tell CAIRNCROSS when he was not going to appear the next month. He aimed at monthly meetings but did not usually achieve so many.

9. I showed CAIRNCROSS all the photos of Arthur WYNN. He was quite positive that the Trade Union man who was introduced to him once outside Victoria Station was not WYNN. He then said he had been thinking about this and he thought this introduction took place in January 1937 when OTTO was on leave, and not after OTTO's final disappearance. He again said that James KLUGMANN was the person who introduced him. I asked him how KLUGMANN made contact with him and he said undoubtedly he rang him up. CAIRNCROSS thought OTTO had his wife with him in London and that he spent most of his time indoctrinating him into Marxism, Communism, and clandestine life. He thought they met at Hampstead Tube Station and then went to the restaurant above. OTTO visited him once at his Warwick Square flat. He always assumed that this was to check up on the truth of what CAIRNCROSS had told him. OTTO often used to tell him he was hard up at the end of the month. He did not know what OTTO's job was. He never saw him in a car, always on foot.

10. I went through the names on the attached list with CAIRNCROSS. He had comments on the following only:-

The HUMPHREY brothers. They were Communists, he met them most probably at meetings.

Noted on
PF 220305
John HUMPHREY.
N.A. on PF 764,541
Walter HUMPHREY.

Hugh.../

Hugh GORDON

S.R.
(See 723a)

Was very active in the Party group. Was reported to be queer. He did not exclude the possibility of GORDON's having been recruited for espionage, but he had nothing definite to say on this point.

NFA Michael STRAIGHT

Very much engaged in Communism.

A. BARLOW

Definitely a Communist, but a mild type, probably not in "the game".

Matthew HODGART

NFA. Previous comment of C. on H. in 1964 already in H's file PF 703839.

A very active Communist. He remembered him being praised at a meeting for work he had done.

S.R. in
PF 707,207.

John RAVEN

Mild left and probably not relevant in this context.

Brian SIMON

NFA

A great friend of BLUNT's and under his influence. A Marxist.

S.R. in
PF 72,711
(724a)

Margaret RAMSEY

CAIRNCROSS stopped at this name and said he had vague recollections she might have been involved in "the game" but he could not be more definite. I made sure he was not confusing her with Lettice RAMSEY. Noted in PF 51859 Lettice RAMSEY.

Peter VINTER Noted in PF 778,005.

Certainly a Communist. He went into the Treasury. He did not know whether he had changed his views.

Derek VAN ABBE

NFA. Source report already in PF 212875 (Van ABBE) of C's comment on him at 675a.

Definitely a Marxist, a Communist. Now in Australia.

David HUTTON PF 201,064

The name just stirred his memory in this context. He could not be more definite.

Extracted C
PF 701,776
HUBBACK

David HUBBACK

Far to the left. He assumed he was a Communist. He knew HUBBACK's sister, Diana, who was very left-wing. He met her through the Layton group.

Judith.../

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Judith HUBBACK

He did not know. But he asked her maiden name. He said he did not know a Judith FISCHER-WILLIAMS but he did know a Jennifer FISCHER-WILLIAMS at Oxford, in the Layton group, and in the Home Office. He was surprised at her Marxist views and wondered whether she was in "the game" as she was in the Home Office. He commented that she was a great friend of Montagu POLLOCK.

I asked who else was in the Layton Group besides David LAYTON. He said Jennifer FISCHER-WILLIAMS, Diana HUBBACK, Blair CUNNINGHAM, EWEN and himself.

11. I asked if he could think of his own accord of any other names. He thought he remembered a BUCKLEY (but commented that this might be another "CLARK"), who was definitely a Communist at Cambridge. He went into the Customs & Excise in the Administrative Grade in 1936 and could possibly have been in "the game".

12. I asked CAIRNCROSS why he had pointed out Jakes EWER as possibly in "the game". He said Jakes was a key figure in the Trinity Communist set-up. He had an attitude of mind suitable for a spy; he liked clandestine activity. Moreover an incident occurred which confirmed CAIRNCROSS in his feeling about Jakes: he once returned to Cambridge from the Foreign Office for some party or event, Jakes took him aside and asked him if he had anything to report. He was at that time out of touch with OTTO and he assumed that Jakes had been put up, rather like Guy BURGESS, to fill a gap. He commented that he was very frightened to think Jakes should know about his espionage and tried to give the impression he did not understand what Jakes was talking about.

Extracted to PF 606, 150 HART.
Extracted to Gen. 107/67/234
Extracted to PF 55, 637 EWER

Peter M. Wright

D.3.

Peter M. Wright

9.10,67

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List of Names Compiled
from Interview Report on
Michael WICKENS. (PF604,783.)

Leo LONG	Trinity, Cambridge. 1935 -
Ann WHEELER	
Two HUMPHREY brothers	
Richard SYNGE	Trinity, 1936.
James REEVES	Jesus College, 1931
Hugh GORDON (Shared rooms with Michael STRAIGHT)	Trinity, Cambridge
Hugh BROWN	Peterhouse, 1929 - 1933
MITCHELL	Pembroke, Cambridge
Friedrick Gerhardt FRIEDLANDER	Trinity, Cambridge
Hermann BONDI	Trinity, Cambridge 1937
John Cowdery KENDREW	Trinity, 1936 - 1939. Now Biologist at Cambridge.
William WATSON (Married Kay ARMFIELD, sometime mistress of Michael GREENBERG)	Caius, Cambridge.
WARD, W.K.	Trinity, Cambridge. 1936 - 1939
Walter Crowhurst HACON	Caius, Cambridge.
Peter ASTBURY	Trinity ^{Christ's} College, Cambridge
Andrew D. BARLOW	Trinity, Cambridge. 1936 - 1939 ?a doctor.
John Conrad WATERLOW	Now a medical doctor and professor. Trinity, 1936.
M. Stephen LINDAHL	Caius, Cambridge. 1936 - 1939
Victor KIERNAN	Trinity, 1934.
Matthew HODGART	Pembroke, 1938.
Bernard KNOZ	St. John's Cambridge, 1933-36.

Andrew KLINGHARDT

Dr. Alex WOOD

John Earle RAVEN

Trinity, 1938.

A.E.H. RAVEN @ Mrs. SAUMAREZ-SMITH

Girton. 1933 - 1936

Artur Georg Mattias LANDAU

Trinity. 1933 - 1938
SHAPE 1965

George Andrew PAUL

Trinity 1933 - 1936
Died 1962. University College, Oxford.

Henry Stanley FERNS

Trinity 1935 - 1938
Professor, Birmingham University

David SHOENBERG

Trinity 1935. Cambridge don. Research
Physicist.

Elizabeth SHOENBERG

Newnham

Brian SIMON

Trinity, 1957.

Denny A. MITCHISON

Trinity

John S.W. JARVIE

Trinity

Samuel DEVONS

Trinity, Now Manchester University.

Edmund Henry ADES

Trinity, died in the war

Peter C. HORSFALL

Queen's.

Aubrey S. EBAN

Queen's

Wolfe RUDOE

Peterhouse

Sarah VALENTINE

Newnham

Margaret Elizabeth RAMSEY

Newnham

Margaret K. OGILVIE

Newnham

Bluma DAREUSKI

Newnham

Peter F.R. VINTER	King's.
Derek Maurice Van ABBE	King's
Surendra M. KUMARAMANGALAM	King's
Eric John HOBSBAWM	King's
Graeme G.M. CHIVERS	Corpus Christi
David S. HUTTON	Clare
R.H.B. MASON	Christ's College
Jack GALLAHER	Trinity, 1937 - 1940. Now at Oxford.
Stanley CORRAN	
Feggie TRIM	

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Reference... PF. 72,493.....

Copy to PF. 204,528 CHIVERS

Note for File

GRAEME

When I saw CAIRNCROSS on 19th September I asked him about Grahame CHIVERS - his "CLARK". I said I was anxious to know why he thought CHIVERS had been in "the game". He said that at Cambridge CHIVERS was a very dedicated Communist. CAIRNCROSS was surprised when he went into the Civil Service and ceased to be a Communist. Later, when they were both in the *Civil Service, he had lunch with CHIVERS on one occasion. CAIRNCROSS deliberately put over a non-Communist line to CHIVERS about some political matter. CHIVERS was very shocked at his views and said that he would have thought they need not talk like that between themselves. It was quite clear to CAIRNCROSS that CHIVERS was still a Marxist and that being so it seemed inevitable that his position would be exploited in some way. He was quite convinced that CHIVERS was in "the game".

2. As it is exceptional for CAIRNCROSS to express such definite views about anybody in this context, I feel we should take notice of his opinion of CHIVERS.

Peter M. Wright

D.3.

Peter M. Wright

28.9.67

*CAIRNCROSS would have been in the Foreign Office, and CHIVERS in the Department of Overseas Trade.

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29.9.67

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Reference.....

719^u

For p.a. in PF.72,493.

Original in PF.604,582 vol.11 serial 582a dated 12.9.67.

Extract from:-

Record of Meeting on 5.9.67 at Brown's Hotel between Mr. P.M. Wright, Mr. P.F. Stewart, Sir Anthony BLUNT and [redacted]

Peter Wright began by informing Anthony BLUNT that he would be seeing John CAIRNCROSS in Paris in a fortnight's time. If Anthony were happy to co-operate, he would like to arrange a meeting between the two of them and John CAIRNCROSS later on in Rome. Anthony objected that he was not happy: the meeting about to take place with [redacted] was all right, but not the other one, it was somehow macabre! Peter pressed that he considered the meeting would be advantageous and that he would propose to come out for two nights in October. Before then he and Anthony would in any case have had another session here.

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Butlers,

Littley Green,

Great Waltham,

Chelmsford,

Essex.

11th September, 1967.

Dear John,

Thank you for your two letters. I have delayed answering the first one as I wanted to give you a definite time. I am unable to get to Paris until the 19th and therefore it is not possible for me to meet you earlier. Could I collect you for lunch at the Hotel des Balcons at about 12.45?

Looking forward to seeing you.

Yours sincerely,

John Cairncross, Esq.,
Hotel des Balcons,
3, Rue Casimir de la Vigne,
Paris VI.

7180
7160, 7170
DB/PF
11.9.67

7.7a
Date of receipt not noted.

Dear Peter,

I find I will be in Paris some time before the 19th
If you can possibly make it the Sunday or at least the Monday I'd be most
obliged. But it's not a must.

Yours ever

John

M. to at Hotel des Baleins
3 Rue Casimir Delangre
Paris VI

but may be away for a few days
between 10th when I
arrive and 17th.

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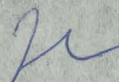
~~119/120~~ Via Armando Spadini 16
Parioli
Rome

22 8 67

Dear Peter,

September 19 would suit me fine- at the Hotel des Balcons,
Rue Casimir de la Vigne. I look forward to seeing you and to taking
the matter a stage further.

Yours sincerely



Mr Peter M Wright

D3/P
11-9

Butlers,

715a

Littley Green,

Great Waltham,

Chelmsford,

Essex.

17th August, 1967.

PF.72,493/D.3/PMW

Dear John,

Thank you for your letter. -7146

I am just going on leave for a fortnight. I shall be in Paris during the week beginning 18th September. Is there any chance that we can meet?

Yours sincerely,

(sgd) Peter

John Cairncross, Esq.,
Via Armando Spadini 16,
Parioli,
ROME.

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17/8/67

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Parioli
Rome

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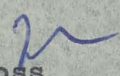
Dear Peter,

I wonder if things are moving about the scheme you had in mind. There is just a possibility that I may be put out to the field again (Africa or Latin America), in which case I would not be on hand for assistance.

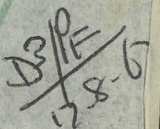
Now I know there are far more factors involved, but I thought it might be as well to mention this possibility in case there is a margin of elasticity in your arrangements. In any case, I will be in Rome for a good deal of September, though taking a couple of weeks off if possible. It might therefore be useful to try and fix up a meeting, if, of course, preparations are far enough advanced, for some date in September. August would be difficult since I am away most weekends (except this coming one, and since I am up to the neck in work this month.

I hope all goes well and that you have had a pleasant leave with some relief from official duties.

Yours ever,


John Cairncross

Mr P Wright


JSP
12-8-67

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Reference.....

7136

For P.A. in PF.72,493 CAIRNCROSS.

Original in PF.604,582 serial 573d dated 3.8.67.

Extract from Note of Meeting between Sir Anthony BLUNT and Mr. Wright on 10.7.67:-

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"On July 10th 1967 I went to see Sir Anthony BLUNT for half an hour to establish the dates of his movements. These were:-

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Saturday October 7th: BLUNT leaves for Rome until the end of the year.

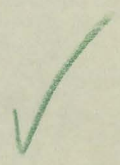
We fixed the conference with Alister to take place in the week beginning Tuesday 5th September and I have arranged to see BLUNT on Thursday August 10th at 6.30 p.m. to confirm date and place. I asked him if he would see me in Rome in the autumn if necessary. He said that of course he would. I commented that John CAIRNCROSS was in Rome and suggested we both might meet him. I said I saw no necessity for BLUNT to tell him his own part in "the game"; he could appear as an ex M.I.5 officer helping to try and probe into the happenings of the past. BLUNT was delighted at this suggestion. He said he liked John very much.

.....
D.3
3.8.67

(signed) Peter M. Wright

Extracted on 31.8.67 by D.3/PF.

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713a

Reference.....PF.72.493.....

Note for File

Reference serials 710z and 712a.
I was unable to meet John CAIRNCROSS in
Ireland because of a throat infection.
I rang CIARNCROSS in Paris, cancelling
the arrangements and suggesting that we
should meet in the autumn.

Peter M. Wright

D.3.

Peter M. Wright

31.5.67

D3/PE
17.8.67.

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PARA LA AGRICULTURA Y LA ALIMENTACION

FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANIZATION
OF THE UNITED NATIONS

712a

Via delle Terme di Caracalla ROME

Cables: FOODAGRI ROME

Telex: 61181 FOODAGRI

Telephone: 5797

Ref.

28 May 1967

Dear Peter,

I was sorry to hear of your throat infection and hope it is better.

I look forward to seeing you in Rome if you can spare the time. If possible give me a little warning.

I had a most pleasant stay in Paris, and returned to Rome to find the proofs of my second volume of Racine from Penguins.

Here summer has set in and we are preparing for a more relaxed tempo of work and living.

Kindest regards,

Yours ever,

John Cairncross

Mr Peter M Wright

*J3/PC/6
17-8-67*

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Reference. ER...72,493..(CAIRNCROSS)

D3/P.M.W. and D1/Inv. E.McB. to see.

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NOTE FOR FILE

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2.

[Redacted line]

[Redacted] He has admitted to having been a Communist from 1935 to 1938 and to having been a member of a secret group at Cambridge during that time. The main purpose of the interview was to obtain from [Redacted] further information about the membership and activities of the secret group.

[Redacted block]

4. At the end of the interview, [Redacted] said there was something more he thought he ought to tell me, even though it was probably only a "red herring". When he was at Berkeley Street - about a year after he left Bletchley - he had perfected some kind of secret process on which he had been working for some time and with which both he and his masters were well pleased. Soon afterwards, a colleague of his named John CAIRNCROSS took what he later regarded as being an inordinate interest in this project. He had the firm impression that CAIRNCROSS, who was working in Ryder Street at the time, had been systematically pumping him for information. CAIRNCROSS used to ring him on the internal line (Berkeley Street/Ryder Street), ask him out to lunch and then persuade him to talk about his work.

5. [Redacted] told me that he had been most indiscreet in his conversations with CAIRNCROSS, but said that he thought it probable that he had not told CAIRNCROSS a great deal that he had not already known. He added, illogically, that he could not believe that any harm had in fact been done since the intelligence from this source had been dealt with at that time by Kim PHILBY (who was then working with [Redacted])

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6. Asked if he had known CAIRNCROSS at Cambridge [redacted] said that he first met him at Bletchley; he did not know him particularly well there, but they sometimes travelled on the train [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

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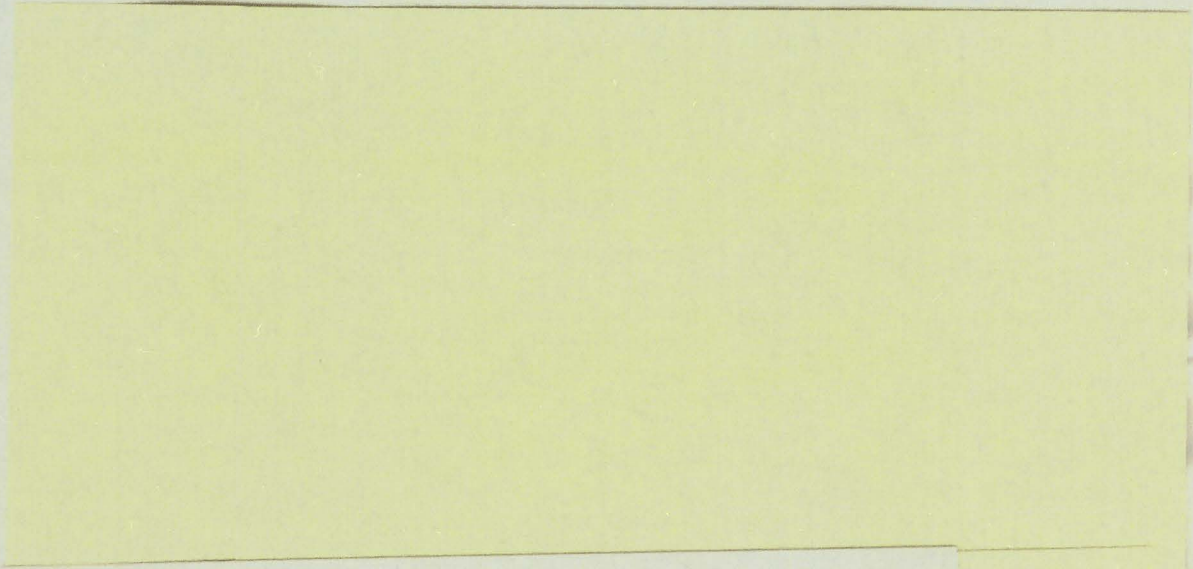
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24th May 1967.

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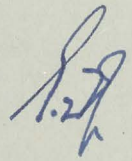
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NOTE FOR PF.72,493

When D.D.G. and I were seeing Sir Philip Allen on other matters this morning, I mentioned the case of John CAIRNCROSS. I reminded Allen of the ministerial discussion in 1964 and told him that we had been in contact with him outside the U.K. and that he had provided useful intelligence. CAIRNCROSS was now asking us whether he could safely come to the U.K., which his employers (F.A.O.) wanted him to do.

Allen confirmed the line which we proposed to take and agreed that Ministers would not thank us for referring the matter to them.



D.G.

19th May 1967

18/34/D3.

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26607) 3/19/67
22.5.67

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PICARD'S
address

21 Quai aux Fleurs
Ile de la Cite
Paris

710²

Thursday 18 May

Dear Peter,

A hasty and somewhat scruffy note to thank you for your kindness in telephoning and making the necessary arrangements.

There are a number of points I should mention.

1) The people at the airline who had assured me some time back that there was never any difficulty booking on this route now inform me that the Thursday morning flight is booked up. But they have promised to give me the first free seat if anyone cancels. In any case I am booked for Tuesday. If I come on the Thursday flight (it gets in at 2.40 I think) I may be a little late. Please don't be upset. I will in any case try to let you know beforehand which flight it will be.

2) It would be most valuable to know whether the Irish usually stamp UK citizens' passports. If they don't, things should be very much easier for me. I could then officially have arrived in the UK by the night ferry on 12 or 13 May (depending on when one arrives on English soil before or after midnight (do you know?) and leave Eire on 28 or 29 thus giving me my necessary 15 days at home.

3) If possible I may have to get back post sent to Glasgow Poste Restante. If this can be done before you leave or you can get me the form to apply, it would be most helpful. The ideal would be if the stuff could be forwarded to you somewhere in or near London and then sent on to me in Paris. But there may not be any.

4) I shall be at the above address till Monday morning about 9. My friends are expected back that morning about 7 or 8 a.m. Thereafter I shall be at the Grand Hotel des Falcons, Rue Casimir Delavigne near the Grand Theatre and the telephone will be 3269980.

I am looking forward to seeing you and am much encouraged and most grateful for the hopeful hints you gave.

Yours ever

John Cairncross

Mr P Wright

I haven't yet had your letter, but it has been held up by the strike here

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Note for File

I received the telegram at serial 705b on the 13th May, which was Saturday. I rang CAIRNCROSS during the afternoon of the same day. We arranged that we would meet in Dublin on Tuesday May 23rd and that I would ring him on Tuesday 16th May to let him know the exact arrangements.

2. CAIRNCROSS said that he was in some difficulty because he had been given 15 days paid leave to visit his home country by F.A.O. Could he possibly have his passport stamped to indicate that he had visited the U.K.? I said I would look into the matter. He also asked me whether there was any chance of him being allowed to visit the U.K. on business at irregular intervals. I said that I would raise this matter with my management. I rang him again today as agreed. We fixed to meet at the Shelbourne Hotel, St. Stephens Green, Dublin at 2.30 on Thursday 25th May. CAIRNCROSS said that he would probably be in Paris at the number on the telegram until Wednesday 24th May. He could be readily contacted before 9 o'clock in the morning. CAIRNCROSS asked me to bring five stamped picture postcards so that he could write them as coming from the U.K. I explained to him that British passports were not stamped either in or out of the U.K., so he had no problems there. He agreed to leave further discussion of his problems until I saw him.

Peter M. Wright

D.3.

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*P. Wright
Little Green
Great Waltham
Chelmsford.*

*Merci Telegramme please telephoner
Bdean 2158 want help on apres
Chris Russell. John.*

For free repetition of doubtful words telephone "TELEGRAMS INQUIRY" or call, with this form, ^{BoRC} at office of delivery. Other enquiries should be accompanied by this form and, if possible, the envelope

*2158 23/10
16-56*

How leave F.A.O.

15 days in country

stamp on passport

Fees : Dublin..

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Butlers,
Littley Green,
Great Waltham,
Chelmsford,
Essex.

PF. 72,493/D.3/PMW

12th May, 1967.

Dear John,

By the time you receive this you will have received my telegram. I am sorry that I have not replied before to your letter but I have been in America. I can meet you in Dublin as you suggest. Will you let me know date, place and time.

I will discuss the matter in your third paragraph about the necessary constraints when we meet, but you should assume that they still exist until after I have met you.

Yours sincerely,

(sqw) P. M. Wright.

John Cairncross, Esq.,
Via Armando Spadini 16,
Parioli,
ROME.

Reference.....

703a

Text of telegram despatched through normal
G.P.O. channels, 11.5.67:-

CAIRNCROSS. Via Armando Spadini 16, Parioli, Rome.

Regret not replying to your letter of 4th April.
Have been out of country. Will meet you in
Dublin as suggested. Please let me have date
place and time. Writing. signed Wright.

3/11
26/12.5.67

709
Via Armando Spadini 16
Parioli
Rome

4 April 1967

Received 7.4.67

Dear Peter,

I wonder how you are keeping after all this time. I'm taking things relatively easy in order to get over my slight cold which, I find (or is it just old age?) takes some of the stuffing.

I shall be in Paris from about 15 May on for some days. If free we could perhaps meet. Alternatively I will be in Dublin some time after that (probably about May 24) and that could also be the venue for a discussion. I should look forward to seeing you again.

I take it that the constraints which we have talked about are still valid. They are already causing me some inconvenience and may well become even more in the future.

I should be glad of a line.

Yours ever

John

Mr Peter Wright

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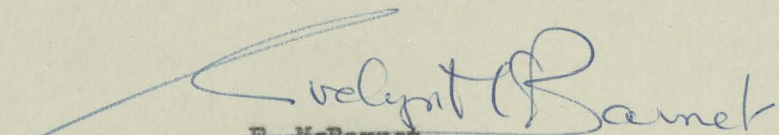
A paper describing a network of ideological spies which had its origin in communism at Cambridge University in the 1930s was brought to the attention of the Home Secretary (Mr. Roy Jenkins) and Sir Philip Allen in 1st November 1966. The document was returned to this Office on 12th December, 1966.

2. The paper mentioned, and contained biographical particulars, of:-

John CAIRNCROSS

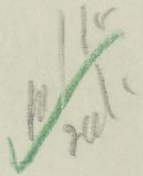
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E. McBarnet

D.1/Inv

29th December, 1966.



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TÉL. (021) 51 38 44 Adr. Télégr. RIVEREINE LATOURDEPEILZ

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1814 LA TOUR DE PEILZ (Lac Léman Suisse),

28 November 1966

Received 1.12.66

Dear Peter,

Many thanks for your letter. I quite understand how busy you must be. I am here till next Sunday, then at the Zurich address till about 15 December. (The operation will probably be on Dec 7). If you have too much to do this time, I may be on home leave in Dublin next April and might hope to see you then.

The photo is, I am pretty certain, not that of the man in question. He had a squarer face, no spectacles (I think), and fairer hair. I am sending you back the photo herewith.

I am greatly enjoying my week's rest here au bord du lac, and even getting some writing done.

Many thanks for your good wishes.

Yours ever,



John Cairncross

Mr P M Wright

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D3/AE
14.12.66

Butlers,

Littley Green,

Great Waltham,

Chelmsford,

Essex.

PF. 72,493/D.3/PMW

24th November, 1966.

Dear John,

Thank you for your letter of the 10th November. I do not yet know whether I shall be able to come to Switzerland to see you. I would very much like to come and have a talk about many things, but life is extremely busy.

Meanwhile I am enclosing a photograph of a man we think might be the British Communist who James introduced you to before the war. It is a photograph taken approximately at the date when you would have met him. Will you please let me know at the above address if this is our man, and return the photograph.

I hope that your operation has gone well and that you are feeling more comfortable.

Yours ever,

(SSD) P.N.W.

John Cairncross, Esq.,
Hotel Riverain,
La Tour de Peilz,
Lausanne,
Switzerland.

Enclosure: 1 (photograph of Arthur WYNN).

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Via Armando Apadini 16
Parioli
Rome

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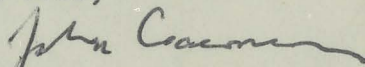
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Dear Peter,

Klinik

I imagine that you have been extremely busy and that the prospect of a trip to Switzerland does not come very high up your list of priorities. In any case, I am writing to say that my plans are now fairly firm. I shall be leaving for Geneva on about the 18th of this month, staying there till about the 24th and then going to the Hotel Riverain at la Tour de Peilz near Lausanne till on or about 4 December. From 5 December I can be reached at the Zahnärztliche Klinik, 11 Plattenstrasse, Zurich, where I shall be having the operation done. This will take me till about 15 December after which I propose to go back to Rome. If there is any prospect of your coming out, perhaps you could contact me at any of these addresses. (I don't know where I'll be staying at Geneva, but Poste Restante would reach me.)

I hope you are flourishing despite (or because of?) all the hullabaloo

Yours ever,



John Cairncross

Mr P Wright

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Parioli
Rome

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... he did!

Dear Peter,

(By the way, the address is Spadini. I probably mistyped it /Apadin

I was delighted to hear from you. I had in fact been thiring that I must drop you a note, as I went to my flat yesterday before ~~finding~~ your letter there. Yes, the man was ~~in fact~~ Chivers, and I am only sorry that my memory slipped. There is also a man who entered the Civil Service in 1936 (Customs) from Cambridge about whom I want to talk to you sometime if I have not already mentioned him.

It is kind of you to ask about my health. I discovered that my jaw could be operated, and am going to Zurich some time in November to have it done. It is not giving me trouble at present. I feel that, if you can bear to come that far, we could continue our talks. I will write to you as soon as I get my appointment, and arrange for a meeting after I have come out of hospital that is at all possible for you. I am eager to get on with the proposal you had in mind. Is there any hope of it coming off?

If there is any other matter on which I can help in the meantime (ie. in correspondence) please let me know.

Yours sincerely,

John Cairncross

John Cairncross

Peter M Wright Esq

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Butlers,

Littley Green,

Great Waltham,

Chelmsford,

Essex.

19th September, 1966.

b96a

Dear John,

I have been meaning to write to you for some time to ask you if you are intending to come to Paris this winter, in which case we might take the opportunity to meet. I hope that you are now fully recovered.

It has occurred to us in our search for "Clarke" that your memory might be playing tricks with you. We have discovered that there was a man called Graeme E. McLachlan CHIVERS who would appear to fit all requirements for "Clarke" except in name. He was at Corpus from 1935-38 where he read Modern Languages. He passed the Consular Exam in May 1938 and was posted to the Department of Overseas Trade in October of that year. He was posted to Rio de Janeiro with the D.O.T. in 1946 and, when he returned in 1948, he joined the Foreign Office.

Have you any views?

Yours sincerely,

(sgn) P.M.W.

Peter M. Wright.

John Cairncross, Esq.,
Via Armando Apadini 16,
Parioli,
Rome.

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I have asked F.4. to obtain particulars of D.J.D. CLARK (8a) - b91a

2. I wonder if CAIRNCROSS could be confusing 'CLARK' with Graeme McLachlan CHIVERS, whose file (PF.204,528) you and D.3. may care to see. CHIVERS was at Corpus 1935-38, where he read Modern Languages and was an active member of the Student Branch of the C.P. He passed the Consular Exam in May 1938 and was posted to the Department of Overseas Trade in October of that year. He was posted to Rio de Janeiro with the D.O.T. in 1946 and, when he returned in 1948, he joined the Foreign Office.

3. In nearly every respect CHIVERS' career resembles very closely that of CAIRNCROSS' 'CLARK'. It is true that he did not go down until 1938: CAIRNCROSS suggested that "his man" went down in 1937, but his dates are I think suspect since he suggests that he last heard of "his man" in ?1937 when he was "somewhere in Brazil", whereas it is unlikely that someone who went down in 1937 and took the Civil Service Exam would have been posted to Brazil so quickly. Might not CAIRNCROSS have meant that he last heard of him in 1947?

4. May I suggest that before we make further enquiries about D.J.D. CLARK, CHIVERS' name and photograph should be put to CAIRNCROSS.

(sgd) G. BLACKBURNE-kane

F.1.A.

5.7.66.

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Via Armando Apadini 16
Parioli
Rome

31 May 1966

Re. JB
13/6/

689a

Dear Peter,

Many thanks for your letter. I am sorry you made a semi-f
trip. Did my telegram reach you in time by the way. There was a genera
on at the time, and communications were difficult.

My jaw and ear are now in a more normal state, and there is no
but I must now start out on a long and probably boring course of treatment
for the old fracture.

I hope that matters will come to a head this year on the matter in
question, and would certainly come to Paris for discussions if it was
felt that some progress could be made that way. The travel problem might
well become acute later this year- but I am eager to push on for general
reasons too.

Ext'd. to

SEN. 305/66/FA/GRK

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DLW
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As to Clark(or Clarke), he studied modern languages, probabl
at Corpus Christi, and when last I heard of him(?in 1937) was somewhere in
Brazil with the Foreign Service (Trade side). It looks like D J D Clark on
your list. I must confess that I am not clear what the date in your list
stands for. Does it mean that the man was up that year, or that he
graduated that year? Sorry not to be more precise. *It probably was done
in 1937. Check the Exam lists of Civil Service for the year?*

Thanks again for your letter- and for your good wishes. I hope
we can meet some time again to make up for your ~~loss of time~~ *travelling*

Yours sincerely

John Cairncross

Mr Peter M Wright

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PF 204, 528

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Butlers,
Littley Green,
Great Waltham,
Chelmsford,
Essex.

24th May, 1966.

Dear John,

I was sorry to miss you in Paris and to hear that you have had a recurrence of your accident trouble. Although I had come to Paris primarily to see you, I was able to get through some other very useful business, so my journey was not in vain.

I agree there is no hurry about us meeting, as things have not yet come to a head on the matter that we discussed when I last saw you. But perhaps if you are coming to Paris again in the next few months you will let me know and give me the opportunity of coming across and having a chat. Meanwhile there is one specific problem which I would like to put to you. I have failed to find your "Clarke". I enclose a list taken from the Cambridge Calendars of Clarks of the right sort of date. Can you recognise him?

I hope you will feel better soon.

Yours sincerely,

(sgd) PTH
Peter M. Wright

John Cairncross, Esq.,
Villa Armando Spadini 16,
Parioli,
ROME.

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F. CLARK	Jesus	"	1935
H.C. CLARK	Christ's	"	1937
+ J.D. CLARK	Christ's	"	1937
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	(Fitzwilliam House	BA	1936
C.W.S. CLARK	Trinity	"	1937
F.J.A. CLARK	Sidney Sussex	"	1937
W.D. CLARK	Downing	"	1937
H.J. CLARK	Fitzwilliam	"	1938
J.O.C. CLARKE	Clare	"	1937
O. CLARKE	Clare	"	1937
M.M. CLARKE	King's	"	1936
P.E. CLARKE	King's	"	1938
H.S. CLARKE	Queen's	"	1938
D.H.H. CLARKE	John's	"	1936
R.R. CLARKE	John's	"	1936
D.L.L. CLARKE	John's	"	1938
P.G.W. CLARKE	Trinity	"	1935
G.E.L. CLARKE	Trinity	"	1938
J.F. CLARKE	Emmanuel	"	1935
L.J.F. CLARKE	Selwyn	"	1937

+ Professor John Desmond CLARK

Anthropologist. Professor of Anthropology, University of California.

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Reference...PF.72,493.....

Note for File

As set out in my letter at 684a, I had fixed to see CAIRNCROSS in Paris on Thursday 19th May. On Wednesday 18th May, when I was already in Paris, my wife received the telegram at 686a, cancelling the appointment. This she telephoned to me.

2. On my return to England on Thursday evening, 19th May, the letter from CAIRNCROSS at 687a was waiting for me.

Peter M. Wright

D.3.

Peter M. Wright

23.5.66.

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24.5.66

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Villa Armando Spadini 16
Parioli
Rome

19 May 1966
Received by D3/PM
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(unless you had other business)

Dear Peter,

I do hope that my telegram arrived in time and enabled you to avoid a useless trip to ~~xx~~ Paris. Tuesday was a general strike there, so I couldn't even send you a message. So I had to despatch it from Rome.

My return to Rome was the result of a rather catastrophic health affair. Six years ago I had a car accident in which, among other things, I injured my jaw. This appeared to have been mended, but in the south of France I started having trouble in my ear and jaw (it was not clear whether the pain originated in one or both). Anyway by the time I got to Paris, the pain became intolerable and I had one sleepless night after another. But it was not till 8.30 on Tuesday that the radiologist finally got an X-ray showing exactly what was wrong - four fractures on the zygoma, or whatever it is called. I hastily booked a plane back to Rome, and have since managed to recover a little from the ghastly time in ~~Paris~~ Paris.

The question is where we go from here. I had written to you not because I had anything new to relate, but because I had hoped that some progress had been made in the next move which you had mentioned as being possible. And my presence in Paris appeared a favorable moment for discussions to help things forward if they had already been started, or were about to be. Needless to say, I should be very happy to see you in Rome if there is anything I can do, but I hesitate to suggest that you come all the way out here for nothing.

Renewed apologies for the contretemps, but the circumstances were really most exceptional. (I am waiting to see a top Italian surgeon to find out if an operation is needed, and, if not, what the treatment is going to be.)

Yours sincerely,

J
John Cairncross

Mr P M Wright

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Butlers,

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Chelmsford, Essex.

11th May, 1966.

Dear John,

Arthur passed on to me your letter saying you would be in Paris next week. I am coming over in the middle of the week and would very much like to meet you for half a day. Could we meet sometime on Thursday May 19th? If so, would you drop me a line at the above address and I will give you a ring on Thursday morning.

Yours sincerely,

(sgd) Peter.

Peter M. Wright

John Cairncross, Esq.,
Hotel des Balcons,
Rue Casimir de la Vigne,
Paris V.

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11.5.66

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[Redacted]
9th May, 1966.

Received 10.5.66.

Dear Sir.

John CAIRNCROSS

I attach a copy of a further letter, dated 5th May 1966, that Arthur Martin has had from John CAIRNCROSS. We spoke on the telephone to-day and you said you hoped to meet CAIRNCROSS on 19th May.

[Redacted]

Yours sincerely

[Redacted]

P.M. Wright, Esq.,
M.I.5.

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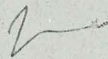
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Vence AM

5 May 1966

Dear Arthur,

A line to say that I'll be in
Paris (Hotel des Balcons, Rue Casimir de la
Vigne Paris V) from about May 14 to May 20
and glad to see you if there is any interest.
Drop me a line either here or there.

Greetings

John airncross

M. A. martin

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2nd May, 1966.

Received 4.5.66

Dear Peter

John CAIRNCROSS

I mentioned to you last week that Arthur Martin had heard again from John CAIRNCROSS. The letter, posted in Rome, is very short and says:

"

Via Armando Spadini 16
Parioli
Rome.

14th April 1966

A word to say that I am back, and that I propose to be in Paris for a few days some time in May. How are your plans? If you feel that there would be any advantage in our meeting, I should be happy to try to arrange for this.

Please drop me a line if anything is in the offing. "

2. We agreed that this looks like a useful opportunity to talk to CAIRNCROSS again and you may care to reply and make any arrangements you need. We would be grateful if you would explain that Arthur Martin has now dropped out.

Yours sincerely,

(for [redacted])

P.M. Wright, Esq.,
M.I.5.

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23rd February, 1966.

Received 24.2.66.

Dear ~~John~~

John CAIRNCROSS

Arthur Martin has just had a letter from CAIRNCROSS of which I enclose a copy for you.

2. CAIRNCROSS's immediate concern seems to be that we let him go to India but we read the letter as showing a healthy willingness to go on to the showdown with KLUGMANN.

3. We leave it to you to reply to CAIRNCROSS, if you wish to.

Yours sincerely

P.M. Wright, Esq.,
M.I.5.

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Via Armando Spadini 16
Parioli
Rome

16 February 1966

Dear Arthur ,

A word to say how much I enjoyed the banquetting in Paris, and to say that I am off to India for a conference from about March 18 to April 12.

I look forward to further discussions at a later date.

Yours ever,



John Cairncross

Mr A Martin

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You asked about the interest shown by the Russians in CAIRNCROSS' material from the Treasury. CAIRNCROSS used to report to the Russians roughly on a two-monthly basis on any matters which crossed his desk which he thought might be of interest to them. He says that the Russians very seldom commented on his material except for clarification. Their attitude, particularly during the last five years, was that CAIRNCROSS should under no circumstances make efforts to get material to which he had not got legitimate access. On the other hand they welcomed anything he could provide. CAIRNCROSS thinks that in the last year or two the Russians had more or less given him up as a spy but they still continued to take such material as he could provide.

2. In assessing the value of CAIRNCROSS' material to the Russians one must take into account the leak which was undoubtedly occurring via [redacted] through BURGESS to the Russians, and it may well be that much of CAIRNCROSS' information was merely confirmatory details.

3. CAIRNCROSS did comment that policy matters seemed to be of greater interest to the Russians than details.

4. After CAIRNCROSS returned to the Treasury in 1945 the Russians did not put any pressure on him to move to any other department. They did not even suggest it.

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Extract for File No.: PF.72493 Name: CAIRNCROSS

Original in File No.:* PF.605565 Vol.: 1 Serial: 63a Receipt Date: 1.2.66

Original from: Interview Reprt by D1/PA Under Ref: Dated: 27.1.66

Extracted on: 25.6.74 by: K3A/PAO Section: K3A

Interview with Lady (Tess) ROTHSCHILD on 27 Jan. 1966
by P.M. Wright and Evelyn McBarret

5. Names put to Lady R. for comment: -

John CAIRNCROSS: she knew he had admitted to espionage.
 She remembered him because he used to ask her out
 to lunch rather a lot.

*If the original is in the file of an individual
 include the name of the file owner.

K3/mj
 25.6.74

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NOTE FOR FILE

CAIRNCROSS mentioned Derek Van ABBE during his interview with Derek Hamblen in Cleveland, Ohio, on 27th May, 1964. I think, but have not had time to verify, that CAIRNCROSS mentioned Van ABBE in some earlier interview. Van ABBE is himself a PF. holder. (PF.212875).


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yes - this is at 625b v.15. earlier interviews are:-

- 24.8.51.
- Dec. 51.
- 31.3.52.
- Aug. 54.

Have checked the Aug. 54 one only - it contains no mention.

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5.3.69.



E. McBarnet

D.1/Inv

18th January, 1966.

* Van ABBE is mentioned at 675a + again at 721a.

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(PA ~~on~~ PF 212875)
(Van ABBE)

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I suspect that the ABBE referred to in paragraph 11 of 675a is Derek Maurice Van ABBE. The following entry appears in the Highgate School Register, Fifth Edition, 1950 :

VAN ABBE, Derek Maurice. Son of S.VAN ABBE, 19 Thornton Avenue, S.W.2. 28th December 1916. Founder of the School. Exhibitioner, Highgate School (i.e. on leaving). Left July 1935. Scholar, King's College, Cambridge. 1st Class Modern & Mediaeval Language Tripos, Parts I and II. Tiarks Scholar. Goldsmith's Student. M.A. World War, Major, General Staff. University of Tasmania, 1946 - 48. Tasmania State Adult Education Commission, 1948. University of Melbourne 1948. 24 Parry Street, Moorabbin S.20, Victoria, Australia.

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Note for File

1. Arthur Martin and I visited Patis on December 16th, 1965 to interview John CAIRNCROSS. We spent the day from about 11.30 a.m. until I left on the Night Ferry at 10 p.m. with him. No attempt is made here to record our conversations chronologically. We found CAIRNCROSS in good spirits and enthusiastic about his work in F.A.O. in Rome. He does not appear to bear us any grudge for his present state. He appears to be willing genuinely to help us and does not show any signs of lying or withholding the truth.

2. When we first met CAIRNCROSS said he was very worried because when he was leaving Rome by P.A.A. for Paris, the American official of P.A.A. had closely examined his passport and then spoken into a microphone. The official was clearly embarrassed and only handed back CAIRNCROSS' passport after a delay. CAIRNCROSS feels that the Americans must be keeping tabs on him. He was most anxious about this because he feared that the Italians might get to know about him and make life difficult for him with F.A.O. CAIRNCROSS is haunted by the fear of publicity which would not only affect his livelihood but also affect his brother, Alexander.

3. OTTO.

We spent some time in establishing the chronology of CAIRNCROSS' association with OTTO. This started with his recruitment in 1936 and terminated between August 1937 and February 1938. OTTO gave CAIRNCROSS no impression that his departure was sudden, due to an emergency. There was no trouble; it was merely the end of his tour of duty. Other pointers to OTTO's dating were that OTTO told CAIRNCROSS to go to BUSK's wedding, that OTTO came to see CAIRNCROSS when he was living at Warwick Square (GENINAZZI was CAIRNCROSS' landlord and CAIRNCROSS left Warwick Square in March 1940). CAIRNCROSS has no recollection of discussing the purge of the Red Army Generals with OTTO, which he would have done, if OTTO had been available. CAIRNCROSS is certain he did not meet OTTO when he was in the Treasury. OTTO was short, about 5'6" - 7" high, very broad shouldered, heavy jowled face, dark hair, wavy and brushed back from his forehead. CAIRNCROSS remembers that he talked to OTTO in German since CAIRNCROSS' German was better than OTTO's English (which was nevertheless good). OTTO's German was perfect and without accent. OTTO might have been a Czech.

CAIRNCROSS remembers that in early 1937, OTTO was discussing CAIRNCROSS' security with him. OTTO warned CAIRNCROSS against making the wrong marriage. He said that they, the R.I.S. were in difficulties because an important agent had married a bourgeoisie wife and this was creating problems but CAIRNCROSS gained the impression that the difficulties were not insuperable. The actual phrase in German that OTTO used was "Er hat eine bürgerliche Frau geheiratet". He warned CAIRNCROSS not to make the same mistake!

4. The Gap between OTTO and ROBERT.

ROBERT first met CAIRNCROSS between the outbreak of the war and when CAIRNCROSS went to HANKEY's private office. During a temporary absence of OTTO or just after he finally left, KLUGMAN was in contact with CAIRNCROSS. It was during

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this period that KLUGMAN introduced CAIRNCROSS to the young man, who has previously been described. CAIRNCROSS is in no doubt that this young man was supposed to be a temporary contact for him but it came to nothing. CAIRNCROSS did not identify Bernard FLOUD's photograph as the young man. He said his man had a far less decisive face and was fairer. After the incident of "the young man", CAIRNCROSS did not meet anybody in an R.I.S. context until round about Munich. Guy BURGESS approached him and told him that he worked for OTTO's "big boss" and asked CAIRNCROSS to pass his material to him. As CAIRNCROSS was working in the Central Department of the Foreign Office on the German desk, BURGESS' interest was obvious. There was a flurry of activity with BURGESS until Munich was over and then nothing until ROBERT came after the start of the war. ROBERT said at the first meet, "We have left you alone for a considerable time, now you must get going". ROBERT also gave CAIRNCROSS a dressing down for passing material to BURGESS. ROBERT said "I don't exclude the possibility that your material you gave to BURGESS has been seen by other people". It would appear that BURGESS' contact with CAIRNCROSS was private enterprise on his part.

5. GREIFFENHAGEN.

CAIRNCROSS is certain it was a Russian, not BURGESS who asked him about GREIFFENHAGEN. He thinks it was ROBERT. CAIRNCROSS accepts that this would have been a long time after GREIFFENHAGEN left the Foreign Office. CAIRNCROSS says that he did not raise the subject of GREIFFENHAGEN with the R.I.S. ROBERT was very interested in the London Office of G.C. & C.S. very early on in their relationship. He knew what it did and thought it a very important place. CAIRNCROSS says it was the Russian who said to him that GREIFFENHAGEN had been transferred from the Foreign Office and that GREIFFENHAGEN was in debt. He asked CAIRNCROSS for a pen picture of GREIFFENHAGEN. CAIRNCROSS said he had known GREIFFENHAGEN when he was in the American Department of the Foreign Office. CAIRNCROSS said that GREIFFENHAGEN's financial status was probably well known in the Foreign Office and GREIFFENHAGEN might have been reported on by MACLEAN.

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6. CAIRNCROSS' Spying with ROBERT.

ROBERT was never very interested about people or things in the Treasury. ROBERT could not speak German. Their conversations were in English which ROBERT spoke well. G.C. & C.S. was ROBERT's main interest. When CAIRNCROSS was at Bletchley, he reported on the German Order of Battle on the Eastern Front, particularly the German Air Force, on a weekly basis. He used to go to London each weekend and meet ROBERT. He remembers that he once reported a German plan for an attack on Kharkov. This, ROBERT praised him for. ROBERT told him that they did not pass his material back over cypher channels over the air. He need not worry! CAIRNCROSS manoeuvred his transfer from Bletchley to Section V and then told ROBERT, who was very upset. CAIRNCROSS feels certain that the Russians had nobody else in G.C. & C.S. with the same access. CAIRNCROSS gave pen pictures of two people who worked with him at G.C. & C.S. They were not on the list supplied. He cannot remember their names.

7. CAIRNCROSS in M.I.6.

CAIRNCROSS first of all worked in Section V at St. Albans and then London. ROBERT was not at all interested in ISOS and after the first time when CAIRNCROSS took it to

him.../

him, told him not to bother to bring it. ROBERT was not really interested in R.I. He warned CAIRNCROSS against revealing his true views to FOOTMAN, who he said was not true to the cause. CAIRNCROSS commented that he, CAIRNCROSS, thought that FOOTMAN was a good political reporter and very fair. CAIRNCROSS remembers discussing with the Russians a man in R.I.

8. CAIRNCROSS' Post War Spying.

When CAIRNCROSS returned to the Treasury after the war, the R/Vs with the Russians became well spread, say every two months. The R.I.S. did not appear to be dissatisfied with CAIRNCROSS in the Treasury, neither were they very enthusiastic. CAIRNCROSS thinks they had probably given him up as a really good spy. The R.I.S. never tried to persuade him to change his job. They always accepted his word, if he said he had little or nothing to report.

9. The 1951 Crisis.

About a year before the MACLEAN and BURGESS defection, CAIRNCROSS' controller (? KUSNETSOV) moved the R/Vs well outside London, at least 20 miles out. CAIRNCROSS used to go by car or train to the meets. Shortly after this started, CAIRNCROSS went by train from Victoria to a meet in a town well to the south of London. He was met by his controller with a car driven by a chauffeur who was called "Mischa". After CAIRNCROSS got into the car, counter-surveillance ploys were done, round the back streets, up blind alleys, etc. Then CAIRNCROSS was debriefed and briefed in front of Mischa in the car. This was the only time CAIRNCROSS remembers the Russians being worried apart from meeting him further out from London. The FUCHS case had made a considerable impact on CAIRNCROSS but the R.I.S. kept things very cool and calm. After the defection in 1951, the routine meets continued. No particular precautions were taken. (The R.I.S. asked CAIRNCROSS whether he was startled by the defection!) The R.I.S. did everything to assure CAIRNCROSS that all was well and the situation was in hand. Defection was never discussed. After CAIRNCROSS' first interview (with A.S.M.), he told the Russians all about it except the entry in MACLEAN's diary. He thought he would get into trouble with the Russians over this, so he did not tell them. The Russians were not perturbed and told him to go on spying and come to the regular meets. After the second interview, CAIRNCROSS remembers quite definitely that the R/Vs continued and he would have reported what had happened. It produced no alarm and no extra precautions. CAIRNCROSS was never "put on ice". After the third interview, CAIRNCROSS made his chalk mark for an emergency meet. It was the first and only time he ever called such a meet. He does not think he did it the night of the interview but probably the next night. He made the mark in Ladbroke Grove. It was a very foggy night (exceptionally so for April). The arrangement with the Russians was "meet the Monday, following the making of the mark". The meet was not kept. CAIRNCROSS says he saw the following on the Monday night but not before that night, (though he assumes he was followed).

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10. CLARK. XXX

(R.W.B CLARKE P.F. 69319)

CAIRNCROSS' CLARK is not "Otto" CLARKE. CAIRNCROSS' CLARK took the ordinary Civil Service exam from Cambridge and went into the Board of Trade or Department of Overseas Trade. He was posted to a Foreign Service post abroad in the Commercial Counsellor's Office, possibly in South America. CAIRNCROSS' CLARK was definitely a Communist at Cambridge.

Ext'd & sent to G.B-K/F.I.A RP Dr. Luv 29.3.66

11. ABBE

KLUGMAN had a close friend called ABBE who went to Australia to teach.

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12. KLUGMAN

We discussed with CAIRNCROSS whether he would participate in a confrontation operation to attempt to break KLUGMAN. CAIRNCROSS said that he was anxious to help. He would like to think it over. His two main anxieties were to avoid publicity and not to damage his livelihood. We said it might be possible to arrange for him to have immunity from prosecution if he came to England, if he had helped us. CAIRNCROSS said this was attractive but that he did not want to live in England again. We pointed out that no party in such an operation wanted publicity. CAIRNCROSS saw this. We said that nothing would be done without further consultation with CAIRNCROSS. CAIRNCROSS said that although he would find it unpleasant, if there were the necessary safeguards, he was prepared to consider the operation and he thought we had enough to shake KLUGMAN.

Peter M. Wright

D.3.

Peter M. Wright

22.12.65.

XXX CAIRNCROSS (as usual) made a mistake
see his letter of 22-9-66. at 697a
(for "CLARK" read "CHIVERS")

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29th November 1965.

Dear

With reference to our recent conversation when you told me that you would be going to meet CAIRNCROSS in Paris in about mid December. The following are some notes which you might like to use as a brief.

Maurice Rodney ("Roddy") GREIFFENHAGEN

2. A comparative note of the dates of CAIRNCROSS' and GREIFFENHAGEN's time in the Foreign Office in the 1930s is as follows:-

<u>CAIRNCROSS</u>	<u>GREIFFENHAGEN</u>
	1936 Belgrade
6.10.36. Joined F.O. American Dept.	Apr. 1937 F.O. American Dept.
'early' Spring 1937 Transferred to League of Nations and Western Dept. (dealing with Spain)	Mar. 1938 Transferred (for trial period) to G.C. & C.S.
1.10.38. Transferred to Treasury	17.12.39. Permanent transfer to G.C. & C.S.

From this you will notice that the date which I previously gave you, over the telephone, for GREIFFENHAGEN's transfer is inaccurate, I did not realise until I examined his Foreign Office papers that the actual transfer occurred much earlier, in fact in March 1938.

3. I would suggest the following questions be put to CAIRNCROSS.

(a) Did CAIRNCROSS and GREIFFENHAGEN first meet in the American Department of the Foreign Office? (I think it is possible that GREIFFENHAGEN took over from CAIRNCROSS in that department but CAIRNCROSS must have known GREIFFENHAGEN quite well in order to produce a biography.)

(b) How well in fact did CAIRNCROSS know GREIFFENHAGEN and did they continue to meet (i) after CAIRNCROSS was transferred to

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the League of Nations and Western Department and (ii) after GREIFFENHAGEN was transferred to G.C. & C.S.?

(c) Can CAIRNCROSS say how the R.I.S. (presumably OTTO) got their information that GREIFFENHAGEN was being transferred? Possibly CAIRNCROSS told them this himself.

(d) Did CAIRNCROSS meet GREIFFENHAGEN again when he himself joined G.C. & C.S. in May 1942 or did they continue to meet socially without a gap? (It is probable that they had interests in common as GREIFFENHAGEN was a particularly good linguist whose first languages are French and Italian.)

4. The facts about GREIFFENHAGEN's transfer are as follows: the Foreign Office were trying to bring themselves to dismiss him because of his total inability to do the work required of him as a second secretary and, by pure chance they learned that G.C. & C.S. had a vacancy for such a linguist as GREIFFENHAGEN at the very same moment. In view of the fact that CAIRNCROSS has said that the R.I.S. asked him whether GREIFFENHAGEN would be hit financially it is interesting to know that this was indeed a question that caused the Foreign Office some anxiety. Personnel Branch went to considerable trouble to safeguard GREIFFENHAGEN's pension rights because he was known to be quite without private means and it is noted, with regret, that GREIFFENHAGEN would in fact lose financially if the transfer became permanent.

5. From our point of view I think the most interesting thing that CAIRNCROSS has said recently is the fact that he was asked for a biography of GREIFFENHAGEN. On the whole it seems extremely probable that CAIRNCROSS must have supplied biographies of his other colleagues. Could he be asked to think back to the period he spent in the American Department and later in the League of Nations and Western Department, remind himself of his colleagues and say whether he ever produced information about any of them to his controller?

6. With reference to CAIRNCROSS' mention of CLARKE, who you will recall we have tentatively identified as Richard William Barnes CLARKE. A photograph of CLARKE is attached and I should be glad if CAIRNCROSS could identify him positively as the CLARKE to whom he referred. The following is a brief note about CLARKE's career: he was born on 13th August 1910 and was at Clare College Cambridge from 1928 to 1932. After leaving Cambridge CLARKE worked as an economic journalist. On the outbreak of war he joined the Ministry of Information, later he transferred to the Ministry of Economic Warfare and then to the Ministry of Supply. In 1942 he transferred to the Ministry of Production and in October 1945 he joined the Treasury.

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7. If CAIRNCROSS identifies CLARKE we should be very interested in anything he can recall about CLARKE's left-wing activities

Yours sincerely,

E. McBarnet

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Dear Evelyn

John CAIRNCROSS

I enclose copies of my two most recent letters
to CAIRNCROSS.

Yours sincerely
A.S. Martin

Miss McBarnet,
M.I.5.

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10th September, 1965.

Dear John,

This is a very hurried note to thank you for your letter and to tell you that I am about to go on leave. I shall be away until 11th October.

Your idea about meeting in Paris in December is a good one and, if I don't see you before, I shall take you up on it.

There are one or two things that I think are worth passing on to you now

(a) Busk's marriage and the Paris Exhibition both occurred in 1937. That fits with what I would have expected and therefore doesn't really get us any further in dating O's departure. I am a little puzzled by the reference to the student but assume this refers to the young Party member. I had not realised he was a student. Can you elaborate on that?

(c) All you say about R. fits with what we know. He was here from late November or early December 1937 until February 1939; from November 1939 until March 1940; and from 9 Dec 40 until he finally left (exact date not beside me but towards the end of the war).

(c) The notes which you made for G.B. were undoubtedly prepared in March/April 1939, i.e. about six months after Munich.

When I get back I will write to you more fully on the reconstruction of events which we are making. And I will let you know about visits to Commonwealth territories. I think it will be all right but I must check before I can give you an authoritative answer.

Thank you for the help you have given - I hope it didn't interfere too much with your holiday (which I trust you enjoyed).

John Cairncross, Esq.,
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Parioli,
ROME.

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8th November, 1965.

Dear John,

There is one date which I failed to give you in my last letter. The Greiffenhagen transfer took place on 17th December 1939. Does this help you to get things into place?

Any firmer news about Paris?

John Cairncross Esq.,
Via Armando Spadini 16,
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Copy to PF.72,493/- CAIRNCROSS

PF.606,847/D.1./EMcB

4th November 1964.

Dear [redacted]

Will you please refer to my letter reference PF.72,493/D.1./EMcB of 25th February 1964 and previous correspondence relating to John CAIRNCROSS.

2. In the course of a recent interview CAIRNCROSS recalled an incident concerning a man named GRIEFFENHAGEN. GRIEFFENHAGEN was a contemporary of CAIRNCROSS in the Foreign Office who was transferred to G.C. and C.S. An enquiry was made to CAIRNCROSS by his R.I.S. controller asking why GRIEFFENHAGEN had been transferred and whether this would hit him financially. CAIRNCROSS says that he handed over a biography of GRIEFFENHAGEN but that this contained nothing to suggest that he was recruitable.

3. We have established that a certain Maurice Rodney GRIEFFENHAGEN, born 29th April 1904 was a member of the Foreign Office from 25th October 1928 to 17th December 1939, when he was transferred to G.C. and C.S. We understand that GRIEFFENHAGEN retired from G.C.H.Q. in April 1964 and that he lives in Cheltenham at Grange Cottage, Malvern Road, Cheltenham.

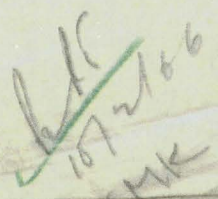
4. We have no previous trace of GRIEFFENHAGEN in our records but we believe that we should look into this report. We should be most grateful if you will let us have full particulars of his career in G.C.H.Q. and anything of possible security interest which you may know about him.

Yours sincerely,


E. McBarnet

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