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See also: Record of Service for A.F. BLUNT. (Now amalgamated into main file - see serial lw.)

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1935:	Record of Service for A.F. BLUNT.	lw.
10.8.35	Extract from S.B. report re BLUNT's visit to Russia.	1x
12.9.35	Extract from S.B. report re BLUNT's return from Russia	1y
Dec. 35	Extract from letter to WINTRINGHAM mentioning BLUNT.	1z
15.3.36	Photostat of int. letter from BLUNT to C.V. EVANS.	1a
5.1.37	Copy of note re RYCROFT AND MAYSKIY	1a
12.7.37	Telephone Check	1abb
29.8.39	Vetting of BLUNT for O.E.R. and our reply.	1b
21 39	Vetting of BLUNT for Field Security Wing.	1c
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3 12 39	To Field Security Wing in reply to Vetting Enquiry re Blunt	2x
6 12 39	From Field Security Wing in reply to 2x	2x
2.1.41	Minute from BLUNT to B4a	2yyyya
21 1 41	MYKXXXXX Letter from Blunt to ISRR.	2yyyyayyya
30.4.43 ₁₄₃	Copy of BLUNT's note to DDG re. BURGESS <small>Ext from Source Report</small>	2yya
29.8.43	Photostat of minute by BLUNT re Artists International Ass.	2yyaa2ya
2.11.43	copy of note re BLUNT	2yya
3	Re interview with BLUNT.	2yayyb
	Extract from S.B. report re A.I.A.	2yb
	MINUTES FM BLUNT	2YBBYC
1945.	Ext. from R. of S. for BLUNT.	2ybyc
20.12.45	Extract from S.B. report re A.I.A.	2yc
5.6.47	Extract from S.B. report re A.I.A.	2yd.
27.6.49.	Ext. from Minutes re Oxford meeting	2yyd
18.7.49.	" " " "	2yyyd
23.7.49.	" " " "	2yyyd
26.1.50	Extract from S.B. report re A.I.A.	2ye
19.7.X50	Ext from Minute to BIG from DB	2yeyf
29.5.51	Concordance of events before & after disappearance of BURGESS & MACLEAN.	2yf
29.5.51	Extract from B.2. note re action in hand ment. BLUNT.	2yg
31.5.51	Extract from D.D.G. Note mentioning BLUNT.	2z
31.5.51	Extract from HEWIT T/C ment. BLUNDEN	2za

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June 51.	Note of BLUNT's service with M.I.5.	2a
1.6.51	Extract from B.2.A. Note mentioning BLUNT.	2b
2.6.51.	Extract from Action summary ment. BLUNT.	2bbc
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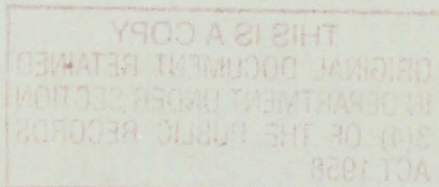
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- 7.6.51 ~~7x6x51~~ B.2.A. Note of message from BLUNT re cable from Guy BURGESS. 5a
- 8.6.51 Extract from B.2.A. Note mentioning BLUNT. 5ab
- 8.6.51 Extract from B.2.A. Note on visit to Reform Club mentioning BLUNT. 5b
- 8.6.51 Extract from B.4. report mentioning BLUNT. 5c
- 8.6.51 Extract from letter from Mr. Carey Foster, F.O., re BLUNT and BURGESS. 5d
- 8.6.51 Extract from HEWIT T/C mentioning BLUNDEN. 5e
- 8.6.51 Extract from T/C on BURGESS re BLUNDEN and HEWITT. 5f
- 8.6.51 Copy of letter from F.O. re BURGESS and BLUNT 5g

6.

- 9.6.51 To S.B. with list of names to be circulated to officers at Ports. 6a
- 11.6.51 Extract from B.2. Note of Investigation Plan on the MACLEAN/BURGESS Case. 6ab
- 11.6.51 Extract from letter from [redacted] mentioning BLUNT. 6b
- 12.6.51 Extract from statement by PHILBY mention BLUNT. 6bc
- 12.6.51 Copy of report re interview with Jack HEWIT mentioning BLUNT. 6c
- 13.6.51 Extract from B.4.C. report re Elaine FINLAY ment. BLUNT. 6d.

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B.2. 15/6
D.B. D.G.W. 15/6
D.G. C.L.H.

Anthony BLUNT, the subject of this file, has for many years been a close friend of Guy BURGESS. BLUNT's own statement in regard to their association is filed at 3b and at 3c there is a short summary of information given by Goronwy REES (PF.604,583) about BLUNT.

In view of these allegations, I am applying for telephone checks on WELbeck 1388/1389 and WELbeck 9841, which are the telephones installed at 20 Portman Square, BLUNT's office and home, where he receives his telephone calls. The necessary forms are attached.

R.T. Reed
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13.6.51 Extract from TABLE material re BLUNDEN. 7b
 14.6.51 To G.P.O. re telechecks. 7bc
 14.6.51 Extract from note of interview with POLLOCK mentioning BLUNT. 6c.

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15.6.51 To G.P.O. re T/C of WEL. 1388/9 & 9841. 8a.

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15.6.51 H.O.W. No. 1247 on WEL. 1288/9 & 9841

11.

16.6.51 Interview with R. LEHMANN. 11a

19.6.51 Extract from F.O. report on BURGESS mentioning BLUNT. 11b

19.6.51 Extract from interview with John LEHMAN mentioning BLUNT. 11c

12.

20.6.51 ~~FROM XEISXX re Voters XLISTX XXXLXWELLYNX DAVIESX~~ P.A. PF.604604 - L.DAVIES 12a

20.6.51 Extract from Telecheck on GONNY ment. "Anthony". 12b.

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21.6.51 ~~TO XEIXXEXX req. Xurgent XGXNXRX XXXX XXXLXWELLYNX DAVIES.~~ PF.604604 - L.DAVIES 13

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- 21.6.51 To G.P.O. asking for WELbeck 4181, Clare CHARLES to be added to HOW 1247 14a
- 21.6.51 Extract from STOTT report ment. BLUNT. 14b

15.

- 21.6.51 ~~EXNXXRXXXenquiry re XXXKLEWELYNXXDAXIES.~~ PF.604604. 15z
- 21.6.51 Extract from interview with John Nicholas HENDERSON ment. BLUNT. 15a
- 27.6.51 Suspension of T/Cs on BLUNT. 15b
- 27.6.51 Extract from T/C on HALPERN mentioning A. BLUNT. 15c

16.

- 27.6.51 Signal to Washington re BLUNT's cable to MILLER. 16z
- 28.6.51 Extract from REVAI T/C re BLUNT. 16a

17.

- 28.6.51 Extract from REVAI T/C - conversation with BLUNT. 17a
- 28.6.51 Extract from B.2. MACLEAN/BURGESS investigation ment. BLUNT. 17b

18.

- 2.7.51 Extract from letter to Washington with inf. for F.B.I. ment. BLUNT. 18z
- 3.7.51 Extract from REVAI T/C - conversations with BLUNT. 18a

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5.7.51 Extract from B.2. note re B.2. investigation of BURGESS ment. BLUNT 18b

19.

5.7.51. Extract from B.1.K. note ment. BLUNT. 19z

6.7.51 Note re re-imposition of T/Cs on BLUNT. 19a

20.

6.7.51 To G.P.O. re-imping T/Cs on BLUNT. 20a.

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21.

6.7.51 Copy of RALEIGH t.c. - conversation between Mrs. RALEIGH and BLUNDEN 21a

22.

9.7.51 Extract from F.B.I. Memo 8567 re BLUNT, BURGESS and MILLER 22a

9.7.51 Extract from interview with John Neville JUDKYN ment BLUNT. 22b
9.7.51 Extract from reply to 18z from Washington 22c

23.

9.7.51 Copy of HEWIT check mentioning BLUNDEN 23a

24.

1.51 Note B.K. report on conversation with PHILBY mentioning BLUNT. 24a

25.

13.7.51 B2a minute re BLUNT's connection with BURGESS, REVAI and KLINGENDER 25b

26.

13.7.51 Extract from BURGESS' flat t.c. - conversation HEWIT/BLUNDEN 26a

27.

14.7.51 Report of interview with BLUNDEN 27a

28.

16.7.51 Copy of t.c. on BURGESS' flat, mentioning BLUNT 28a

16.7.51 Copy of P.C. from Anthony BLUNT to Jackie HEWIT 28b

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16.7.51 Extract from REVAI t.c. mentioning BLUNT 29a

16.7.51 Extract from HEWIT t.c. mentioning BLUNDEN 29b

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18.7.51 To American Embassy with copy of report at 27a 30b

31.

21.7.51 Note of conversation with S.B. re departure of BLUNT for Athens 31a

32.

24.7.51 Extract from REVAI t.c. mentioning BLUNDEN Transferred to PE 604, 582 Dupl 32a

21.7.51 B.2.a. note with F.O. list particulars of CROSTHWAITE on 3/3/71 32b

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22.7.51 N.D. message re departure of BLUNT

33a

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23.7.51 S.B. report re departure of BLUNT

34a

35.

23.7.51 To G.P.O. suspending t.c.'s

35a

36.

B.2. 2-17

To see 27a. The appropriate registry action has now been taken on this serial.

A.F. Burbidge
A.F. Burbidge

B.2.a.
24.7.51

37.

24.7.51 From BLUNT giving Moore CROSTHWAITE as his address in Athens

37a

39.

24.7.51 Extract from REVAI t.c. mentioning BLUNDEN

39b

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25.7.51 Copy of t.c. on RALMIGH mentioning ANTHONY

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30.7.51. Copy of memo to B.5. re WATERHOUSE.
30.7.51. Copy of interview with REES ment. BLUNT.

42c
42d

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43.

Copy of Minute 23 in FF.604583 - REES.

D.B.

Please see Mr. Martin's summary at 24a of his and my interview with REES on July 24th.

I have nothing to add to this note, which gives an accurate account of the main features of a conversation lasting for about two hours and a half. I agree with the conclusions set out at the bottom of Page 4, of which (2) is probably the most important.

On this point, I should say that both Martin and I had the firm impression that REES (who was very nervous throughout the interview) was not being wholly frank. In making what I am convinced was a slip in his reference to BURGESS's Russian contact as having come from Paris, he gave us some insight regarding the kind of information which he may be concealing from us.

As you will see, the information which he gave us was by no means free from contradiction. On the one hand, BURGESS was notable for his "security consciousness"; and on the other he went out of his way to recruit a virtually useless source in REES and to inform him that BLUNT was another of his sources. On the one hand he has said that he was led to think that BURGESS was telling the truth (see Page 2 of 5a); on the other, he remarked to us on July 24th that BURGESS appeared to have been lying in his mention of BLUNT as one of his sources.

This last point is one in regard to which I had, at the conclusion of the interview with REES, the strong impression that he in fact knew BURGESS's statement in 1937 about BLUNT to be true. In this connection, it is perhaps relevant to consider the somewhat curious manner in which REES and BLUNT presented themselves simultaneously at this office in order to volunteer the information which has now gone on record in their signed statements. I feel obliged to record my firm impression - despite the absence of evidence to support it - that the explanation of this was as follows.

Both BLUNT and REES had for many years withheld vital information from the security authorities. On the face of it, it would appear that REES's guilt was the lesser, since he had not like BLUNT been employed in the Security Service. REES also had less to lose than BLUNT, in that the latter's public position renders him particularly vulnerable. It seems to me very possible that, REES having informed BLUNT that he could no longer withhold from the proper authorities at least a part of what he knew about BURGESS, the two men came to an agreement whereby each would make a mutually agreed statement. This agreement would include an understanding that REES, in implicating BLUNT in BURGESS's activities, would do so in a manner which would not prevent BLUNT from denying it convincingly.

I have already, as you know, spoken to D.D.G. about this theory, and I suggested to him that, if he had an opportunity, he might attempt to draw BLUNT on the subject before the latter left for Greece. No opportunity in fact occurred.

I should be grateful if you would now consider the matter again yourself, with regard to the possibility of our telling BLUNT, on his return to this country, that we do not accept the truth of his statement unreservedly, at the same time guaranteeing to him (if you think we can go so far) that he will not suffer in his career or reputation, if he tells us with complete frankness every detail of his knowledge of BURGESS's espionage.

B.2.
31.7.51.

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(signed) J. C. Robertson.

3.8.51. To S.B. re cancellation of Ports circular re BLUNDEN and others.

44a

46.

7.8.51. Note re WATERHOUSE.

46a

8.8.51. Extract from letter from American Embassy ment. BLUNDEN.

46b

47.

20.8.51 Ext. from T.C.

47ab

24.8.51. To G.P.O. reimposing telecheck.

47b

48.

Copy of Minute 28 in PF.604,583 (RALEIGH)

B.2.

I spoke to the D.D.G. before he left for America. Blunt only returned from Greece on the D.D.G's last day in the office. Any interview was therefore impracticable but the D.D.G. had objections in principle to the proposed interview, these being that he did not see how he could give any sort of assurance to Blunt that, whatever revelations he might make, no action would follow. I agreed with him that such an assurance is not within his power to give.

We shall have to reconsider our approach in this case, and should discuss it when you are ready.

D.B.

27.8.51.

D.G. White.

~~27.8.51. To G.P.O. reimposing BLUNT t.o.s. *Manly filed - sec 47B. NP/RS*~~

48a

27.8.51 Extract from telecheck on PEACH mentioning BLUNDEN.

48c

49.

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~~30.8.51. From F.O. re. BENDALE~~

49c

31.8.51 Ext. re. BUDBERG's inf. tion

49d

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Moura BUDBERG

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I had drinks with Moura on 27th August. There were only two other guests: a young publisher called HODGE (who edits, together with Harold Nicholson's son) a monthly magazine dealing with History Architecture etc. which will be carrying an article about H.G. Wells and - after HODGE's departure - Mr. Mallory BROWNE, Counsellor U.S.A. Embassy, who seemed to be on very good terms with Moura. During the gap between the two visitors Moura and I had an opportunity to talk "shop". She gave me her last news about the "M. & B." case - her informant being mainly Philip TOYNBEE. According to him both men, who are lovers, went for a yachting trip in the Mediterranean. MACLEAN is said to have sold several of his wife's trinkets in order to buy the boat. Moura had further news "from the French Surete" about the case; they take the view that it is purely "une question de moeurs" and that no Iron Curtain is involved. Amongst Moura's friends at the French Embassy are M. de SEGONFAC and M. Toni MAYER. Please let me know if they are in any way connected with the French Surete as I have met Toni MAYER and am bound to meet M. de SEGONFAC one day.

The most startling thing Moura told me was that Anthony BLUNT, to whom Guy BURGESS was "most devoted" is a member of the Communist Party. When I said: "I only know about him that he looks after the King's pictures", Moura retorted: "Such things happen only in England".

P.A. in 20 P604,582 BLUNDEN - 11/EmB.
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Telecommunications Dept., G.P.O., have been asked to take the action specified in connection with the T.C. mentioned below :

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2138 and 2147

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further notice.

24.8.51

B.2.a.

R. T. Reed
R. T. Reed.

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EXTRACT

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Extract for File No.: PF 604,582 Name: BLUNT
 Original in File No.*: PF 604,591 Supp. Vol.: 2 Serial: 46 Receipt Date: 20:8.51.
 Original from: B2A Under Ref.: BURGESS Dated: 19.8.51
 Extracted on: K3/29.2.72. by: K3/DJS Section: K3/6
 (GLADSTONE)

Incoming call to JACKIE from MURRAY (ph), who asked if his old bedroll was still here. It was arranged that JACKIE would put the bedroll and a pair of MURRAY's boots on a taxi at 14.00 on Saturday afternoon and send them round to 31.

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J. Yes. The reason I threw myself to the lions was to keep everybody else out of it.

M. (laughing) Oh, did you?

JACKIE explained that he had sacrificed himself to save BLUNDEN and Victor (ROTHSCHILD), for whom the publicity would have been most unfortunate. He added 'The things these people knew - I mean really !'

They agreed that the press had said everything they could without infringing the law of libel.

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Extract for File No.: P.F. 604,582. Name: BLUNDEN.
P.F. 604,591. Name: HEWIT.
 Original in File No.: P.F. 47,638 Vol.3. Serial: 121a. Receipt Date: 8.8.51.
 Original from: American Embassy. Under Ref.: ---- Dated: 31.7.51.
 Extracted on: 7.9.51. by: PEHS. Section: R.4.

Extract from letter received by hand from American Embassy re BURGESS KATZ in connection with BLUNDEN and mentioning HEWIT.

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It was his recollection that Katz and BURGESS had a disagreement lowing which they broke up but still remained friendly. Isherwood ne had heard of Eric KESSLER. He did remember that one Tony BLUNT (und ly Anthony BLUNT), along with Jack HEWIT, knew BURGESS better than any else in their group. ISHERWOOD contended that he never had any clor sociation with Guy BURGESS and he did not feel that he had seen BURGE more than 20 occasions.

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AD 10

460A

NOTE.

With reference to ELLIS WATERHOUSE. Having been informed that this man was a director of the National Gallery of Scotland, I looked him up in Who's Who.

I find that his full name is ELLIS Kirkham WATERHOUSE, born 16.2.1905. His address is 10 Ettrick Road, Edinburgh. Who's Who gives full details of his career including the fact that from 1938-1947 he served with the Army and the Foreign Office.

F. M. Small

F. M. Small.

B.2.a.
7.8.51.

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THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENT
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Copies in: PF.604,583 RALPH
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PF.161 - 39 HAMIL
PF.55570 REVAI
PF.45597 KLUGMAN
PF.45515 TOYNBEE
PF.604,591 HEWIT
PF.604,592 POLLOCK
PF.51559 MacGIBBON
PF.604,584 PEACH

SECRET

PF.604,529/B2a/RTR

Commander,
Special Branch.

Would you please refer to my minute dated 9.6.51, with a request to circulate eight names to Special Branch officers at the Ports, and to subsequent messages from Mr. Skardon and minutes adding two further names.

We think that the stage has been reached when the instructions to your officers about reporting the departure of these persons can be cancelled. They are: -

REES, Morgan Goronwy
Born: Absystwith 29.11.09

HEWITT, Jack
Born: Gateshead 17.5.17

POLLOCK, Peter W.
Address: Sharlows, Slaunden, Hemel Hempstead.

HAMILTON, Gerald Francis Bernard
Born: Shanghai 1.11.90

KLUGMAN, Norman John @ James
Born: 27.2.1912 Hampstead.

TOYNBEE, Theodore Philip
Born: 25.6.16 Oxford

HEWITT, Anthony Frederick
Born: Bournemouth 26.9.07

REVAI, Dr. Andrew
Hungarian, born 6.8.03

MacGIBBON, James
Born Hamilton 18.2.1912

HILBY, Harold Adrian Russell
Born: Ambala, India, on 1st January 1912

R. T. Reed
R.T. Reed.

3rd August 1951.

Morgan Geronwy REES was re-interviewed on 24th July 1951 by Mr. Robert (B.2) and Mr. Martin (B.2.b). REES was invited to describe chronologically his knowledge of and relations with Guy BURGESS, but this he refused to do saying he preferred to answer direct questions. The information he gave for the purposes of this report, been collated. It will be presented in parts:

- Part I. Chronological account of BURGESS' career.
- Part II. Details of BURGESS' alleged activities as a Comintern agent, 1937 - 1939.
- Part III. BURGESS' associates.
- Part IV. Description of BURGESS' character.
- Part V. Interrogators' comments.

PART I. Chronological account of BURGESS' career.

REES first met BURGESS in 1929 and, though they were at different universities (REES at Oxford, BURGESS at Cambridge) they saw each other fairly frequently and were close friends until 1935. REES stated that BURGESS was a member of the Communist Party from the time they first met until a date which he gave approximately as 1934/35.

During 1935 and 1936 REES was abroad (in Germany and Austria) and saw little of BURGESS. He was able to say, however, that before he went abroad BURGESS had openly renounced his membership of the Communist Party and that when he returned BURGESS was no longer at Cambridge but was working in the Conservative Party Central Office.

REES was aware that BURGESS joined the B.B.C. in about 1936 but was not aware that he had changed his employment again (i.e. joined Secretariat of S.I.S.) before the war.

Of BURGESS' wartime and post-war career REES was fully aware and offered no new information.

In giving this information REES included one fact about himself which was not previously known to the interrogators: REES was employed in the G.I. 21 Army Group or 1943 until the end of the war as G.1 21 Army Group.

PART II. Details of BURGESS' alleged activities as a Comintern agent, 1937 - 1939.

REES explained that, partly due to his own absence abroad and partly to his displeasure at BURGESS' renunciation of the Communist Party, they drifted away from BURGESS after 1934. In 1937 they met again to discuss their differences. On the third or fourth occasion after this contact BURGESS made the following proposal to him: he explained that an apparent defection from the Communist Party was made under duress since his defection he had been working as an agent of the Comintern, collecting and supplying them with information; that he wished to contact him by passing him any interesting information that he might have. REES stated that Anthony BLUNT was one of his agents but that he did not want to discuss the matter with BLUNT.

REES stated that he accepted this assignment but pointed out that he was not in a position where he was likely to acquire any useful information. Some six or nine months later (he dates it 1938 because it was shortly before the Munich Agreement) he recounted to REES a conversation in which he had taken part at Oxford with Lord Halifax and others. REES said that this was the only occasion on which he had given BURGESS any information and that he would have done so anyway even if he had not been asked.

REES was closely cross-questioned on this account. He was asked whether BURGESS received his directive to leave the Communist Party while in Moscow; he replied that BURGESS had never said so and that he thought it unlikely although in fact the defection had happened shortly after BURGESS' return from Moscow. He was asked what was BURGESS' manner when he made the proposal; he replied that it was serious and that BURGESS had put it to him as a fellow Marxist; later, however, he appeared to contradict himself by saying that the whole thing was so "cloak and dagger" that he had wondered whether it was only an example of BURGESS' love of self-importance.

He was asked if there was any secrecy about the meeting when the proposal was made or any instructions for secrecy when material was handed over; he said no. Later, a propos of some other subject, he mentioned BURGESS' security consciousness. When asked to explain he cited this period as an example, but in fact only repeated what he had previously said which to the interrogators indicated a lack of security consciousness.

He was asked whether he knew of any other contacts of BURGESS who were involved in this espionage; he said that BLUNT was the only one BURGESS had named but he himself thought Rolf KATZ (see Part III) might have been, and that he had imagined Edouard PFEIFFER (see Part III) might have been used by BURGESS as an unconscious source.

He was asked to explain his reference at the earlier interview to a Russian or Russians whom BURGESS met in cafes; he explained that, after his recruitment, he had himself asked BURGESS to whom he passed his information and BURGESS had given that answer; he had the impression that there were several persons involved and that BURGESS did not know their identity. Very much later in the interview, and perhaps when off his guard, he said that he didn't see how we would ever identify "the Russian from Paris"; although, on questioning, he said that he had imagined rather than known that the Russian was from Paris, he showed some signs of worry perhaps attributable to the realisation that he had said more than he had intended.

He was asked whether between 1937 and 1939 he had known that BURGESS was employed by British Intelligence; he replied that he had known that he was still with the B.B.C.

He was asked whether he had ever told anyone else of this aspect of his association with BURGESS; he said that he had spoken to BLUNT about it in 1937 or 1938 (admitting that this was against BURGESS' instructions) and that he had imagined BLUNT understood what he was talking about, but presumed now, in the light of BLUNT's statement, that he did not; he also said that he had told Rosamund LEHMANN and later his wife.

He was asked whether he did not think it surprising that BURGESS had never given him a clear directive as to what information was required and had never complained at his lack of success; he said that he imagined BURGESS might have regretted bringing him into the network and therefore he never pressed him. When asked why he thought BURGESS would have regretted

it he replied that BURGESS might have thought him too indiscreet.

He was asked when he formally severed his connection with the work; he replied that he did so at the time of the Soviet-German pact and that BURGESS had accepted his decision without question. He was asked whether he thought BURGESS had also given up the work and, if so, when; he replied that he had always imagined BURGESS would have given up at the same time and, in support of this, cited the fact that during the war when for the first time he was in possession of valuable secret information, BURGESS had never either "pumped" him or suggested that he should resume work; he added that during the war BURGESS had seemed entirely happy and contented, which he had assumed was due to the fact that he no longer considered it necessary to continue this work; he also mentioned that after the war when he had reminded BURGESS of the work BURGESS became hysterical and refused to discuss it.

Variations of these questions were repeated throughout the interview. REES, although occasionally inconsistent on minor details, maintained his original story.

PART III. BURGESS' Associates.

It should be noted that on no occasion did REES mention David FOOTMAN as an associate (at the earlier interview he named him as a close friend) and only once did he mention PHILBY and then only in a passing reference.

(a) Cambridge Friends

REES said that among BURGESS' many University friends, he probably admired most James KLUGMAN and John CORNFORD. He added that BURGESS was wholeheartedly a member of the Communist Party and that his closest friends at that time were to be found there.

(b) 1937 - 1939

REES pointed to the difficulty of distinguishing among BURGESS' very wide circle of friends those whose ties were wholly or largely homosexual and those who were his intimates intellectually. Of the latter REES professed difficulty in remembering names. Besides himself he mentioned Christopher ISHERWOOD, John LEHMANN and Anthony BLUNT. He said he thought BURGESS had a great admiration for BLUNT.

The names of Rolf KATZ and Edouard PREIFFER were again volunteered by REES and he was asked why he linked them together and appeared to consider them significant. After what appeared to be some evasion he said he had always thought that KATZ might have been connected with BURGESS' espionage. When it was pointed out to him that KATZ had no apparent value as a source, REES said that he had thought of him as possibly being a controller rather than an informant. When asked why he thought this, REES said that BURGESS had once told him that KATZ was an ex-Comintern agent who was now a Socialist. He added that he had met KATZ on one or two occasions, regarded him as highly intelligent and thought that BURGESS genuinely admired him.

PREIFFER, he said, was in a different category. He regarded him as a corrupt French politician and assumed that if BURGESS was in fact using him for espionage purposes, it was as an unconscious source. When asked if he could think of others who might have been used by BURGESS in the same way, REES suggested Jack MACHANARA, M.P.

(c) 1939 - 1951

REES could suggest no associates who would not already be known.

PART IV. Description of BURGESS' Character.

REES said - and it was a recurring theme throughout his answers - that BURGESS was the most complete Marxist he had ever known; that from their first meeting in 1929 (when BURGESS was 18 years old) until his disappearance, his every thought and action was dictated by his Marxist philosophy.

REES described him as a brilliant historian in his youth and always original in his thinking. His views were never clouded by prejudice. He was not, for instance, invariably pro-Soviet; he liked England, admired the Labour Government and enjoyed his own social environment; he liked Americans, too, and even in the last two years when he was bitterly opposed to American foreign policy, he maintained his friendships with Americans.

He was unashamedly promiscuous in his homosexual relations. While REES agreed that this and his heavy drinking undoubtedly contributed to his mental deterioration between 1948 and 1951, REES did not think they were the main factors. In REES' view it was due to overwhelming distress at the trend of world politics after the war.

REES said that for BURGESS to have been a Soviet spy in the period 1934 to 1939 was, in his view, entirely consistent with his character and philosophy. Indeed when he recruited REES in 1937 he was able to explain his motives entirely on Marxist grounds. When asked to express his views on whether BURGESS' interpretation of Marxist philosophy would have enabled him to continue spying after 1939 REES could come to no firm conclusions. He thought the best guide was BURGESS' attitude towards himself which was one of complete disinterest in the work he was doing which BURGESS must have known was highly secret.

PART V. Interrogators' Comments.

- (1) REES' statement that BURGESS was a Communist from 1929 to 1934/35 conflicts with the statements of BLUNT and PHILBY, both of whom said that he was not a Communist up to 1933.
- (2) REES was far from convincing when describing his own involvement in BURGESS' alleged espionage activities in 1937 - 1939. If REES was telling the truth, BURGESS was an exceedingly inefficient and insecure spy. On the other hand it is difficult to imagine any motive which REES could have had for inventing the whole story. The more probable explanation would be that REES has told enough to serve as an insurance against the possibility that we would discover the facts for ourselves; but that he has withheld the extent both of his own involvement with BURGESS and of BURGESS' involvement with the Russians; he may also have conferred with BLUNT before making his statement in order to give BLUNT the opportunity of producing his own denial.
- (3) If this is a correct assessment, the statement that the Russian with whom BURGESS was in contact came from Paris may well be true and a slip of the tongue; and the alleged involvement of KATZ and PFELFFER may well be a deliberate false trail laid in the knowledge that it would be difficult to check.
- (4) It is perhaps worth adding that on three separate occasions during the interview REES demanded to know whether his statement concerning BURGESS' espionage had been confirmed from any other source. It could be that REES was checking on whether the premium he had paid for his insurance had been well spent.

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Copy for PF.55570. (REVAI)

B.5. Mr. Storrier.

PF. 604,582 Supp. V.1.

We have recently learned that a man named Ellis WATERHOUSE has stayed on occasions at 20 Portman Square. We have no previous record of this man, and in view of the possibility that he is registered in the London area, I wonder if you could possibly try and get his full registration particulars.

There is just a possibility that this man might be contact 'B' mentioned in the observation reports on REVAI and who is so far unidentified.

B.2.a.
30.7.51.

F. M. Small.

SECRET

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NAME: RALEIGH

T.C. No.: 2137

Tel. No.: Sonning

Date: 25.7.51

Responsible Section: B.2.a.

JUL 1951

Incoming call from Ms RAKES to MARGY.
Re her coming to dinner and then they would
take her by car over to HAMMOND's boat.
09.38

Outgoing call MARGY to 3758 for Dr. HARDY.
He would be there after lunch.
MARGY chatted to the woman answering.
12.49

Incoming call from RALEIGH to MARGY.
He told her that they had got as far as WINDSOR.
He gave her a list of things which DR. HAMMOND
wished to have. RALEIGH would ring her again on
reaching SHEPPERTON. He then said -
R. I had three hours with the people yesterday.
M. Yes.
R. And, it was more or less what you said.
M. What I said? - R. What you thought, you know.
M. Yes, that they just wanted to discuss it with you.
R. Well they sent me over to the two men who are
in charge of the thing, and, they said that they'd
like to talk about .. GUY (inaud)
and, so they went on asking questions all the
afternoon.
M. Yes.
R. But em - I think I've finished with them now.
M. Did they want you to make a statement or anything.
R. Oh no, nothing like that.
M. Did they ask about anybody else?
R. No.
M. Only ANTHONY?
R. What?
M. Only ANTHONY?
R. Yes, and, he's all right I think, (? because) I
spoke to DEREK VERSCHOYLE and he said - Oh well
ANTHONY has purged his soul, whatever he meant by
that, and has gone off to GREECE with a very very
much happier face than I've - His secretary
also told me he'd gone off to GREECE with a much
happier face(for months?). So I presume he must
have told something or other that he had on his mind
M. Perhaps he knew.
R. What?
M. Perhaps he knew.
R. He knew - yes, possibly.
M. Perhaps he knew he was going, I mean, or, knew what
he was - perhaps he didn't know he was going, but
knew what he was.
R. Perhaps so, or had known, very likely.
Anyhow, he's gone off quite happily so I suppose he
forget about it all now.
MARGY went on to tell him about the girls having gone off
to their grandmother. Further conversation re her
meeting the boat tonight.
13.35

SECRET

398

NAME: REVAI

T.C. No.: 2148

Tel. No.: REG 3116

Date: 21.7.51

Responsible Section: B.2.a.



24 JUL 1951

Incoming call from ELSA SCHERRER to REVAI.
To say that BLUNDEN had just rushed out.
He had asked her to inquire if REVAI would
have any time to spare later this afternoon.
REVAI said yes, anytime.
BLUNDEN had suggested about 5 - 5.30.
REVAI would go along and see him at about 5.
11.33

L.E.

Seen by DDG. 032.

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24/7

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My dear Guy -

I have for free tomorrow
money for about a month - It
occurs to me that you may
conceivably want to sit in touch
with me. If so, I shall be

staying with

Morro Crosthwaite

who is ^{see 32b} in the secretory at the
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Communication.

I must say the prospect
of some success, both in +
green art encourages me.

Love

P.S. If there is any
question of returning
any of my papers,
could the matter

Andy

be delayed till I get back. It might
cause unnecessary embarrassment if they were
given to his mother, and I don't think they
should be handed to Jack Hewitt.

Copy for *~~B.F.B.~~/FILE

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Telecommunications Dept., G.P.O., have been asked to take the action specified in
conn on with the T.C. mentioned below :

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2135, 2136,
2138 and 2147

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further notice.

23.7.51

R.2.a.

R. T. Reed
R. T. Reed.

PR. 604, 582.

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24/7/51*

S.B. No. 5 (Flimsy).

LONDON AIRPORT

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METROPOLITAN POLICE (Special Branch)

SPECIAL REPORT

ENCL

FL 23 JUL 1951
10 B2A.m

22nd. day of July 1951 *x51*

REF *Rejs*

SUBJECT
Anthony
Frederick
BLUNT

In confirmation of telephone message to Chief Superintendent at 8.15am today, Anthony Frederick BLUNT, born at Bournemouth on 26.9.07, left this airport for Athens at 8am. today. He is the subject of Circulation Sheet No. 727(1) dated 11th. June 1951.

REFERENCE TO PAPERS

BLUNT was in possession of British passport No. 28268, and appeared to be travelling alone.

L. Buntis P.C.

Submitted

L. Wainwright
Sergeant

[Signature]
for CHIEF SUPERINTENDENT.

For attention of Gordon

Mr. Reed *and 23/7*
Mr. Burbidge

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24/7/51

NIGHT DUTY OFFICER'S REPORT.

pd. 33A
23/7

DATE 0045 hrs 22.7.51. TIME..... REPORT No. 3.....

Message received from S.B.....

Message taken by D.H. WHYTE.....

Subject.....

Summary of Message or Report:—

Report received that ANTHONY BLUNT accompanied by a man called "GERALD" (?HAMILTON) was intending to leave for GREECE..

Later message at 0090 hrs that Blunt had in fact left by HELLENIC AIRLINES for ATHENS at 8 o clock alone

(Continue overleaf if necessary).

Action taken—

Original passed to B2a ✓.....

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3-2-51

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NOTE FOR FILE.

Copy in P.F. 4197

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At serial 65 in the Supp Vol. it will be seen that BLUNT apparently intends staying with a person named CROSTHWAITE at the British Embassy in Athens.

See L.V. 2317

see P.F. 4197

According to the Foreign Office List (CROSTHWAITE) would appear to be Ponsonby Moore CROSTHWAITE, C.M.G., Counsellor at H.M. Embassy, Athens. The Foreign Office List gives the following additional particulars:-

CROSTHWAITE, Ponsonby Moore, C.M.G., born August 13, 1907. Educated at Rugby and Corpus Christi College, Oxford. Granted a Certificate as 3rd Secretary in the Foreign Office or Diplomatic Service and appointed to the Foreign Office, October 12, 1932. Transferred to Bagdad, October 9, 1934. Granted an allowance for knowledge of Arabic, July 11, 1936. Transferred to the Foreign Office, September 27 and promoted to be a 2nd Secretary, October 12, 1937. Promoted to be an Acting 1st Secretary, July 1, 1942. Transferred to Moscow, April 4, 1943. Transferred to Madrid, April 26, 1946. Transferred to the Foreign Office and promoted to be a Foreign Service Officer, Grade 6, June 30, 1947, as Head of Western Department. Transferred to Athens, February 3, 1949. Acted as Charge d'Affaires in 1949. Made a C.M.G., January 1, 1951.

London 1937-43
Moscow 1943-46

A. F. Burbidge

B.2.A.
21.7.51.

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P.F. 604582

NOTE FOR FILE.

I rang Chief Superintendent Thompson, Special Branch at 9.45 this morning in connection with the list of names which we had recently added to the Special Branch port list in connection with the disappearance of BURGESS and MACLEAN. I told him that we expected one of these persons, Anthony BLUNT, to leave the U.K. either today or tomorrow for Athens by air. I asked Chief Superintendent Thompson to ensure that BLUNT was not made aware of the Special Branch interest in him. I also stated that we should prefer it if Special Branch did not indicate to Immigration or the Customs that there was any Security Service interest in the case.

Chief Superintendent Thompson stated that he would telephone his man at the London Airports to ensure that BLUNT was not made aware of our interest in him.

B.2.a.
21.7.51.

A. F. Burbidge
A. F. Burbidge

3-21/51
24/7/51

SECRET

30B

18th July, 1951.

PF. 604582/B. 2. b/ASM

Dear

With reference to the case of Guy BURGESS, I enclose
a copy of a report upon the interview with Professor
Anthony BLUNT, which you may wish to pass to the Bureau.

see 27a

Yours sincerely,

RSm
A. S. Martin

J.A. Cimperman Esq.,
American Embassy.

/NLM

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29B

EXTRACT.

Extract for File No.: PP. 604, 582 Name: BLUNDEN
 Original in File No.: PP. 604, 591 Supp. Serial: 35a Receipt Date: 16.7.51
 Original from: HEWETT telephone check Under Ref.: 2130 Dated: 15.7.51
 Extracted on: 15.8.51 by: AHC Section: B2a

Conversation Jackie HEWETT - BLUNDEN

/Dispatch Incoming call to JACKIE from BLUNDEN, who told him about the Sunday ~~Express~~/article. The owners were going to demand the flat back. BLUNDEN said it was the sort of article for which one might not want to prosecute, but it was extremely libellous. Mrs. BASSETT was to see the solicitors tomorrow. The Dispatch had told the story of the "Fred incident". JACKIE said that in that case he thought the truth would have to be told about that particular episode. BLUNDEN pointed out that although practically all the detail was untrue unfortunately too much of the substance was true. He thought it better to leave this particular lie unrefuted, as otherwise yet more mud would come up. BLUNDEN was at his mother's. He suggested that JACKIE should ring him there if, after he had seen the paper, there was anything he wanted to discuss.

15.06

EXTRACT.

29A

Extract for File No.: PF. 604582. Name: BLUNDEN.
 Original in File No.: PF.55570. Supp. Serial: 27. Receipt Date: 16.7.51.
 Original from: Telecheck on REVAI. Under Ref.: Dated: 15.7.51.
 Extracted on: 17.7.51 by: P.B.C. Section: B.2.a.

15.7.51

Incoming call from BLUNDEN to REVAI.
 BLUNDEN referred to the article in the Dispatch giving statements from the firm who own BURGESS' flat. BLUNDEN commented on it saying that it was "very very unpleasant indeed", and, referred to the mention of "all male rowdy parties". He said that it gave a completely false account, and, here he asked REVAI if he recalled the night when FRED threw GUY downstairs. REVAI remembered that night.
 BLUNDEN talked of having been in touch with JACKIE. He said that he had made great mysteries of having to have long discussions with him. When they finally met yesterday afternoon JACKIE behaved exactly as if nothing whatsoever had happened.
 BLUNDEN thought that this latest thing about the flat will set JACKIE right off again.
 He mentioned that JACKIE was talking about leaving London and getting another job. REVAI remarked that it would be ideal if he got another job.
 BLUNDEN agreed. He said that JACKIE had told him

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 24/7/51 P.T.O.

that the Daily Express had not paid him anything. REVAI made inquiries about "all the various other situations". BLUNDEN said that he had had no news from Cornwall at all. He remarked that he himself would be leaving on Sunday. He was off to see his mother today.

They returned to the subject of the flat.

BLUNDEN mentioned MURRAY GLADSTONE - REVAI said he had met him once - who was very very wild, and he believed that during GUY's 9 months in America he was probably one of the worst offenders.

BLUNDEN said that the firm had been trying to get GUY out for years.

BLUNDEN mentioned that JACKIE might be having an operation.

BLUNDEN would ring up Mrs BASSETT. He didn't know what to do for the best, presumed that one ought to get in touch with GUY's solicitor.

REVAI wondered whether it would be wise to fight the case. BLUNDEN thought not perhaps.

REVAI mentioned having had a letter from PETER from Barcelona.

They arranged to lunch together at the club tomorrow.

Original in PF.604,591 HEWIT
Copy for PF.604,582 BLUNT

28B

Postcard from Greece (date stamp indecipherable) to:

Jack HEWIT, Esq., Flat 3, 10 New Bond Street, London, W.1.

Received 16.7.51

Idra(?) This is positively the best place for bathing that I've ever found - especially in this weather. I occasionally interrupt bathing to look at a temple, but most of the time we do nothing at all, except sweat gently,

Love,

A.

*Either the date received
is wrong or this is not
from BLUNT*

poss 26th?

SECRET

28A

NAME: BURGESS

T.C. No.: 2130

Tel. No.: REG 1530

Date: 13.7.51.
14.7.51.

Responsible Section: B.2.a.



16 JUL 1951

Outgoing call to WEL 9841 (BLUNDEN). No reply.
19.03.

Outgoing call to WEL 1388 (BLUNDEN.) No reply.
19.05.

14.7.51.

Incoming call from BLUNDEN to JACKIE, who said he was not going away for the week-end. He agreed to so and see BLUNDEN at 5.30 today. The latter was dining out at 7.30.

09.47.

Incoming call to JACKIE from (MARGARET BROWN) to ask whether he was coming home with her this week-end. JACKIE said no and added that he was going to see her dear friend the Professor this afternoon. JACKIE wanted to know what was to happen about the flat and all the stuff. He could not afford to keep it on. MARGARET told him not to be too rude to him. JACKIE said he would just finish where he left off the other night - on the point of hitting him.
J. I think I'm going to apply a little chantage.

M. What in the manner of the Daily Express?

J. In the manner of the Daily Express, yes. I shall hold that over his head because they want me to do another one, and any minute now I shall become more and more and more.

MARGARET commented that she did not recognise this ruthless view. JACKIE told her that ~~xxxxxxxix~~ extraordinary things lurked beneath the most translucent people. She told him she hated him in this cynical mood. She went on to tell him that she had spent such a funny week-end with the DRUMMONDS. She had gone down there to hold their hand. JACKIE asked if BEN was there. MARGARET said no, he was in Amsterdam but he was back now. She said Richard KINDERSLEY had re-appeared and wondered whether it was good thing. JACKIE thought it a bad idea, he could not see her spending his life steaming fish and cooking rice. He broke off

+ i.e. Benedict
NICHOLSON (son of
Harold)

said he must go and do some shopping.

10.54.

Incoming call to JACKIE from MORRIS (ph) who reminded him that he was from Colebridge (ph). They had met last September. He was now in London and would like to see JACKIE. The latter told him that he had an appointment at 5.30 but would be free at 7.30. They agreed to meet then in the 'Crown' behind the Regent Palace.

13.52.

Incoming call from DANNY. He and JIMMY were to meet JACKIE in the 'Crown' at 8 o'clock.

16.36.

JW.

27A

COPIES ON PF. 604,529 BURGESS
PF. 604,583 REES

Professor Anthony BLUNT was interviewed by Mr. Robertson (B.2) and Mr. Martin (B.2.b) on Saturday 14th July 1951. He was invited to describe chronologically his knowledge of Guy BURGESS. A summary of his statement follows:

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PF.45597
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They first met, as fellow undergraduates of Trinity College, Cambridge, in 1931. BLUNT described BURGESS as "brilliant but wild", not at that time a Communist. During 1933 BLUNT was abroad; on his return to Cambridge in the Spring of 1934, he found that many of his friends - James KLUGMAN, ^{Martin 2.} John CORNFORTH, John CORNFORD, Guy BURGESS - had, while he was away, become Communists. He himself was drawn into the group, although the political application of Marxism never greatly interested him. KLUGMAN he described as the organiser of the group, CORNFORD as the enthusiastic member, BURGESS as the individualist who accepted the philosophy but was irked by the party discipline. In 1935 BURGESS, who for two years had been doing research work and seemed set for a brilliant academic career, suddenly decided to leave Cambridge and, at the same time, renounced Communism. It was BLUNT's view at the time - and still is, although he realises it conflicts with REES' view - that BURGESS genuinely broke with the Communist Party because he could not accept the discipline. He agrees, however, that, despite the break with the Party, BURGESS always remained a Marxist.

1937

From 1935 to 1938 BLUNT remained at Cambridge and during this period saw BURGESS only on his occasional visits to London. He thought BURGESS at first enjoyed his work with the B.B.C. though later he probably became bored with it. BLUNT described BURGESS's political views during this period as anti-Fascist rather than pro-Soviet; he admitted this was in contradiction to the views of others, with whom he had compared notes, who had described BURGESS at this time as extremely right-wing.

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BLUNT was asked to name BURGESS's friends during this period. After considerable hesitation he suggested REES, Rosamund LEHMANN [ISHERWOOD] and Rolf KATZ. Later in the interview he remembered [David FOOTMAN] BLUNT appeared to be uncomfortable when faced with this question.

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PF.47638
(KATZ)

BLUNT then came to what he described as "the cloak and dagger" period which he placed as 1937/38 and by which he meant the period when he was assisting BURGESS in his intelligence activities. BLUNT affirms that BURGESS either told him, or implied, that he was working for British Intelligence. He insists that, until REES made his statement after BURGESS's disappearance, he had never heard any suggestion that BURGESS was doing this work for the Comintern. BLUNT described his own function as "being the respectable friend". He neither asked nor was told what was the purpose of the job. He said that, arising from this work, BURGESS was in touch with both left and right wingers. He instanced Jack MACNAMARA as one of the ^{center} and Rolf KATZ as one of the ^{left}. He described KATZ as repulsive but intelligent. He also mentioned Edouard PFEIFFER whom he described as "horrible" and "a corrupt French politician".

Aug

In 1939, at the time of the Soviet/German pact, BLUNT and BURGESS were on a motoring holiday together in France. BLUNT described how, when they heard the news, BURGESS was stunned. He spent the return journey to England trying, but failing, to resolve the problem. BLUNT said that he never knew at what conclusion BURGESS finally arrived, but that he was now aware of REES's statement that BURGESS had told him that, from that time, his active work for the Russians had ceased.

... / BLUNT

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PHILBY described in this letter the embarrassment which BURGESS's behaviour in Washington had proved to be.

BLUNT ended by describing BURGESS after his return from Washington. Two themes, he said, dominated BURGESS's thoughts and conversations - maniacal anti-Americanism and the obsession that war was not merely inevitable but imminent. On the last weekend before the flight BURGESS had stayed with Peter POLLOCK. BLUNT said that he saw him on the Monday when he was in an almost sub-human condition. He saw him again in the middle of the week when he seemed somewhat better, and again on the day of the flight when he looked ill and agitated. //

At this point BLUNT was asked whether he could identify certain christian names and addresses found in BURGESS's correspondence. They were read out to him but in only one instance was he able to offer any suggestion.

Before he left BLUNT mentioned that he was going to Greece at the end of next week but offered, if there were any more questions we had to ask, to see us again before he went.

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EXTRACT.

26A

Extract for File No.: PF. 604, 582 Name: BLUNDEN
 Original in File No.: PF. 604, 529 Supp. "A" Serial: 33 Receipt Date: 13.7.51
 Original from: Teletype on BURGESS! flat Under Ref.: 2130 Dated: 12.7.51
 Extracted on: 17.7.51 by: AHC Section: B2a

Conversation between Jack HEWIT and BLUNDEN

Outgoing call from JACKIE to BLUNDEN to reprimand him for not sending on an electricity bill earlier. BLUNDEN supposed he had not collected the letters from the Club. He apologised. JACKIE said he had no lights - it was just one more thing to add to his numerous worries. JACKIE wanted to see BLUNDEN. The latter was busy with Institute matters tomorrow and he hoped to go down to his mother for the week-end. JACKIE had not made up his mind about the week-end - he might go to Bristol. BLUNDEN tried to fit him in for a short while tomorrow. JACKIE screamed that what he had to say would not take 10 minutes; it would take much longer. BLUNDEN should ring him when he found he had some spare time. It was agreed that JACKIE should see him at the Institute at 6.30 on Tuesday. If he decided not to go away on Friday, he should ring ELSA and perhaps they could arrange a meeting on Saturday.

18.26.

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25.B

Reference PF. 604582.

~~AKW~~
B.2.b. Mr. Martin.

per P.F. BURGESS
~~AKW~~

I have recently been going through all vols of the P.F. for Andrei REVAI who as you know was a friend of BURGESS. I find that in August 1941 BURGESS, through Mr. Blunt, submitted a report on REVAI. This was

to clear up the question as to whether REVAI could possibly be pro-German. BURGESS, in the course of the report, said that "If there is anything subversive about REVAI, it could only, in my opinion, be along Communistic lines.

This conclusion was reached on the general grounds of the slant of the man's mind. A possible fact of importance is that he was in Moscow in 1934 working on a pamphlet on the economic basis behind the developments of Soviet painting and architecture. He had the collaboration of Russian scholars in this. He was there at the same time as Dr. ANTAL (who was offered a job in Moscow by the Russians, which he refused.) REVAI in fact produced a short study, but this was never published. Dr. KLINGENDER, a Left-wing aesthician, whom Captain Blunt and I know, was to collaborate in the translation and the publication of this work before the scheme fell through. Further details could doubtless be obtained, if it was thought necessary, by Captain Blunt from Dr. ANTAL or Dr. KLINGENDER". BURGESS went on to say that in his view, REVAI was not a Communist.

A Look-up on Dr. KLINGENDER shows that this man has PF.40482, and that he has been a Communist since 1931. During the early 1930s he worked for ARGOS and later for the Labour Research Department. There are a number of source reports in the file which describe KLINGENDER as a fanatical Communist and the type of person who would not hesitate to pass any information which came his way to the Soviet Union. This view is also given in a report from Special Branch. In October 1942 the file was minuted to Captain Blunt for his views on KLINGENDER. Attached herewith is a copy of this minute together with the reply, also a copy of a letter from KLINGENDER.

I spoke to B.2. about this matter last evening, and he asked that I should have these extracts made and passed to you, as you will probably wish to have them filed in the P.F. for BLUNDEN which is at present with you.

F. M. Small

F. M. Small.

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Copy of intercept letter to D^r. John (?) LEWIS of
40 Claremont Park, Finchley, N.3. from Francis KLINGENDER
of 45 Downshire Hill, London N.W.3. dated 15.11.1945.

Dear John,

I'm glad you like the Russian article in its
final form.

(1) About sculpture - I think you should try and get
Anthony Blunt to do it for you, though he'll take some
persuading. He is, of course, now Keeper of the King's
Pictures, as well as Art Director of the Courtauld Inst.,
and the former job may make him fight shy of the M.Q. But
its worth trying, esp. since he wrote an excellent article
on Dalon in 'Left Review'.

(2) I'd rather like to see the article you mention in
Rudin(?) Could you give me the reference, or, better still,
lend it to me if you have it?

(3) Editions Svacles-Paris. (i.e. the former EST),
who, it is cheering to work, are back again at 24, Rue Racine,
Paris 6^e, have recently issued a pamphlet 'Introduction a
l'etude de L'art francaise' by Joseph Billiet, who is
described as 'Conservateur des murees nationales' and 'Ancien
directeur general des beaux-arts'. It is, in my opinion,
brilliant, and since it consists of 2 parts. (a) Conditions
generales de l'art, and (b) Conditions de l'art francais, each
of about 10-12 pages, it might well suit the M.Q.

Best wishes,

yours sincerely,

Francis.

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B.1.b. (Captain Blunt.)

As arranged with you some time ago over the telephone I enclose KLINGENDER's file. You will see that he has been chiefly a B.1.c. case until May of this year, when they sent his file to me. He became of interest to me in connection with his employment at the Ministry of Home Security at Princes Risborough where I have one or two other communists, and I felt on reading his file right through very carefully, that it was time, particularly having regard to the great secrecy and importance of his work, that the matter was cleared up as far as possible to find if this man should be regarded with suspicion or not.

You will see that, for the last eleven years or so, he has been connected with Communism, either actively or in relation to well known Party members. He has the misfortune to rouse suspicion in the breasts of everyone with whom he comes in contact, which you will see from the closing serials of volume 1.

I took a return of correspondence out on the two houses he occupies. Of the names on the returns of which there is any trace at all -

Mrs. Maud KENNEDY @ Mrs. Kennedy O'BRIEN is no doubt the wife of George O'BRIEN KENNEDY who is a well known Party member and is engaged on special work for the Party.

Helen BONNINGTON may be identical with a woman of the same name who is in touch with Leo GOLLHARD who works in the Propaganda Department of King Street and is of some particular interest to us.

John HEARTFIELD, whose real name is Helmut HERZFELD, is a member of the Free German League of Culture, and has long been connected with the Communist Youth Movement in Germany, and his brother, Wieland HERZFELD, who lives in New York, is considered to be one of the best brains of the German Communist Party.

Mrs. UHLMAN is Nancy Diana CROFT, one of the daughters of Lord CROFT and is married to Dr. Manfred UHLMAN, also a member of the Free German League of Culture, and a Communist, as she is. It was UHLMAN who let his house to KLINGENDER.

As I understand that you know KLINGENDER personally, I should be very grateful for a benefit of your knowledge of him. It has been suggested that a H.O.W. should be taken out on him, but I am not yet satisfied that this is justifiable. KLINGENDER is certainly in a position to obtain secret information and to pass it on, but whether he actually does so is of course still unknown.

F.2.a.
29.10.42.

J. B. Milne.

P.S. You will remember that when I spoke to you on the telephone I asked you if B.6. who were watching 25 Downshire Hill, at the time and had mentioned 45 and 47 on one of their reports, could keep an eye on the latter address, on the last day of their watching. I have seen their report to Miss Ogilvie on Stephen MURRAY's house, but there is no mention of 45 and 47 Downshire Hill. Do you know if they had anything to report?

J.B.M.

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F.2.a.

I doubt if I can add very much to this file. I have known KLINGENDER on and off for about 6 years. My contact with him is based on the fact that in addition to being an economist he is an ~~art~~-historian, and we occasionally collaborate in this field.

He is a Marxist of great ability, but is somewhat rigid in his application of the doctrine. His manner and appearance are at first sight discouraging, and I am not at all surprised to find that he constantly arouses suspicion. In fact the only things that surprised me at all in the file were:

(a) The note by C. Division on 59a: 'Underground Communists' - since K's activities have not only not been secret, but have mainly consisted in organising public lectures on Marxist lines at Marx House, Oxford, Cambridge etc.

(b) The naive remarks of B.5.b. at 60a on the Marxist view of the arts. I have, I believe, incidentally lectured for the Hogarth Group myself at some stage, but my name does not seem to appear on this list!

As far as I can sum up what I know about K., I should say that he belonged essentially to the intellectual type of Marxist whose activities as I know them, have been almost entirely in the field of research (except perhaps when he was much younger). I am in any case quite confident that he would not do anything disloyal to this country.

The general policy of allowing people like K. or BERNAL to be in government offices is not my affair!

- Same!

B.1.b.
7.xi.42.

AF. Blunt.

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In a social conversation with Mrs. Crist and
(B.4.b.) today, B.K. remarked that on
11.7.51 she had met a Mr. and Mrs. PHILEY at dinner.
has commented that there used to be a
PHILEY - a fact which appeared to be news to
B.K.

B.K. said that PHILEY had referred during
dinner to the fact that BURGESS had stayed with him
in Washington, at which time he was drinking heavily
and behaving badly.

In further general talk about the BURGESS/
MACLEAN affair, PHILEY had said that HEWITT had
threatened to commit suicide, and was at present in
a tantrum with Anthony BLUNT who had "blighted his
life".

B.K. understands that one Jack IVENS (phon)
is a friend of [redacted]

B.4.
12.7.51

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23A

NAME: BURGESS

T.C. No.: 2130

Tel. No.: REG 1530

Date: 8.7.51.

Responsible Section: B.2.a.



9 JUL 1951

Incoming call from JACKIE from Kensington Air Station.
He told JIMMY he would take a taxi home straight away.
22.45.

Outgoing call from JACKIE to (MARGARET BROWN) who was surprised to hear that he was back. She thought he was never coming back. JACKIE said he almost did not. Margaret had ~~xxx~~ heard that JACKIE had had a dreary time with BLONDELL, who was extremely miserable about it. JACKIE could not remember being nasty to him. He went on to speak about his trying to get information in Paris - he expected a long report about it in the paper tomorrow. Margaret asked whether she was ever going to see JACKIE again. JACKIE just did not know.

23.21.

JW.

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Extract for File No. : P.F. 604,582 Name : BLUNDEN
 Original in File No. : P.F. 604,584 Serial : 47z Vol. : 2 Receipt Date : 9.7.51
 Original from : British Embassy, Washington Under Ref. : P.F. 95(R) Dated : 5.7.51
 Extracted on : 9.10.52 by : JA Section : B.2.a

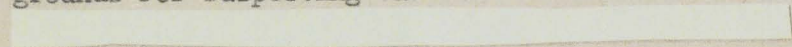
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Extract from G.T.D.Patterson's letter, British Embassy Washington acknowledging information re progress of investigations, BURCESS/MACLEAN case.

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Thank you very much indeed for sending me your consolidated report under cover of your P.F. 604,584/B 2.b/ASM dated July 2, 1951.

....
The F.B.I. have shown no particular interest in our information about BLUNT and FOOTMAN, but I am sure they were pleased to see that we were withholding nothing. I of course made it clear that we have no grounds for suspecting that either of them worked for the Russians



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 Original in File No.: P.F. 604,529 Serial: 233e Vol: 5 Receipt Date: 9.7.51
 Original from: B.2.b Under Ref.: - Dated: 9.7.51
 Extracted on: 8.10.52 by: EA Section: B.2.a

Extract from interview with John Neville JUDKYN ment. BLUNDEN

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... In 1950 JUDKYN met BURGESS on one occasion when he very kindly suggested that he would introduce him to "Alan Moorehead", the Keeper of the Kings Pictures. (It is quite clear that he means Anthony BLUNT). He dined with BURGESS at his club and unfortunately Anthony BLUNT did not put in an appearance, and as a consolation prize

9.10.5

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PF.604529 BURGESS
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 Original in File No. PF.604558 Serial: 305c Receipt Date: 9.7.51
 Original from FBI memo Under Ref. 8567 Dated: 5.7.51
 Extracted on 11.7.51 by: NLM Section: B2b

...Bernard Miller was interviewed on June 30, 1951, and he advised he had received a cable from Professor BLUNT on June 26, 1951, as follows: "Worried. No news. Did you get my two letters? Anthony." Miller advised that he had received only one letter from Blunt about two weeks ago. He said there was no mention of Burgess in the letter other than that Blunt had no news regarding Burgess. Miller said he destroyed this letter. Miller has sent a cable to Blunt in response to the latters cable and advised Blunt he was O.K. and informed him of plans to go to the University of Geneva in late August, 1951.

SECRET

NAME: RALEIGH

Tel. No.: Sonning

Responsible Section: B.2.a.



T.C.

Date:

6 JUL 1951

Outgoing call MARGY to WEL 9841 to BLUNDEN. Before starting she remarked that this was quite a private call and he was not to mention anything about it.

She asked him if he knew what had happened to RALEIGH yesterday to upset him so much.

BLUNDEN did not know. MARGY inquired whether it was anything to do with him. He did not know.

She asked if he had spoken to RALEIGH yesterday.

He said he had. He said that RALEIGH had lunched with DEREK and then came round to see him.

MARGY knew that much and remarked -

M and he reported a story which DEREK had overheard about you.

B. That's right yes, and, that's all we talked about.

MARGY said that she was "absolutely baffled."

She said that RALEIGH was frightfully upset.

She couldn't think why and remarked that she could not stand much more of it.

RALEIGH had said to her -

"you don't understand, you don't realise, you don't want to understand".

BLUNDEN was very sorry but he really did not know what it could be.

She wondered whether "the same sort of thing had been said about him" and, that was the reason why he was so upset. She then remarked - "people are bound to say that aren't they. They must be saying it about all of us. I mean we knew that would happen weeks ago." BLUNDEN remarked that it was inevitable.

MARGY told him that RALEIGH would be going to Birmingham for the night - he goes to Birmingham every other Thursday to the Works.

B. But it was particularly bad yesterday was it?

M. Well apparently it was the worst day ever.

B. He's got very complicated theories about this business that DEREK told him.

M. Has he? Yes I know, he's got such frightfully complicated theories about everything, and, either he believes them and should therefore act on them, or, one should abandon them I think, don't you?

B. Well in this case if it's a very complicated theory at all there's not much one can do about it.

M. No, no not that one, but he's got about three theories about it now.

B. Oh has he?

M. I know which one your talking about now.

B. Oh I see yes. Well that's very very complicated.

M. Yes it is - the highest.

B. It seems to me too complicated.

M. Well it's very fine isn't it.

B. nVery-

M. Fine-you know.

MARGY went on to ask if he had had any ~~more~~ more trouble from the other party. He said no, that he was hoping to hear from him today. He remarked - "touch wood he is said to be rather calm."

MARGY did not think that there was any more one could do in that direction. He agreed.

09.21

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Incoming call from RALEIGH to MARGY.
 She asked him if he was feeling better.
 He said he wasn't - he apologized for not
 having had much time to speak to her this morning.
 He told her that he would be back on Saturday.
 He did not think that he would go to Henley but
 asked if she would go. MARGY said she would not go.
 He also said that he had arranged to go and play
 tennis with her brother and asked if she would
 cancel that. He would return from Oxford on Saturday
 night. MARGY asked - "What has upset you".
 RALEIGH - "I just can't tell you."
 M. "Why now".
 R. "Well I can't tell you now, and, I couldn't
 tell you before."
 She asked if there was anything she could help him
 with. He said no.
 She asked him if he would be staying at All Souls
 in Oxford tomorrow night. He said yes.

10.24

Outgoing call MARGY to WEL 8201 for RALEIGH.
 He had gone to Birmingham.

10.52

Incoming call from RALEIGH (speaking from Birmingham)
 to MARGY. She said that she had written him a long
 letter. He asked if it was a friendly one. She said yes.
 RALEIGH did not think he would go to Oxford tomorrow.
 She asked him if he was feeling better.
 He wasn't - said he was not feeling very well.
 She asked him if he felt ill. He said no.
 She inquired whether "something really happened yesterday"
 RALEIGH - "Yes".
 MARGY said that she talked to BLUNDEN this morning,
 he seemed quite happy and they had agreed that "it
 was all one could expect people to say".
 She asked if someone had said something about him (RALEIGH)
 He said no. She then asked whether it was that which
 had upset him or was it something else. He replied that
 it was "that".
 He said he would come straight home tomorrow arriving
 at Reading at 14.53.

14.15

Outgoing call MARGY to 3296 for Miss SHAW.
 She was told that she no longer lived there -
 had moved to 47 Grove Road, Hemel? Green.

18.22

Outgoing call to 3298. No reply.

18.23

Outgoing call to 3216. for Mrs POLLAN
 She was not there. MARGY would ring again tomorrow.

18.25

Incoming call from RALEIGH to MARGY.
 He told her that he was feeling better and went on
 to make inquiries about MARGY. He told MARGY he would

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Telecommunications Dept., G.P.O., have been asked to take the action specified in connection with the T.C. mentioned below :

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2138 and 2147

as soon as

possible.

6.7.51

B2a

R. T. Reed
R. T. Reed.

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19A

In view of the somewhat unusual conversations on the RALEIGH telephone check for the 5th July between RALEIGH, his wife, and BLUNDEN, I have asked today for all the BLUNDEN telephone checks to be reimposed as soon as possible.

R. T. Reed
R. T. Reed.

B. 2. a.
6.7.51

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Extract for File No.: PF. 604,582 Name: BLUNT.
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 Original from: B.I.K note by C.T.Y. Under Ref.: - Dated: 5.7.51
 Extracted on: 3.9.51 by: EMN Section: B2a

*- friend of
 Jackie Hewitts*

Desmond VESEY first met BURGESS at a cocktail party given by Anthony BLUNT (presumably at Bentinck Street) in the Autumn of 1941. From that time on, Vesey saw Guy BURGESS occasionally at parties when he, Vesey, came to London. (At that time, of course, Vesey was stationed at Oxford). The parties were in the Tom WILLIE entourage, and at that time, according to VESEY, as far as he knew BURGESS's other friends were John LEHMANN, Brian HOWARD, Harold NICHOLSON and his son Ben, and a girl "Pat", surname unknown, who lived at Bentinck Street, and he believes, married Francis NOEL-BAKER.

well no - (but apparently lived with a NOEL-BAKER)

RAUDON-SMITH

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*Robert
 6-9-51*

BLUNT, A. F. (FF.604582).

D.B. to be asked for approval for BLUNT's reinterrogation for the purposes of:-

- (a) Elucidation of certain items in BURGESS's correspondence.
- (b) In order to obtain from BLUNT all the information in the latter's possession about BURGESS's life history and associates.

Subject of T.C. (now suspended). T.C. to be re-imposed at time of interrogation.

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EXTRACT.

AUDEN
BLUNT ✓
BREMNER
BROWN, Peter

18B

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CONTACTS OF BURGESS.
Note of Further Action to be Taken.

It is recognised that the existing lists of contacts of BURGESS and MACLEAN are by no means comprehensive. For this reason one of the principal matters to be decided is that of the further measures (including interrogation) which have now to be taken, in order in due course to obtain as complete information as possible about the whole range of the significant contacts of both men.

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NAME: REVAI

Tel. No.: REG 3116

Responsible Section: B.2.s.

T.C. No.: 2148

Date: 2.7.51

8 JUL 1951

Incoming call to REVAI from Mr HAYWARD.
Regarding matters to do with ORDERS and Invoices.
11.11

Incoming call from Mr DENNIS GRUNDY?? to REVAI.
DENNIS GRUNDY made inquiries as to whether REVAI
had had a good week end, and, then arranged to come
and see him at 11 or 11.30 tomorrow (It would appear
to be business).
N.T.S.

In a call to Mr HILTON, RUDY FRANK mentioned that
he had only been over from America three days,
and would be leaving again in a fortnight's time.
Conversation re business.
N.T.S.

Outgoing call REVAI to WEL 1388 for BLUNDEN.
Miss SCHERRER informed him that BLUNDEN was with
Prof. FRIEDLANDER for the moment.
BLUNDEN eventually came to the phone and asked
REVAI at what time he thought they ought to start.
REVAI thought 5, but BLUNDEN decided to ring him
again later. He remarked that there was no telephone
where he was going, but would ring him from somewhere
outside.
N.T.S.

(MIKES) (Hung. author)

Incoming call from GEORGE NICHOLS???(MIKASH???)
to REVAI. The conversation was in Hungarian.
A short call. REVAI concluded by saying in English
that he was "looking forward very much".
66.02

Incoming call from BLUNDEN to REVAI.
He told him that he had got held up because the
chap he had gone to see at 4.30 had gone out for
5 minutes so he said, but he had been waiting for
him for 20. BLUNDEN said that he would have to
go on waiting because he must see him. He was afraid
that he would not be able to meet REVAI until 5.30.
BLUNDEN did not think that they would be too late
for dinner. REVAI suggested he gave him another
ring so that he could go and get the car out, but
then decided that it would be best for him to come
along as soon as he had finished, they could go
and get the car together. REVAI thought that they
would go via New Cross - the Folkeston Road.
BLUNDEN checked on REVAI's address - 28B Albermarle
Street, next to Brown's Hotel.
17.04

L.E.

Records & T.C.

9/21/65 - Mr
was to have been
in SWITZERLANDS

Keel.

18A

2nd July 1951.

P.F. 604,584/B.2.b/ASM

Dear Geoffrey,

.....
 I have now completed my "consolidated report" which I attach to this letter and which you may show to the F.B.I. It sets out to do two things - first, to anticipate what the F.B.I. may well discover for themselves, namely that several of BURGESS's closest friends besides PHILBY had connections with [redacted] this office....

With regard to the first object, we have deliberately picked out the names of PHILBY, BLUNT, FOOTMAN and REES, even though we have no evidence that any of them, [redacted] had even the remotest connection with Soviet espionage. We do regard them as the most urgent cases under investigation, but

G.T.D. Patterson Esq.
 British Embassy.
 Washington.

(attached)

30th June, 1951.

.....
 Morgan Goronwy REES has stated that, when BURGESS apparently changed his political views in 1934, most of his old friends deserted him. REES has named three who remained his friends despite the change of his political views. They are:

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Prof. A.F. BLUNT.

Now employed as Deputy Director of the Courtauld Institute of Art, London University, and as Surveyor of the Kings Pictures. From 1940 to 1945 he was employed by this office.

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JA/B.2.a 9.10.52

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LANDALE

P.F. 604582

BLUNDEN ✓

P.F. 604583

~~RALEIGH~~

Extract for File No. Name:

Original in File No. P.F. 604529 V.4. BURGESS Serial: 207d Receipt Date: -

Original from: B.2./JCR Under Ref: - Dated: 28.6.51.

Extracted on: 31.7.51. by: VB Section: B2a/AFB

MACLEAN/BURGESS CASE. U.K. INVESTIGATION.

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As our investigations proceed, it will become easier to determine the priorities with more precision. I think it can already be said with some certainty that the individuals who, on present information, should be most intensively investigated are PHILBY, FOOTMAN, LUNN and BLUNT. As we increase the scale of our coverage of these persons, I intend accordingly to reduce it in some of the other and less significant cases.

In all four cases, however, I consider that our principal weapon should be that of further interrogation and my recommendation is that FOOTMAN, LUNN BLUNT and REES should in due course be interviewed at length, not only about their knowledge of BURGESS, but also about their own past histories, on the same lines as those which have been pursued in the case of PHILBY.

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NAME: REVAI

T.C. No.: 2146

Tel. No.: CUN 0947

Date: 27.6.51

Responsible Section: B.2.a.

28 JUN 1951

Incoming call from ANTHONY to REVAI. ANTHONY spoke of having had a dreadful time. He talked of JACKIE having tried to kill himself and of the police having been called in. JACKIE was it seems blaming ANTHONY for everything - ANTHONY had driven him to it. ANTHONY explained that he had naturally talked to JACKIE in a rather sharp manner as a result of this mornings article in the Express. GONNY had also it seems talked to him, and, JACKIE was blaming GONNY also to a certain extent. It seems that JACKIE had decided he was going to leave a letter - something possibly in the shape of an article - stating that ANTHONY had driven him to it. ANTHONY said that the police had been very good indeed - and very discreet. They had phoned him after a long period, and told him that JACKIE appeared to be more calm, he had also had a message to say that a friend of his Mr YOUNG was taking him home for the night. ANTHONY could not think who Mr YOUNG was. Perhaps it might be ROGER. REVAI remarked that one could not judge it in the light of a normal human being. ANTHONY remarked -- "well I mean it's only the fact that he's so fond of me that makes him behave like that". He could not understand however why he should behave like that to GONNY. ANTHONY thought he would probably have to go into a nursing home. REVAI agreed. The only person JACKIE seemed friendly to was MARGY. When they called the police they had to tell him that it was MARGY who had called them. REVAI thought the most worrying thing about all this was that it would never end. REVAI asked if he had been in touch with GUY's mother. ANTHONY said he had - constantly - she had been on to the Foreign Office about the article. They had said that they could do nothing about it. She herself did not wish to go to a lawyer. ANTHONY gathered from JACK BASSETT that the Foreign Office had in fact decided to sack GUY and for that reason were not prepared to make any statement to the contrary. REVAI said that he had talked to NORMAN NASH? a few days ago about this question. He had told REVAI that when GUY had consulted him as to what to do, he had in fact given him the advise to resign by all means, because finally he would be sacked. But it did not seem it would be an immediate danger. ANTHONY remarked that they all knew it was an immediate danger. But he himself did not think that the F.O. had in fact made up their minds. But they were near enough to it to say now that 'well we're not prepared to come out and make a contradictory statement'.

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Nothing further to report.
One third of a roll blank.
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28 JUN 1951

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- on p BLUNDEAN

NAME: REVAI
Tel. No.: CUN 0947

T.C. No.: 2146

Date: 27.6.51

Responsible Section: B.2.a.

Incoming call from ANTHONY to REVAI. To tell him that JACKIE had gone and put his foot in it properly. He was absolutely furious with him, and said - "how right you were in saying that he was going to do it whether we wanted it or not". ANTHONY told him that Mrs BASSETT was frightfully distressed. He went on about him having double crossed them all in such a disgusting way. REVAI just didn't know what one could do - he thought the only thing would be to drop him. REVAI would read the article and ring him back. He felt it was absolutely hopeless to try and talk to JACKIE - "I mean it is a kind of moral insanity" - "It's really the climax of bad taste to try and get publicity and making money on that". ANTHONY said that he proposed to make a serious scene with him about the continual lying. He said that JACKIE had always been a liar but in this kind of situation he thought it a bit too much. The lying about not going to Italy was quite bad enough. He spoke of him having phoned Mrs BASSETT yesterday and asking her if she minded another article to be published something on the style of GONNY's of about 10 days ago. REVAI felt very sorry for Mrs BASSETT. Mrs BASSETT had phoned ANTHONY about it - he hadn't seen the paper himself. He remarked also about GUY's possible new job', and the mention of that 'GUY knew he was out'. ANTHONY remarked "which is first of all untrue, quite near the truth, but it is untrue".

09.24

L.E.

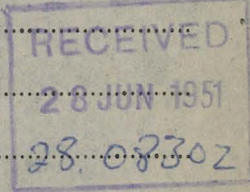
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TELEGRAM FOR DESPATCH

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To: SLO Washington Office File No PF. 604582 Section of Origin B.2.b

Date 27.6.51 Signed A.S. Martin

In: Copy to: 

Reference your letter No. of
our telegram

PF. 604,582 Supp. 49.

1. Professor Anthony BLUNT cabled MILLER 234 E. 70 Street, Apartment 3A, New York City on 26.6.51 asking if MILLER had received his two letters.
2. Recommend F.B.I. re-interrogate MILLER concerning these two letters.



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Extract for File No.: PF. 604582. Name: BLUNDEN.
 Original in File No.: PFR. 1620. Supp. Serial: 34. Receipt Date:
 Original from: Telecheck on HALPERN. Under Ref.: Dated: 27.6.51.
 Extracted on: 5.7.51. by: P. B. C. Section: B.2.a.

I/C Unidentified Russian woman thanks HALPERN

been to Cambridge twice - she has also seen ...
 Distant says she was very distressed this morning when she
 opened the "Daily Express" and saw a photograph of a young
 man she knows "vaguely". For the first moment she did not
 know who it was. She had even forgotten his name. She then read
 the paper, and saw that it was in connection with "this business
 with Guy", and she remembered that he had made a very bad
 impression on her when he was once brought to her studio. She
 will tell SALOMEA about it. SALOMEA is very anxious to know if the
 man in question on what happened had made this very bad
 impression. Distant says - "No, it is what I remembered
 and it gives pointers" (indications). SALOMEA anxious to
 know when "it" happened. Distant thinks and says in January,
 at the time of Anthony's broadcast on the Ecole de Paris.
 SALOMEA wants to know who brought this man to distant's studio -
 Guy or Anthony. Distant says "Anthony - but they all lived
 together". SALOMEA reminds distant that Guy was away at that
 time and adds "you had better tell me about it when you come
 to see me.". Distant asks if she can come at the week-end.

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Telecommunications Dept., G.P.O., have been asked to take the action specified in connection with the T.C. mentioned below :

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further notice.

2135,2136,
2138,2147

forthwith

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R.T. Reed
R.T. Reed.

PF. 604,582

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Extract for File No. : P.F. 604,582 Name : BLUNDEN
 Original in File No. :* P.F. 604,558 Serial : 280a Vol. : 4 Receipt Date : 23.6.51
 Original from : B.2.a Under Ref. : Dated : 13.6.51
 Extracted on : 9.10.52 by : JA Section : B.2.a

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Extract from amended version of B.2.a note re interview with John Nicholas HENDERSON, F.O., re Donald Maclean and Guy BURGESS, ment. BLUNDEN.

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 Several years ago HENDERSON used to see BURGESS at the Reform Club with Anthony BLUNT and Goronwy REES. He had heard that during the war he had shared a flat with a number of people including Llewellyn DAVIES, Miss RAWDON SMITH, and a girl now married to Lord ROTHSCHILD.

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P.F. 604,591
P.F. 604,582

Extract for File No. : Name : HEWITT
BLANDEN ✓

Original in File No. : P.F. 604,529 - BURGESS.V.4. Serial : 195b(5) Receipt Date : 21.6.51.

Original from : STOTT REPORT Under Ref. : 8523 Dated : 19.6.51.

Extracted on : 31.7.51. by : VB Section : B2a/AFB

Reference is made to our memorandum of June 15, 1951, in which we set forth information obtained from Bernard Warren Miller.

On May 26, 1951, Miller said he received a telephone call from John (Jack Hewitt), Burgess' roommate, who told him that Burgess had not come home that night. John wanted to know if Miller had information regarding Burgess' whereabouts. Miller told John that he had no such information because he had previously been instructed by Burgess not to tell John of his plans for that week end. On May 27, 1951, Miller said he was contacted personally by Professor Blunt and both drove to the home of Tom Harris, a friend of Burgess for many years. At this time Miller told Blunt of Burgess' plans for the week end. Both Blunt and Harris were disturbed because they said Burgess never went away without telling John and his mother of his plans. These friends seemed to think that Burgess had been going downhill mentally for a long time. Miller said that Burgess used cocaine for relief from severe headaches which had resulted from a fall. Miller also said that Burgess suffered from diabetes.

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13.8.51

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21st June 1951.

PF. 604,582/B2a/RTR

Dear Saffery,

Confirming our telephone conversation, I should be glad if you would add to H.O.W. No. 1247 the number WELbeck 4181, installed at 19 Portman Square, and the subscriber to which is a certain Clare CHARLES.

Yours sincerely,

R. T. Reed
R.T. Reed.

G.F. Saffery, Esq.,
G.P.O.

Note: This telephone in the library at the bank had become known to the members. BLUW used it sometimes so it was added to the check.

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Extract for File No.: PF. 604, 582/Y Name: BLUNDEN.
Original in File No.: PF. 604, 583/Supp. Serial: 10 Receipt Date: 20.6.51.
Original from Telecheck on GONNY. Under Ref. Sonning. Dated: 18.6.51. 120
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Extracted on: 21.6.51. by: EMN Section: B.2.A.

Incoming call from ANTHONY for MARGY or GONNY.
They were both out. ANTHONY would ring again.
19.53

Outgoing call-
GONNY dialled (3232?) spoke to Dr HAMMOND
He apologized for leaving him so abruptly
last night without thanking him for the
wonderful week end. HAMMOND asked whether he
would be able to count on his help on Wednesday.
GONNY was sorry no, because he would have to
go to Oxford on Wednesday. HAMMOND went on to
inquire about MARGY. She was tired had gone to bed.
GONNY went on to talk about his season ticket -
would apparently get a refund if he produced
a doctor's certificate. HAMMOND would see to that.
20.23

Outgoing call for Kidlington 3184 for ARTHUR DENNIS.
He was not in. GONNY left a message saying that he
had phoned. He made inquiries as to whether they
would be moving tomorrow. Yes they would be, but
would return to the place for a while on Friday.
Mrs DENNIS would be in at quarter to 10.
Mr DENNIS is not expected to be home tonight.
20.56

Outgoing call GONNY to Lindhurst Hants 111 for
Mrs or Mr HARGRAVES. Both were out. He asked for
young Mrs HARGRAVES. She also was not available.
Message left to the effect that the pram had been
sent down.
N.T.S.

Incoming call from ANTHONY to GONNY.
ANTHONY was wondering whether he would be coming
up to London tomorrow. GONNY thought he might
be on Tuesday or Wednesday. Mrs BASSETT had
spoken to ANTHONY and given him to understand that
GONNY would be coming up.
ANTHONY wondered whether they could have a meal
together. ANTHONY told him that he was down at
TRING but would be at home as from 12 tomorrow.
GONNY would ring him up when he knows for certain
when he would be coming. He suggested they could
have a drink together. He went on to inquire
if he had had any news. ANTHONY had had none at all.
GONNY had had none. Mentioned that Mrs BASSETT had
phoned. She had seen the Daily Mail. GONNY spoke
of the reporter who came to see him. ANTHONY
remarked that he had tried to get on to him too.
GONNY assured him that it was not on his suggestion
that the man had tried to get on to him. ANTHONY
realised this, though he did say that GONNY had
suggested he saw ANTHONY. ANTHONY remarked -
"well my instructions are still not to see anyone!"
GONNY then questioned him about JACKIE and whether
he had gone to Italy. ANTHONY said yes - "thank God"
and said he had really been in a very bad state.
GONNY was not surprised
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I saw John LEHMANN at his home at 31 Egerton Crescent, S.W. 3, on 18th June 1951. He carries on business at the present time in the style of John LEHMANN Ltd., Publishers, 6 Henrietta Street, W. C. 1.

After some initial fencing and when I had indicated that his sister Rosamund had been seen by a colleague of mine named _____ he admitted that the woman informant referred to in his letter to Stephen SPENDER was, in fact, Rosamund LEHMANN. It is quite clear that Mr. LEHMANN is appalled to think that a private and confidential letter addressed to a friend should have received the publicity given to this one. He is at a loss to understand the action of Stephen SPENDER, except possibly to explain it by a desire for publicity.

LEHMANN can add nothing to the information provided by his sister concerning the facts of BURGESS's allegiance to some communist organisation. Mr. LEHMANN was not very willing to discuss his own association with BURGESS in the pre-war days. Obviously it is not a period of which he is himself particularly proud, but he tacitly admitted to an association with such people as Christopher ISHERWOOD, W. H. AUDEN, Harold NICHOLSON, Anthony BLUNT and Goronwy REES in the Chester Square period of BURGESS's life. He offered no positive information about BURGESS's politics at that time and professed to be unaware that he had been a member of the Communist Party and that he had, like other people, publicly left the Party.

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In parting, Mr. LEHMANN explained that he had been unable to impart his secondhand information directly to the authorities. He had made one effort to do so through Mr. Harold NICHOLSON, who found himself unable to assist owing to a heavy list of engagements. NICHOLSON had suggested that he might speak to Sir William STRANG to introduce Rosamund LEHMANN's story to him, but eventually found himself unable to help. LEHMANN was also a little critical of people like Anthony BLUNT and Goronwy REES, who did, after all, hold official positions for their failure to inform the authorities of the politics of BURGESS and MACLEAN. In a jocular way he suggested that the lonely intellectual in the "Daily Express" pocket cartoon last week was Cyril CONNOLLY, who is bursting with information.

19th June 1951

Signed: W. J. Skardon.

Original in: PF. 41490 171a

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PF. 63329 AUDEN
PF. 604, 582 BLUNT
PF. 604, 583 REES

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 ✓ PF. 604,582
 Extract for File No.: PF. 604,583 Name: David FOOTMAN
 PF. 604,025 Anthony BLUNT
 Isiah BERLIN
 in File No.: PF. 604,529 vol. 3 Serial: 188b Receipt Date: 19.6.51
 Original from: Foreign Office Under Ref.: Dated: 18.6.51
 Extracted on: 25.6.51 by: AHC Section: B2a

Extract from Report written by Mr. F.A. WARNER, Foreign Office, re his connection with Guy BURGESS and the latter's associates.

His (BURGESS') friends may be sharply divided into two classes. On the one hand were those whom he would introduce to one another, among whom I would number myself, Mr. Hector McNEIL, Mr. Kenneth YOUNGER, Mr. Isiah BERLIN of All Souls, Mr. Charles FLETCHER-COOKE, a solicitor employed by us to settle compensation for nationalised property in Yugoslavia three or four years ago, Mr. David FOOTMAN Mrs. McNEIL, for whom he has a great admiration, Mr. Arthur MARSHALL, Housemaster at Cundle School, Mr. Noel ANNAN of Kings College, Cambridge, Mr. Goronwy RHYS, Bursar at All Souls, Mr. Ellis WATERHOUSE, Director of the National Gallery of Scotland, Mr. Harold NICOLSON and his son Benedict, and Mrs. Basil MARSDEN SMEDLEY, whom he saw but rarely. His best friend, however, was Professor BLUNT, the Keeper of the King's pictures. On all these people he would rely for support, and he was such a loyal friend in intention that they generally felt ashamed of withholding it although his friendship might have become only burdensome.....

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Extract for File No.: PF. 604,582 Name: BLUNT.

Original in File No.: PF. 604,529 Serial: - Receipt Date: 16.6.

Source from: Interview reported by [redacted] Under Ref.: P.L.S. Dated: 15.6.51.
(with R.LEHMANN)

Extracted on: 19.6.51 by: EMN Section: B.2.A.

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1930. She (Rosamund LEHMANN) was introduced to Guy BURGESS by Anthony BLUNT. She saw a good deal of BURGESS on and off up to 1937-38, and although she described him as being left-wing in politics, her husband did not care for him and she felt, rather suspected him.

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9A 1247
15 June 1951.

To THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL, and all others whom it may concern :

I hereby authorize and require you to record all telephone conversations on the telephone line number :

WELbeck 1388

WELbeck 1389

WELbeck 9841

and to produce the record for my inspection.

For so doing this shall be your sufficient Warrant.

*One of His Majesty's
Principal Secretaries of State.*

Anthony BLUNT, who uses these numbers, has for many years been closely associated with Guy BURGESS. It has been alleged that BURGESS was a Soviet agent and that BLUNT assisted him in his activities.

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15 June 1951.

PF. 604,582/B2a/RTR

Dear Saffery,

I am applying for a telephone check on WELbeck 1388 and WELbeck 1389, the telephone numbers of the Courtauld Institute at 20 Portman Square, W.1., and on WELbeck 9841 also installed at 20 Portman Square, the subscriber to which is Anthony Frederick BLUNT, who also uses the first two numbers.

I should be grateful if this check could be operated to its fullest extent.

Yours sincerely,

R. T. Reed
R. T. Reed.

G. F. Saffery, Esq.,
G. P. O.

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Extract for File No.: PF. 604, 582 Name: BLUNDEN
 Original in File No.: PF. 604, 529 BURGESS Serial: 163a Receipt Date: 14.6.51.
 Original from: B. 2. A. Mr. Skardon Under Ref.: - Dated: 14.6.51.
 Extracted on: 17.7.51. by: NSP Section: R. 5.

Extract from Note of Interview with Peter POLLOCK on 12.6.51.

... POLLOCK told me that he was quite unable to throw any light on the disappearance of these two people but was agreeable to answer any questions I might put. I asked him to tell me something about BURGESS's friends, and he said that he thought his greatest friend was Anthony BLUNT. The common attraction between them was art. He then mentioned W.H. AUDEN, ISHERWOOD, Tom WYLIE, Garonwy REES, Ellis WATERHOUSE the art critic, Victor ROTHSCHILD and Isaiah BERLIN. He said that he first met BURGESS and his friends at Chester Square and though he believes that they only met to discuss political affairs he was so very young at the time that he had no clear understanding of what went on. Of the friends mentioned above, he thought that AUDEN and ISHERWOOD were friends simply because of their common interest in literature. Garonwy REES he thought to be a more recent friend and Isaiah BERLIN he admired and knew fairly well.

POLLOCK spoke of the Bentinck Street menage, consisting of BURGESS, Tony BLUNT, Tess MAYER and Pat RAWDON-SMITH. He had been to Tom WYLIE's parties at War Office, but even now was unable to give a positive appreciation of Guy BURGESS's politics.

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✓ Copy in PF. 604,582 BLUNDEN
PF. 604,583 RALEIGH

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14th June 1951.

PF. 604,529/52a/RTR

Dear Saffery,

I am returning the lists which you left with Colonel Cumming yesterday of outgoing calls made from:

REGent 1530
WELbeck 1388
WELbeck 9841
REGent 2330
SONNING 3197

We have been over these lists and ticked the subscribers already known. We should be grateful if you could let us have the subscribers to the remaining numbers.

Yours sincerely,

R. T. Reed
R. T. Reed.

G. F. Saffery, Esq.,
G. P. O.

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From file No.: PF. 604,583 Serial: 9b Dated: 7.6.51
Extracted on: 18.6.51 by: EMN Section: B.2.A.

B.4.B. Ref.: DB. Responsible Section: B.2.A Date of Delivery: 13.6.51.

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Q. What I'm not quite clear about is whether PHILBY didn't know about GUY's past. (BURGESS's)

Rees A. Well I honestly don't know.

. At the material times.

A. At the material times. You see I always took it for granted that ANTHONY knew, and it was a great shock to me to discover that he'd been told something entirely different. One must say it's possible that KIM knew, I think, isn't it?

Q. I think he certainly was one that came to his parties.

A. Oh, certainly.

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Q. You see KIM on the Times must have appealed to GUY bring in to the sort of net-work of the thing.

A. Yes, and GUY certainly did - apart from being a very great friend and admirer of him personally, did certainly collect as much information as he could from him. Whether consciously or unconsciously from his point of view, impossible to say, especially after what ANTHONY has said, you see.

Q. Yes, you mean that he was telling different stories to different people?

A. Yes. What I would find out is - if at that time GUY were to tell Anthony the lie and me the truth because ANTHONY was a far greater intimate of his than I was really - known him a very much longer time. Although I did know him very well, then, but I got to know him a great deal better later. At that time certainly ANTHONY was far more intimate with him than I was.

Q. And I suppose PHILBY just as much so, really?

A. Oh, very much so.

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A. Guy always divided the world into really intelligent people, politically and those who weren't - and DAVID was one of the ones who were and so was KLUGMAN. (David FOOTMAN)

Q. Yes.

A. And so, indeed was ANTHONY, and so was KIM.

Q. This would be GUY's view, you mean, or yours?

A. GUY's.

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Q. There was a period when GUY was promoting an idea that there should be a mission to Moscow. Do you remember that?

A. No. Because I hardly saw him during the war, being in the Army the whole time.

Q. Yes. Well, that being (??) the case, he - I remember - and I don't - it must have been very early in the war. I think it was when he was associated with Mr. LAWRENCE GRAHAM (?). You don't know LAWRENCE GRAHAM(?) I suppose? GRAND

A. No, I don't.

Q. LAWRENCE GRAHAM (?) had, as ANTHONY was saying yesterday, this particular brief (?) to sort of organise resistance to Fascists. (Those were the facts, which you probably don't know?) But anyway, LAWRENCE GRAHAM and BURGESS got as far as American on a trip to Moscow. GRAND

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A. he always (BURGESS) used to say that it had ruined his life, doing this (leaving the Party), because it meant him having to sever all relations with all the people he admired most.

Q. But he didn't sever relations with these people I'm (thinking of?)

A. Not with ANTHONY and KIM, No. But with the KLUGMANS and the CORNFORTHS and all those, who really did think him a ----, for having betrayed the Cause, and he really couldn't bear that.

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EXTRACT.

Extract for File No.: P.F. 604,582 Name: BLUNT
 Serial in File No.: P.F. 604,529 Serial: 145b Vol: 2 Receipt Date: 13.6.51
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Extract from B.4.c report re information obtained from Elaine FINLAY, friend of Guy BURGESS and FBNAGAN, etc.

The following persons are friends of FINLAY, and are set forth in rough and ready order of importance.....

6. Anthony BLUNT. Another close friend of many persons in this group.

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Interview with Jack HEWIT on 11.6.51.

At 6 p.m. on 11th June I saw Jack HEWIT at 8 Carlton House Terrace. He had arrived before me and since on this occasion we had to use another room, I thought it prudent immediately to tell him that I was not part of the Personnel Department, but was charged with making enquiries in connection with the matters under review.

I told HEWIT that our last interview had been singularly unprofitable and I was quite sure, having been out and made enquiries of a number of other people, that HEWIT had a great deal more to tell me. He was very uncomfortable, but suggested that I should ask him questions and he would try to answer them.

I dealt immediately with the money which he had seen at 10 New Bond Street shortly after BURGESS's return from the U.S.A. He had no idea whether this had been included in BURGESS's baggage, since he had not unpacked for him until two days after his return. He had no idea what had happened to this money but was not, so he said, very surprised to see it, for on various occasions he had seen large sums of money in BURGESS's possession.

He had been associated with BURGESS fairly continuously since 1935 or 1936. In the Chester Square period there were two breaks in their liaison, one in 1935 when HEWIT went to Brussels with W.H. AUDEN and Christopher ISHERWOOD. I asked HEWIT to provide me with the names of the people with whom BURGESS was in close association before the war, and he mentioned the following:

Stephen SPENDER
John LEHMANN
Garonwy REES
Christopher ISHERWOOD
W.H. AUDEN
Tom WYLIE
Brian HOWARD.

These men used to foregather at Chester Square for long and earnest discussions on political affairs.

Out side this group there were two of BURGESS's Cambridge friends, Eddie BATES, who was killed in the war, and Anthony BLUNT. Before the war BURGESS was employed with the B.B.C. on Home Talks, and through this work Harold NICOLSON visited Chester Square occasionally without being one of the regular group.

From 1937 a very young man, Peter POLLOCK, was also one who resorted to this address. HEWIT was also aware that BURGESS knew Tom DRIBERG and Isaiah BERLIN, who were also in rather than outside the circle.

HEWIT mentioned a change of attitude and habit in BURGESS which was dated as at 1938. Up till that time BURGESS and Anthony BLUNT had indulged in the most violent discussions about every conceivable subject (e.g. how a fountain pen worked), but suddenly BURGESS seemed to lose his zest for violent argument.

I asked HEWIT to assume for a moment that BURGESS was in fact the agent of some foreign power, and in the light of that assumption to suggest to me any individuals whose association with BURGESS might have been a sinister one. In this connection HEWIT could only think of two people, namely Rolf KATZ and a man named "Jock". I asked him to develop this theme, and he told me that KATZ was a contact of BURGESS whom HEWIT

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had met at a party given by Tom WYLIE, the resident clerk at the War Office, in War Office before the war. (Tom WYLIE was killed during the war). HEWIT disliked KATZ and thought he was sinister on his own account. As to "Jock", whilst HEWIT was undoubtedly referring to Capt. MACNAMARA, he retracted the view that there was any sinister aspect to BURGESS's association with him.

So far as HEWIT knows BURGESS was employed only by the B.B.C. before the war. He then had Government work during the war, he thought with the Ministry of Information, which was followed after the end of hostilities by an appointment in the News Room at the Foreign Office. During this time HEWIT knows that he travelled he believes to Tokyo early in the war on official business, to Turkey in 1949 to join Kim PHILBY there, and to the United States on Foreign Office business. HEWIT is not aware that BURGESS had ever been to the Soviet Union.

HEWIT spoke of BURGESS's untidy habits, particularly with regard to money, and then recalled that before the war during the Chester Square period there had been a bundle of dollar bills in the house which BURGESS told him had disappeared. On another occasion a valet, called in to undertake running repairs, had found a wad of notes in some shirts.

On the day that BURGESS arrived back from New York, Anthony BLUNT and HEWIT met him at Waterloo. BLUNT and BURGESS went off for lunch together and HEWIT took the luggage home and then went back to his office. Shortly after BURGESS's return, HEWIT heard him telephone he believes Lady MACLEAN, saying that he had seen Alan MACLEAN and giving messages from him. He heard BURGESS enquire for Donald's whereabouts. He added that it was some days after his return before BURGESS visited the Foreign Office.

HEWIT, who had with some reticence discussed the homosexual tendencies of BURGESS and his friends, claimed that there was no physical tie between himself and BURGESS since 1939. He was aware that BURGESS had been much attracted by Bernard MILLER and made the suggestion that MILLER, who was so frequently in his company after his return to this country, might have information of value as to his intentions. He said in a somewhat complaining way that he only saw BURGESS and MILLER when he returned from work in the evening, and they would tell him of their doings during the day. I detected a slight note of jealousy in a suggestion that an interview with Peter POLLOCK, a farmer at Flaunden, telephone Bovingdon 3262, might prove useful. Just before we parted HEWIT referred to Andrew REVAI, a Hungarian who just before the war was very close to BURGESS. He knows that they had many animated discussions on mid-European politics, and then quite suddenly their meetings ceased, BURGESS saying that REVAI bored him. He also recalled that there was some contact between BURGESS and Wolfgang von PUTLITZ (?).

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 Original in File No. : P.F. 604584 - PEACH Serial : 13b Receipt Date : 12.6.51.
 Appendix
 Original from : Statement by PHILBY Under Ref. : EX A. Dated : -
 Extracted on : 30.7.51. by : VB Section : B2a/AFB

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Therefore, I have difficulty in picking out his particular friends. Judging from subsequent developments, I should include among them: Maynard Keynes, Dadie Rylands, Antony Blunt, Victor Rothschild, Lettice Ramsay (wife of the mathematician who translated Wittgenstein), Ann Barnes (wife of George Barnes..... Blunt and Rothschild I knew by sight only at Cambridge but got to know them well at a later date. Blunt I met in 1940, when he was FSO, Boulogne. He passed through a Marxist period at one time (Roger Hollis was always vaguely unhappy about him). From 1940 onward, however, he has always struck me as being both uninterested in, and ignorant of, politics. I have always assumed that his friendship for Guy began on a homosexual basis, and maintained itself through their mutual interest in painting, architecture, etc. Latterly, Guy lent very heavily on him for the solution of his many crises and involvements, and Blunt was getting increasingly weary of him.

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EXTRACT.

Extract for File No. PP. 604, 529 PP. 604, 582 Name: BURGESS.
BLUNT.

Original in File No. PP. 74, 876/Y Serial: 7a Receipt Date: 11.6.51.

Original from: Letter from House of Commons Under Ref.: Dated: 10.6.51.

Extracted on: 18.6.51. by: EMN Section: B.2.A.

"I have received the following information from a man I know well, but who has asked me not to disclose his name, unless it is absolutely necessary. I can neither corroborate nor deny the allegations made, though I have no reason to suppose that my informant would have made them unless he believed them to be true. The information is as follows:-

- (1) GUY BURGESS was a friend of ANTHONY BLUNT, now Keeper of the King's Pictures. They were both members of a Cambridge circle well-known for their Left-wing views, and BURGESS was the most erratic and rabid of them all.
- (2) During the War, BURGESS shared a flat or house in London with BLUNT, another man unnamed, Lady ROTHSCHILD (referred to by my informant as TESS) and Pat RAWDON SMITH.
- (3) Victor ROTHSCHILD used to stay at this place from time to time, and "TESS" became his Secretary.
- (4) Victor ROTHSCHILD, who works as a scientist at Cambridge, supposedly on Government work, was a close friend of BLUNT.

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Most of this information is based on the personal knowledge gained by my informant three years ago, and he has seen none of the persons mentioned since. He insists that he is making no allegations against them, but felt he ought to pass on what he knew in case it might help in tracing BURGESS.

I have no information as to whether the BURGESS of whom my informant speaks is the same one as the missing man. I know none of the persons mentioned, though I did know a RAWDON SMITH who used to be Publicity Director for Edmundsons before the nationalisation of Electricity Supply. He may or may not be related to the "PAT" mentioned in Para 2 above.

I hope some of the above may be of assistance. If you wish to get in touch with me, I can usually be found at REG.2027 in the mornings, and at the House in the afternoons. My Secretary is in all day at ABB.2184."

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 MACLEAN/BURGESS case.
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Known Associates of BURGESS.

Information is being received about a large number of these. It is neither desirable or necessary to interview or investigate them all. They can be roughly classified as:-

- (i) Persons who, by reason of the period of their friendship with BURGESS, their political record, and the nature of their employment, must be considered as under suspicion of espionage.

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The names of these under the three headings as given above are:-

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- (i) (C) BLUNT. BLUNT Has been named in Geronwy REES's statement as a person who was understood by REES to have been one of BURGESS's sources of information, at the time when BURGESS was working for the Russians.

BLUNT has given every appearance of co-operating with M.I.5 in the present investigation, but, by reason of his employment in this office during the war, must be regarded as under some suspicion.

A telephone check is operating at his address.

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PF. 604,582 BLUNDEN
PF. 161 - 38 HAMILTON
PF. 55570, REVAI
PF. 45597 KLUGMAN
PF. 45515 TOYNBEE

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Commander,
Special Branch.

Please will it be possible to arrange for the under mentioned names to be circulated to your officers at the Ports.

- 1) REES, Morgan Goronwy
Born: Aberystwith 29.11.09
NRIC: No. ARA.3042:364
Passport No: 337115 issued 1.11.46
Address: Falcon House, Sonning, Berks
Profession: ~~Dean at All souls College, Oxford.~~ *Manufacturer*
- 2) HEWITT, Jack
Address: 10 New Bond Street, W.1.
Employed by Head Wrightson Processes Ltd., Engineers, 24/6 Baltic Street, E.C.1.
Description: Looks 35 - 37. Height 5' 6-7". Thick set build, inclined to be fat. Round fat face. Pale complexion. Clean shaven. Small nose and chin. Light brown hair receding left and parted left. Thick neck. Protruding ears. Wore frameless glasses with strong lenses. Dressed in dark grey sports jacket, light brown trousers, suede slipper type shoes. Carried brown gloves. Good quality clothes but well worn.
- 3) POLLOCK, Peter W.
Address: Sharlows, Slaunden, Hamel Hempstead.
Industrialist connected with Tube Investments Ltd., also farmer.
- 4) HAMILTON, Gerald Francis Bernard
Born: Shanghai 1.11.90
Address: 56 Glebe Place, Chelsea, S.W.3.
- 5) KLUGMAN, Norman John @ James KLUGMAN
Born: 27.2.1912 Hampstead, London.
Address: 61 Talbot Road, London, N.6.
- 6) TOYNBEE, Theodore Philip
Born: 25.6.16 Oxford
Passport No. 33425 issued London 19.12.45, renewed Tehran 22.11.50
Address: 25 Sussex Place, N.W.1.
Journalist
- 7) HUNT, Anthony Frederick
Born: Bournemouth 26.9.07
NRIC No. ARA 4034:611
Passport No. 28268 issued London 10.12.1945, renewed for the further period of five years on 23.10.50
Address: 20 Portman Square, W.1.
Employed by Courtauld Institute, 20 Portman Square, W.1.
- 8) REVAI, Dr. Andrew
Hungarian: born 6.8.03
Address (Jan. 1951) 107 Wellesley Court, Maida Vale, W.9.
ARC No: 586913
Passport: R.1716/2 issued London, 9.7.49
London Correspondent of Hungarian newspapers.

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Any information regarding the movements of any of these people should be discreetly recorded and notified during office hours to Mr. Reed or Mr. Skardon of M.I.5. After office hours it should be telephoned to the Duty Officer.

R.T. Reed.

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Mr. Peter Matthews of the News Department told me that Mr. Burgess had dined with him on 15th May and had a long talk about his future. He was very agitated and Mrs. Matthews remarked on this fact. In particular he discussed at great length the purge of homo-sexuals in the American State Department.

2. Mr. Peter Matthews saw Burgess again in the Reform Club on 23rd May in the company of Mr. Blunt. Burgess said in reply to an enquiry about how things were "It looks more and more like evacuation".

3. As regards Burgess' political leanings he said that in the old days he tended to argue the Communist cause but said that he was cured of being a fellow-traveller. Mr. Matthews is absolutely certain that, having known Burgess six years, he is not a Communist or fellow-traveller.

7th June, 1951.

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Mr. Bell of the Reform Club rang Mr. Alan Campbell and told him that on 25th May Mr. Burgess had said that he was going on leave to France and left a locked despatch case containing papers with Mr. Bell. He instructed Mr. Bell to look after them, but that Mr. Blunt could have access to the despatch case.

Mr. Blunt, in fact, collected the despatch case last night, 6th June, and took it away with him. After seeing to-day's press, Mr. Bell told Mr. Blunt that, if asked, he must let the Foreign Office know. Mr. Bell, however, asked that we should not let it be known that he volunteered the information. Subsequently Mr. Bell rang up again to say that he had found out that Mr. Burgess had left another case with the Club accountant. This was unlocked and full of papers. This case is being collected by M.I.5 for examination and return.

7th June, 1951.

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I saw Mr. Hector McNeil in the House of Commons at 3 p.m. to-day. He told me that Mr. Blunt had spoken to him last Sunday week, May 26th, saying that he was worried about Burgess and that he thought it would be a good thing if he, Hector McNeil, spoke to him. Mr. McNeil said he was busy at the time and did nothing about it.

2. He understood from Mr. Blunt that Burgess thought he was going to get a job from Mr. Michael Berry and Burgess was due to dine with the latter on Monday, 28th May. Blunt rang Mr. McNeil again later in the week to say that Burgess had cut the dinner and seemed to have disappeared.

3. Mr. McNeil had very little new information about Burgess. He told me that he realised some time ago that he was an extremely unreliable character. During the time he had worked for him he had not allowed him to have access to Defence papers on important matters, largely because of his unreliability.

4. He told me that he had particularly asked Burgess if he had any Communist or fellow-travelling leanings. Burgess had told him that he had no such tendencies, but that he had in fact been identified with the Hunger March in 1931. Mr. McNeil then proceeded to me about Burgess' friends, most of whom are homo-sexuals and his principal friend was somebody called [Peter] and that Mr. Blunt would know who that was.

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Pollock

7th June, 1951.

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Conversation between Anthony BLUNDEN and JACKIE HEWIT.

Incoming call to ANTHONY from JACKIE, who said that Mrs. BASSETT had rung him to say the B.B.C. had broadcast the news, mentioning names. She wanted ANTHONY to ring her. JACKIE gave an account of the broadcast. ANTHONY asked "Is that all they said?" JACKIE said "It's enough, isn't it?" JACKIE declared that now the presecution would start. ANTHONY was going round to the office now and would see DICK. ANTHONY and DICK had spoken of Mrs. BASSETT this morning, and DICK had said that the F.O. would have to see her. ANTHONY asked if Mrs. BASSETT had seemed in a very bad state. JACKIE thought she was rather unhappy, as they all were.

JACKIE asked "Haven't they finished yet?"

ANTHONY told him they were just finishing.

JACKIE's rooms had not been distrubed. (!)

ANTHONY would leave JACKIE's keys at the Club in JACKIE's name.

JACKIE thought of parking himself somewhere for a few days. He did not particularly want to be hounded.

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NAME: BASSETT

T.C. No.: 2131

Tel. No.: REG 2330

Date: 6.6.51.

Responsible Section: B.2.a.

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- 1 Incoming call to Mrs. BASSETT from (NIGEL), who would come to lunch. 09.33
- 2 Incoming call to Aunt Eve (Mrs. BASSETT) from TITIA. No interest. 11.05

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3 [Outgoing call by Mrs. BASSETT to ANTHONY, to say she had opened a letter, which had gone down to Newbury, from the F.O. to GUY, saying they were holding some personal correspondence and asking to what address mail should be forwarded. ANTHONY suggested that she write in reply that GUY was abroad and that letters should be sent to the Club. ANTHONY would collect them and deal with them. Mrs. BASSETT felt sure that GUY would prefer ANTHONY, rather than her, to open his letters. ANTHONY pointed out that he had dealt with GUY's correspondence all the while GUY had been in America. Mrs. BASSETT wondered whether GUY was with somebody, as he had never written for any more money. ANTHONY thought this might be the explanation of the mysterious money business. ANTHONY would get in touch with his friend today. Mrs. BASSETT suggested that ANTHONY's friend might find out which port GUY had gone to. Mrs. BASSETT thought there was nothing more to be done, except possibly sending a detective out there. She doubted whether that would do any good. ANTHONY said it was no use in a foreign country. Mrs. BASSETT asked after "poor JACKIE". ANTHONY said he was better. They would keep in touch. 09.16

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- 4 [Outgoing call by Mrs. BASSETT to ANTHONY.
- B. You don't think that thing in the Express about two Foreign Office people trying to get through to Russia could be GUY, do you ?
 - A. I haven't seen it.
 - B. It's in the Express this morning. GUY said, you see, one reason why he didn't want to go

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on in the Foreign Office, you know, was he didn't want to go to these places where I couldn't get to, because he thought I'd miss him so, being old.

A. Yes.

B. But in this Express it says they were to go to France as if on holiday and then make their way behind the iron curtain. And the third person, friend, backed out.

Mrs. BASSETT read out the passage from today's Express.

A. Well, look, I think I'd better go and get on to GUY again.

B. And it says "Scotland Yard officers and French detectives" so GUY would know whether it was our GUY, wouldn't he?

A. He would, yes.

B. I mean, it seems rather odd, doesn't it? I don't think it is him, but you know there is that possibility, because it says "for idealistic purposes" and you know GUY is rather idealistic.

A. Very.

B. And you see, he's supposed to have told somebody he was going with a friend - you or somebody -

A. Yes, he did.

B. He didn't tell me.

A. Yes - that is, well, he said that to somebody.

ANTHONY said that as GUY was away he would get on to DICK. Mrs. BASSETT thanked him, and asked her to keep him informed. She would write to the F.O., ask them to send GUY's letters to the Reform, and give them her own address in case there were any communication for next of kin.

Mrs. BASSETT added that there was also the question of GUY's American car, which he had left with the PHILBYs. But the PHILBYs were giving up their house this month.

ANTHONY would ring Mrs. BASSETT some time today. 10.20

5 Outgoing call by Mrs. BASSETT to Nigel BURGESS, GRO 4774. Nigel and a man with whom he was lunching would drop in for a drink on their way to lunch, at about 12.30.

Mrs. BASSETT asked Nigel whether he had seen the Express today. He had not, so she told him what it contained. She had told ANTHONY about this and asked him to see what he could find out.

B. There is a chance it might be GUY, you know.

N. I thought he'd -

B. Oh, he's no longer a Communist.

N. Well then, I mean, why should he be going to Russia.

B. Well, I don't know. He - well, I'll tell you - he has said most odd things to different people - that somebody was in trouble and that he was going away with them - you know, various odd things he's said. Whether he's got a friend who can't get away from there - I don't think it is GUY, actually, but I thought it was quite worth while telling ANTHONY. And, you see, the extraordinary thing is we haven't heard anything more from, you know, ANTHONY's friend.

N. Yes.

B. And, you see, if it was - because ANTHONY said he hadn't rung him up this morning because he expected to hear something -

N. Yes.

B. And it just occurred to me, you see, that if they are looking for him, you see, officially, they wouldn't say anything.

N. No.

B. Now it's all in the paper, you see. I don't think it is GUY, because JACK (probably she means ANTHONY) asked me if I thought it was and I said I'm certain it isn't, because one reason why he rather wanted to leave was because he didn't want to be sent to one of these places where I couldn't come and see him. Also, I said to him "If you're there" - because I knew a man who was in Czechoslovakia who never said Booh to a goose, who was expelled - he wasn't sent to prison but they expelled him, and he wouldn't have said a thing - well, you know, GUY would. And GUY said "Yes, I should probably be beheaded" you see, so I don't think it is him for an instant. But you know it just might be a coincidence, that's all.

N. Yes, I hope - see you before lunch.

Nigel thought Mrs. BASSETT was fussing about nothing. His view was that GUY had been told he would leave the F.O. in three months time, had been given three months' salary and, feeling a bit sick about it, had gone off to have a good holiday. Nigel thought it was as simple as that. No doubt when GUY came back he would say he had been on a special mission to CHURCHILL !

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b Incoming call from ALICE to Jack BASSETT about the wireless news, naming GUY. Eve came to the telephone and said she would get ANTHONY to find out about it for her.

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7 Outgoing call by Mrs. BASSETT for ANTHONY, who was not there.

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8 Outgoing call by Mrs. BASSETT to B.B.C. to ask for the news item to be read to her as she missed it. They complied. 14.17

9 Outgoing call by Mrs. BASSETT for ANTHONY, who was not there. 14.20

10 Outgoing call by Mrs. BASSETT to say that according to the wireless GUY was one of the two people who had disappeared. Nigel would get on to Michael SERPELL. He would either come and see Mrs. BASSETT shortly or telephone her. 14.25

To be extracted for Warner.

Outgoing call by Mrs. BASSETT to JACKIE, to tell him about the news broadcast. She said "He and CURZON. Do you remember he had a great friend called CURZON?" JACKIE just said "Oooh!" She said that GUY had been talking about CURZON for years, and she asked whether JACKIE knew him. JACKIE thought they had once worked together, a long time before the war. Mrs. BASSETT said that a third was to have gone with them but had given the whole show away. She asked who that could be. JACKIE did not know - "unless it was that dreadful man Fred WARNER". WARNER had been in Moscow but was sent home, JACKIE said. JACKIE knew that GUY had seen WARNER, but he himself did not know where WARNER lived. Mrs. BASSETT said WARNER was Admiral (CAWSON ??)'s stepson. She could trace his address. But she would wait until she heard from ANTHONY. ANTHONY had been round to see JACKIE as he had wanted the keys. But ANTHONY had not known anything more. Mrs. BASSETT asked if ANTHONY had got hold of the other GUY. JACKIE thought so.

B. And had the other GUY told him that it was GUY ?

J. I don't know. He couldn't tell me very much, you see.

As far as JACKIE knew, GUY had not been mentioned by name. Mrs. BASSETT said his name had been used on the wireless. She read JACKIE the news item. JACKIE said he knew CURZON. JACKIE said ANTHONY might know who the third party was. ANTHONY knew who the second party was this morning but had not told JACKIE, on the grounds that it was nobody whom JACKIE knew. They deduced that ANTHONY must have seen "our Friend". GUY had talked a lot to Mrs. BASSETT and to JACKIE about CURZON. JACKIE thought ANTHONY might know CURZON. 14.47

Outgoing call by Mrs. BASSETT to ANTHONY, at BURGESS' flat. Reported on BURGESS line. 15.03

Incoming call to Mrs. BASSETT from Nigel, who said he had been on to Michael SERPELL, who had promised to do something about it. SERPELL was in a good position to do something as he was the P.A. to the head of the department. Unfortunately SERPELL was at home sick at the moment but was getting up and would do something about it and ring Nigel at Mrs. BASSETT's number shortly. Mrs. BASSETT asked whether Nigel's doing this would have made it difficult about the other thing. Nigel assured her it would not. She said she had just rung ANTHONY at GUY's flat, and the other people had been there having a look round.

N. Any rate, it'll be being done this end, through Michael's department, you see. You needn't worry about the other thing at all.

Nigel said he knew Michael very well and had spoken to him unofficially. Michael had understood and had assured Nigel that nothing would be said.

Mrs. BASSETT thanked Nigel.

15.09

Incoming call to Mrs. BASSETT from ANTHONY, who said he would come round between 17.00 and 17.30. She was distressed that ANTHONY should have all this worry. She asked if he knew who the third person was. He did not.

B. Did they find anything at the flat, or anything ?

A. No.

B. Oh, I'm so thankful.

16.03

Outgoing call by Nigel to Miss AINSLEY (ph) to ask for Michael SERPELL's telephone number: RIV 1563.

n.t.s.

Outgoing call by Nigel to Michael SERPELL, to say that his mother has had a telegram from GUY, from Roma/PO. Michael would ring his office. Nigel said that if anyone from there wanted the text, they could ring him here. "Terribly sorry for silence. Am now embarking on long Mediterranean holiday. Do forgive."

16.12

Incoming call to Mrs. BASSETT from ANTHONY's secretary, who wanted him to ring her. If ANTHONY had not already been in touch with his secretary Mrs. BASSETT would ask him, when he arrived here, to ring her.

Mrs. BASSETT asked the secretary, if she were in touch with ANTHONY before he arrived here, to tell him that she had had a telegram from her son, from Italy.

16.25

Incoming call from SEDDON, answered by Nigel.

PTO.

Incoming call from SEDDON, answered by Nigel. SEDDON had learnt from Michael that there had been a telegram. SEDDON asked if he might have the text. Nigel gave it:

"Leicester Square P.O. W.C.2., 7th July 1951.
I X 74 Roma/P.O. 28 7 1050. URGENTE. Mrs. BASSETT, Flat 14 Arlington House, Arlington St., Piccadilly, London. Terribly sorry for my silence. Am now embarking on long Mediterranean holiday. Do forgive. All love, GUY COY X"
It was arranged that SEDDON would come along as soon as possible - in about ten minutes.

16.34

Incoming call from ANTHONY, who had heard about the telegram. Nigel had given it to Michael SERPELL, who had presumably transmitted it to DICK. Nigel said there had been a call from someone who was coming round.

Mrs. BASSETT came to the telephone and told ANTHONY the text of the telegram. She pointed out that GUY could not get a ship from Rome. ANTHONY supposed he would go down to Naples. ANTHONY thought it was "a great hope". Mrs. BASSETT said Constance, down in the country, had been badgered. So had ANTHONY. Mrs. BASSETT apologised. She asked how they had got on to ANTHONY. He said as a close friend. Mrs. BASSETT asked ANTHONY to let JACK and the other friend know. ANTHONY supposed that from what Nigel had said, the other person knew by now. In any case he would ring him. Mrs. BASSETT asked ANTHONY to look out for letters.

She asked whether it had been a Scotland Yard man at the flat. ANTHONY would tell her later. Mrs. BASSETT thought it queer that GUY had not given any address or asked her to let him know how she was. This was unlike GUY. She could have wirelessly any ship he was in. ANTHONY pointed out that GUY was in an odd state. Mrs. BASSETT remarked that anyway they knew he was in Rome, which was safer than anywhere else. ANTHONY would let her know if he heard anything.

16.39

Incoming call to Mrs. BASSETT from WILLAN, F.O., to suggest that she referred inquiries from the press to the F.O. He had heard about the telegram. Mrs. BASSETT told him that SEDDON was here. WILLAN asked her to tell SEDDON he had rung.

17.02

Outgoing call by Nigel to Borden, Aldershot, 81, to his wife. He told her about the telegram but added that it did not necessarily clear up the whole thing. There were still certain mysterious features. Nigel asked her to refer inquirers to the F.O. He remarked that the telegram was in GUY's phraseology.

17.21

Outgoing call by Mrs. BASSETT to Mrs. REES. She told her about the telegram but asked her not to mention it to anybody.

Mrs. REES said GONNY had gone to see various people. Mrs. BASSETT hoped to see him.

18.58

Incoming call to Mrs. BASSETT from ANTHONY's secretary to ask if he were with her. Mrs. BASSETT said ANTHONY had not arrived yet. The secretary wanted to warn ANTHONY that the Press were outside. Mrs. BASSETT had had an F.O. man here and wanted to tell ANTHONY about it.

18.20

KW.

EXTRACT.

5d

File No. : PF. 604582. Name : BLUNDEN.
 File No. : PF. 604529 Vol. 2. Serial : 116a. Receipt Date : 8.6.51.
 Original from : Mr. Carey Foster, F.O. Under Ref. : Dated : 7.6.51.
 Extracted on : 19.2.52. by : P.B.C. Section : B.2.a.

Mr. Bell of the Reform Club rang Mr. Alan Campbell and told him that on 25th May Mr. Burgess had said that he was going on leave to France and left a locked despatch case containing papers with Mr. Bell. He instructed Mr. Bell to look after them, but that Mr. Blunt could have access to the despatch case.

Mr. Blunt, in fact, collected the despatch case last night, 6th June, and took it away with him. After seeing to-day's press, Mr. Bell told Mr. Blunt that, if asked, he must let the Foreign Office know. Mr. Bell, however, asked that we should not let it be known that he volunteered the information. Subsequently Mr. Bell rang up again to say that he had found out that Mr. Burgess had left another case with the Club accountant. This was unlocked and full of papers. This case is being collected by M.I.5. for examination and return.

P.B.C.
 11.2.52

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Extract for PF.604,582 - BLUNT.
Original in PF.604,529 volume 2 serial 115b.

Extract from B4 report re. interview with
on 8.6.51 in connection with the MACLEAN/BURGESS case,
mentioning BLUNT.

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8. B.K. had been told recently by David FOOTMAN that he knew BURGESS had been seen on the steps of the Reform Club late on the evening of Friday, 25th. May, accompanied by a tall man (understood not to be a member of the Club). B.K. thinks this man might have been Anthony BLUNT (whom B.K. has met once) as she knows him to be a friend of Guy BURGESS. D.F. had previously told B.K. he was going to ask Anthony BLUNT if he knew anything about the disappearance of Guy BURGESS.

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19. The following friends of BURGESS are known personally to B.K.:

.....

(iv) Anthony BLUNT.

.....

EJS/R5 14.7.51

at least not
sub.

X It appears this man must have been Bernard Riddle, who in his interrogation by the F.B.I. said he was with Burgess at the Reform Club early in the evening of 27/5/51. Y.S. 26/2/52

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Extract from B.2.a. report re. Visit to Reform Club on 7.6.51
(Report dated 8.6.51) and conversation with Mr. Bell (Secretary
of the Club) in connection with BURGESS, mentioning BLUNT.

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An official black brief case which had been deposited by BURGESS on the 25th May with Mr. BELL himself was collected from him by Mr. Anthony BLUNT on the evening of 6.6.51.

Mr. BELL also informed me that a message had been received in the Club from a Mr. STEWART (phon.) who asked urgently that Mr. Guy BURGESS should meet him outside the Athenaeum Club at 6.30.p.m. 7th June, and in the event of Mr. BURGESS not being available that Professor BLUNT should keep the rendezvous. This message was received at the Club at 4.p.m. on the 7th June. It is not known whether it was passed on in the absence of BURGESS to Mr. BLUNT.

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EJS/R5 14.7.51.

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Extract for File No.: P.F. 604,582 Name: BLUNDEN
 Serial in File No.: P.F. 604,529 Serial: 111a Vol: 2 Receipt Date: 8.6.51
 Original from: B.2.a Note Under Ref.: Dated: 8.6.51
 Extracted on: 8.10.52 by: JA Section: B.2.a

Extract from "The MACLEAN Story", note by B.2.a, ment. BLUNDEN.

....Amongst the wide circle of friends and acquaintances of BURGESS are the following:-

1) Anthony BLUNT of the Courtauld Institute, 20, Portman Square, W.1. telephone numbers WELbeck 1388 and WELbeck 9841. He has a small flat at the top of the Institute at 20 Portman Square.

.....
Goronwy REES and Anthony BLUNT have both been to this office and made statements which have been witnessed by Mr. Skardon. Mr. Skardon has also seen many members of the family as Seddon.....

.....
REES and BLUNT have said that they know that BURGESS was a Comintern agent before the war and may well have been one during the war. REES knows more of BURGESS's activities than BLUNT does, but it is believed that they have not told the full extent of their association with BURGESS.

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B.2.

At 16.45 hours Anthony BLUNT telephoned me.

He said he wondered if I had heard that Mrs. BURGESS had received a cable from her son, Guy BURGESS, from Rome. He had received the information from Nigel BURGESS and he thought that Nigel BURGESS had passed it on to this office through Michael Serpell.

I told BLUNT that a few minutes before he rang I had heard something about a message from Guy BURGESS, but I was not quite sure what it was.

I thanked him very much for his information and said I would see it was passed on immediately.

R.T. Reed
R.T. Reed.

B.2.a
7.6.51

Room 055,
WAR OFFICE,
WHITEHALL,
S.W.1.

9th June, 1941:

Dear Pollock,

I hear that you are having a series of operations for which I am very sorry. I am also sorry to be away from London when you arrive, as there was something I wanted to talk over with you. I am told, however, that you will be coming to town again on your sick leave and the bearer of this will give you the details - it's for my particular section of the War Office.

The main point is that it would be very useful to us if you were able to have a fortnight in London. I don't know whether your sick leave will extend to this. If not, something might be arranged, though it is difficult to say at this date and until we get a little further in the matter. If you do, we can survey the ground and see what possibilities the business in question presents.

Meanwhile, get well as soon as possible - I shall be back in London at the beginning of next week and hope to see you then.

Yours *W. Murray*

W. Murray

2nd/Lieutenant P.W. Pollock,

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Original File No.: P.F. 604,529 supp. B. Serial: Items 1&101. Receipt Date: 7.6.51.

Original from: BURGESS' correspondence. Under Ref.: Dated:

Extracted on: 25.9.51. by: VSJ Section: B. 2. b.

Copies of letter and note found with BURGESS' correspondence at 10 New Bond Street on 7.6.51.

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Extract in P.F. 604,643.

WJ 506
25-9-51

~~TOP SECRET~~

4A

Saffery rang at 0950 hours this morning to say that he had found that the number WELbeck 1388 was coupled with WELbeck 1389 and both presumably served a common switchboard. Agreed Saffery's proposal that he should also impose T.C. on WELbeck 1389.

B.4.
7.6.51.

Copy to: Mr. Reed, B.2.a.

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Copy of letter from H.A.R. HILBY to Guy BURGESS sent from
 Washington on 10.5.51, of which a copy was sent to Anthony BLUNT.

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G.B.

Can you find out from ORANGE what his views are about HOFSTETTER, Swiss Consular Agent at Balloch, who has been reported to us as having held pro-Nazi views before the war, which he now carefully conceals.

12.7.41.

ATB

F.S.P.O.

H.Q.

No 4 Base Sub Area

B.E.F.

26.12.35.

My dear Guy -

I meant to write long ago to tell you
(was in France + arrived + settled in and all
that. But somehow my daily battles with the
various wheels in the army machine have taken
so much time + energy that I have had time
for nothing.

However peace is more or less restored -
when I have changed the hills of mystery my
more these things will run smoothly.

I am in a comfortable hotel in a town which
is not the most beautiful in France but also not
the ugliest. It is gray + cold, + lacks that power of
warming the heart which I connect with most French towns.
But, what is more important, the people are not only charming,
but very helpful, anxious to collaborate + give any
information they can - As I hoped, I have to spend a

great deal of time with them - far more than
with my other officers - who, he it might be said, ~~are~~
present a perfect parallel to ~~members of~~ the staff
of a minor public school. My own section, however,
has a lot of really nice people, & thank God,
my Sergeant Major is almost an ideal character -
a painter of tremendous enthusiasms about everything
(including the war), very intelligent on almost all
subjects, and, in fact, really my salvation here.

Not that I have so far ^{much} minded being
among people none of whom interests me - though
(I dare say it will wear rather hard on one soon -
But at present what with the Bench, and the work
itself, which I still think is as interesting as anything
military can be, I am surviving. The only time I felt
a little jealous was one day when I visited G. H. Q. -
when the people doing my job ~~are~~ make a really
diverse & interesting group. I found to my surprise
that I knew a good many of them & had some

contact with almost all.

Murdoch Tolstoy has been one of the greatest
sources of pleasure. I have practically finished War &
Peace, though a great deal of it has been
read in odd snatches, three pages at a time
between interviews, which makes it difficult to
keep continuity. It seems to me to get grander
& grander towards the end (I am just beginning the
first epilogue), and I was completely shaken
by the Karataev passages, especially his first
appearance after the shooting. I still can't quite
get the sort of mystical humanism on which it all
ends. I suppose it's the beginning of Morgan and human
values and states of mind. Perhaps I shall be clearer
when I do really finish.

I shall, I think, go on to *Anna Karenina*
or *War & Peace* after this. I don't think I could face
the really serious stuff at the moment. Also I want
to read more & more French - 'anastasi' I bought
volume one of 'Les Hommes de Bonne Volonté' today.

The 17th Whome has apparently just come out,
w they ought to keep me going thru the
Great Spring offensive. Obviously very long hours
are the right thing for this war.

As you see, the war is strangely remote
here. In many ways my life is ~~very~~ different from the
normal, but not in what seems a very military
direction. For instance I have to run an office,
and though my desk is ~~very~~ efficient I shall hardly
have to find out how to incident for things +
how to set the section's boots mended and so on.
What is more difficult is organizing the lives
of 14 other people, when I've never really been
able to organize my own. Both of which,
however, are very good for me, though having to
order people about may bring out some latent
rudeness in my character which I would
rather have kept latent.

Do write me time + send me news. In

particular. let me know what is happening to
Jackie. He's not actually called up yet is he?
Give him my love - + tell him I will write, though
I'd know when. I hoped above to hear from him.
Has he succeeded in getting some art other than the infancy.
It will be bloody if he can't -

(I) was sending my love to all the people
I want to, but at any rate give it to Tomas
& Hilda. Tell T. to dictate a letter into his
dictaphone for me. I know he won't write otherwise.
And if once in a while he sent me an odd magazine
with some pictures in it, I should really enjoy it.

There is one artist in this town, who is actually
of considerable merit, but I feel a little starved,
and even the architecture of the neighbourhood is
rather dim.

Forgive such a high tone letter. I'll write
more sensibly when I have time.

A. M. G.

Love. A.

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ENGLAND

May 11

My dear Guy,

A brief note on the tiresome subject of the Lincoln.

I have just received a note from Jones to the effect that you told him that you had left ^{it} in my custody. As "custody" has an unfortunate legal connotation, I have replied that the car was left not in my custody but in my garden, and that although I would render any reasonable assistance in complying with reasonable instructions from you, I would reject any responsibility for it. I have also told him that my garden will not be available after June 22nd (the date of the expiry of my lease) and that he should make arrangements to take it over before then. Otherwise, I would have no alternative but to abandon the car where it is, in which case it would be sold by the police to a junk heap.

If the Foreign Office agree to send the car home, presumably all is well, though there will inevitably be a frightful fuss over tags (your present ones have been returned to the State Dept) and over the registration papers. Furthermore, if you decide to sell here, there will be more fuss, because obviously nobody can sell a car registered in your name without power of attorney, duly notarised. Finally, I understand from the Accounts Dept that you haven't left a cent behind you for the settlement of your affairs, so that if incidental expenses have to be met, nothing in effect can be done, since you will find nobody with both the will and the dollars to help you out.

Those are the present facts of the matter. If, against my will, I am dragged into any elaborate manoeuvres in connection with the car, I propose to charge you heavily for it, as I am beginning to concern myself with the removal of Aileen and the children, and am extremely reluctant to be diverted from that task. My strong inclination is to leave the matter entirely in Jones's hands, and I would be grateful if you would write to him about it without delay.

Yours

Kim

I have sent a copy of this letter to Antony.

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A. PLUNT



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6.6.51.

15.10. One or two people heard in conversation. Voices a little difficult to sort out, but details of conversation given as follows:-

I. Here I am? About this business of GUY'S when he was - he was working for me? before the war.....public service.....I think he was working for me about 1939. Supply, not us. That's just before the war. Then I seem to remember something he got later..... we didn't come into existence until a matter of months before the war.

A. No - that's what I thought -

I. That's how it was. So what is your theory - tell me the details.

A. Er - it goes back.....and I should think it would be round about 1937.

I. About 1937-38 - yes. Hewis not employed where - B.B.C.

A. I think it is. I am not sure that he was employed anywhere.

G? I think he may also.....

I. Didn't he go to the no, I think it was B.B.C.

- A. My impression was B.B.C. - that's right.
- I. I'm pretty certain.....
- A. I think he went to the B.B.C. after being established???
- I. He's a lecturer isn't he?
- A. Yes, so I understand.....
- I. Well do I.....was GUY.....
- A.before hejust a few months before the war was over, because there's always a great deal of cloak and dagger business....for..... but for the Secret Service, and we always associate him with, sort of a B???? from discovering about B??? later, during which - about this story, I will tell you about it; there was a thing called the Joint Broadcasting Committee (J.B.C.) - Joint Broadcasting Committee was doing some sub-tosa - some sort of broadcast in German I think it was,...and GUY had a great deal of photographic stuff, collecting - co-ordinating left-wing business?? for this, whatever it was.
- G? Yes.....years ago.
- A. And his story to me was simply that it was ~~based~~ the basis of general anti-Soviet literature. He used to write an atomic.....rushing about with a great deal of.....fast cars....and one used to meet highly sinister people at his flat, of whom so far I can only remember two - 2 so far; and there was a further organisation - this thing - Jack MacNAMARA, who was an M.P.?? Ralph DAVIDSON, PETER ? - I think he's dead.
- G?gained control of.....
- A. Something like that.....Jack MacNAMARA, the realof South Eastern Europe -

I.is?.....

A. ...whose name I don't know, a man who is highly sinister - that, incidentally, had totally different.well that really is extremely elaborate.....about which I was highly suspicious.

I. Did he extend (?explain) the contacts with Russia.

A. All I know about it is that he used to say that he was using his communist friends - he was using all my old friends.....

I. Yes -

A. I've got 2 people - I've got a dozen people - I can remember....an extremely sinister character called Rolf KATZ, who was known by ALGY??...and.....Argentinian.

I. Argentinian?

A. ARMECRO (very ph)..disappeared....South American

(regret confusion of voices here as all talked at one time - vague scraps only audible -

G?cut in Switzerland, and he says he is in.

A. Yes.

G? By the time ANTHONY saw him you know

A.that was....

G? ,, ,, ,, ,, ,, that must have been.....

A. ..the 7 (?7th) -

I. But there again, you see, the other view? comes in.

A. Yes.fellow called ? .. a man called (possibly spelt PFEILLEUR) who was, we were told chef-de-cabinet to DALADIER; and there was a great deal of running to Paris

X

X

ARMESTO

Pfeiffer

and as far as I can remember GUY - damned if I can remember - I think he was somewhere like...

I. I know

G?

A. Yes, but there was a great deal of running about with secret messages from CHAMBERLAIN, -

I. In which GUY was involved ?

A. ...Yes.....taking messages from CHAMBERLAIN to DALADIER with.... might be CHAMBERLAIN to A.D.C.??
....that type of thing.

I. Did he represent these activities where all the names of the J.B.C. that were -

A. Well I can't remember exactly what role the J.B.C. take in, but it was more represented as the 4? various Secret Services - whether it was (D)? or S. that I'm -

I. Yes.

A. But later you see it was the

I. Yes.

A. When he became S.O.E. and all that business, I linked this up, and I took.....probably -

I? ROBERTSON???.....suggested it.

A. Er - I mean he may have suggested it, or I may have thought to myself -

I. Rolf KATZ could have been Rudolf KATZ ?

A. I never let,.....he was extremely.....

I. Quite recently had ?

A. Didn't think he actually had.....GUY had been
..... cut of the service to the COMINTERN.

I. Oh really.

A. I know he'd been. (regret confusion of voices again at this point).

X

I. I think he had actually been in Moscow.... Pact .
You don't remember how he got there I suppose?

A.contact....I've no idea..... Major ROBERTS.
simply set.....at the beginning of the war...
in Sweden for the Convention?? I think -

I. Yesofficial.

A. I'm pretty certain I think, but again not too
certain, but the statement waschef-decabinet
.....yes.....the communication was....his
private secretary....DALADIER.

I. Who was ?

A.he was.....

(again confused and following remarks only heard -
went to Scandinavia..... Dr. NEWBY?

A. It just came across - running through my mind -
Rudolf KATZ...friend ISHERWOOD??? .. presumably
.....an issue (?Isherwood) of Berlin? days.

X Gerald?

I. Is he tied up with ^{JOE?} Joan HAMILTON at all ?

A. Yes, he was.....^{JOE?} Joan HAMILTON.....

I. And GUY used to meet in London.

A. GUY used to meet in London certainly -

I. Then he went to live in Paris.

A. Yes...and used to go

I. Lived somewhere around Richmond? -

A.used to come to London quite often. I (GUY)
used to go to Paris, but not to see him....I went
with him.....

I. Well that's really your part of the story.

A. That's my.....

G? Well now I'll start at the very beginning of
my acquaintance with GUY because.....prepared
a document, and he was at the.....which
continued to be our practice..... local.....

left the Party??.....

I. You mean that he was a former member of the Party in Britain? at that time.

G. Yes, very....

I. An active member and that he definitely broke with the Party as an organisation at that time...

G. Yes,.....that's correct.....and after that I didn't see him for some time, until one day I met him in town and we had a very long argument in which he expressed.....impatience to...and we had quite a row, and I said "how can you seriously think, after what you think it involves....."

.....had a scot? round - we gave - I would say it was in 1937 roughly, and I began to sort of getand after I had seen him several times, he came to me and said he was working for an organisation which was collecting bits of information to assist a (couple of scientists?)..... and he told me also that actually he was doing it for.....he later said he was, in fact, a Comintern agent, and what he wanted me to do was to tell him as much as I could about any ? conversations + heard which would be of interest to Russia?, and it was part of their business. It wouldn't have been very long before Munich, because I remember having a very long conversation with him about a dinner party at ^{@ all subs (ph)} Lord SOMES???, at which HALIFAX and DAWSON, and I think CHAMBERLAIN, were present - he was our.....he told me....ANTHONY of course was working for him, but I also discussed these things with him simply on the strength of..... Cabinet.....I was in his.....and so on.

X

I. Can we stop a second -
Were you consciously doing that ANTHONY.

A. No.

I. No.

G. ..I can't remember the dates, but/as far as
this
I can remember, ~~it~~ was before even that I had
as far as I can remember
heard about BURGESS'???????. ..but I am not
quite certain.

I. But you would put it at '37.

G. I would put it at '37 yes.....I could date it
exactly.

I.

G. I could date it almost exactly I think actually,
because it was after I had visited him, and asked
forat a certain time - he came to me and said,
"you were asking about....a long time ago.....

.....service.....in these days
I was a member of the Writers (United) International
together
and we were all going off to a Congress in Paris???

and it was at that time I went and paid a visit to
Mrs? ^{PLAYFAIR} PLAFAIR??, I remember walking to their place -
em - I should think - em a good deal.....
ask me how to do it?..... there was a great deal
about it in the Party paper.... ..said £1000...
and he said I need a certain amount of it ...in
the Cabinet. Em - one of the things that led
me to think that GUY was telling the truth was, ^{(because} ~~but~~
there was nothing to tell me that he was,) was the
fact that these expeditions and so on, did cost a
expensive
great deal of money....these/trips to Paris and so on.
and that once or twice, - I should think once. ^{probably} /...-
I did - had seen, quite a lot of money in cash in
his flat, which was very unlikely to have been
thought.....at that time. Well then came the
time of the German-Soviet Pact.....I remember

about it, you and he were in Potsdam?? abroad.

A. Yes.

G. and as soon as he came home, I said to him "well lock, these people", actually.....

and I personally will have nothing more to do with this. And he said - well, I spoke to ANTHONY too - he was very distressed - I spoke to ANTHONY too, and he said exactly the same thing, and in fact the best thing we could all now is to stop this, and we will never mention or speak about it again. I said - agreed.

And, in fact, he never has spoken about it again and if I ever tried to mention it to him, he has a good.....about it..... and that I

I. think is the end of the story....

I. Yes. You don't know of any other persons whom he might have regarded as sources of information - who he might have been likely to have approached. You see you two were, in fact not employed in any place where you could have reasonable access -

G. No, no.

I. Presumably he was seriously a Comintern agent and would have persons who were - you can't suggest any names in that connection.

G. The only names we could ^{suggest} would be equally at that time people who would have no access.

One of the persons who always worked with BURGESS on anything of interest or importance really - apart from ANTHONY... was MACLEAN I think; but there again you see its extremely difficult to say because he was always.....BURGESS..... no doubt he would go on making use of all his old.. all the communist friends.

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*This was not MACLEAN
I believe this was
[Signature]*

X I. Well, what was KING??? doing at that time.

G. KING wasservice..... bother to explain..... amount of experience.

Of course having said all this, this explains GUY'S point of view (a) why he left the Party -

I. Because he said he left the Party on account of directions.....

G. Yes. And it explains I think the great disapproval.....from my point of view as it were quarrelled with.....MACNAMARA...spend so much time in conflicts, that's the explanation of it,because.....these people. I just can't think there anything serious.....at least I have.

I? A? I don't know if you got the letter I wrote today

G. Yes I did.....BURGESS.....

I? So you think - on all you know of him, and all

G. that you've talked with him about since 1939 - since 1940 - what was the year of the Soviet - '39

G. 1939.....

I. Do you think he made a clean break in 1939.

G. That's what I've always thought, yes.

A. It was clear - I was with him???

G?A. It was clear, I was with him at the time, it was clear that the news of the Pact was a terrific.....we were motoring abroad, and as far as I can remember we arrived - I should think he - there was some question whether he could go - one was always obviously fairly un?- certain - there was some question of whether he could go, or whether.....would allow him to go.....went and got the facts....and when he got the facts the news was obviously much blacker and.....and we motored back at a most appalling speed from the coast....and somewhere

on the road he bought a paper, and this was in it, and I remember thinking - never have I known GUY to think so rapidly and in so many directions (?suddenly to act) simultaneously could put forward.....all this effort.. absolutely - well we were all rather like that- it was clear ~~xxxx~~ that it was all nonsense.

G. Yes. When I talked to him about it, he did not agree with me, you see, at the time that the Soviet had.....but wished to stop talking about it at all.....

 all this is so painful.....

A. and to me.

G. ...had I believe, he had later seen PRITT, but if I were asked now, was I sure that he had, I would not be able to say yes.

I. You know he's not alone.

G. Is he not?

I. No.

G.? Do you know who he's with.

I. Yes we do. He's with another man at the Foreign Office.....

G. TURNER??? WERNER??? *WARNER?*

I. No. He's with a man called MACLENN. Donald MACLEAN. You see, and this, which is precise, leaves one with absolutely no doubts at all - leaves one with the conclusion that he roped MACLEAN into this..... possibly .

G. ...it was through Donald MACLEAN that he saw? PRITT.

I. He's a great friend of his -

G. He's a great friend of his, and again was one of the people, who.....would be one of the people I would say I had a sort of quarrel? about -

- I. Well its a very nice state of affairs (? state-
ment of facts). Lets get to the bottom of them -
these chaps are on the run together because of
something they have done in the past which looks
uncommonly like espionage.
- G. Well look it occurred to me that GUY had
been got at in 1939.....that his state of mind....
well he goes to America for something.....
.....he came back and expressed.....
and again I would have said.....what I would
have said was they are quite sure - I mean the
Americans are made...and I agree with you that
there's.....possibility of a war.....and they
are doing their best.....Soviet....and to a man
.....he said - well you see what happens when you
go home, its exactly the same there as you will
realise at this stage, and it? will have no effect
at all. And he came back.....fixed up, and
the Soviet....1941.....and I think in those
circumstances.....
- I. The shock being clearly a political one.
- G. Yes.
- I. and purely that, in his view, America is heading
us all into a third world war, and that was what
was in his despatches? and so on -
- G. Yes.
- I. This being.....
- ~~G.~~ And after he got back he had these interviews
which convinced him he was on the right track.
- G. Yes.
- I. ...he sympathised with it.....
and there was an air about the whole of the
departure, sort of taking an entirely new line -

he agreed with his friends -

G. Beg pardon -

I. He agreed with his friends - discussing it everywhere .. that crops up in many of the things he said -

G. That's so -

I. Very much in what he said to your wife -

G. Very much indeed actually - he knew that if he did talk to me we would almost certainly have a row....
.....even spoke to me (her)..... but at the same time I'm perfectly convinced.....

I Then of course its difficult to see why he should have convinced MACLEAN, who was a very quiet - I don't say he's stable, but he a very much less excitable man than GUY.

G. Oh he is a highly unstable man -

I. Very unstable - yes.

G. Highly unstable.

.....
.....

Ias least as possible.

G. Oh I will say, you shouldn't underestimate GUY's powers of persuasion - well and truly exercised, they are quite persuasive.

I. But then why should he have addressed himself to MACLEAN.....if there was no point in it.

A.? Because I should think he must be the one persondepends.....

I. Its just as possible, however, that you might say that his past was catching up with him, on these facts here.

G. That is possible - that is possible.

I. And that in that past MACLEAN was seriously involved.

G. That is possible., and it is possible - and I was wondering where you said that the Germans??? - he may have a different.....because he kept on saying to my wife that I didn't realise how lucky I was.

I. When was it that actually he mentioned that he had a Russian contact to whom he was passing his stuff..

G. That would be in 1937 I think.

A.? 1937 -38.

G. It might have been the early part of 1938.

I. It was later rather than before 1937.

G. Later ..

I. And of course that was only known (?time) he made that admission to you, and it could have been - let's see the date on which he -

G. Well his own statement was, of course, that he had been doing it ever since he left.....immediately after he -

I. Which would be immediately after he ceased being an undergraduate at Cambridge -

G. Ceased being a research worker -

I. A research worker at Cambridge - well that's a little later - about what year -

G.1935.

A?I should say 1935 - that being the date of my first Russian guest?? - he was certainly there for something like a year.....1935.

I. Yes.....^{simply}Rudolf KATZ/comes in as a sort of contact in the cloak and dagger world.

G? Oh yes, cloak and dagger ^{in one Section} and ~~other sections?~~ - Cominform and Comintern mixed up in ^{the other} it.

I. Yes.

- G.Cambridge....you see.
- I.armed section.....
- G. Oh.yes.....
- I. I don't quite how the CHABERLAIN and DALADIER part comes into it - I mean you can't seriously be used in that sense -
- G. Well - my recollection was that - and I have certainly known him a good many years (?15 years) that he was on to me that he was being used as a runner operating between London and Paris, underground - underground political....and...possibly.. and I should imagine, he said.... for some political organisation which linked with some Russian organisation. It was ...upon Munich, and the consequent Soviet Pact anyway, and from what he told us at that time it was not surprising they didn't get the Pact?? either.....
- I. Well I think they - what you will have to do is to convert this into some sort of a really rather formal statement - just a....I'd better not undertake? that.....
- you see we are still not confronted with the reappearance? of these chaps....catch up with them.
- A. Do you know where they are or anything? actually?
- I. No.
- A. You don't.
- I. No.....hasn't heard.
- A. Do I understand they have been traced to France.
- I. To France.
- A. But no further. That is too extraordinary.....
- I. Yes, but then not really.....start early enough.. no-one naturally fails....gets to the 25th May.. of course he wasn't -

- A. When did he disappear.
- I. He disappeared as far as the Foreign Office are concerned on Monday,.....28th May.....
MACLEAN should have been on duty at the Foreign Office on Monday 28th May.
is?
- A. Oh he was quite definitely doubted?
- I. Quite definitely.
- A. Was GUY....on two months leave.
- I. GUY was on leave yes.... (all talked at once about how much leave). I'm not sure that it was as much as that, it was rather anticipated that he was coming to the Foreign Office to discuss his position.
- A. The other chap.....was off as well.
- I.,but if it hadn't been for MACLEAN the alert wouldn't have been on, - then it was discovered.
- G. Do you know they were together.
- I. I know they were together, yes. er - but you see each case reflects on the other in the most sinister way....
Well would you like to do this now or would you like to come back - perhaps you're in a hurry now.
- G. How long do you think it will take ?
- I. I think it ought to take rather a long time - we ought to give ourselves a couple of hours....
....from memory and be as precise as possible.
- G. Yes. I imagine then that if we don't do it now you'd like to do it
- I. (inaudible discussion as to time to do it).
Well the chap who shall do it is SKARDON and I'll get hold of him right away.....some room I should think GUY's room.

I. could be heard asking secretary for Mr. SKARDON.

Mr. SKARDON came in and was introduced. I. told the former that they would give him some extremely important information and would make a statement. G. and Mr. SKARDON then went into another room.

Conversation between A. and I. continued as follows:-

- A. If you do locate GUY, what will you do.
- I. That I can't say just at the moment, I mean he's at present as I understand he's simply absent from this country - he's disappeared.....
- A. Yes, that is true.....what I think myself, I think that it is perfectly possible that he is escaping from complications which
- I. Somewhere other than behind the Iron Curtain.
- A. Yes, in which case I think pretty certain it might be possible to straighten it out..(?politically).....
- I. Have you any idea just how that might be achieved.
- A. By going to see him.
- I. By going to see him.
- A. Yes....I think so, yes... GUY.....by....
- I. Well we are intending to make absolutely every effort to prevent him making an irretrievable mistake.
- A. How do you think.....
- I. I should have thought he was sufficiently sophisticated (in running these things?)....to do something/behind the Iron Curtain, unless he has ^{and put himself} some really serious reasons for doing so.
- A. Well, we may have to stand by? - the whole affair will straighten out.....he took

PLUGGY (?FLOODY).....a hell of a time...

- I. Well how do you think that's true of MACLEAN -
- A. I don't know at all.
- I. He may be an excitable person and essentially unstable and so on. -
- A. good enough?
- I. The fact that they are together.....makes it because of some... look much more like an escape./.....something that was catching up with them.
- A: that was so it would be easier.....
- I. Yes, yes, well we are going to make every effort possible to persuade.....

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I. and A. went out of the room.

GVW.
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6 JUN 1951

~~Outgoing call by JACKIE to KIN 2285, Ext. 15.
No reply.~~

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Incoming call to JACKIE from ANTHONY.

- A. Well, what happened ?
- J. Nothing really. He asked a lot of questions. Mostly, I think, leading up to Was GUY a Communist.
- A. Was GUY a Communist ?
- J. I said no, he wasn't.
- A. Circling round that.
- J. Yes, everything led up to that. And was he in financial difficulty. I said none whatever. Did he have any income apart from a salary. I said yes, he had a private income. I said in fact that he was well off.
- A. Well, after all, he is.
- J. Yes. I said so much so that he never even bothered to fill in the stubs of the chequebook.

ANTHONY laughed.

- J. I said unlike me, who has to fill it in in advance. I played an awful lot on the fractured skull. I was very tempted to say it was Fred WARNER who did it.

ANTHONY laughed again.

- J. But I didn't.
- A. Did I, by the way, tell you the highly discreditable story - or did Bernard tell you ? - the highly discreditable story about his conversation with Fred about that ?
- J. No.
- A. It sends Fred, if it's possible, even further down in my estimation. Apparently GUY or (? ANDY) or somebody had told this story to Bernard, without mentioning names, I mean Fred - oh, he didn't know (? FARRINGDON) - simply saying that someone had thrown him downstairs and he'd got a fractured skull. And it so happened that I think the same

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*I believe it was
actually Fred
Warner who
threw him down
the stairs.
JFR*

A. contd:

evening GUY and he and [FRED] met for a drink and GUY happened to go away, and Bernard said something about "I've just heard DAVID's appalling story, which was quite news to me, about GUY being thrown downstairs by a friend of his." And Fred, apparently without batting an eyelid, said "Oh really?"

So it was all circling round this one point ?

J. Yes, mostly about that. And his financial position. And was he worried, did he seem to be worried about anything. And I said he was worried about his health. And of course he was worried about the state of the world.

A. Yes. One can't remember a time when he wasn't.

J. But on the whole I rather gave him a good character.

A. Friendly of you.

J. He asked me a lot of questions. I talked an awful lot and told him nothing. Mostly playing on the fact of a) his health, and he was worried about that, and b) - oh, did I know how he got on with the Americans, away.

A. Well, how - ?

J. I said I don't know. He said was he dissatisfied with his job. I said well, I think he expected to do more than open envelopes.

A. Well, the anti-American thing, as far as I can see, has become very strong.

J.. Oh, well, I didn't say anything. I said "No, he's made some very good friends among the Americans."

ANTHONY laughed.

J. Which was true.

A. Truthful, truthful. Strictly truthful.

J. Yes.

A. But of a rather special kind - but you didn't know !

J. No, of course not. He wanted to know what he had taken away. I told him shirt, slacks and so on. He really harped mostly - leading - he thought he was being very clever, I think - on his financial position and his political feeling. So there you are.

JACKIE was in financial difficulties himself. They discussed the bills he would have to pay if GUY did not come back. JACKIE thought he might not be able to go on holiday on 17th June after all, although he had his ticket. ANTHONY volunteered to subsidise JACKIE.

JACKIE would come round in the morning to have a cup of coffee with ANTHONY.

J. Well, so I think I behaved well with SEDDON.

A. Did you discover what he was ?

J. He's the head of the Personnel Department.

A. What sort of aged man is he ?

J. A middle-aged man, between - I should think he's 50.

A. I don't think I've come across him.

J. They seemed to know that GUY was in France. I don't know who told them.

A. Oh, he did ?

J. I didn't tell them that. They told me.

A. No, I expect they've been told that.

J. I mean, he was on the sort of leave, SEDDON told me, in which he's expected to report from time to time.

A. Oh, is he ? That I didn't realise.

J. I didn't realise that. I came out with him, you see. I said I had no idea that GUY was on leave. I didn't know whether he was on leave or whether he'd been suspended, is what I said.

A. Oh.

J. Making him think that I knew - you know. So he said well, no, he's not. He said he was on the sort of leave during which he's expected to report from time to time. He seemed to be awfully nice.

A. He was nice ?

J. Yes.

A. Bravo.

J. And I did play up this concussion business.

A. Quite right.

BARRY ?

J. Because I think if GUY has thrown over Michael BERRY (ph) and still wants a job he'd better stay in the Foreign Service.

A. Well no. I think he's blotted his copybook there pretty well.

J. Well, I didn't gather that.

A. Oh, you didn't gather that. Ah. Oh, I thought these two histoires together - but perhaps not.

ANTHONY thought that the Michael BERRY/~~BARRY~~ business was a much better prospect for GUY, but for the fact that he might drink himself to death in a week. JACKIE remarked that at least one would know where he was doing it. ANTHONY said it would be somewhere in Fleet Street, which was smaller than France.

JACKIE was tempted to change his holiday plans and go off in search of GUY, but did not know where to start. If only PETER or GONNY or someone had had a postcard. ANTHONY declared that if Peter had had a postcard he would surely have told them. JACKIE complained that PETER had not communicated for weeks. ANTHONY suggested ringing him. But he added that Peter knew they were all worried about GUY and would surely have let them know if he had heard anything from him.

JACKIE asked how was GERONWY. ANTHONY told him that GERONWY and MARGY had both been awfully ill.

J. Is he worried about GUY, or not ?

A. Yes.

J. He is ? I think he's much more gloomy than we are, you know. I think he thinks that GUY's either going to go to Russia or commit the ultimate suicide.

A. Well, he's frightfully depressed about this extraordinary conversation he had with (his mother ?)

J. Well, I don't know about that conversation.

A. Oh, I thought she told you. This business about not seeing him again for a long time. Like the conversation (? at ANDY's) only more (? in earnest).

They would meet in the morning.

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Outgoing call by Mrs. BASSETT to ANTHONY.

- B. Any - no news, I suppose ?
- A. Absolutely nothing at all.
- B. Any hope of any news, do you think ?
- A. Well, I'll try and get in touch with my friend today.
- B. I'm awfully afraid now - GUY did one day say "I think I'd better disappear. I'm such a bore to my friends." Do you think he ever means to come back, because he's got no money, you see.
- A. I know.
- B. He's not drawn any money. That's what's worrying me.
- A. Yes. That's been checked, has it ?
- B. Well, the Bank has said, you know, ... they'll let me know.
- A. They said they'd let you know ?
- B. Yes. They did.
- A. Oh, I see. I knew they told you up to that time.

Mrs. BASSETT had been into the Bank twice. Officially they were not supposed to let her know, so she did not want ANTHONY to quote this arrangement.

Mrs. BASSETT asked ANTHONY to ask the Secretary of the Reform whether GUY had written. ANTHONY said he would. He added that one could never write more than £10 anyhow.

Mrs. BASSETT was worried in case GUY did not mean to come back. ANTHONY remarked that it was very puzzling.

B. Another time he said to me he was so terribly depressed - with his illness, you know - it does depress him.

A. It does depress him very much, yes.

ANTHONY said he had not heard anything yesterday.

- B. I don't think really there is much hope of getting anything.
- A. I'm awfully afraid there may not be for some little time.
- B. Oh. What about the car.? Can you find out if he took the car ?
- A. I'm pretty certain he didn't take a car to France.
- B. He didn't ? Do you think he flew ?
- A. No, I rather gather he went by ship - by sea.
- B. I thought he would have sure to have flown.
- A. More like him, isn't it ?
- B. Much more likely.
- A. I could find that out.

Mrs. BASSETT suggested that if GUY had flown to Paris he might have stayed in ANTHONY's little hotel.

- B. Then he did say to me he was going down to Marseilles. Then of course if he were going down to Marseilles I think he would go by train because he'd get connections in Paris. You know, it would be less trouble for him.

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Mrs. BASSETT thought GUY had gone either to Marseilles or to Switzerland. ANTHONY said he inclined to the Swiss view.

- A. By the way, it's ASCONA, not AROSA as I told you.
- B. Yes. *?Kessle*
- A. ASCONA - and there was also some talk of a cousin of ERIC's - ERIC (?? HESSLAN) - or friend, I can't remember. *HESSLER*
KOESTLER

Mrs. BASSETT would be glad if GUY had gone to ERIC, but she thought there was no hope of that. As far as ANTHONY knew, ERIC was in Rumania. But he thought some of ERIC's family were "there" - probably POLLY was there. *Mrs. Nessler*

- B. I'm terrified, you see, as he's asked for no more money, whether he really means to disappear.
- A. Yes. Anyhow, I'll ring you as soon as I hear.

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2 Outgoing call by TITIA to ROGER at KEN 0141.
No interest.

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For preceding interview see 3g.

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EXTRACT.

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File No. PF. 604582. Name: BLUNDEN.

File No. PF. 604583. Serial: 5a. Receipt Date:

Original from ^{Gorman} Statement of Morgan REES. Under Ref.: Dated: 6.6.51.

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..... In I believe 1937 or perhaps earlier, we did meet again and once again became close friends.....

..... He said to me that he was working on behalf of an anti-Fascist organisation and that his task was to collect confidential political information and later he said that this organisation was in fact the Comintern or rather a secret branch of it.....

BURGESS said that he wished me to help him in carrying out his work and said that one of his other sources of information was Anthony BLUNT.

..... We now arrive at the time of the German-Soviet Pact when BURGESS was away in France with BLUNT.

On his return I told him that the Soviets had ruined any chance of preventing war and that I wished to have nor more to do with his organisation if indeed such a thing existed. He did not agree with my views but was extremely distressed. He said that BLUNT also had expressed the same views and that under the circumstances we had better give up the whole affair but that for obvious reasons it was best if we never mentioned the subject again even to each other.

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The subject of PF.604,583, who also made a statement similar to 3b, has alleged that BURGESS claimed, at the time when he was engaged in espionage, that one of his sources was Anthony BLUNT, the subject of this file.

B.2.a.
6.6.51

R. T. Reed

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Distribution.

BLUNT

Copy No. 1 PF604, 582
2..... B.2.b. Mr. Martin
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original statements

For interview preceding statement see 3g.

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STATEMENT of Anthony Frederick BLUNT, of 20 Portman Square, W.1. WHO SAITH:

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- (2) (?) Edouard PFEIFFER a close political friend and associate of DALADIER. He was a fairly prominent French politician.

BURGESS was also connected with an organisation called the Anglo-German Fellowship of which the most important members were Captain [Jack MACNAMARA] who was then Member of Parliament and was, I believe, killed during the war, and the then Archdeacon of South Eastern Europe whose name I do not know.

I remember also that BURGESS told me a story of carrying communications to PFEIFFER for DALADIER on behalf of CHAMBERLAIN, the impression being given that this was arranged by the organisation for which he was working.

I further remember that I was with BURGESS in France just before the war, and that when we reached the South of France we decided that we must come back because the war was so imminent, and that he would be needed by his organisation. On the way we heard the news of the German-Soviet Pact. This was clearly a very considerable shock to BURGESS and I recollect that he talked about the matter, producing a series of alternative and contradictory explanations and hypotheses.

I have read this statement and it is true.

(Sgd) A. F. BLUNT.

6th June 1951.

PF. 604, 588
PFEIFFER

PF. 47638
KATZ

Secret Cross
Ref. in P.F. 43341
MACNAMARA.

604 588

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A. F. Miles

ON HIS MAJESTY'S SERVICE



FF. 604, 582.

Original Statement of Anthony Frederick ELUNT,
of 20, Portman Square, W.1.

Room 055,
War Office,
Whitehall, S.W.1.

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3A

extracts

[At a meeting with D.B. (B.2., B.2.a. and B.4. present) at 1645 hours D.B. instructed that the following telephone checks should be imposed immediately:-

in PF604583.

- (1) WELbeck 1388 - day telephone number of Anthony BLUNT.
- (2) WELbeck 9841 - night telephone number of Anthony BLUNT.
- [(3) Sonning 3197 - home telephone number of Morgan Geronwy REES, Falcon House, Sonning, Berks.

[Spoke Saffery about imposition of the above T.C's at 1650 hours.

Subsequently agreed Mr. Saffery's proposal that in order to operate the above Welbeck checks immediately we should temporarily cancel the last two numbers on the Jewish 0164 group. (Informed B.4.b. Miss Robertson).

[The Welbeck numbers were working by 1800 hours, and the Sonning number by 2300 hours.



B.4.
6.6.51.

Copy to: Mr. Reed, B.2.a.

MR 1/6/51

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After statements had been made by Goronwy REES and Anthony BLUNT to Mr. White in the afternoon the following action was taken: -

1. Arranged for Mr. Joce, C.4.a. to obtain urgently for us the passport papers of Goronwy REES and Anthony BLUNT.
2. Arranged with Colonel Cumming to put on check Goronwy REES' telephone SONNING 3197, installed at Falcon House, Sonning, Berks
3. Arranged with Colonel Cumming to put on check the following telephone numbers to cover Anthony BLUNT - WELbeck 1388 and WELbeck 9841.
4. Consideration was given to instructing the Immigration Officers at all ports in this country to report if Goronwy REES or Anthony BLUNT attempted to leave the country. It was decided not to do this for the present.
5. It was suggested that we should have a R.O.W. on Kim PHILBY at the British Embassy in Washington and on his home address. It was decided not to do this and to await the result of discussions that Mr. White was to have with Broadway.

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6.6.51

R. T. Reed
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PF.604,582

Copy in PF.604,583 RALEIGH

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Following are the personal particulars of:

Anthony Frederick BLUNT

Born: Bournemouth 26.9.07

N.R.I.C. No: ARA4034:611

Address: 20 Portman Square, W.1.

Passport No. 28268 issued London 10.12.1945, renewed
for the further period of five years on 23.10.50

Morgan Goronwy REES

Born: Aberystwith 29.11.09

N.R.I.C. No. ARA 3042:364

British Passport No. ³³⁷¹¹⁵ ~~442256~~ issued ^{1.11.46} ~~8.11.49~~

Address: Falcon House, Sonning, Berks.

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Pa

They discussed other people; the host of the party, Kay FREMANTLE (ph) a friend of PAM's. The woman mentioned OLIVER.

JACKIE asked whether BLUNT had rung today about tickets for the trooping. The woman did not know how to go about getting tickets. JACKIE thought she would get some if she asked. BLUNT had not rung the woman. JACKIE would make BLUNT ring her. She said that as OLIVER would not be there, to BLUNT could ring her with impunity.

JACKIE thought he would not go out tonight, as they were broadcasting "The Importance".

n.t.s.
20.30 approx.

Outgoing call unanswered to WEL 9841 20.31

Outgoing call unanswered to WEL 4181 20.32

Incoming call to JACKIE from SEDDON, who said he was speaking from the Foreign Office, and asked whether he could see JACKIE tomorrow. SEDDON wanted to talk to JACKIE about GUY. He did not want to say much on the phone. JACKIE asked whether there was any news. SEDDON thought not. JACKIE would see SEDDON at any time. It was arranged that JACKIE would come to 8, Carlton House Terrace at 11.30 tomorrow morning and ask for SEDDON.

22.05

Outgoing call by JACKIE to WEL 9841. He asked Mrs. BARBER (ph) to leave a note for the Professor to ring him immediately he came in. JACKIE explained that he had just had a call from the Foreign Office. Mrs. BARBER told him not to worry too much.

22.10

4 Incoming call to JACKIE from (BLUNT) who said he was sorry he had been out. JACKIE told him about his call from SEDDON, but said that the appointment was for 11.00 instead of 11.30. BLUNT said he did not know who SEDDON was. JACKIE told him 8, Carlton House Terrace. BLUNT thought he should ring the other GUY if he were still in London.

J. There's no point. I mean, I don't know anything.

(Some speech lost. Fault on cybinder).

B. Well, I'll see if I can get through to GUY.

J. I shouldn't. There's no point. There's no point at all. I shall go in the morning. I mean, I know nothing -

B. We know.

J. Absolutely nothing.

B. Also, you haven't actually seen GUY - LIDDELL, I mean - but I've told him all you know.

J. Yes. Maybe they're just going to give me his belongings.

B. No, they won't do that, surely. No, they can't do that, surely, because they are fairly certain that he is coming back (??? and he'll want them back).

J. I shouldn't ring GUY until - if anything they say tomorrow is pertinent - I don't know.

B. inaudible.

J. He's done everything he possibly can up to now. I shouldn't bother him any more. You can bother him if there's something concrete, but you can't bother him just because I've been called to see somebody called SEDDON at 8 Carlton House Terrace.

B. I wonder if it's probably someone from the Personnel Department.

J. I think it is.

B. Did they say that ?

J. No, but I think it is.

B. ?

J. About half an hour ago. There is nothing GUY can do.

JACKIE did not know where "they" had got his name from. BLUNT suggested they had obtained it from someone at the F.O. who knew that JACKIE was sharing GUY's flat. JACKIE said most of them knew. Probably it was Tommy THOMPSON. BLUNT corrected him - TOMLINSON.

JACKIE would ring BLUNT tomorrow as soon as he had got through. BLUNT agreed that there might be no point in ringing GUY.

B. The answer is that you've said all you know, I mean, if they've got specific points to ask, much better come another way.

BLUNT would think it over. JACKIE insisted that he would have to go to the office first.

J. You don't want me to go, is that it ?

B. Well, I just simply don't want you to be -

J. Well, what are you hiding from me ?

B. (?? Worn down) by the whole thing.

J. Well, what are you hiding from me ? What is it you don't want me to find out ?

B. I'm not hiding anything from you. I know as

B. contd:

little as you do. It's a bore. Oh God damn it.

BLUNT would ring JACKIE in the morning at the office. JACKIE talked about the broadcast he had been listening to.

J. You're speechless. What is the matter with you ?

B. I'm frightfully tired.

J. Well, go to bed, then. Don't think any more about this. I'm sorry I rang, now. Don't make it any more complicated than it is. I shall go there in the morning and I'll let you know exactly what is said afterwards.

B. Good. Well, do so.

J. I don't think there is any point in involving GUY LIDDELL. He's done quite a lot.

B. He may anyhow be away.

J. He doesn't want to be involved in little things like this. If they are impertinent I shall refuse to answer their questions. Anyway I can't tell them anything; I don't know anything. I know less than anybody else.

23.16

KW.

B. No, I know.

A. You see, the English police wouldn't -

B. It's awfully worrying, isn't it ?

ANTHONY asked Mrs. BASSETT how she was. She had been cheered when she heard where (GUY) was, but she had become depressed since. Mrs. BASSETT asked when was a good time to ring ANTHONY. He said from 08.15 - 09.00.

Mrs. BASSETT feared that JACKIE was ill. She said she could hardly understand him this morning. ANTHONY said he was with JACK now, and JACK was all right.

B. I thought if he had left, France, you know, and going in a tramp, perhaps, you know, we might hear.

A. Well, I don't see how we could, really. That's the trouble.

B. Or if he's gone to Switzerland, we might.

ANTHONY agreed. Mrs. BASSETT asked how much more leave (GUY) had. ANTHONY said (GUY) had told him he had a great deal of leave accumulated.

B. Well, what he told me was, you see, if he went to MICHAEL ^{BERRY} he would ask for two months' leave to try to get well.

A. Oh, did he ? I see.

B. And I'm wondering now, you know, whether he suddenly, on Friday, gave notice to the Foreign Office. Do you know anybody intimately you could ask ?

A. I think I could find that out, yes.

B. You see, I don't want to burn his boats.

A. Of course.

B. You see, he had a fortnight in Washington, and what he said to me was "I'm dividing my leave into two parts" - that was when he thought he was staying in Washington - to have a fortnight with me, you see. And he was dividing it into two parts and taking the other part later on. And then he was going to - somebody asked him to stay with him and go yachting, you see, that was before he knew he was coming home.

A. In the States ?

B. Yes, before he knew he was coming home.

ANTHONY had been told by (GUY) that he had "a lot of leave". Mrs. BASSETT thought that if (GUY) had had an awful lot of leave he would have taken more than a fortnight while she had been there, considering that she had gone there in order to see him.

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 Extract for File No. : P.F. 604, 582 Name : BLUNDEN
 Original in File No. : * P.F. 604, 591 supp Serial : 6 Vol. : 1 Receipt Date : 4.6.51
 Original from : Telecheck Under Ref. : TC. 2130 Dated : 3.6.51
 Extracted on : 16.1.53 by : JA Section : B.2.b

Extract from telecheck on REG. 1530 (GUY BURGESS) Conversations between Jack HEWITT & Mrs. BASSET ment. BLUNDEN. etc.

Mrs. BASSETT wanted GUY to go to the doctor in Oxford who was interested in blackouts - according to what she had read in the papers. JACKIE said ANTHONY wanted GUY to go to HERBERT (ph). JACKIE said GUY had refused to go back to the doctors whom he had liked at the Middlesex. He had kept telling JACKIE he was going back, but had never gone. JACKIE

said that ANTHONY had made an appointment for GUY to see his own doctor, HERBERT, but that GUY had cut the appointment. GUY had told Mrs. BASSETT that HERBERT had been away and he had been unable to see him.

Incoming call to JACKIE from ANTHONY, who insisted on coming round to the flat. If DANNY and JIMMY turned up they could all have a quick dinner together. Otherwise JACKIE and ANTHONY could dine. ANTHONY would be here in a quarter of an hour.

18.42

Outgoing call by ANTHONY to Mrs. BASSETT, to ask if she had any news. Mrs. BASSETT had not. She asked what were the chances of getting any news. ANTHONY pointed out that it was rather difficult if "he" was wandering around France.

- B. Your friend would know if he'd left France. If he went in a tramp steamer he'd have to give up his passport, wouldn't he ? I mean, he'd have to have it stamped.
- A. I suppose so, yes. I don't quite know how he'd know - because -

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Ext for File No.: P.F. ~~604583~~ 604603-604582 Name: RALEIGH
 P.F. ~~KESSTLER~~ KESSTLER
 Original in File No.: 53302 PF. 604558 Serial: 173a Receipt Date:
 Original from: D.D.G. Under Ref.: P.F. 604558 Dated: 4.6.51.
 Extracted on: 27.7.51. by: VB Section: B2a/AFB.

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Anthony Blunt came to see me at my request, as information that Dick White brought back last night seemed to indicate that BURGESS and MACLEAN, having missed an 11.20 train from St. Malo on Saturday morning, had taken a car and joined the train at Rennes. They were apparently heading for Paris. It was, therefore, desirable to try and find out whether BURGESS had any addresses there to which he would be likely to go.

Anthony supplied the addresses of three hotels, but knew of no particular contacts either there or in Italy. In Switzerland he knew BURGESS had spent a holiday at Ascona on Lake Maggiore, and that he had a friend, who probably lived in Berne, called Eric KESSTLER, although it was unlikely that either he or his family would be there now. KESSTLER is believed to be en poste in Roumania.

Anthony confirmed that to the best of his knowledge MACLEAN was a homosexual.

2 bc

Extract from loose minute to D.B. from D.D.G

There are several things I should like to have discussed with you before you left, but I daresay most of them will keep. I will confiné myself to these:-

(2) Two points I got from Anthony today:-

- a) He confirmed that D.D.M was a homo;
MACHAN
- b) He had learnt from KIM that B. *BURCESS* used to visit New York fairly frequently - probably because homosexual tendencies there are strong and less likely to be observed. Butk there may have been other reasons.

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D.D.G

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 Original from : B.2 Under Ref. : Dated : 2.6.51
 Extracted on : 9.10.52 by : JA Section : B.2.a

Extract from Action Summary, 2.6.51, By B.2. ment re disappearance of BURGESS & MACLEAN, ment.BLUNDEN.

U.K. Enquiries, Monday 4.6.51

..consideration is to be given to the direct interrogation of BLUNT by D.B. or B.2 ...

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Original in File No.: P.F. 60,558 - CURZON Serial: 134a Receipt Date:

Original from: B.2.a. Under Ref.: P.F. 60,558 Dated: 1.6.51.

Extracted on: 27.7.51. by: VB Section: B2a/AFB

A reply has been received from Rome to our telegrams reporting the disappearance of BURGESS and CURZON. It states that in September 1950 Anthony BLUNT and BURGESS travelled together in Italy in a Railton car. Rome thought that the car was left in France.

Captain Liddell checked with Anthony BLUNT, who said that the car had subsequently been collected. As it was not clear who actually had the Railton car at the moment, I spoke to Captain Liddell who said that BLUNT definitely had this car. The car that BURGESS had therefore must have been a hired one.

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Sgd.) R.T. Reed.

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Note of service of BLUNT, A.F.

- 30.5.40. Reported for duty with Security Control Officer, Dover, as Field Security Officer. Rank: A/Captain, General List.
- 1.7.40. Lent from Intelligence Pool for duty with M.I.5., as G.S.O.3. and posted to D. Division, as P.A. to D.D.S.(3). Posted to B. Division a few months later.
- 20.3.43. Promoted local rank of Major.
- 12.5.44. Lent to SHAEF for one month.
1945. Visited Germany in August and Italy in October.
- 31.10.45. Left the Service on returning to civilian work.

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on 30/6/51

G. Liddell

Thurs.

Extract from Note by D.D.G. dated 31.5.51
re. the disappearance of BURGESS and
mentioning BLUNT.

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Tues 29 May

C.R. boy friend

2. I spoke to Anthony BLUNT, who had been away all day until about 6 o'clock. I asked him what he knew about Guy BURGESS' disappearance. He said that on Saturday last Jack HEWITT rang up to say that BURGESS had not returned the previous evening as expected, and that an American friend of BURGESS had been to the flat and found the latter packing. He had been out to buy a mackintosh. He had hired a car and had excused himself on the grounds firstly that he was going away for a holiday, and secondly that he had to help a friend who was in difficulties.

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BURGESS' mother knew nothing of his present whereabouts. He had said several weeks ago that he had thought of taking a tr steamer to France, and BLUNT had heard - I think either from HEWITT or the American friend - that BURGESS had borrowed a car which had been hired.

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Wed.

3. On 30.5.51 Anthony BLUNT and Tommy HARRIS came to see me I told them that the matter was a serious one; that BURGESS had left the country for France in the company of another Foreign Office Official, and that BURGESS had booked a ticket in his own name and another ticket in the name of 'MILLER', which had subsequently been used by his companion. BLUNT asked whether the Foreign Office Official was MACLEAN. I said that he was and asked him what he knew about MACLEAN. He said that of course he had known MACLEAN in his University days, but had not seen much of him since. He did, however, know him as a

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/close friend

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close friend of Guy BURGESS, and as one who had been closely allied with him as a fellow member of a Communist group at Cambridge, in which there were included people like John CORNFORD and Maurice CORNFORTH. BLUNT had been astonished, on returning to Cambridge in 1934, to find that these intellectuals had drifted right into the Communist camp. Guy BURGESS was a member of the group, but in 1935, for some reason or other, became embittered. He had wanted to blossom out as a Marxian historian, but evidently thought better of it and drifted away from the group. He had, however, always remained Marxian and had within recent years become bitterly anti-American.

BURGESS told BLUNT, and also an American friend called Bernard MILLER, that he had to help a friend over the weekend who was in some sex trouble and was being blackmailed. Both BLUNT and (Tommy) HARRIS tried to speculate who this friend might be and MACLEAN had been one of the suggestuons, since it was known that MACLEAN was a homo-sexual. It was not thought that his wife was aware of this.

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Capt. Hill

I asked BLUNT and HARRIS whether they believed the story of MACLEAN being bla_ckmailed, or whether they thought it was a story put over by MACLEAN to deceive BURGESS, or by BURGESS to deceive his friends. They said that quite frankly any of the above reasons were possible. (Tommy) HARRIS then mentioned that he and BLUNT had discussed the possibility of BURGESS having been blackmailed in America and forced to disclose information. What (I think) had given rise to this in their minds was the knowledge that Jack HEWITT when he unpacked BURGESS' suitcase on the latter's arrival from America, had found a large quantity of pound notes. Did these imply that

/BURGESS would

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Capt & Under Sec both BA & Under

BURGESS would have sold himself to the Russians, or was it just a common Black Market offence? I think they both thought it was unlikely that BURGESS was working for the Russians, but they felt that he was such an unstable character that almost anything was possible.

BASSETT

We then discussed the anxiety of Mrs. BURGESS about her son. She had been anxious to go to the Police, but had been dissuaded from doing so. She had been told that the matter was already being dealt with by the Police on a high level and that she could rest assured that everything possible was being done. I told HARRIS and BLUNT that she could be told that her son had been traced abroad. This would probably satisfy her.

Capt & Under

Both HARRIS and BLUNT assured me that they would on no account disclose to anybody that BURGESS had been accompanied by MACLEAN.

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EJS/R5
13.7.51

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SECRET

NAME: BURGESS

T.C. No.: 2130

Tel. No.: REG 1530

Date: 29.5.51.

Responsible Section: B.2.a.



31 MAY 1951

L.U. X
 Jack Hewitt XCopy - PF 604, 643
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29.5.51.

1) Incoming call to Jack, who answered "Snakepit here". The caller was believed to say "~~Blunt~~ Blunt here".

The caller was at the Court-house (?) and would be with Jack in about five minutes. Jack had just rung the office. The caller had brought back his documents, papers, books, manuscripts. He would come now, in a taxi. The door would not be open, but Jack would let him in.

22.53

2) ^{Blunt} Outgoing call by unnamed man to TOMMY.

M. Tommy, I'm sorry. I'm afraid you didn't get away, probably, before I left.

T. No, I rang you, actually, about five minutes after you left.

M. Oh, I'm sorry.

T. And it's - the most difficult couple in the world to talk to -

M. Oh, terrible, because they misunderstand each other so much.

T. They couldn't be more difficult, because they couldn't be more -

M. Bickering and -

T. I know - more naive, in a way -

M. Their bickering, too - I mean, as a result of - And, you see, GUY's always been a source of bickering between them.

T. Yes, and that came out. I made one slight faux pas, which was the question of the accident in Washington, you know, the driving -

M. Oh God, I ought to have warned you. He doesn't know about that.

T. No.

M. She told me halfway through the interview this morning.

T. She winked madly at me, you see; and I said it

PTO.

T. contd:

was nothing at all, but it just shows how sensitive he is over little things like that, you see, and so forth. I didn't know at all.

M. No, I'm awfully sorry. I ought to have warned you. She got him out of the room and gave me - tipped me off.

T. Yes. But it makes the thing quite impossible if you have to talk to people who keep secrets from one another, and that sort of thing.

M. He hates GUY so much, doesn't he.?

T. It's fairly evident, yes. And therefore the conversation wasn't frightfully easy, and I didn't want to take it further than one had to. The point that they were delighted about - both of them - was the possibility of -

M. Of GUY

T. Of GUY.

M. GUY LIDDELL, yes. They were ? Oh, good.

T. And they were too thrilled. And he said "Well, it seems absolutely unfair that I should throw all my responsibility on to you" - "you" plural, you know - you and I, when it's something he should do. And I said "Well, look, the point is if this can be taken up on the highest level in the right channels, I mean the possibilities of success are far greater than your doing it" -

M. Yes.

T. Which is perfectly true.

M. Perfectly true.

T. And incidentally, thinking the thing out logically, it's the way it should be done, in view of the F.O. association, and so forth.

M. Yes, true, yes.

T. And it is absolutely proper that we should appeal to GUY. LIDDELL

M. Very true.

T. And it had occurred to me going up in the lift, which was so curious, -

M. Very odd, that.

T. And I looked in my diary to see if I had GUY's telephone number, (? but I hadn't got it).

M. It hadn't occurred to me, but he rang me and as we were talking it occurred to me.

T. Oh good. Well, I think that is the solution. They

T. contd:

were absolutely agreeable and more than delighted.

M. Yes.

T. And I also handed her a list of seven or eight friends, which meant GRONWAY (ph), you and I and DAVID and ELLIS, in case she were at any time asked who the friends were.

M. Yes.

T. And I also mentioned the point of not compromising you in case of disaster.

M. Oh, you got as far as that ?

T. Yes, I got as far as that.

M. You came in the open, yes. Well, I'm rather glad. I didn't quite know how far one could.

T. And she said well, she felt she shouldn't take a risk of compromising anyone at all. And I said it didn't matter so far as I was concerned, and I'm sure it didn't matter with (? you)

M. (? Quite), but I do agree with the general -

T. In general principle. And the more you - er, the greater the number, the less compromise to anyone, because it's quite impossible to explain the difference -

M. Yes.

T. I don't know - and this is a thing you might turn over in your mind and we might discuss tomorrow - whether I mightn't tell her. She - I'm fairly certain she knows in her heart.

M. Well, she may. I don't quite see at the moment what could be gained.

T. The only thing that could be gained is the possibility of - you see, one will have to co-operate to a certain extent with her. Their relationship is far more intimate than I had imagined - probably not more than you had imagined -

M. H'm.

T. And to achieve anything in the future, I mean, the cure, which is the thing we have to look forward to -

M. Yes.

T. If there is a cure, which I very much doubt, but one has to assume there is, we will have to have her full co-operation.

M. Yes.

T. Therefore it would be necessary to take her - not him - fully into the picture.

M. Not him, no.

T. And whether to start to break it down in some way at this stage would be a good plan or not, is a thing for consideration. I am not at all convinced, but it just is a thing worth turning over in one's mind.

M. Yes.

T. And if it were going to be broken down, it might be easier for me to do it than you.

M. Well, I'll see, Tommy.

T. You see, in a way. But just turn that over in your mind.

M. I will.

T. And I could ask her to come up here, you see, some time tomorrow.

M. I think that until there's some indication that this particular problem is involved, I'm against it.

T. You're against it, yes.

M. Well, till that.

T. Yes, yes.

M. I don't quite see what we gain. I mean, it may - say in terms of permanent cure, it might be useful, but that we can wait for.

T. Yes. The Line I took with the old man was that here is a tremendous brain, you see, which has unfortunately through illness and one thing and another, gone - started to deteriorate, and we as friends and he as family and everyone who knew him was interested to see this brain recover, as much as the man himself; that we were interested in this particular brain, which had tremendous potentialities and we wanted to see it recover. And on that he co-operated quite well.

M. He did ?

T. Yes, and he did seem to think he was quite a remarkable person. We got on to the idiotic subject of modern pictures.

(The "old man" had questioned the "brain"'s taste but what Tommy had said to him on the subject had gone down quite well, and the "old man" had ended by admitting it was probably his ignorance.)

T. Well now, what are we going to do about GUY tomorrow ?

M. I shall -

T. You've told him briefly the position ?

M. Yes, I told him roughly. I told him in some detail as far as I can remember. We had one of those ambling conversations, which went on and on

T. And he knows about him, I mean in -

M. Yes.

T. I mean the whole thing.

M. Yes.

T. Does he know er - er - your life fairly well ?

M. Yes, I think so.

T. That's all right then.

M. I mean, I've always assumed that. I've never talked about it explicitly but I've always assumed it.

T. Yes.

M. I've always assumed that VICTOR would have blurted it out some time.

T. Yes.

M. You know, I think I've even, sort of deliberately almost, alluded to it.

T. Yes, yes.

M. Anyhow, there's no embarrassment about that.

T. No sort of - I mean, if he does know the past .. possible indication. And what is the step tomorrow - any at all ?

M. Well then, if they agree, down there, that we ought to do it tomorrow, that it ought to be done tomorrow -

T. To do it tomorrow, but through this particular channel. And they don't want to do anything themselves if we can relieve them of the liability, or the -

M. So in fact we can go and see + as it might be - BURT.

T. Yes, definitely.

M. Without them.

T. And they will be more than delighted. They would rather not come into it.

M. Well, that makes it enormously easier, because we can say to BURT alone a number of things which we should find it extremely embarrassing to say in front of them.

T. Exactly. Exactly. What I impressed on them, and I think they accepted, and were very grateful for, was the fact that if they went to the ordinary sort of station and said "Well, this has happened; my son has been missing for two days" they'd say "Well, what's his name? Who is he?" and so forth. Whereas we would be able to take it through the right channels on a very high level and therefore the inquiries would be far more serious and far more fruitful.- which is perfectly true.

M

M. Which is perfectly true.

T. And I'm sure it's the right way to do it in any case, in view of the man's position.

M. Yes, and, after all, he was indirectly connected with the place.

T. Yes, and all sorts of - I mean, there is every reason to do it in this manner without asking a particular favour.

M. No, I think that is all right. And GUY obviously -

T. I mean, he would do the favour in any case.

M. He would, yes, but -

T. But it isn't a particularly personal favour that one is asking.

M. It's a perfectly reasonable thing to ask.

T. It's a reasonable thing to ask, and the right thing to do. In point of fact, I mean, if one thinks of it logically, this is the channel the thing should go through.

M. I agree.

T. Good. Well now, what do we do tomorrow.

M. Stupidly I've not got my diary on me. Tomorrow is what - Wednesday? /K've got nothing very specific during the day. I'm supposed to be going out in the evening.
/as far as I can remember

T. Yes.

M. But I should think the thing ~~for me~~ to do is for me to ring GUY, isn't it, somewhere about ten, half past ten or something like that, and see what he suggests.

T. I think probably the best thing would be for him to get BURT up -

M. Something like that, yes.

T. And go along there, don't you think? Because then you've got two good brains to help, and be co-operative.

M. It seems rather hard to worry GUY about it.

T. Oh, he wouldn't mind in the least.

M. I feel more diffident about wasting his time than wasting BURT's. But anyhow -

T. I don't think he'll mind, I mean, he wouldn't - in fact he wouldn't like to be out of it.

M. No, I think that's true.

T. If there's a problem I'm sure he wouldn't mind. Good, then, you'll let me know in the morning.

M. I'll ring him in the morning and ring you.

T. Yes, and if for any reason there's anything you would like me to go along, or not to go along, as the case may be, with you, or to go along myself and you not go - I mean, if you turn the whole thing over in your mind, I mean according to how much you want to say

M. Yes.

T. I mean, either you can have to - er - be busy and I can go, or you can go alone or we can go together.

M. You mean to BURT ? Or do you mean to

T. ~~XXXXXXXX~~ To BURT or to -

M. Or to BASSETT -

T. Or to GUY.

M. Yes.

T. Turn that over in your mind, I mean which way you would prefer it to be done - to go alone, me to go, or to go together.

M. I must certainly come, because I know, after all, -

T. The details, yes.

M. I mean, I'm the person who knows most of the details.

T. Quite right.

M. Thank you very much, Tommy.

T. If I can help my coming, I mean, I'd like to come. If you can do it easier on your own -

M. I think in many ways it would be easier if we went together - and nicer - but it seems rather hard.

T. No, it's not hard on me. I mean, you just frankly say which you think would be easier or more pleasant.

M. Well, may I do that ? And then speak to you ?

T. And ring me in the morning.

M. I will.

T. And sleep, because Mrs. BASSETT said you looked terribly tired and terribly worried, and I said you were frantically worried and very very tired.

M. She looked frightfully worried.

T. Oh, she looks ghastly - quite terrible. But she does seem to understand a good deal more - I didn't realise that thing was so close.

M. Very. She understands almost all of GUY.

T. It's tremendously close, and it's a devotion which is quite pathetic.

M. Yes, absolutely terrifying.

T. Yes, it is. O.K. then. You'll ring me in the morning

M. I will.

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act for File No.: P.F. 604,582 Name: BLUNDEN

ial in File No.:* P.F. 604,529 Serial: 50a Vol: 1 Receipt Date: 29.5.51

Original from: B.2. Under Ref.: Dated: 29.5.51

Extracted on: 8.10.52 by: JA Section: B.2.a

Extract from Note of Action in hand - re disappearance of BURGESS and
MACLEAN - by B.2., ment. BLUNDEN

Questioning of possible sources of Information:

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Mr . Anthony BLUNT is being contacted by DDG

9.10.52

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PF.604,558. MACLEAN.
✓ PF.604,582. BLUNT.
PF.604,583. REES.

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PF.604,643. HONED
PF.604,591. HEWITT.
PF 607 591 BERRY

CONCORDANCE OF EVENTS IMMEDIATELY BEFORE AND AFTER THE
DISAPPEARANCE OF BURGESS AND MACLEAN ON 25th MAY, 1951.

BURGESS.

24.5.51. Seen leaving the Reform Club with Donald MACLEAN at 3 p.m. PF.604,529.
6 or 7 pm Talked to BLUNT privately for a long time at the Reform Club 47a.
PF 604 582 1112 bc

25.5.51. am. "Early in the morning" David FOOTMAN rang BURGESS at his PF.604,529.
flat suggesting a date for dinner on 28.5.51. BURGESS 115b.
said he could not manage that date and dinner was arranged
for 1.6.51. instead.

BURGESS called at the Continental Booking Office at Victoria PF.604,558.
Booked one 2-berth cabin on the "Palaise" in names of Supp D.
BURGESS and MILLER, but gave the impression that MILLER
might be unable to come and that his place might be taken
by someone else.

BURGESS ordered a car for two or three days from Weiback PF.604,558.
Motors, Ltd. to be delivered at the Reform Club at 2 p.m. Supp D.

Unspecified BURGESS told Mr. BELL of the Reform Club that he was going PF.604,529.
time. on leave to France and left a locked despatch case to 116a.
which Mr. BLUNT could have access. (Collected by BLUNT on
6.6.51)

Unspecified BURGESS rang up Margery REES and spoke to her for about PF.604,529.
time. an hour. 100c, 145b.

25.5.51. p.m. BURGESS lunched at the Reform Club and soon after 2 p.m. PF.604,558.
came out to sign insurance form for car. Supp D.

3 p.m. Met Bernard MILLER at the Reform Club. PF.604,529.
195b.

5 p.m. Shopping expedition with MILLER, bought mackin/toah, etc. PF.604,529.
either too big or too small for BURGESS. 75a.

"late Bought suitcase and clothes at Gieves. PF.604,529.
p.m." 234b.

BURGESS told MILLER, also BLUNT, that during the weekend PF.604,529.
he would be helping a friend who was in difficulties. 63b, 195b.

5 p.m. BURGESS dropped MILLER from the car and arranged to meet PF.604,529.
him at 7.30 p.m. (BURGESS was apparently due to dine 101d, 195b.
with the BERRY's, Anthony BLUNT and others that night) 301B, 300b.
(This is more likely to have been Mon. 28.5.51. PF 604 591, s.6.51)

5.30-7 p.m. Seen by Club servant at the Reform Club and talked to a PF.604,529.
Club waiter about getting a map, as he was intending to go 63b, 101d.
north.

"late eve" Seen talking to a tall man on the steps of the Reform Club. PF.604,529.
(? BLUNT) 115b.

7.30 p.m. BURGESS arrived at Tatsfield by car. PF.604,529.
62c.

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MACLEAN.

- 24.5.51. 1 p.m. went to the Reform Club and left with Guy BURGESS at 3 p.m. FF.604,558. 84a.
- That evening told his wife to expect a friend to dinner the following night. FF.604,558. 343z.
- 25.5.51. Lady Mary CAMPBELL telephoned MACLEAN at the Foreign Office as she had arranged to have lunch with him. He said it was his birthday and he would be lunching with his mother. They agreed to meet for drinks. FF.604,558. 266a.
- Lady MACLEAN said Donald phoned her and seemed anxious to lunch with her but she put him off. FF.604,558. 143b.
- Lady Mary met MACLEAN at the Foreign Office, he said he could now lunch with her and they went to Schmidts where Robin CAMPBELL was also present. FF.604,558. 266a.
- MACLEAN visited the Travellers Club and came out alone at 2.55 p.m. returning to the Foreign Office at 3 p.m. FF.604,558. 88a.
- 5.45 p.m. Came out of the Foreign Office at 5.45 p.m. carrying a heavy cardboard box and parcels. Went home on the 6.10 train. FF.604,558. 88a.

- 7.30 p.m. MACLEAN introduced BURGESS to Mrs. MACLEAN as "Roger STILES" They announced that after dinner they would be going off to see somebody and might be away the night, MACLEAN packed a bag. FF.604,529. 62c. 113a.
- 8.45 p.m. They had dinner. FF.604,529. 62c. 113a.
- c. 10 p.m. BURGESS and MACLEAN drove off in BURGESS car. FF.604,529. 62c. 113a.
- Shortly before midnight. Arrived at Southampton and boarded "Falsaise" FF.604,529. 62, 113a.
- 12 p.m. "Falsaise" left Southampton. FF.604,529. 62c. 113a.
- 26.5.51. 7 a.m./8 a.m. "Falsaise" reached St. Malo. FF.604,558. Supp D.
- 11.45 a.m. BURGESS and MACLEAN left "Falsaise" hurriedly, leaving the cabin in disorder. FF.604,558. Supp D.
- Subsequently they are thought to have missed the 11.20 a.m. train from St. Malo to Paris, taken a taxi to Rennes and caught the 1.18 p.m. train from Paris. FF.604,558. Supp D.

- 26.5.51. Telechecks on Tatsfield and Lady MACLEAN's flat gave the impression that Donald MACLEAN was at home. FF.604,558. S.X. 25 & 26.
- 27.5.51. No calls were made or received at Tatsfield and the telecheck on Lady MACLEAN still gave the impression that Donald MACLEAN was at home. FF.604,558. Supp X. 27.

28.5.51.

It was learnt from the telechecks on Tatsfield and Lady MACLEAN that Donald MACLEAN had in fact been away at the weekend and was not yet back.

FF.604,558.
Supp X.
28 & 29.

Mr. Carey Foster at the Foreign Office was asked about this and confirmed that MACLEAN was not at the office, but thought there was no cause for alarm, since he had in fact asked for a day off.

No ref.

29.5.51.

10.58 a.m. Mrs. MACLEAN telephoned the Foreign Office About Donald's disappearance.

FF.604,558.
Supp X. 31a.

11 a.m.

_____ Captain Liddell about the mysterious disappearance of Guy BURGESS.

FF.604,529.
63b.

Captain Liddell is thought to have gone to the Foreign Office where he would have had confirmation of MACLEAN's continued absence. From this point onwards it was presumed that BURGESS and MACLEAN had disappeared together.

No ref.

For subsequent action taken by the Security Service to trace BURGESS and MACLEAN see-

FF.604,558.
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Original in File No. : PF55570 Vol. : 8 Serial : 383 Receipt Date : 19 July

Original from : Minute to BIG from DB Under Ref. : Dated 19 July 5

Extracted on : 15 October 1974 by : Section : K7

383.

B. I. G.

Please see the letter at # 381a which was the result of very careful consideration on the case of REVAI by Lee, Oughton and B.I.

Yesterday Mr. Anthony Blunt, formerly of this office, called on D.D.G. to say that he was in close touch with REVAI who was bitterly disappointed at the refusal of his naturalisation. Mr. Blunt says that, from his personal knowledge of REVAI, he is absolutely certain that he is pro-British and completely anti-Communist. He left with us the record of REVAI's career written by REVAI himself, which is filed at 382a.

I am afraid that, in justice to the individual case, we cannot avoid checking through REVAI's statement with our own file and, if necessary, making a further statement to the Home Office on the basis of new information received from a reliable sponsor - Mr. Blunt.

D.B. D.G. White.
19.7.50.

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Extract for File No.: R. of S. Name: BLUNT, Anthony

Original in File No.: * O.F. 42-6, Artists Inter. Serial: 99a Vol: 2 Receipt Date: 26.1.50

Original from: S.B. Under Ref.: 400/49/395 Dated: 25.1.50

Extracted on: 14.7.52 by: NY Section: R6

Extract from S.B. Report re the Artists International Association, ment. BLUNT

With further reference to the Artists International Association:-

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The members of the Advisory Council of the A.I.A., which in the past has not taken a very active interest in the affairs of the Association, were asked to state their views on the 'political controversy'. Their names have not been published for some years and it is assumed they are still as follows - Anthony BLUNT

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P.a. in PF. 604,582
Original in POL.F. 50-6-18(33) volume 1.

Copy of Minute 35 dated 23.7.49.

D.B. through B.2. and B.3.

I told [redacted] today that we had made arrangements with Borodin and Oughton but that we could not contact Anthony BLUNT until August. He was content to leave this till BLUNT's return and expressed confidence in finding a substitute for him if necessary.

B.1.

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23.7.49.

signed G. R. Mitchell

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Extract from Minute 33 dated 18.7.49.

Reference 30a and Minute 31....

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3. Anthony BLUNT is away and cannot be contacted until the beginning of next month. His secretary told me that it appears from his appointments book that he has the weekend in question free but it will not be possible to confirm this and discover whether he would be willing to speak to our Conference until next month.

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D.B.

18.7.49.

signed D. G. White

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D.B.

Please see note at 30a. I have asked James Robertson to approach BORODIN
Perhaps you or the D.D.G. would like to invite Anthony BLUNT, telling him that he will be very welcome at the course on the evening of Sunday September 11th, even if he did not lecture.

2. On the B.l. side, I would like to ask the following officers to attend the course; Miss Bagot and Oughton, Battersby, Feiling, Cuckney, Drower I should also like to attend myself.

B.l.
27.6.49.

signed G. R. Mitchell.

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Original from: S.B. Under Ref.: 305/INNC/440 Dated: 4.6.47.

Extracted on: 14.7.52. by: NY Section: R6

Extract from S.B. Report re the Artists International Association, ment. BLUNT

With further reference to the Artists International Association: -

This organisation held its last annual general meeting at 6, Queen's Square, W.C.1, in June 1946, when the following officials were elected for the ensuing year.

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Advisory Council

..... Anthony BLUNT

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Extract for File No.: R. of S. Name: BLUNT, Anthony

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Original from: S.B. Under Ref.: 305/INC/440 Dated:

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Extract from S.B. Report re the Artists International Association, ment. BLUNT

With reference to the Artists International Association:-

This organisation held its Annual General Meeting at 6, Queen's Square, W.C.1 on 2nd June, 1945, when the following officials were elected for the ensuing year.

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Advisory Council:

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Extract from R. of S. for Anthony Frederick BLUNT

1. Joined the Service 2.6.40 (alternatively 12.6.40) having previously been with F.S.P., B.E.F. (was F.S.O., Boulogne).
2. Signed Officials Secrets Act Declaration on Engagement on 6.8.40.
3. The personal record attached to his Declaration on Engagement includes the following:-
 - Educated Marlborough College 1921 - 26, Trinity College Cambridge 1926 - 37.
 - Permanent address: Courtauld's Institute, 20 Portman Square, London W.1.
 - Present address: 5 Bentinck Street, London W.1.
 - Former private occupations with dates:-
 - Fellow of Trinity College Cambridge 1932 - 37
 - Member of Warburg Institute, London 1937 - 39
 - Deputy Director, Courtauld Institute, University of London 1939.
4. There is a considerable file of correspondence with the War Office about BLUNT's absorption into M.I.5 establishment and his local rank.
5. BLUNT was lent to SHAEF from 12.5.44 to 1.7.44
6. He visited Germany in August 1945 and was in Italy in October 1945
7. He appears to have been released from the Army on 6th September 1945, his address still being 5 Bentinck Street, London W.1, and to have left the Security Service on 31.10.45.
8. Official Secrets Act Declaration of Termination of Engagement was signed on 23.11.45.
9. BLUNT worked throughout in section B.1.B.

B.2.A.
3.12.52

This should be filed under the date of 1945.

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Extract for File No.: R. of S. Name: BLUNT, Anthony

Original in File No.: * O.F. 42-6, Artists Inter. Serial: 81a Vol: 2 Receipt Date: 25.8.44

Original from: S.B. Under Ref.: 305/TINC/440 Dated: 22.8.44

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Extract from S.B. Report re the Artists International Association, ment. BLUNT

With reference to the Artists International Association: -

The Annual General Meeting of this body was held in April of this year, when the following officials were elected for the ensuing year.

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Sub-Committees:

The Advisory Council is as follows: -

..... Anthony BLUNT

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S.P. 75/Lithuania/1

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On 18.11.43, I had an interview with Major Blunt re the transfer of money to Sweden for Mr. BALUNIS, the Lithuanian Minister in London, in order to help finance underground couriers from Lithuania to Sweden.

[redacted] knew about this underground courier system, and also that the Lithuanian Legation in London wanted facilities for the transfer of money. He also stated that BALUNIS had a fund of at least £1,000 for this purpose.

[redacted] suggested that when I saw BALUNIS, I should ask him if he did not have a contact with our Intelligence Service, whilst at the same time not showing any optimism as to the eventual result.

[redacted] asked me if I would not make more frequent contact with the Baltic Ministers, as it was very interesting to get their news from a different angle.

E. 2a.

19.11.43.

[Handwritten signature]
A. I. Boyce.

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Register No. 307,994.

Minute Sheet No.

Major Blunt, B.1b.

Confirming our conversation of this morning ; Boyce was yesterday visiting his old acquaintance, Mr. BALUTIS, the Lithuanian Envoy, and during the course of conversation, the latter knowing that Boyce worked in the War Office, asked if he could help in the following matter :-

Underground contact has now been established between Lithuania and Sweden, but the representative of Lithuania in Sweden is without funds to keep the contact going. BALUTIS has managed to collect a certain amount here in the U.K. and is troubled as to how go get it conveyed to Sweden. He asked Boyce if he could make any suggestions as to how this could be done. He added that any information obtained from this source would be put at the disposal of the British authorities, through whatever channel they might indicate.

Boyce gathered the impression that BALUTIS thought that the best arrangement would be a contact between the Lithuanian representative and a British representative in Sweden, thereby establishing a possible means of secret communication, in the shape of reports, through a British agency.

This last paragraph is only Boyce's idea of what BALUTIS had in mind as he said nothing of a definite nature on this part of the question, beyond saying that "There would be no necessity for the underground couriers to come further than Stockholm".

As you are no doubt aware, the Polish bag is being used extensively by other nationalities. Mr. BALUTIS would, it is thought,

prefer ... / [P.T. OVER.

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prefer to send his correspondence through the British bag.

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2.11.43.

S. Alley

S. Alley,
Major.

/s/

15.7.52.
N.Y./R6.

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For: R. of S., Anthony BLUNT

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Original filed in: O.F. 42-6, Artists International Association, vol. 2,
serial 71a, dated 29.8.43.

Register No.

Minute Sheet No.

71A

Thank you.
LRO 1/9/43
F.2.A. Miss Ogilvie.

LU at + page 1 and page 4.

at 7a.

Dr. H.
Any more Kecklman?
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R.B. if any trace
when to me.

I am afraid that I cannot give you any very specific information about most of these people, but I can name a number of members of the A.I.A. mentioned here who have certainly nothing to do with the Communist Party and who have only joined it as a sort of Trades Union for artists and art-historians. Such people are Jan GORDON, Helen LOWENTHAL (has mildly Left Wing views) L.D. LUARD, H.M. PETER, John ROTHENSTEIN, James LAVER, Phillip HENDY, Feliks TOPOLSKI (I do not know him personally, but have no reason to think he has Left tendencies)

PA in OF. 42/6.
The 8 names
marked X on SA next.
add names to list on main Kecklman.

Of the others some are certainly well-known to you, e.g. KLINGENDER, Misha BLACK, James HOLLAND. They are all certainly very much on the Left but whether or not they are Party members I do not know, though I have always imagined that KLINGENDER is.

I am sorry not to be more helpful, but apart from lecturing for them once this year I have been almost completely out of touch with the organisation. I think I have already recorded my view that the A.I.A. is unlikely to form the spearhead of any revolution movement in this country!

6/9/43

B.1.B
29.8.43.

A.F. Blunt.

3. 10. 43.

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P.F.R.4328/B.1.B./AFB:

29th January, 1942:

Dear [redacted]

Countess Edith Federovna SOLLÖHUB appears to be the same as a Countess Edith SOLLÖHUB, widow of Count Alexander SOLLÖHUB, who has lived partly in this country and partly in Paris for a great many years. She has three sons. The eldest, Count Alexander, is married to an Italian and owns a Chicken farm in this country. The second, Count Vladimir, lived in Paris and is apparently still in France. The youngest, Count Nicholas, was at Trinity, Cambridge, and now teaches Russian at Dartmouth.

The Countess [redacted]

stated on her own authority that she had been doing some research for the German anti-Communist organisation, "KONTRA-KOMINTERN", which has its headquarters in Berlin. She offered to work for the Foreign Office on the same lines.

Later in 1938 she aroused certain suspicions by appearing to have more money than she could explain and by being somewhat secretive over her correspondence, and it was also stated that she had on various occasions visited Breslau. We investigated her case, and obtained no confirmation of her connection with the Germans beyond a report that a certain Countess SOLLÖHUB, who may well have been the same woman, had done a good deal of entertaining for the German Naval Mission in Estoril just before the war. Correspondence showed that she and her family were not pro-German in feeling, hoped that there would not be a war, and above all anxious to keep out of it as far as possible if it should happen.

I myself knew Nicholas SOLLÖHUB fairly well at Cambridge, and am confident that he was not at all pro-German. His political leanings were rather towards the Left, and were probably only prevented from being extremely Left by what his own family had suffered in the Russian revolution. My impression is that the reports stating that his mother had more money than would be expected are incorrect, as he was always not at all well off, and I am under the impression that the

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brother who kept a Chicken farm was one of the main sources of income for the family, and that this income was very modest.

This amounts to saying that apart from the Countess' original statement that she was working for "KONTRA-KOMINTERN", there is nothing at all tangible recorded against her.

Yours sincerely,

A.F. Blunt.

AFB/JMW:

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EXTRACT

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Original in File No.: *PT 604,529 Supp. 7 Vol.: 1 Serial: 101b Receipt Date: 6.7.71

Original from: Under Ref.: Dated: 6.7.71

Extracted on: 26.7.71 by: S.J.T. Section: K3

Extract from source report re Peter HUTTON.

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You might like to know that Peter HUTTON of the Foreign Office News Department told me that he was shocked and surprised at seeing Blunt in the company of Alvar ANDERSON. I betrayed no knowledge of this man, but endeavoured to find whether Hutton had any rational basis for what he was saying (he is not a person who always has). He said that it was not only with him, but with all the members of the News Department of the Foreign Office, that Alvar ANDERSON was unpopular. This experience extended over a number of years. He was in the opinion of the Foreign Office News Department neither a good journalist nor discreet. At a recent wedding - I think his - he was boasting about his acquaintance with Blunt.

I am aware that this information comes from a not very reliable source, and totally contradicts the impressions that both you and B.1.B. have formed of this man, but thought it worth passing on.

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Tuesday
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Register No.

PA Burgess
P.T.

Minute Sheet No.

6a

D.D.G.

You asked me for a note on the position about Guy Burgess. As you know I spoke to Sir Richard Maconochie and explained to him our needs. He was entirely willing to help but thought that we might find ourselves in a difficult position if the Director General of the B.B.C. happened to discover that we had reserved Burgess for call-up, and arranged for him to be left in the B.B.C. without in fact informing the B.B.C. officially. He said that he was certain the D.G. would make no objection to our arrangements provided he was informed of them.

Burgess has been working for us for some time and has done extremely valuable work - principally the running of two very important agents whom he discovered and took on. It would, therefore, be a great pity from our point of view if he was called-up, but since he was under thirty when he registered the B.B.C. could not put in a claim for him to be reserved. A short time ago, therefore, I arranged with Cumming that I should see the Ministry of Labour about Burgess and the necessary arrangements were made for the deferment of his call-up.

The reason for wanting to see Maconochie at this particular stage was that a re-arrangement of duties was contemplated in the B.B.C. which might have deprived Burgess of the direction of a particular series of talks which put him in a very useful position from our point of view. Maconochie is quite prepared to arrange things so that he can be left there, provided that the D.G. is aware of our plans for preventing him from being called up. In view of the particularly delicate work which he is doing on the basis of these talks, it would be preferable in talking to Foote only to mention his activities in running the two agents for us. It might also be advisable to be a little

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bit vague about the exact moment at which we asked for his reservation. This was in fact at least 6 months ago, but Foote might resent it slightly if he realised how long this arrangement had been going without his knowledge.

B.I.B.
30.4.43.

A.F. Blunt
A. F. Blunt.

B.I.B.

Saw Loober: O.K.

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For File No.: PF 604582

Name : BLUNT

Copied on : 6.3.79

by : L.S. /R4/6.

Only to be completed if not obvious

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Room 055,

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SECRET

M.I.5.D/AFB/18/41.

21st January 1941.

Dear Whetmore

I think you asked me about Thomas Lionel HODGKIN. We have a file about him which shows that he has been in close and active contact with leading members of the Communist Party particularly over matters concerning the Near East and Colonies. On the other hand we have no record of him at all since October, 1939.

We are trying to get more recent information and will let you know any results.

Yours sincerely;

(sd) A.F. Blew.

Major E.C. Whetmore,
I.S.R.B.,
64, Baker Street,
London, W.1.

INTERNAL MEMORANDUM.

I am returning to you the HODGKIN file as arranged on the telephone.

Note Capt. Blew will try & get further information about HODGKIN. 4.25.

D. Sec:
25.1.41.

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EXTRACT FROM L. 168 (77) vol.3. Serial 82b.

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Field Security Wing,
Corps of Military Police
Mytchett Barracks,
Ash Vale,
Aldershot.

16th December, 1939.

Dear Strong,

Your L 168/77(M.I.5.) of 13th December.

1. L.D.J. WALLERSTEIN. I knew that his wife was of French birth.

2. Anthony Frederick BLUNT has already been appointed Security Officer, and has proceeded to the Field Force. I understand from M.I.1. that his case was taken up with M.I.5. some time ago, and all objections were removed. I enclose a pro-forma which was filled up by him.

Yours,

Sgd. F.C.DAVIS.

S.C.Strong, Esq., M.B.E.,
Room 055,
The War Office,
Whitehall,
London, S.W.1.

FCD/DS.

Enclosure: Original pro-forma.

EXTRACT FROM L. 168 (77) vol.3. Serial 81a.

24

Room 055,

L 168/77(M.I.5.)

13th December, 1939.

Dear Davis,

With reference to your FSW/23/2 of the 21st ultimo, whilst we know nothing to his detriment, it is considered advisable that you should be aware of the fact that the wife of L.D.J.WALLERSTEIN is of French birth.

We have several traces of an Anthony BLUNT, who is probably identical with Anthony Frederick BLUNT. Before you take any definite action regarding the latter, would you let us see a copy of his handwriting, including, if possible, his signature.

Nothing is known to the detriment of the remainder.

With regard to your letter FSW/23/1 of the 7th instant, addressed to Major Pearson, your proposed new procedure of submitting nominal rolls of fifty at a time from your waiting list will, I think, be more satisfactory than the present procedure.

You will, I am sure, give us as much time as possible in which to report on those lists.

Yours sincerely,

Sgd. S.C.Strong.

Major F.C.Davis, M.C.,
Field Security Wing,
Corps of Military Police,
Mytchett Barracks,
Ash Vale,
Aldershot.

EXTRACT FROM L. 168 (77) vol.3. Serial 78c.

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FSW/23/2

Field Security Wing,
Corps of Military Police,
Mytchett Barracks,
Ash Vale,
Aldershot.

21st November, 1939.

Dear Pearson,

I am enclosing a nominal roll of the Officers attending the 3rd Field Security Officers Course.

Included in the roll is the Officer i/c Recruiting, Field Security Wing.

Yours,

Sgd. F.C.Davis.

Major G.C.Pearson,
Room 427,
The War Office,
Whitehall,
London, S.W.1.

ML.

EXTRACT FROM L. 168 (77) vol.3. Serial 78c.

CORPS OF MILITARY POLICE : FIELD SECURITY WING.

Nominal Roll of Officers attending the 3rd Officers Field Security Course from 13th to 25th November, 1939.

Rank.	Name and Home Address	Unit	Next of Kin (Male)	Address.
.....
2nd/Lt.	BLUNT, Anthony Frederick, 30, Palace Court, London, W.1.	A.O.E.R.	Brother	W.J.W.Blunt, Eton College, Windsor.
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Extract from B.M. re O.E.R.
Application of A. F. BLUNT.

Anthony Frederick BLUNT.
30, Palace Court,
W.2.

Born: Bournemouth, 26.9.1907.

British.

Parents - British.

Occupation - Deputy Director, Courtauld Institute of Art,
London University.

Languages - Fluent French, German, can read Italian.

Minutes.

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A.G.12 (thro' M.I.5).

Can he be noted for Int. Corps please?

M.I.1.a.
18.8.39.

M. PERCIVAL. Major.

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M.I.1.a.

We consider it would be inadvisable to employ him
on 'I' duties.

M.I.5.
29.8.39.

Sgd. S.C.STRONG.
for Col.

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TELEPHONE CHECK HOLBORN 8915.

12.7.37.
Monday.

INCOMING CALL HODGKIN rang ^{llax} [Bradley] apologised for not being able to get round on Saturday, but would come between 12 and 1 to-day.

OUTGOING CALL [BRIDGEMAN] rang Park 4942 and asked for HODGKIN who had gone out.

INCOMING CALL HODGKIN's brother (Edward) rang Hodgkin (Thomas). Wanted to lunch with him, and would call for him at 53 about 1.15.

for Hodgkin

P.A. in PF604582
Orig. in PF45831
Vol. 1 Serial llax Date 12.7.37.

H. J.
28/7/37
K7 Row
31 July 74

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PR. 3955.

(MAISKY) is very much disturbed about Oxford and Cambridge, and says that the S.C.R. there has "got to be pulled together". He is in close touch with RYCROFT and also with Michael WALLACE, and is trying to bring the S.C.R. into collaboration with the League of Nations Union, in order to give the S.C.R. a "boost". Joint meetings are apparently being held and MAISKY has addressed one of them.

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Chas. Rycroft
(1933-37) PA
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15.1.37.

Shown to Sir
etc. 27/1/37

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[C.V. Evans &] P.F. 43463

Mark Houte.

37^a, Clerkwell Green

K506 A

London E.C.7

TRINITY COLLEGE,
CAMBRIDGE.

15.5.35

Dear Sir -

I thank you very much for your letter. I should very much like to give a lecture at the Dark Movement but as you suggest. The proposed date is a little difficult as I shall be abroad the whole of April, but I could manage any Sunday in May - preferably May 10th or 17th.

I am glad you think the title 'Is our propaganda?' suitable - I will certainly arrange to have lantern

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Is our propaganda?

K506 A

slides.

Perhaps you would let me know when you have fixed your programme, what date you would like me to come.

Yours faithfully

Arthur Blunt

Word on Contact Sheet.

K506 A

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EXTRACT FROM P.F. 38938 Wintringham. vol.3. Serial 206b.

Photostat letter to Tom Wintringham at 20 Warren Avenue, Richmond, Surrey
from M.H.D.

COPY.

Did you see Anthony Blunt in "As Spectator" this
week on the "A.1. Exhibition and Dictatorship and Art"?

I meant to mention it on Monday. If you think
it worth while to ask him to expand the argument for an
article in the Left Review, I think he might do it; or
it would be worth trying (and tho' young, he's not unknown
in his own circles and is highly thought of in his job etc.).
Write him Trinity College, Cambridge, if you want to try
him.

Yours,

(Sgd) M.H.D.

Maurice Dobb

Letter was dated December, 1935 - actual date not legible.

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16 Sep 1935.

Special Branch

Ref. 320/FRS/2397

Date 14.9.35.

British

To M.I.5.

arriving in U.K.

12th. September. 5.

The undermentioned British Subjects arrived at Hay's Wharf, London, this day, on the Russian M/V "SMOLNY", from Leningrad:-

BLUNT: Wilfred J. Embarked 10/8/35.

BLUNT: Anthony F. " 10/8/35.

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Submitted:

Sgd. G. Fretwell P.C.

Sgd. G. R. Grant.
Inspector.

Sgd. Foster

for SUPERINTENDENT.

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SPECIAL BRANCH

Ref. 320/FRS/2392

Date 13.8.35.

British

subjects left
for Leningrad.

10th August, 5.

The undermentioned British subjects embarked
at Hay's Wharf, London, for Leningrad, to-day, on the
Russian M/V "Sibier":

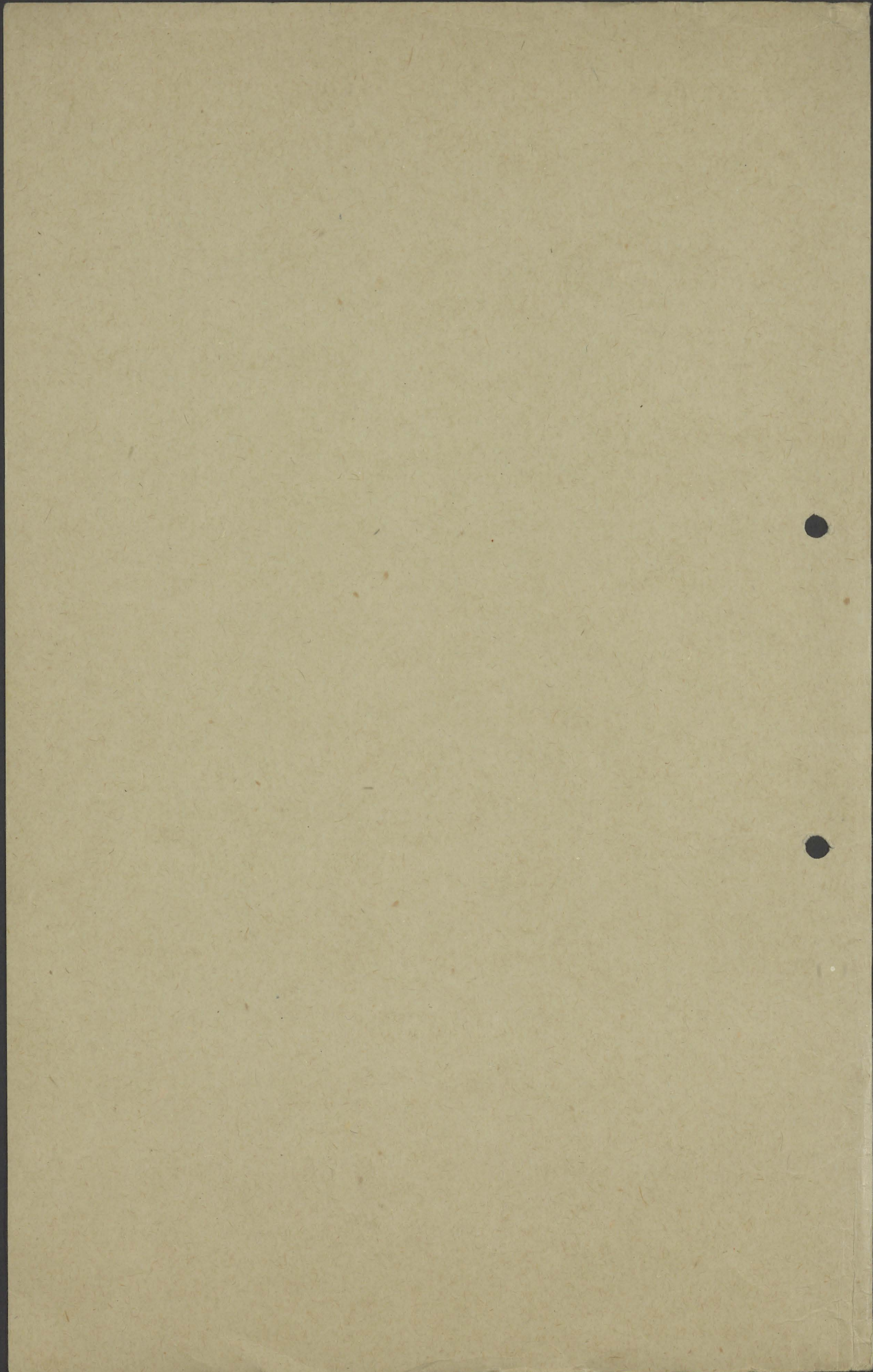
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BLUNT, Anthony Frederick, born Bournemouth 26.9.07.
Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge. Passport
No. 313184 dated 26.3.35.

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Charles de SAUS



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NO MINUTES TO BE
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FOR

BRANCH MEMORANDA

UNREGISTERED.

Referred to	Date	Referred to	Date
Major A.F.BLUNT.	150264.	I.C.	Group 14.
	(Paid).		Category A.
<i>Pay question does not arise.</i>			



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Capt AF Blunt

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PK 604 582

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Photograph of
BLUNT, Capt. A.F.

On His Majesty's Service

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13.8.35.	1. Extract from R.List (10) vol.3. M.V.Sibier. Serial 161a.	1a
12.9.35.	2. Extract from R.List 204 (11) Vol.3. Serial 129a.	2a
Dec. 1925.	3. Extract from P.F. 38938 Wintringham. vol.3. Serial 206b.	3a
15.3.36.	4. Photostat letter to C.V.Evans Esq., from Antony Blunt and copy of photostat letter.	4a
29.8.39.	5. Extract from L.292 (1) vol.2. Serial 96a.	5a.
21.11.39.	6. Extract from L.168 (77) vol. 3. Serial 78c.	6a.
13.12.39.	7. Extract from L.168 (77) vol.3. Serial 81a.	7a.
16.12.39.	8. Extract from L.168 (77) vol.3. Serial 82b.	8a
16.12.39.	9. Extract from L.168 (77) vol.3. and Photostat letter to Tom Wintringham.	9a
26.5.40.	10. Note from M.I.A. to D.5.	10a
27.5.40.	11. Extract from S.F. 51/30/44 (68) Serial 29a.	11a.
8.6.40.	12. Letter from Major R.N.Thompson to Liet.Col.Pearson enclosing Urgent Postal Telegram assigning Capt.Blunt for duty as a Field Security Officer.	12a.
13.6.40.	Note to A.D.S. (A) from Col.Pearson.	12b.
4.7.40.	13. Letter from C.E.Bellamy to Lt. Blunt.	13a.
4.7.40.	14. Minute from S.F. 50/24/4 (M.I.5. D.5.)	14a.
16.7.40.	15. Note from H.I.Allen D.D. to D.D.M.I.	15a.
6.8.40.	16. Personal details of Officer.	16a
22.8.40	17. Extract from W.O.File 1/Estab/9743.	17a.
10.9.40.	18. Letter from the Director of Military Intelligence, War Office, to Capt. Blunt enclosing form.	18a.
11.9.40.	19. Letter from Captain to War Office returning form.	19a.

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- 11.9.40. Letter from Col. Pearson to Captain Gielgud. 20a.
3.10.40. Extract from the Supplement to the London Gazette. 20b,

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- 7.10.40. Urgent Postal Telegram re appointment of 2nd Lieut. Blunt. 21a.

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- 9.10.40. Extracts from W.O. File 1/Estab/9743. 22a.

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- 7.11.40. Extract from W.O. Orders No 58/1 promoting 2nd Lieut. Blunt to unpaid acting rank of Captain. 23a.

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- 25.6.41. Extract from W.O. File No. 1/Estab/9743 M.I.5. (G.S. Branch) Staff Appointment. 24a.

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- 8.12.41. Minute to M.I.1. from Col. Pearson. 25

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- 17.12.41. Minute re granting local rank of Capt. as from 13.12.41. 26a.

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- 18.11.42. [Minute attaching Blunt's application for O.E.R.] P.F. 604.582. 27a.

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- 2.1.43. Extract from D.B. minute to D.D.G. re the promotion of Captain Blunt. 28a.

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- 29.1.43. Extract from D.D.M.I. (O) minute re the promotion of Captain Blunt. 29

- 23.3.43. Extract from D.5. B.M. - minutes between D.D.M.I. (O) and D.D.M.I. (S) re promotion for Captain Blunt. 29

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- 3.4.43. Extract from War Office Urgent Memorandum - approval given to promotion for Capt. Blunt. 30a.

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- 26.4.43. Extract from W.O. Orders No.16 Part IIa re promotion of Major Blunt. 31a

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- 10.6.43. Medical Certificate. 32a

- 29.8.43. [Minute by BLUNT re members of the Artists International Association] P.F. 604582 (Copy). 32b.

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- 27.2.44. Medical Certificate. 33a

MINUTE SHEET.

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15.3.44 Medical Certificate. 34a

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29.3.44. Letter to Major Blunt from Col. Speir asking for medical certificate. 35a

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27.4.44 Minute from Camp Commandant attaching ribbons in respect of 1939/43 Star. 36a

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29.4.44. From Major Noble to A.G.23 attaching A.F. B.175 - application for Sick Leave for Major Blunt. 37a

12.5.44. Minutes between D.B. & A.D.B. re temporary transfer of Major Blunt to S.H.A.E.F. 37b

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12.5.44. Staff Report re temporary transfer to S.H.A.E.F. 38a

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1.7.44. Staff report re return from temporary attachment to S.H.A.E.F. 39a

25.8.44. [Extract from S.B. report re meeting of the Artists International Association mentioning BLUNT. P.F. 604 582.] 39b.

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20.8.45. S. Form 167 re Major Blunt's visit to Germany. 40a

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3.9.45. B.M. - Demobilization of Major Blunt. 41a

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17.10.45, Minute from D.5. to D.B. re telegram to A.F.H.Q. asking for Major Blunt's return to U.K. 43a

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22.10.45. S. Form 167 re date of Major Blunt's return from Italy. 44a

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1.11.45. S. Form 167 re date of leaving. 45a

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23.11.45 Declaration on Termination of Engagement. 46a

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6.12.45. Note from Major Blunt asking for clothing Coupons. 47a

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7.12.45. To Major Blunt from B.I.A. enclosing 20 clothing coupons. 48a

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5.6.47.

[Extract from S.B. report re meeting of the Artists International Association mentioning BLUNT.]

P.F. 604582.

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20.11.48.

Reserve form signed by BLUNT.

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26.1.50.

[Extract from S.B. Report re the Artists International Association mentioning BLUNT.]

P.F. 604582.

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1.12.52.

B.2.A. note asking for permission to see BLUNT's file.

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3.12.52.

B.2.A. Note enclosing copy of note made from R.of S. for P.F.604582.

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2.7.56.

To BLUNT telling him he is no longer on the reserve.

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Major A.F. I

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Box No. 500,
Parliament Street B.O.,
LONDON, S. W. 1.

PERSONAL & CONFIDENTIAL.

2nd July, 1956

Dear Blunt,

In reply to a letter from the then Director General in August 1948, you were good enough to say that you were willing to serve with us again in the event of an emergency.

Since then, the advent of the hydrogen bomb has revolutionised all our thinking. We now no longer look for the immediate expansion of the Service with the consequent need for an experienced reserve available at short notice.

In these circumstances we no longer feel justified in retaining a lien on your services, and I am therefore writing to let you know this and to thank you for having placed yourself at our disposal. Needless to say, if an emergency arose which developed in a way which suggested to you that we might after all have need of extra help, we should be very glad if you got into touch with us again.

Yours sincerely,

A. F. Blunt, Esq.,
Courtauld's Institute,
20, Portman Square,
London, W.1.

J. H. Marriott
J. H. Marriott
Head of Establishments

52a

Reference.....

LOOSE MINUTE

DN-4/12
D.E/A Secretary

✓ Many thanks. Herewith ^{a copy of} the note which we have taken
for BLUNT's personal file.

B.2.A.
3.12.52

C.A.G. Simkins
C.A.G. Simkins

4/12/52

Extract from R. of S. for Anthony Frederick BLUNT

1. Joined the Service 2.6.40 (alternatively 12.6.40) having previously been with F.S.P., B.E.F. (was F.S.O., Boulogne).
2. Signed Officials Secrets Act Declaration on Engagement on 6.8.40.
3. The personal record attached to his Declaration on Engagement includes the following:-

Educated Marlborough College 1921 - 26, Trinity College Cambridge 1926 - 37.

Permanent address: Courtauld's Institute, 20 Portman Square, London W.1.

Present address: 5 Bentinck Street, London W.1.

Former private occupations with dates:-

Fellow of Trinity College Cambridge 1932 - 37

Member of Warburg Institute, London 1937 - 39

Deputy Director, Courtauld Institute, University of London 1939.

4. There is a considerable file of correspondence with the War Office about BLUNT's absorption into M.I.5 establishment and his local rank.
5. BLUNT was lent to SHAEF from 12.5.44 to 1.7.44.
6. He visited Germany in August 1945 and was in Italy in October 1945.
7. He appears to have been released from the Army on 6th September 1945, his address still being 5 Bentinck Street, London W.1, and to have left the Security Service on 31.10.45.
8. Official Secrets Act Declaration of Termination of Engagement was signed on 23.11.45.

9. BLUNT worked throughout in section 13.1.13.
(This will be defined in the P.F.)

B.2.A.
3.12.52

R.N. 4/12.

This should be filed under the date of 1945.

**PERSONAL
CONFIDENTIAL**

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Reference.....

D.E/A Sec

The P.F. for Anthony BLUNT is being given a final overhaul.

I have seen his R. of S. in the past, but should like another look in order to ensure that all relevant information has been incorporated in the file.

Will you ask D.E/A's permission ?

C.A.G. Simkins

B.2.A.
1.12.52

C.A.G. Simkins

Yes RN - 1/12

**PERSONAL
CONFIDENTIAL**

For Reserve Folder

A.F. BLUNT.

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To The Director General,
Security Service.

I am willing to join the Reserve for the Security Service until such time as I notify you to the contrary. I also undertake to inform you of any change of address.

Signature.....

A.F. Blunt

Address.....

20 Portman Square

London, W.1

Date.....

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G 48A

Major Blunt,

Herewith 20 clothing coupons. Will you
please acknowledge receipt.

Kiesen BIA

Received with
thanks

BIA. 7.12.45.

BIB 7/12 P.P. A.F. Blunt
C. G. Guthrie

1 0 DEC 1945

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D.B.

B.ia
Would you please
arrange for
clothing

When I went to Italy for the office I had to expend twenty clothing coupons on buying the minimum amount of tropical dress. I understand that with your approval I could reclaim these from B.ia who have a supply. In view of the present state of my wardrobe the matter is of some urgency and I should be most grateful if you could see your way to giving the necessary agreement.

Clare
Could you see that I receive from Mr. Mason what
I require
A.F. Blunt.

B.1B/AFB
6.12.45.

20 coupons supplied 6.12.45

sh.

CONFIDENTIAL.

Hba

M.I.5.

Declaration on Termination of Engagement.

- I. On taking up my engagement with M.I.5 my attention was drawn to the more important provisions of the Official Secrets Acts, 1911 and 1920, and to the fact that the office in which I was to work was a "prohibited place" within the meaning of those Acts.
- II. On terminating my engagement with M.I.5 I sign this document in acknowledgement of the facts:—
- (i) That my attention has again been drawn to the relevant provisions of the Official Secrets Acts, 1911 and 1920, and
 - (ii) that I appreciate the matters set out in paragraphs III. and IV. below.
- III. All the information which I have acquired or to which I have had access in the course of my work in M.I.5 is information which is covered by Section 2 of the Official Secrets Act, 1911. The communication by me of such information to any other person, whether or not such person is or has been employed in any Government Department, and whether the communication of such information takes place during the continuance or after the cessation of hostilities, is an offence against Section 2 of the Official Secrets Act, 1911, in respect of which I may be prosecuted.
- IV. Any reference by me, whether such reference be verbal or contained in any article, book, play, film, etc., and whether in the United Kingdom or abroad, to the general features of any case of which I have become cognisant in my official capacity, or to methods of surveillance or detection which have come to my knowledge in such capacity, may render me liable to prosecution under Section 2 of the Official Secrets Act, 1911.

Signed..... *[Signature]*

Date..... *23.6.45*

Witness..

S. Form 48/B.P./1500/1.42

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STAFF REPORT.

Name A. F. Blunt

Rank or Grade Major Section or Branch B. I. B.

I. **Joined Service.**

Address.....

Tel. No.

Date of reporting for duty.....

Date..... Signed.....

II. **Change.**

Particulars of change

Date of Change

New Address

Tel. No.

Date..... Signed.....

III. **Termination of Service.**

Reason for Leaving Returning to civilian work

Date of Leaving 31.10.45 paid to 31.10.45

New Address

New Position, if known

Pass withdrawn, No..... and S. Form 48 completed and attached.

Would you recommend re-engagement? YES/ NO.

Report (overleaf).

Date 31.10.45 (Signed) W. G. G. G.

IV. **Accounts to note.**

Salary.....

Salary payable up to.....

Date..... (Signed).....

V. **Noted in Accounts.**

To records for Filing.

Date 6.11.45 (Signed) W. G. G. G.

✓

REPORT.

Major Blunt joined us in 1940 and was at first employed under Brigadier Allen. He came to B.Division a few months later, where he worked in B.1B. He has rendered invaluable service in conducting many extremely difficult and delicate operations and in handling Most Secret material. He has also done first-class work in running agents. I cannot speak too highly of his qualifications as an Intelligence Officer and of his general ability. He has moreover the great gift of getting on with everybody and inspiring confidence in all those with whom he has to deal. He will be a great loss to the Department, both on Intelligence and personal grounds.

D.B.
1.11.45

[Handwritten signature]

Date.....

Signature.....

4. 18. 44
Allen

D.5

Major Blunt has proved himself an extremely competent Intelligence Officer, handling matters of very considerable delicacy with tact and efficiency. He started his military career in the FSP in 1939, and joined us after the collapse of France in 1940, since when he has been continuously in our employ.

D.B.

(5407) Wt. 59561/3925 400m. 3/45 C.&Co. 745(8) J.9892

[Handwritten signature]

[P.T. OVER.]

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STAFF REPORT.

Name..... A.F. Blunt
Rank or Grade..... Major Section or Branch..... BIB

I. Joined Service.

Address.....
..... Tel. No.....
Date of reporting for duty.....
Date..... Signed.....

II. Change.

Particulars of change Returned from Italy
Date of Change 22.10.45
New Address
..... Tel. No.....
Date..... 22.10.45 Signed WCH for GML

III. Termination of Service.

Reason for Leaving
Date of Leaving.....
New Address
.....
New Position, if known
Pass withdrawn, No..... and S. Form 48 completed and attached.
Would you recommend re-engagement? YES/NO.
Report (overleaf).
Date..... (Signed).....

IV. Accounts to note.

Salary.....
Salary payable up to.....
Date..... (Signed).....

V. Noted in Accounts.

To records for Filing.
Date..... (Signed).....

REPORT.

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Black

1914

Received from Mrs.

1914

1914

Date.....

Signature.....

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Mr P.A. in R. of S. pl.

D.B.

I have asked the War Office (A.G.23) to send the following telegram to A.F.H.Q.

"From: War Office

To: A.F.H.Q.

Reference your F.41830 dated 8 Sep 45.

1. Require return to U.K. of BLUNT for urgent duties.
2. Please allot priority air passage earliest. "

F. H. Hill

D.5.
17.10.45.

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THE ORIGINAL DOCUMENT
RETAINED IN DEPARTMENT
UNDER SECTION 3(4) OF
THE PUBLIC RECORDS
ACT 1958.

To: Major A.F. Blunt,
B.l.b.

DEMOBILISATION

1. For the purpose of your release from the Army, arrangements have been made for you to be posted to the LONDON DISTRICT RECEPTION DEPOT w.e.f. **6th September 1945.** ~~You will receive pay and allowances from Army funds w.e.f. that date.~~ You will shortly receive instructions as to when you should report to the Depot in person for your release. The Commandant L.D.R.D. has been informed that you will be free for release **on 6th September 1945.**

2. Between now and the date of your release you should be medically examined at

Millbank Hospital, Medical Inspection Room, (between
9 and 10 a.m. or 4 and 5 p.m.)

~~or The Military Hospital, Oxford.~~

~~or Your nearest Military Hospital.~~

You should take with you A.F. W.3149, attached, and your A.B. 439 (Blue Book). The Medical Officer should make an entry on page 4 of your Blue Book and hand it back to you.

3. If you are married the Commandant L.D.R.D. will wish to see your Marriage Certificate and the Birth Certificates of your children (if any).

4. Before leaving the office you are required to hand in to D.5, London/~~Accounts (L) Country~~ the following :-

- (a) Security Service Office Pass
- (b) D.R. Form 1 (Identity Certificate) - if any
- (c) War Office, Admiralty, Air Ministry, or other official pass - if any
- (d) Arms and Equipment, including steel helmet and respirator.

You should report to A.Div.(L)/~~A.D.A. Country~~ for "signing off" before departure.

(The arrangements under this paragraph do not apply to officers at Camp O20 or the L.R.C. In their cases the heads of the respective organisation will make the necessary arrangements for "signing off" and for the handing in of arms and equipment and passes etc.)

5. On the day before you proceed to the L.D.R.D. for release, you should report to D.5. to collect :-

- (a) a certificate to the effect that you have been medically examined.
- (b) a certificate that you have handed in your arms and equipment.

6. On the day allotted for your release, you should report to the Commandant, L.D.R.D., DUKE OF YORK'S HEADQUARTERS, CHELSEA, before 1 a.m. and should take with you :-

- (a) the documents mentioned in (a) and (b) of para. 5.
- (b) your A.B. 439 (Blue Book)
- (c) your A.F. B.2606 (Identity Card)
- (d) your Services Clothing Book, and the balance of your ration card.

~~(e) your Services Clothing Book, and the balance of your ration card.~~

~~It will be your duty to report to the Commandant in D.R.D. before you are transported to your home.~~

NOTE. The office of the Commandant L.D.R.D. is reached by entering the East (small) gate of the Duke of York's Headquarters, King's Road.

be sent

7. From the L.D.R.D. you will ~~be sent to a Dispersal Unit~~ ~~COLLECTING UNIT~~ ~~in D.R.D. of York's Headquarters~~ to a Dispersal Unit. Normally officers are sent to the Dispersal Unit nearest their home. If, however, you wish to be released through the London Dispersal Unit (Albany Street) it will be necessary for you to give a London address (not 58 St. James's Street).

8. Will you please acknowledge this letter on the attached form at once, giving the private address which you wish to use for the purpose of your release and the nearest Post Office.

9. Will you please inform the head of your Section of your impending release and subsequently the actual date.

D.5.

E. H. Hill

23 AUG 1945

- Copies to:
- Director A
 - Heads of Divisions
 - A.Div. (L)/~~A.D.A. Country~~
 - Accounts (1)

Note. Director A. has complained that some officers have failed to "sign off" before leaving the office. It is essential that officers should report - as instructed in para. 4 - for "signing off" before departure.

M.I.5. D.5.

The Commandant,
London District Reception Depot,
Duke of York's Headquarters,
Chelsea, S.W.3.

WS/Lieut. (Loc.Maj.) A.F. BLUNT (150264) I.C.

Reference War Office memorandum, 356/19/A.G.23.
dated 10 Aug 45, regarding the posting of the above-
named officer to L.D.R.D. w.e.f. 6 Sep 45 for release
purposes.

It will be appreciated if you will instruct this
officer to report to you for release on 6 Sep 45,
and send the instructions to the under-signed.

This officer's duplicate A.F. B.199A and the
counterfoil of his A.F. B.2606 will be forwarded
shortly.

M.I.5.
23 Aug 45

(Sgd.) R.M. Speir.
Lieut.-Colonel.

To: D.5.,
London.

I acknowledge receipt of Release instructions
dated **28 AUG 1945**

My address which I shall use for the purpose
of release will be :-

..... 5 Bentinck St.

..... W1

.....
Nearest Post Office Wimpole St

Date: 23. viii. 45.

Signature:

A. Blum

M.I.5. D.5.

The Commandant,
London District Reception Depot,
Duke of York's Headquarters,
Chelsea, S.W.3.

WS/Lt. (Loc. Major) A.F. BLUNT
Int. Corps.

Reference para. 3 of our memo numbered as above dated 23 Aug 45. We now enclose duplicate A.F. B.199A and A.F. B.2606 counterfoil in respect of the a/m officer, who is reporting to you for his release from the Army on 6 Sep 45.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of these documents on the accompanying A.F. A.16.

M.I.5.
3 Sep 45

(Sgd.) R.M. Speir
Lieut.-Colonel.

Note.

Major A.F. BLUNT.

This officer reported to D.5. to-day and was given the following documents :-

- (a) certificate that he has been medically examined.
- (b) certificate that ~~the~~ equipment has been handed in.
- (c) D.M.I.'s letter M.I.1/7059 dated 12 Jun 45.
- (d) LDRD Release Pro-forma "B" (instructing him to report to that Depot on 6 Sep 45 for demobilisation)

He was instructed to report to LDRD in accordance with the instructions contained in (d) above.

D.5.
5.9.45.

✓ RFI.

A.G.23
Hobart House,
London, S.W.1.

Ref: 356/19/A.G.23

10th August, 1945.

Officer Commanding,
I.C.D. (O.W.)
ROTHERHAM, Yorks.

Subject: Release

The undermentioned officer of the Int Corps will be posted from Int Corps "B" Pool to the London District Reception Depot with effect from 6th September, 1945 for release purposes. He will be instructed to report in writing on that date to the Adj. L.D.R.D. Duke of York's H.Q., Chelsea, S.W.3., who will inform him on what date he is to report to the Depot. He will take with him A.B.439 which will be handed to the Adj. on arrival.

You are required to forward the officer's A.F.B199A (brought up to date) to the Adj. L.D.R.D., forthwith.

WS.Lieut.(Loc.Maj.) A.F. BLUNT (150264) A & S Gp. 14.

L. Denton

Assistant Adjutant-General.

Copies to:
L.D.R.D.
M.I.5.

M.I.5. D.5.

A.G.23.

WS/Lieut. (Loc. Major) A.F. BLUNT (150264) I.C.

The above-mentioned officer, who is working for this Department, is in the Int. Corps "B" Pool and therefore on the strength of the Depot. His Age & Service Group is 14 and he will be available for release at any time after 24th August, and we shall be grateful, therefore, if, as in the case of Int. Corps officers not paid from Army funds, he may be posted to the London District Reception Depot on or after that date to avoid the necessity of his travelling to Rotherham for his release.

M.I.5.
D.L.114
7 Aug 45

(Sgd.) E.H. Hill.

Major.

To:

U R G E N T

Major A.F. ~~Blunt~~
RELEASE FROM THE ARMY

Applications to remain in the Army for One or Two years beyond the normal date of release, or until general demobilization, may now be submitted in respect of officers in Age & Service Groups 12 to 20 inclusive.

If you desire to take advantage of this opportunity you should sign the appropriate form (attached hereto) and return it to D.5 not later than Sunday, 15th July, 1945; otherwise it will be assumed you do not wish to defer your release.

Acceptance of an application by the confirming authority means that employment in the Army for the time stated is guaranteed, except . . . in the case of officers who apply to serve until general demobilization, who may be released if no further suitable employment can be found for them.

D.5.
10 Jul 45

(Sd) E.H. HILL, Maj.

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STAFF REPORT.

Name..... A. Blunt

Rank or Grade..... Major Section or Branch..... B. B

I. Joined Service.

Address.....

..... Tel. No.

Date of reporting for duty.....

Date..... Signed.....

II. Change.

Particulars of change Visited Germany

Date of Change 3.8.45 - 15.8.45

New Address

..... Tel. No.

Date 24.8.45 Signed Robert G. C.

III. Termination of Service.

Reason for Leaving

Date of Leaving.....

New Address

.....

New Position, if known

Pass withdrawn, No..... and S. Form 48 completed and attached.

Would you recommend re-engagement? YES/NO.

Report (overleaf).

Date..... (Signed).....

IV. Accounts to note.

Salary.....

Salary payable up to.....

Date..... (Signed).....

V. Noted in Accounts.

To records for Filing.

Date..... (Signed).....

REPORT.

Date.....

Signature.....

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STAFF REPORT.

Name A. Blunt
Rank or Grade Major Section or Branch BIB

I. Joined Service.

Address
.....Tel. No.....
Date of reporting for duty.....
Date..... Signed.....

II. Change.

Particulars of Change Returned from temporary appointment to SHAEF.
Date of Change 1.7.44
New Address.....
.....Tel. No.....
Date 1.7.44 Signed Acton Guel

III. Termination of Service.

Reason for Leaving
Date of Leaving.....
New Address.....
.....
New Position, if known
Pass withdrawn, No.....and S. Form 48 completed and attached.
Would you recommend re-engagement? YES/NO.
Report (overleaf).
Date..... (Signed).....

IV. Accounts to note.

Salary.....
Salary payable up to.....
Date..... (Signed).....

V. Noted in Accounts.

To Records for Filing.
Date 28.6.44 (Signed)...

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STAFF REPORT.

Name A. Blunt
Rank or Grade Major Section or Branch B.I.B.

I. **Joined Service.**

Address
..... Tel. No.
Date of reporting for duty.....
Date..... Signed.....

II. **Change.**

Particulars of Change lent to SHAEF for a month
Date of Change 12 MAY 1944
New Address.....
..... Tel. No.
Date 12 MAY 1944 Signed G. M. LIDDELL

III. **Termination of Service.**

Reason for Leaving.....
Date of Leaving.....
New Address WVA 1271.....
.....
New Position, if known.....
Pass withdrawn, No. 15 WVA 1271 and S. Form 48 completed and attached.
Would you recommend re-engagement? YES/NO.
Report (overleaf).
Date..... (Signed).....

IV. **Accounts to note.**

Salary.....
Salary payable up to.....
Date..... (Signed).....

V. **Noted in Accounts.**

To Records for Filing.
Date..... (Signed).....

J

Major Blunt 37B

COPY. Original in SF.53/8/85(1) V.5. Held D.C. & D.

D.B. (Captain G. Liddell).

200B

I should be glad if you would agree to let me have the services of Major Blunt from now until the 15th June. As you know, Major Harmer is working at S.H.A.E.F. and is providing B.1.a with details about the deception policy which S.H.A.E.F. require us to implement through our channels. Harmer will shortly be leaving for 21 Army Group where he is ultimately destined to take up his duties for the duration of the war. He will have, in the near future, to pay a visit to 21 Army Group to get to know the personnel there with whom he will have to work, and it is proposed that he should pay his first visit, lasting about ten days, somewhere about the middle of this month. After this date he will probably be able to return to S.H.A.E.F. to carry on the work which he has hitherto done.

As it is essential from our point of view that some sort of continuity should be maintained, I would like to put Major Blunt into Harmer's position at once, so that he can take over when Harmer has to leave. It is Blunt's wish that he should not be seconded permanently to S.H.A.E.F. and indeed I think this would be undesirable, as his particular sphere of activity in M.I.5 will in all probability, come to life again as soon as the ban on diplomats is raised. He will, however, tide us over a very important period during which time we shall be able to look round for someone else to take over from him again and carry on with this job till the end of the war.

I suggest Major Blunt as he has had quite a considerable knowledge of B.1.a activities for some time past and has, in his own right, had dealings with most of the people with whom he will have to work at Norfolk House.

If you agree I am anxious to get Blunt over to Norfolk House as soon as possible.

A.D.B.
3.5.44.

T.A. ROBERTSON.

P.T.O.

D.G.

Please see 200B. I have spoken to Mr. White. It is true that Major Blunt, owing to the severance of diplomatic communications, is not at all hard-pressed at the moment. Such additional work as he has can very well be carried by Captain C. Young. If you agree to allow him to do this work, for which he is well qualified, at SHAEF, I should like to make it quite clear to them that he returns to us on the 15th June.

D.B.

12.5.44.

(Intd) G.M.L.

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A.G. 23.

Army Form B.175, covering sick leave granted to Loc. Major A.F. BLUNT, (150264), Intelligence Corps, by D.D.M.I.(S), for period 26 Feb. to 7 Apr. 1944, is forwarded for your retention.

Major Blunt rejoined for duty on 8 Apr. 1944.

M.I.5.
29 Apr. 1944.

W. H. ...
Major
[Signature]

✓ (Copy to Accounts - for R. of S.)

APPLICATION FOR SICK LEAVE

(See King's Regulations.)

No. 150264

Part I.

Major A.F. BLUNT, of the Intelligence Corps

having applied for a Medical Certificate, with a view to obtaining leave of absence, I hereby certify that I have carefully examined this officer, and find that he is suffering from (a)

(a) The following particulars are to be entered:—
 (1) of disease or
 (2) origin.
 (3) facts of & history.
 (4) condition.

Severe anaphylactic rash.

(b) The Medical Officer is here to state candidly and explicitly, his opinion as to the period which will probably elapse before the officer will be able to undertake his military duties. When there is no reason to expect a recovery, or when the prospect of recovery is distant and uncertain, it must be stated.

and that in consequence thereof, I am of opinion that he is unfit for military duty. I further declare my belief that he will not be fit to resume his duties in a less period than (b) Six (days) (weeks) from Feb. 26/1944 (date).

dated at London this 1st day of March 1944.

Signature of (the) P.A.E. Lansel, M.D.
 Medical Officer } 56 Curzon Street, W.

Part II.

I have the honour to forward the above certificate regarding my state of health, and to state that I have already been absent on sick leave on account of my present disability.

1st, from the 26th day of Feb to the 1st day of Mar. 1944 by permission of

state medical or medical

on the recommendation of (c) Dr. Lansel,

2ndly, from the _____ day of _____ to the _____ day of _____ by permission of _____ on the recommendation of (c) _____

and I have now to request, that the leave recommended in the above certificate may be granted to me.

Signature of Officer (Sd) A.F. Blunt,
 Corps Intelligence Corps.
 Place of Residence during leave Ruthin Castle, North Wales.
 Date 1-3-44

Regulations as to the mode of application for leave of absence are prescribed in the King's Regulations, to which strict attention must be paid.

Headquarters,

Part III.

(a) Forwarded with reference to paragraph 1529, King's Regulations (1935).

(b) The officer was on ordinary leave from to
at (Address)

(c) He has been "sick in quarters" owing to the present disability from
to

(d) He was admitted to on
(Insert name of Hospital.)
on account of his present disability, and discharged therefrom on

(e) He has been in "King Edward VII Convalescent Home, Osborne, Isle of Wight," or
Edward VII Hospital for Officers, 17, Grosvenor Crescent, London," on account of this
from to

(NOTE.—Periods spent in either of these establishments must count as Sick Leave.)

(f) I request that sick leave may now be granted for the period to

Station.....

Date.....

Signature of Commanding Officer.

Headquarters,

Part IV.

A.G. 23

I have granted sick leave to this officer from 26/Feb/44 to 7/Apr/44

Forwarded. or

I request that sick leave may be granted for the period to

Station War Office.

(Sd) R.M. Speir, Lt-Col

Date 22 Apr. 1944.

Signature of Brigade Commander.

for D.D.M.I.(S).

Headquarters,

Part V.

Forwarded. or

I have granted sick leave to this officer for the period to

Station.....

Date.....

Signature of Divisional or Area Commander.

Part VI.

The Under-Secretary of State,
The War Office, London, S.W.1.

Forwarded.

Station.....

Date.....

General Officer Commanding-in-Chief,
Command.

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Ref: M.I.5.D.5.

Orig. in R. of S. of SEAL-COON.

Copy in R. of S. of DYKES.

Copy for R. of S. of BLUNT.

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M.I.5. / Sd. E.H.H., 1.5.

Herewith 3 ribbons in respect of attached A.Fs.

B.2067. +

27.4.44.

Sd. V.C. Harmer, Lt. & Qr.Mr. for Camp
Commandant.

+ A.Fs. attd. in respect of Major DYKES, Capt. BLUNT & Major SEAL-COON.

D.5.

Room 055,

35a

29th March 1944

Dear Anthony,

My attention has been drawn to the fact that we have not received any medical certificate from you for forwarding to the War Office. As you receive Army pay in the rank of a War Substantive Lieutenant I am afraid it is necessary for the details of your sickness to be passed to the War Office. I accordingly enclose herewith A.F. B.175 and I should be grateful if you would complete Part II yourself and arrange for Part I to be completed by your doctor. The period covered in Part I should be from the first day of your absence through sickness till the date on which your doctor considers you will be fit for duty. Will you please let me have this form back as soon as possible.

I hope that you are now feeling better and enjoying life.

Yours are

(Sgd) Rupert

Major A.F. Blunt,
Ruthin Castle,
Ruthin,
Rhyl,
N. Wales.

MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND NATIONAL SERVICE

34a

Evidence of Incapacity

This form of certificate has been approved by the Ministry of Labour and National Service, in consultation with the Ministry of Health, the Department of Health for Scotland and the British Medical Association, for use in the case of persons who seek evidence for presentation to their employers of their incapacity for work.

Doctor's Address..... 56 Curzon Street W.1.....

I have examined (name)..... Major Anthony BLUNT.....
of (address)..... 5 Bentinck Street, W.1.....
on the undermentioned date.

Delete whichever is
inapplicable.

(a) In my opinion, he/~~she~~ is suffering from (nature of incapacity)
post. influenzae exhaustion...and is therefore not capable
of following his/her employment.

(b) In my opinion he/~~she~~ is unlikely to be fit to resume employment
for..... 4..... *days/weeks.

(c) In my opinion he/she is now fit to resume employment.

(Doctor's Signature) P. Lounsel M.D......

(Date of exam.)..... Mar 15th..... (Date of signing)..... Mar 15th 44.....

* Indication of the estimated duration of the incapacity is valuable to the patient's employer and should be given in those cases in which the medical practitioner is able to do so.

The fee for this certificate is 1s. payable by the patient at the time of its issue.

Immediately on receipt of this certificate from the Doctor the worker should forward or hand it to his/her employer.

MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND NATIONAL SERVICE

Alternative form to be used by the Doctor if he is unable to complete the certificate overleaf.

Doctor's Address

.....

I have examined (name).....
of (address).....
on the undermentioned date.

He/she informs me that from (date).....
to (date).....he/she has been suffering from
.....

Delete
whichever
is
inapplicable

(a) I consider him/her fit for work.
(b) I recommend an independent examination.

(Doctor's signature).....

(Date of exam.) (Date of signing).....

The fee for this certificate is Is. payable by the patient at the time of its issue.

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Evidence of Incapacity

This form of certificate has been approved by the Ministry of Labour and National Service, in consultation with the Ministry of Health, the Department of Health for Scotland and the British Medical Association, for use in the case of persons who seek evidence for presentation to their employers of their incapacity for work.

Doctor's Address.....56 Curzon Street.....
.....W. 1.....

I have examined (name)...Major Sullivan...B.L.M.T.
of (address)...5. Bunting K. Street, W. 1.....
on the undermentioned date.

Delete whichever is inapplicable.

(a) In my opinion, he/she is suffering from (nature of incapacity)
a. anaphylactic rash.....and is therefore not capable
of following his/her employment.

(b) In my opinion he/she is unlikely to be fit to resume employment
for....one more week *days/weeks until Mar 4th 44

(c) In my opinion he/she is now fit to resume employment.

(Doctor's Signature)Pharisee, B.D.

(Date of exam.) Daily since Feb 23rd (Date of signing) Feb 27th 44

* Indication of the estimated duration of the incapacity is valuable to the patient's employer and should be given in those cases in which the medical practitioner is able to do so.

The fee for this certificate is 1s. payable by the patient at the time of its issue.

Immediately on receipt of this certificate from the Doctor the worker should forward or hand it to his/her employer.

DR. E. D. PAGE.

LANGHAM, 2596.

PADDINGTON 9100.

32a
88, HARLEY STREET,
W. I.

10/6/43.

This is to certify that I have examined Major
Blunt and that I advise that his leave should be
extended from June 18th - 21st as sick leave.

E. D. Page M.B.S.

To:

Accounts
Major A.F. Blunt,
B.1.b.

From:

ROOM 055, WAR OFFICE,
LONDON, S.W.1. *31a*

Date: 26th Apr. 1943.

Reference: D.5.

The following extract from ~~(London Gazette Suppl. of~~
(War Office Orders No. 16, Pt. IIa,
dated 22 Apr. 1943.)
is notified for your information :-

WS/Lt. (local Capt) A.F. BLUNT, (150264), I.C., to be
local Major, 20th March, 1943.

(Sd) E.H. Hill,
Major Capt. *XXX*

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Personal.

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Capt. A.F. Blunt,
B.I.B.

The following is an extract from War Office Urgent Memorandum, B.M.16847(M.S.I.a.) dated 31st March 1943.

"Approval is given to the grant of local rank to the undermentioned officers with effect from 20th March 1943:-

.....

Capt. A.F. BLUNT, I.C.

Local rank Major "

D.5.
3.4.43.

(Sgd) E.H. Hill.

D.D.M.I.(O).

The Director General of the Security Service wishes to recommend certain of his Officers for promotion to higher local rank and would be most grateful if the cases mentioned in this paper may be approved.

The reasons for this request can be summarised as follows:-

- (a) Unless it is in the interests of the Service, it is seldom that Officers engaged on security work are transferred from one form of specialised work to another within the Department. Continuity builds up experience and experience produces the best results. Hence, transfers with the primary object of promotion are not a feature of the administration.
- (b) Some of the Officers mentioned in this paper were permanent members of the Security Service before this War. Others joined on and after the outbreak of war. If the war goes on for five years or longer, it is hoped that they will continue where their services are of the best value to the Security Service and the State; but unless local rank is provided for special cases, the relative ranks of certain Officers will become out of gear with others.
- (c) After nearly 3½ years of war, it is desirable that the Officers mentioned below should be upgraded in status, so that they may take their appropriate position in the organisation. It is realised that the official upgrading of G.S. appointments (there are six of these in this list) is not favoured by the War Office; hence this request concerns local rank only, without pay.

2. In asking for these local ranks a firm assurance can be given that no extravagant request is being made. Each case has been carefully considered by a Selection Board within the Security Service and the names submitted to the Director General for his approval.

3. The following names are now forwarded to the War Office and a brief note is enclosed on each Officer:-

Local rank recommended,

Local Major T.A. Robertson	Lt. Colonel
Captain A.F. Blunt	Major
Lieut. C.T. Young	Captain
Lieut. C.H. Harmer	Captain
Captain S.C. Strong, M.B.E.	Major
Captain H.C.M. Stone	Major
Captain D. Liddell, M.C.	Major
Captain J.R.H. Prioleau	Major
Captain E.H. Hill, M.C.	Major
Lieut. A.C. Dawson-Cusack	Captain.

For security reasons it is obviously undesirable to state the nature of the duties of these Officers, but if further information is required, some indication could be given verbally.

(Sgd.) H.I. Allen.

29.1.43.

D.D.M.I.S.

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D.D.M.I.(S)

With reference to minute 1, I understand from M.S. that they have now approved all the local ranks asked for therein.

(Sgd.) C.S. Vale.

22 Mar 43.

D.D.M.I.(O)

P.T.C.

BLUNT. Captain A.F. (Rank recommended - Major)

29b

Cambridge Don before the war. Aged 35. Has emergency commission in the Intelligence Corps. Joined Security Service and appointed G.3. 2.6.40 W.S. Lieutenant 1.10.40. Relinquished G.3. appointment and transferred to I. Corps B. Pool (paid from Army Funds) 15.7.41. Appointed local Captain 13.12.41. Joined F.S.P. early in the war, was F.S.O. Boulogne.

29a

In a minute to D.D.M.I. (0), dated 29.1.43. the following name was submitted for promotion to higher local rank:

Local Rank recommended.

Local Captain A.F. Blunt

Major.

Original minute to SF 50/24/4 Held D.5.

28a

Extract from D.B. minute to D.D.G., dated 2.1.43.

I should like to put forward the following proposals for the promotion of certain officers of B. Division at present holding military rank:

.....

Mr. Courtney Young.

This officer, who is working with Captain Blunt, is in fairly constant touch with Service Departments with which he often has to deal at a G.I. level, and sometimes with even more eminent persons. It is almost impossible for him to present our views with any weight with his present rank. I therefore suggest promotion to Captain.

If this application is viewed with favour, I should like to suggest that Captain Blunt, under whom Mr. Young is working, should received the local rank of Major.

Original in SF 50/24/4 Held D.5.

The undermentioned to be granted local rank whilst spec, capt'd.

15th Dec. 1941.

Local Maj.

War Subs Lt. I.B.H. Black (49803) R.A. (T.A.)

Local Capts.

War Subs Lt. B.G.B. Gayzer (70158) R.R.R.O. (T.A.)

War Subs Lt. A.P. Blunt (150264) I.C.

War Subs Lt. D.A.T. Tangey (101430) I.C.

War Subs Lt. G.A. Gillson (40284) K.O.S.B. Res of Off.

War Office Order No. 2 of 1942. Part. 2.

M.S.I.a.

17.12.41.

B.G.J. (Appt. under the Director-General, Security Service.)

R. Edgcomb

The undermentioned officers to be granted local rank

M.I. 1.

150264 W/SLieut. A. F. BLUNT, Int. Corps. 25a
 101430 W/SLieut. D.A.T. TANGYE Int. Corps
 40284 W/SLieut. G.A. GILLSON. K.O.S.B. attached. I. (

The Director General, Security Service, would be grateful if the above named officers could be granted the local rank of Captain. They have to deal in the course of their duty with officers senior to themselves and with civilians of social standing, and it would be a great advantage if they held a higher rank than that of Lieutenant.

Lieut. BLUNT was F.S.P.O. Boulogne, holding the rank of Captain. He was appointed G.S.O.3 M.I.5 w.e.f. 12.7.40. He was transferred to the Security Service on 25.6.41 in order to create a vacancy for a G.S.O.3 on the military establishment of M.I.5.

Lieut. TANGYE was transferred to the Security Service on 19.8.40 from the appointment of G.S.O.3 in M.I.3, which he had held from 20.10.39.

Lieut. GILLSON, K.O.S.B., R.A.R.O., joined the Security Service in July, 1940 from regimental duty.

All the above officers are on the strength of the Intelligence Corps "B" Pool (W.E.V/1931/222/1 dated 23.4.41 drawing the pay and allowances of their war substantive rank from Army Funds.

M.I. 5.
8.12.41.

(sd) G. C. Pearson

Lieut.-Colonel, G.S.

Accounts

For respective A.O.F.S.

Extract from W.O.File No. 1/Establishment/9743.

24A
(1W)

M.I.5. (G.S.Branch) Staff Appointment.

58.

M.S.1(b) (Thro' M.I.1.)

We require on the Military Establishment of M.I.5. the following additional officers.

G.S.O's 3.....2
Staff Lieutenants.....1

It is not proposed to ask for an increase to the total number of officers on the Establishment; instead it is proposed to transfer to the Security Service, or to Intelligence Corps Pool, the following officers at present holding General Staff appointments.

Major G.L.Lennox.....G.S.O.3.
W/S Lieut. (T/Capt) A.F.Blunt...G.S.O.3.
W/S Lieut. M.N.Forrest.....Staff Lieutenant.

Major Lennox will be transferred to the Security Service ceasing to draw pay or allowances from Army Funds.

The other two officers will be transferred to the Intelligence Corps Pool (W.E.V/1931/222/2) and will continue to draw the pay and allowances of their W/S ranks from Army funds.

It is desired to appoint the following officers in the place of the three above mentioned officers:-

_____ Royal Tank Regiment.....G.S.O.
(late Major R.A.R.O. Royal Tank Corps)
_____ is at present employed as
Publications Staff Officer, Eastern Command.
M.T., G.S.Publications, have agreed to his
release for M.I.5.

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W/S Lieut. (T/Capt) H.C.S.T.Barrett.
Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light
Infantry. (T.A.....G.S.O.
Capt. Barrett is at present on sick leave
after filling an appointment in West Africa.
He is shortly to have a medical board and is
likely to be graded "A" or at any rate "B".

2/Lt. J.A.Collard. Cheshire Regiment.....Staff
(Attached 70th Bn. Welch Regt.) His Lieutenant.
Commanding Officer has no objection to
his release.

Could the necessary action please be taken regarding the
relinquishment of their staff appointments by Major Lennox,
Capt. Blunt, and Lieut. Forrest, and the appointments of
Lieut. Hare, Capt. Barrett and 2/Lieut. Collard.

It is suggested that the date of the relinquishment by
Major Lennox, Capt. Blunt and Lieut. Forrest of their appointments
and the assumption of the appointments by Lieut. Hare, Capt.
Barrett and 2/Lieut. Collard. Should be 1.7.41.

It will be necessary to inform F.2. regarding Major Lennox
so that the issue of Pay and allowances from Army Funds may be
discontinued, and the M.I.1.x. regarding the posting of
Capt. Blunt and Lieut. Forrest to the Intelligence Corps Pool.

Could this file please be sent to F.2(a) in due course
for action on Minute 57.

(sd) G.C.Pearson.

M.I.5.
25.6.41.

Lt-Colonel, G.S.

23A

EXTRACT FROM WAR OFFICE ORDERS
No. 58/I, dated 7-11-40.

2nd Lieut. A.F. Blunt (150264), Gen.List, to be G.S.O., 3rd Grade, and is granted unpaid acting rank of Captain 1-7-40, and paid acting rank of Captain 22-7-40 (w.e.f. 1-7-40.).

A.4a.
28-11-40.

41.

A. G. 12.

B.M. H.I.1:2348 ref. Captain A.F. Blunt at 41A. As therein requested may his E.564A. please be sent by you to H.S.2 with the request, as arranged, that this case be treated pari passu with those of other officers whose papers were mislaid early in the war, and that the matter of his gazettement be now regularized. Information ref. Lieut. Scott Harston at 41B.

H.I.1.9.
14.9.40.

42.

H.S.2. (Lt.-Col. Fyfe Jamieson).

We suggest that this case be treated in the same way as other September 1939 cases on which we spoke earlier in the year, viz. direct Gazette action without further formalities. The initial Minute in 41A. shows date of joining. We have no trace of having received the papers referred to.

A.G.12.a.
16.9.40.

43.

Enclosure 41A. extracted to P/150264/1 on which gazette action has been taken.

H.S.2.(c).
20.9.40.

44.

H.I.5.

Please see min. 43 as regards Lt. Blunt.

Can you give us the effective date for the grant of local rank in respect of Captain Robertson and Captain Maxwell-Night.

H.S.2.b.
27.9.40.

M.S.2.b.

We think that the effective date for the grant of local rank to Captains Robertson and Maxwell Knight should be the date on which they relinquished their appointments as G.S.O.3, i.e. 1st July, 1940.

Will you please pass this file to M.S.1.b. for completion of action for the promulgation in War Office Orders of the appointments as G.S.O.3. of Captain Blunt and Captain Langdon, and as Staff Lieutenant of Lieutenant Scott-Hareton (vide Minutes 28 and 40).

M.I.5.

9.10.40.

(SGD.) G.C. PEARSON.

URGENT Postal Telegram.

21A

Reference No. M.S.l.b./8192 F.F.W.

From Military Secretary,.....
War Office.....

Date 7 October, 1940.

Subject Appointment.....

To Director of Military Intelligence,
War Office.....

2nd Lieut. A.F. Blunt, General List, has been selected for the appointment of G.S.O.3., M.I.5., War Office, vice T/Captain T.A. Robertson, R.A.R.O., with effect from 1st July, 1940, the date on which he assumed the duties of the appointment.

(E. McPoland)

Lt.-Col., for
Lieutenant-General,
Military Secretary.

- Copies to: A.G.17.,
War Office.
- M.I.1.(a).,
War Office.
- ✓ M.I.5.,
War Office.

Signature.

20B

E X T R A C T

from the

S U P P L E M E N T

to

T H E L O N D O N G A Z E T T E
of T U E S D A Y , the 1st of O C T O B E R , 1940

T H U R S D A Y , the 3rd O C T O B E R , 1940.

G E N E R A L L I S T .

The undermentioned to be 2nd Lts:-

16th September, 1939:-

Anthony Frederick BLUNT (150264)

EXTRACT

P.A.

ROOM 055,

20A

M.I.5. (D5P)

11th September, 1940.

Dear *Gielgud,*

Reference attached A.F. E. 564A. in respect of Blunt.

As I think you know, this officer has served in commissioned rank since December 1939, having been F.S.P. officer at Boulogne up till May 1940. He was promoted acting/Captain, and by virtue of serving three months as such became entitled to the rank of temporary Captain. He has been nominated for an existing vacancy as G.S.O.III on the establishment of M.I.5, w.e.f. 1.7.40 (1/Estab/9743 - 16.7.40), and we are anxious to get his position as such regularised.

For some reason there has been some hitch in the proceedings. His name has never appeared in the Army List, and therefore it seems probable that he has never been gazetted to a commission. On the other hand he is quite certain that he has seen his promotion to acting/Captain in some Order. Furthermore he was paid correctly whilst with the B.E.F. It is accordingly somewhat difficult in completing this A.F. E. 564A. to combine accuracy with that degree of honesty which is so desirable, i.e. it is difficult to reconcile the remarks inserted by Blunt in section 6 with the signature by me of section 30! However, it is hoped that the submission of this document will fulfill requirements and will lead eventually to the promulgation of Blunt's appointment as G.S.O.III, M.I.5, in War Office Orders.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd.) G.C. Pearson

Captain Gielgud,
M. I. l. x.

M.I. 5. (D5P)

ROOM 055

19a

11th September, 1940.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 8267(M.I.1(x)) dated 10th September, I have the honour to return A.F. E564A completed as requested.

I am,

Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(Sgd.) A.F. Blunt.
Capt.

The Director of Military Intelligence,
M.I.1(x).,
War Office.

Tel. No.—Whitehall 9400.

Any further communication on this subject should be addressed to :—
The Under-Secretary of State,
The War Office,
London, S.W.1.
and the following number quoted.



18a
THE WAR OFFICE,
LONDON, S.W.1.

8267 (M.I.1(x))

10th September, 1940.

Sir,

I am directed to request that you will please complete and return the enclosed form, and secure the signature of Colonel Pearson at Section 30. This will enable the regularisation of your position to go forward without further delay.

I am,
Sir,
Your obedient Servant,

de Ridgway Captain S.S.

f. Director of Military Intelligence.

Captain A. F. Blunt,
M.I.5.

Blunt

17a

Extract from W.O. file 1/Estab/9743.

Minutes.

38.

M.I.5. (thro' M.S.2.)

We have taken action to notify the relinquishment of Appts. by temp. Capts. Robertson and Knight, but are unable at present to appoint as successors the officers named at X of Min. 28. Their names are not shown in the current Army List and we cannot identify them.

As regards Lieut. Cumming we understand that you have taken up with C.6. the question of the position of this officer and we cannot act until we know what has been decided.

Will M.S.2. please consider the proposal at "Y" of Min. 28.

M.S.1.(b).
21.8.40.

39.

M.I.5.

M.S. will only consider the grant of local rank if the circumstances are exceptional. May we know why the rank of Subaltern is inadequate?

M.S.2.
22.8.40.

M.S.l.B. (through M.I.l.a.)
M.S.2.

Reference Minute 38.

We regret that a mistake was made in Minute 28 regarding Captain Langdon's initials, which are G.H. and not C.H. His name appears on pages 90 and 1387a of the current Army List.

We understand that at one period Captain Blunt's papers were lost and that it was for that reason that his name has not appeared in the Army List, a fact of which we were unaware when Minute 28 was written. Will M.I.l.a. please confirm that he was commissioned, appointed to the Intelligence Corps with the B.E.F., and granted acting rank of Captain, after three months' service as acting Captain becoming entitled to the rank of temporary Captain. Will M.S.l.b. now please arrange for the promulgation of the appointment of these two officers as G.S.O.3, w.e.f. 1st July, 1940, in War Office Orders.

As regards the appointment of 2/Lieut. Scott Harston to the vacancy on our establishment in place of Lieut. Cumming (vide paragraph 3 of Minute 28). As the Director of Establishments has agreed that Lieut. Cumming shall resume his civil appointment as Civil Assistant (vide P/38592/9 passed to M.S.l.b. today) we shall be grateful if 2/Lieut. Scott Harston's appointment as Staff Lieutenant can be promulgated as soon as possible. We understand that M.I.R., by whom this Officer was first employed, did not wish his name to appear in the Gazette when he was first given a commission. He was not gazetted until the 5th July, 1940, and his name has not yet been included in the current Army List. Will M.I.l.a. kindly confirm this also.

As regards Minute. 39.

Captain Rbertson and Captain Maxwell Knight have been members of the Security Service for about seven years. Both of them, as G.S.O.3's have been wearing the badges of rank of Captain since the beginning of the war. They must continue to be able to wear uniform, and we think that it will be agreed that the rank of subaltern would be for that reason alone inadequate. They ^{are} performing important duties of a highly responsible nature, and their status in the Security Service is at least on a par with that of the Regional Liaison Officers appointed to the headquarters of the Regional Commissioners, to whom, in the case of the senior officer in each region, the unpaid acting rank of Major has been approved. We consider it

/therefore

therefore really advisable that they should be granted the unpaid acting rank of Major, and the Director Security Service will be grateful if this can be arranged.

M.I.5.
28.8.40.

(Sgd.) G.C. Pearson
for D.D.M.I. (5)

The undersigned has at one period Captain Blunt's name as the first and last name of a person that his name has not appeared in the Army List, a list of which was given to him when he was appointed to the Intelligence Corps with the rank of Captain, and granted acting rank of Captain after three months' service as Acting Captain during which he was appointed to the rank of Temporary Captain. Will M.I.5. now please arrange for the promotion of these two officers as a result of the appointment of these two officers as a result of the appointment of these two officers.

As regards the appointment of Lieutenant Scott Watson to the vacancy in our establishment in place of Lieutenant Canning (vide paragraph 2 of minute 28.8.40) as the Director of Staff Liaison has agreed that Lieutenant Canning shall remain in his present position as Civil Assistant (vide 28.8.40) passed to M.I.5. today) we shall be grateful if you would be good enough to appoint as Staff Liaison Officer a person who can be appointed as soon as possible. The undersigned has not seen the Officer who was employed, did not sign his name to report in the Gazette when he was first given a commission. He was not gazetted until the 28.8.40, and his name has not yet been included in the current Army List. Will M.I.5. kindly confirm this also.

As regards minute 28.

Captain Robertson and Captain Maxwell Knight have been members of the Security Service for about seven years. Both of them, as a result of their service, have been wearing the badge of rank of Captain since the beginning of the war. The matter relating to the issue of a uniform, and we think that it will be agreed that the rank of subaltern would be for the reason also in-adequate. They perform important duties of a highly responsible nature, and their status in the Security Service is at least on a par with that of the regular liaison officers appointed to the headquarters of the Regional Commanders, and in the case of the senior officer in each region, the rank of acting rank of Major has been approved. We consider it

Therefore

DETAILS OF OFFICER JOINING

16a

NAME	DATE OF JOINING	BRANCH & SECTION TO WHICH POSTED	CIVIL OR MILITARY APPOINTMENT	ROOM No.
BLUNT Capt. A.F. 5 Bentinck St. W.L. Tel: Welbeck 8441	12.6.40.	D. Division. (P.A. to D.D.S.(3))	Military	Room 19 Ext. 12

16a

M.I.5. Declaration on Engagement.

My attention has been drawn to the provisions of section 2 (1), (1A), (2) and 8 (2) of the Official Secrets Acts, 1911 and 1920, which are set out below. I understand the effect of these sections. I am aware that the office in which I am working is a 'prohibited' place within the meaning of section 2.

OFFICIAL SECRETS ACTS, 1911 AND 1920.

Wrongful communication, &c., of information.

2. "(1) If any person having in his possession or control any secret official code word, or pass word, or any sketch, plan, model, article, note, document, or information which relates to or is used in a prohibited place or anything in such a place, or which has been made or obtained in contravention of this Act, or which has been entrusted in confidence to him by any person holding office under His Majesty or which he has obtained or to which he has had access owing to his position as a person who holds or has held office under His Majesty, or as a person who holds or has held a contract made on behalf of His Majesty or as a person who is or has been employed under a person who holds or has held such an office or contract,—

- (a) communicates the code word, pass word, sketch, plan, model, article, note, document, or information to any person, other than a person to whom he is authorised to communicate it, or a person to whom it is in the interest of the State his duty to communicate it, or
- (aa) uses the information in his possession for the benefit of any foreign power or in any other manner prejudicial to the safety or interests of the State, or
- (b) retains the sketch, plan, model, article, note, or document in his possession or control when he has no right to retain it or when it is contrary to his duty to retain it, or fails to comply with all directions issued by lawful authority with regard to the return or disposal thereof, or
- (c) fails to take reasonable care of, or so conducts himself as to endanger the safety of the sketch, plan, model, article, note, document, secret official code or pass word or information ;

that person shall be guilty of a misdemeanour.

(1A) If any person having in his possession or control any sketch, plan, model, article, note, document, or information which relates to munitions of war, communicates it directly or indirectly to any foreign power, or in any other manner prejudicial to the safety or interests of the State, that person shall be guilty of a misdemeanour.

(2) If any person receives any secret official code word, or pass word, or sketch, plan, model, article, note, document, or information, knowing, or having reasonable ground to believe, at the time when he receives it, that the code word, pass word, sketch, plan, model, article, note, document, or information is communicated in contravention of this Act, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanour, unless he proves that the communication to him of the code word, pass word, sketch, plan, model, article, note, document, or information was contrary to his desire.

Provisions as to trial and punishment of offences.

8 (2). Any person who is guilty of a misdemeanour under the Official Secrets Acts 1911 and 1920 shall be liable on conviction on indictment to imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for a term not exceeding two years, or, on conviction under the Summary Jurisdiction Acts, to imprisonment, with or without hard labour, for a term not exceeding three months or to a fine not exceeding fifty pounds, or both such imprisonment and fine.

Signature.....

A. B. [Signature] Capt.

Date.....

6. 8. 40

Witness..

6. 8. 40

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- 2. Christian Names **Arthur Frederick**
- 3. Rank or Title **-**
- 4. Date of Birth **26. 9. 07.**
- 5. Place and Country of Birth **Bournemouth, England.**
- 6. Nationality at birth of Father **British** and Mother **British.**
- 7. Places at which Educated, with dates
Northampton College. 1921-6.
Trinity College, Cambridge, 1926-37.
- 8. Permanent Address **The Courtauld Institute
20 Portman Square. W.1.**
- 9. Present Address **5 Bentinck St. W.1.**
- 10. Telephone No. **Welbeck 8441.**
- 11. (a) Married or Single **Single** (b) Nationality at birth of Wife **-**
- 12. Sons(S) or Daughters(D) living, born in the years **-**
- 13. Former Official Services, Staff Appointments, etc., with dates
F.S.O, Boulogne, Dec 1939- May 1940.
- 14. Whether liable to further Official Service
- 15. Former Private Occupations, with dates
Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge. 1932-7.
Member of Warburg Institute, London 1937-9.
Deputy Director, Courtauld Institute, University of London, 1939.
- 16. Former experience of Intelligence, Police or Investigation work
Field Security work in B.C.F. Dec. 1939- May 1940.
- 17. War Services
B.C.F. from Dec. 1939. to May 1940.

18. Amount of any Official Pension or Gratuity _____
19. British or Foreign Honours or Orders received _____
20. British or Foreign Medals received _____
21. Principal Travels Overseas *Lived in France 1912-21.
Six months in Germany between 1927 + 1934.
General travel in principal European countries,
including five months in Italy.*
22. Languages: Spoken(S), Read(R) or Write(W)
*French } S R W. Italian R
German }*
23. Membership of Social or Political Clubs, Institutions, Societies, etc.
Reform Club.
24. Recreations and Membership of Sporting Clubs, Teams, etc.

25. Literary, Legal or other Technical qualifications not recorded above
Worked for the Spectator for about 6 years.
26. Date of joining Security Service *12.6.40.*
27. Introduced by *Lord Rothschild.*
28. Appointments held within the Service
- | Section, etc. | From | To |
|-------------------------|----------------|-------|
| <i>With D Division.</i> | <i>12.6.40</i> | _____ |
29. Date at which above particulars are correct

6.8.40.

A. J. Jones
Signature of Officer.

D. D. M. I. (O).

1. We very badly require three more officers on our military establishment, but, in view of D.M.I. Minute of 13.6.40, we do not propose to ask for an increase to the number of Staff appointments at present authorised. Instead, the Director of Security Service is prepared to agree to the alternative of the transfer of three of our officers from the military establishment to the Security Service, when they will cease to receive any emoluments from Army funds, and we shall continue to have the benefit of their assistance.

2. Two of these three officers are holding G.S.O.3 appointments. They are:-

Lieut. (Temporary Captain) T.A. Robertson, R.A.R.O., Seaforth Highlanders, called up on the outbreak of war and appointed G.S.O.3, w.e.f. 1st September, 1939.

Lieut. (Temporary Captain) C.H. Maxwell Knight, T.A.R.O., General List, gazetted to an emergency commission date 1st September, 1939, and appointed G.S.O.3, w.e.f. 6th September, 1939.

The officers whom we wish appointed G.S.O.3's in their place are:-

Lieut. (Temporary Captain) A.F. Blunt.
Lieut. (Temporary Captain) C.H. Langdon.

These two officers held I.B. appointments in the B.E.F., and are at present attached to us for duty from the M.I. pool pending absorption into appointments. As, we understand, they are entitled as from 1st July to the pay and allowances of their permanent ranks only whilst still in the pool, we should like their appointments as G.S.O.3 to date from 1st July.

We should like Captain Robertson and Captain Maxwell Knight to be granted local rank (unpaid) on the Reserve, as the nature of their work makes it imperative that they should be able to wear uniform. The rank of subaltern is inadequate and we should like them to be granted the local rank of Major.

3. The third officer whom we propose should be transferred to the Security Service is Lieut. M.E.D. Cumming, R.A.R.O., K.R.R.C. This officer was called up on the outbreak of war and has been nominated for one of the G.S.O.3 appointments on our establishment since then. He has, however, never been confirmed in this appointment, owing to the fact that he was appointed Civil Assistant in

October/

October, 1939, and a discussion has been going on as to whether Retired Officers and Civil Assistants can hold staff appointments which, as regards G.S.O.3's has not yet been settled. As far as Lieut. Cumming is concerned, therefore, we presume that, not being required to fill a staff appointment, he will revert to Civil Assistant. We shall have to take this question up with Director of Establishments. We propose to ask for the grant of local rank of Major for Lieut. Cumming in due course.

The third officer whom we wish to absorb into our establishment is 2/Lieut. (acting Captain) J.C. Scott Harston, who held an appointment as G.S.O.3, N.W.E.F. and is now attached to for duty from the M.I. pool.

As, owing to the position of Lieut. Cumming, there is in fact a vacancy on our establishment there appears to be no reason why Captain Scott Harston should not be absorbed now. We should like him appointed Staff Lieutenant at present, counting against a G.S.O.3 vacancy. The date in his case should be 17th June, on which date we understand he came off the strength of the N.W.E.F.

If the above proposals are agreed to, may this file please be passed to Mob.2, M.S.1.(b) and M.S.2 for action, (a) reversion of Captain Robertson and Captain Maxwell Knight to unemployment; (b) promulgation in War Office Orders of the relinquishment by these two officers of their staff appointments; (c) promulgation in War Office Orders of the assumption of G.S.O.3 appointments by Captain Blunt and Captain Langdon; and Staff Lieutenant appointment by Captain Scott Harston; (d) the question the grant of local rank to Captain Robertson and Captain Maxwell Knight.

M.I.5.
16.7.40.

(SGD.) H.I. ALLEN. D.D.

SF. 50/24/4(M.I.5.D.5)

M.I.1.x. (Captain Russell).

We spoke.

As regards officers ex B.E.F. and N.W.E.F. now working in M.I.5. the position is as follows:-

We have vacancies on our establishment, as G.S.Os III for-

Captain A.T.S. Godfrey (ex N.W.E.F.)
Captain M. Johnstone (ex B.E.F.)

We are submitting their names, through you and M.I.1.a. to M.S.1.c for promulgation in War Office Orders.

We are arranging to make vacancies on our establishment for:-

Major G. Langdon
Captain A.F. Blunt
Captain J.C. Scott Harston.

We understand that you will give the above-named officers letters saying that they are attached to us pending absorption into appointments.

We apologise for not having regularised the position of these officers properly before.

(Sgd.) G.C. PEARSON.

M.I.5.
4.7.40.

Lt.-Col. G.S.

M.I.1.x. have, as a result of this note, given a letter to each of the officers saying that they are attached to M.I.5 for duty from 1st July.

Copies to:- A.G.17.
L.A.R.D.
M.I.5.

~~Handwritten signature~~
M.I.5
13A

8267. M.I.1.(X).

4th July, 1940.

Sir,

I am directed to inform you that you have been
lent from the Intelligence Pool for duty with M.I. 5, with
effect from 1st July, 1940.

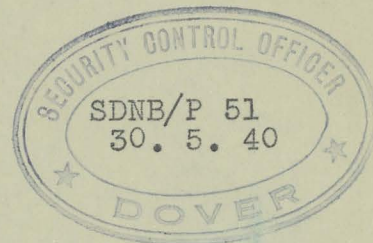
I am,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

(Sgd.) C. E. BELLAMY.

Director of Military Intelligence.

Lieut. A.F. Blunt.

To: Lieut- Colonel G.C.Pearson, M.C.,
Room 055,
War Office,
WHITEHALL S.W.1.



From: Major R.N. Thompson, M.C.,
Security Control Officer,
33 Waterloo Mansions,
DOVER.

ha 12A

My dear Pearson,

This is to inform you that Captain A.F. Blunt reported here for duty yesterday.

I enclose herewith Urgent Postal Telegram received by Captain Blunt assigning him here.

Yours sincerely,

R.N. Thompson

Congratulations on your promotion

*No reply
H. 116*

*✓
8/6/40*

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A.D.S.(A).

The following officer arrived today. He is still on the strength of the B.E.F. and is attached for the time being to Dy.D.

Captain A.F. BLUNT.

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D.5.(P).
13.6.40.

URGENT Postal Telegram.

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(1)

Reference No. B.M.516/HH/57.

From FORCEDLY SEVENTEEN.

Date 28th May, 1940.

Subject Postings - Intelligence Officers.

To The Chief Security Control Officer,
Chief Security Control Office,
DOVER.

(By hand).

LCS. (A.G.17.(0)). A/Captain A.F. BLUNT, General List,
Emergency, is posted for duty as a Field Security Officer from the 29th
May, 1940.

Headquarters, Eastern Command.

Copy to :- M.I.1.x.

M.I.5 (By hand)

Hauleton-Smith
Wap

Signature.

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EXTRACT FROM S.F. 51/30/44 (68). Serial 29a.

D.5.

Jelf would like Blunt at Folkestone. He has had to send detachments to Ramsgate and Margate and is far from strong.

Carter at Poole would like another Officer to relieve him at times. But apparently these L. of C. sections have no Officers.

Otherwise at the moment we do not require help, and I gather that Aldershot has its eyes on the L. of C. sections.

D.4b.

(Signed) C.H.BURNE.

27.5.40.

Blunt will be ringing this afternoon.

Captain Blunt has gone to Dover. A complete section has gone to Folkestone (2915).

Captain Gee has gone to Poole as Captain Castle is ill.

(Signed) G.C.P.

30.5.40.

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D.5.

The Security Officer Boulogne - Captain BLUNT
is in this country.

He is ringing up Hinchley Cooke tomorrow.

Suggest we use him if MIL agree.

M.I.A.

26.5.40.

Officer

Review

Decision

Signature

Date

Six Months :

One Year :

Eighteen Months :

Assistant Director :

Two Years :

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