

PF604,584/V2

PHILBY, HAROLD ADRIAN RUSSEL

PF604,584/V2

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23.7.51 Note by B.2.a mentioning PHILBY.

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KILGARAN)

You will remember that when PHILBY was asked who, in his view, might be identical with ELLI he suggested the names [redacted]. We thought at the time that this was a strange suggestion since anyone with even the most cursory knowledge of the ELLI evidence must have known that service outside the U.K. in 1942/43 (both [redacted] were in Yugoslavia) directly conflicts with GOUZENKO's evidence.

[redacted] has now made extracts from the [redacted]. They are interesting I think in showing PHILBY's and [redacted] attitudes at the various stages of these two cases.

# MINUTE SHEET

Reference PF 60582 Vol. 3

(minute 56 continued)

What I think is far more interesting, however, derives from minute 34 and serial 36a on PF 91586 [redacted]. There you will see that on 26th October 1945 and 1st November 1945 PHILLY telephoned Mr. Marriott (then F.2.a) with information about the attitude of the Kennet Committee towards the release from the forces of [redacted]. It will be seen that, according to PHILLY, the source of the information was [redacted]. The surprising thing is that on the [redacted] files there is not a word about these telephone conversations. Since [redacted] the employing department, was at least as interested as we were in the cases, it is hard to understand why [redacted] thought it necessary to pass the information to PHILLY and PHILLY to pass it to us, and yet neither of them thought of making a record for the [redacted] files.

One explanation would be that, for their own reasons, PHILLY and/or [redacted] were anxious in October 1945 to thrust the cases of [redacted] under the nose of M.I.5. GOUZEMKO's statement concerning ELLI was made in mid-September 1945 and by October 1945 the investigation was just beginning. I suggest that, if PHILLY and [redacted] in 1945 wished to put us on the wrong track in our ELLI enquiries they may have felt that [redacted] were suitable red herrings; and that in 1951, faced with a straight question "who do you think was ELLI?" PHILLY could do no better than remember this early deception, despite the fact that as an intelligence officer he must have known that neither man measured up to the GOUZEMKO evidence.

B.2.b  
23.7.51

A.S. Martin  
A.S. Martin

24.7.51

Letter to FBI ref serial 47b

56b

B.2.

56b

Please see at 6a a summary [redacted] file dealing with VOLKOV.

Before commenting on [redacted] comments perhaps I should first summarise the handling of the correspondence between Ankara, Istanbul, the Foreign Office [redacted]

- 24.8.45. Letter from VOLKOV received by Consulate General Istanbul. Seen by Hurst (the Consul General) and C. H. Page (the Vice Consul). No action taken.
- 4.9.45. Mr. REED of the British Embassy Istanbul interviewed VOLKOV alone. Copy of his account of the interview passed to BUSK (? also British Embassy Istanbul) who passed it to HELM of British Embassy Ankara. HELM sent by bag to Codrington at F.O.
- 13.9.45. Mr. REED of British Embassy Istanbul received via Page (presumably unopened) letter from VOLKOV detailing information he has to offer. REED (? via BUSK) forwards it to HELM.

14.9.45. HELM forwards copy of this letter to CODRINGTON at F.O.

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(minute 57 continued)

19.9.45. Copies of all above material forwarded by F.O. to "C", it having passed through hands of CODRINGTON, R. G. HOWE, Sir Alexander CADOGAN and Mr. BROMLEY.

19/22.9.45. PHILBY shown the correspondence.

22.9.45. [redacted] Istanbul informed that PHILBY would visit but no mention made of VOLKOV.

25.9.45. VOLKOV flown from Istanbul in Soviet plane.

From the records therefore it would seem that the following persons knew enough of the story to have warned the Russians:-

4.9.45. REED and BUSK (Istanbul). HELM (Ankara).

10.9.45 (approx) CODRINGTON (F.D.).

19.9.45. R. G. HOWE, Sir Alexander CADOGAN, Tom BROMLEY (F.O.), "C".

19.9.45/22.9.45 PHILBY.

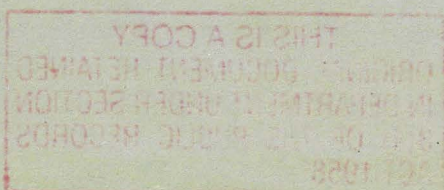
Assuming that there was a leakage, any of the above would have had time to warn the Russians; since however VOLKOV did not disappear until 25.9.45 the source of leakage would seem more likely to be among those who learnt the story on 19.9.45 or after.

Evans in his comments makes, in effect, three points:-

1. PHILBY in his report makes a mis-statement when he says that VOLKOV's written offer contained no reference to sources of "crypt" information and draws a doubtful conclusion when referring to REED's alleged bad memory on the subject.

If it is assumed that these errors were deliberate it could be argued that PHILBY was deliberately trying to "play down" VOLKOV's original statement that the Russians were reading British ciphers. This would be consistent with the attitude of a Soviet agent since this was the only part of VOLKOV's statement on which we could take immediate action (i.e. by changing our cipher system).

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Reference

## Minute 57 contd.

2. PHILBY failed to card VOLKOV in [REDACTED]
3. PHILBY appeared to accept from the beginning that no action could be taken to identify any of the spies indicated by VOLKOV and, in particular, the spy in the British Consulate Istanbul. To this comment must be added the fact that M.I.5 took the same attitude.

I would make a further point. PHILBY failed to take a most obvious step in the investigation, namely to have a proper translation made of VOLKOV's letter.

To my mind the only thing that emerges from all this is that, if there was a leakage, it probably took place in London rather than in Turkey. I think that, at least, we should establish a complete list of persons in London who knew the story.

I also think that it would be worth while making a renewed effort to identify the spy in the Istanbul Consulate. VOLKOV was insistent that his story should not be telegraphed. Moreover he stated that the N.K.G.B. had received copies of British diplomatic and military ciphers (not deciphered telegrams). It is reasonable to suppose therefore that he knew the Russians had a British cipher clerk working for them either in Turkey or in the Foreign Office. He mentioned one spy in the British Consulate Istanbul and two in the Foreign Office London. The identity of the latter two we could now guess at. I suggest therefore that there are grounds for deducing that the guilty cipher clerk may have been in the Istanbul Consulate.

I would recommend the following action:-

- (a) F.O. to be asked to produce their files on the VOLKOV incident in order that (i) a precise list can be drawn up of officers and secretaries in the F.O. who knew of the case before 22.9.45 and (ii) the original VOLKOV letter containing his catalogue of information may be re-translated.
- (b) [REDACTED]
- (c) Investigation to be made of cipher clerks employed in Istanbul Consulate in September 1945.

B.2.b.  
25.7.51.

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D.B.

*D.B. 3/8*

I should like you to read Minutes 56 and 57, since they will give you an idea of the type of research work which is at present being undertaken by B.2.b.,

The facts which are set out regarding the circumstances of the VOLKOV case are, in my view, particularly interesting, though it is not possible to draw any firm conclusion from them yet as to the source of the leakage to the Russians of the fact that VOLKOV intended to defect. I am sure that further research on these lines is justified, and the three courses of action proposed in the last paragraph of Minute 57 are being carried out.

It may seem to you that there is a contradiction in the two paragraphs which I have marked at the end of Minute 57, in that Martin argues in the first paragraph as to the probability that the leakage took place in London rather than in Turkey, and in the second paragraph suggests that a cipher clerk in the Istanbul Consulate may have been in Soviet employ. The contradiction is in fact resolved by the fact that no communication about the VOLKOV case was made through cipher channels, and that there is no reason why any of the British cipher staff in Turkey should have known anything about it.

*J. C. Robertson*  
J. C. Robertson.

B.2.  
27.7.51.

30.7.51	To P.5. for particulars of NEWIADOMSKA and LYKIARDOPULO	58ba
<del>30.7.51</del>	<del>Note by B.2.b ref serial 56c. Transferred to P.604,656 NY 5/2/52</del>	<del>58c</del>
31.7.51	Note by B.2.a mentioning WREN and OGILVIE.	58d
<del>30.7.51</del>	<del>Extract from interview with REISS ment. PHILBY.</del>	<del>58cb</del>
1.8.51	Note of phone conversation with Henriqueta HARRIS.	59a
<del>1.8.51</del>	<del>Note by B.2.a ref Serial 58c. Transferred to P.604,656 NY 5/1/52</del>	<del>59b</del>
60.		
3.8.51	To S.B. removing PHILBY's name from the Port list.	60a
61.		
<del>4.8.51</del>	<del>Copy of note to B.2.b re TALBOT's connection with PHILBY. Transferred to P.10546 NIP. 6.11.51.</del>	<del>61a</del>
<del>4.8.51</del>	<del>From B.5. with particulars of LYKIARDOPULO</del>	<del>61b</del>
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7.8.51	To B.5 asking for Food Office particulars of R.P. ARMITAGE and wife.	62a

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- 10.8.51 Loose minute to B.2.b. re HEWIADOMSKA and LYKIARDOLULO 63b
- 11.8.51. B.5 report F.118/157 on ARMITAGES and 71 Carlisle Mansions. 63e  
64.
- 13.8.51 Note by B.2.b re information from KRIVITSKY of recruit of Paul HARDT. 64a
- 14.8.51. Note from B.5 enclosing marriage certificate of Helena ENGELBACH nee PHILBY. 64b

*Avr 16.8.51*  
*16/8.* 65.  
 B.2. (through B.2.a. Mr. Simkins)  
 B.B. *16/8.*  
 D.D. *15/8*

H.A.R. PHILBY, the subject of this file, was formerly a member of S.I.S. A full report of the considerations affecting his case is filed in Vol. 2. We have for some time been investigating his case through a telephone check on his home address, 18 Grove Court, Drayton Gardens, S.W. 10. KNIghtsbridge 2437, this number having been added to the telephone check already in operation on Geronwy REES at SOBING 3197.

PHILBY and his wife have now made arrangements to buy The Manor House, Rotherfield, Sussex, and in order to continue the investigation on a proper basis I am therefore applying for a H.O.W. on ROTHERFIELD 403, installed at this address. The necessary forms are attached.

*R.T. Reed*  
 R.T. Reed.

- B.2.a.  
16.8.51
- 16.8.51 To C.2.a. requesting information from Air Ministry about ENGELBACH. 65b
- 16.8.51 B.2.a. note re John MIDD. *Transferred to R of S. 11.11.51.* 65c
- 16.8.51 B.2.a. note re PEACH's solicitor, EMMET. 65d  
66.
- 17.8.51 Note with information from Air Ministry about ENGELBACH. 66y
- 17.8.51 Extract from Law List re EMMET and Co. 66z
- 18.8.51 Authorisation for telecheck on PHILBY. 66a

67.

- 18.8.51 Letter to G.P.O. re telecheck on PHILBY. 67a
- 18.8.51. Note of addition of SLO 0937 (ALLEYNE) to PEACH check. 67b



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21.8.51. Note re conversation with Mr. Saffery about telecheck at "The Manor House." 68a

69.

23.8.51 Copy of telecheck on PEACH re Helena ENGELBACH and BURGESS 69a

27.8.51 Extract from T.C. in BLUNDEN mentioning PEACH 69b

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29.8.51. To G.P.O. re H.O.W. 1266, further to 67a. 70a

72.

30.8.51. To GPO adding new telephone number to HOW 1266 72a

30.8.51. Extract from Telecheck on RALEIGH. Mentions PEACH. 72b

31.8.51. Extract from Telecheck on BLUNDEN. Mentions PEACH. 72c

73.

5.9.51. D.B. note re informing Mr. Drew of possible unreliability of PEACH and consequent risk to SHAG case. 73a

6.9.51. To Washington enquiring re. PEACH's movements while in U.S.A. 73b.

74.

7.9.51. Extract from Telecheck on PEACH - i.e. call from BLUNDEN. 74a

75.

10.9.51. Extract from Telecheck on PEACH - mentions possibility of job with "The Times". 75a

76.

11.9.51 Note by B.2.b re meeting held on 11.9.51 76a

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77.

D.B.

You mentioned yesterday that you would like a note of the conclusions reached at our meeting on September 10th about this case.

I now find that B.2.b. had already made a routine record of the conclusions of the meeting. This is filed at 76a. Please let me know if this is sufficient for your purposes, or if you wish a fuller summary made.

*J. C. Robertson*  
J. C. Robertson.

B.2.  
12.9.51.

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B.2 note on further action in PEACH case.  
Extract from PEACH telecheck

78a  
78b

79.

D.B.

Reference Minute 77 above, please also see 78a, with especial reference to Para.3(b).



I should also like you to consider the suggestion that [redacted] be interviewed. I do not know her personally, and the simplest thing would perhaps be for you to write to her asking her to look in at this office when she is next in London.

*J. C. Robertson*  
J. C. Robertson.

B.2.  
12.9.51.

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We discussed 78a this morning and agreed:

1) that we should not approach [redacted]



D.B.  
13.9.51.

*D.G. White*

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81.

13.9.51 Note by B.2.b re Press representatives in Franco Spain 1936/1938.

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13.9.51 Note by B.2.b re contemporaries of PHILBY at Trinity Colle.e

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7.9.51 Note by B.2.b

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17.9.51. From Washington in answer to our letter at 73b

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18.9.51 Note by B.2.b re Lizzy PHILBY.

88b

18.9.51 Note by B.2.b re sources of information and dates of PHILBY's career.

88c

89.

18.9.51 To B.5 requesting list of persons living at "Braeside", Carshalton.

89a

90.

18.9.51. To B.5 requesting marriage certificate between PHILBY and Alice FRIEDMANN. 90a

91.

18.9.51. Request to Passport Office for all expired Ppt. papers for PHILBY, H.A.R.  
(Request made by C.4.A/Mr. Joce)

92.

18.9.51. Request to Passport Office for all expired Ppt. papers for FRIEDMANN, A.  
(Request made by C.4.A/Mr. Joce)

18.9.51 Note by B.2.b re list of British journalists in Franco Spain. 92

20.9.51 Note by D.B. re enquiries re PEACH. 93

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21.9.51. To Saffery requesting the addition of Victoria 2470 to HOF 1266

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95.

21.9.51. To S.B. requesting reimposition of watch on PHILEY's movements.

95a.

21.9.51 Summary of The case of Harold Arian Russell PHILEY.  
(Transfer) to division

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PF. 604584/D.B.

21st September, 1951.

*Dear Burt*  
*54A*

Will you please refer to our letters PF.604584 of 19th July 1951 and PF.604529 of 3rd August 1951.

I have to ask you if you would be good enough to renew the instructions to your officers about reporting the movements of H.A.R. PHILBY, whose particulars are given in our first letter under reference. That is to say, any information regarding the movements of this person should be discreetly recorded and notified during office hours to Mr. Simkins or Mr. Skardon of M.I.5. After office hours, it should be telephoned to the duty officer.

The circumstances in which this request has to be renewed are of exceptional delicacy. The immigration authorities are not being notified at present.

*Yours sincerely,*

D. G. White.

Commander L. J. Burt, M.V.O.,  
Special Branch,  
New Scotland Yard.

SECRET

94a

PF.604,584/B2a/CAGS

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21st September 1951.

Dear Saffery,

This is to confirm my telephone request this morning that you would add VICTORIA 2470 (Edward A. HOWE, 71 Carlisle Mansions, London S.W.1) to H.O.W. No. 1266 on H.A.R. PHILBY.

This should be effective as from 3rd September 1951.

Yours sincerely,

*CAG*

C.A.G. Simkins

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

SECRET



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TOP SECRET.

93y

Note.

I today obtained the following information from Hugh Trevor Roper, Senior History Tutor at Christ Church, Oxford, and employed by R.S.S. during the war.

1) The economist, R.F. Harrod, also of Christ Church, recently visited the United States where he had conversations with the Ambassador, Sir Oliver Franks. While there he encountered Guy BURGESS and commented on his employment to the Ambassador, saying that it surprised him that it was not known to the Foreign Office that BURGESS had formerly been a Communist. The Ambassador replied that BURGESS' case was at that moment before him because of driving offences committed in the U.S.A. In the light of what Harrod had said he now had no doubt that he should apply to the Foreign Office to have BURGESS withdrawn.

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HUGH TREVOR ROPER

2) Trevor Roper asked me if it was true that BURGESS had been living with PHILBY in the U.S. I replied that it was true. He then said "PHILBY of course is another of those ex-Communists like Malcolm Muggeridge." I asked him what his authority was for saying this and he replied that he had been on more than one occasion specifically told by PHILBY's closest friend that PHILBY had been a Communist.

D.B.  
19.9.51.

D.G. White.

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NOTE

At a meeting with Mr. Carey-Foster (Foreign Office) on 18.9.51 I enquired whether he had been able to obtain a list of British journalists accredited to General Franco between 1936 - 1939. Carey-Foster said that no such list was available in the Foreign Office but that the Foreign Office News Department had applied to Chatham House for the information and expected to obtain the list within two days. He pointed out that this would not cover The Times and the Manchester Guardian, to each of which the News Department would have to apply separately. I said that I had no objection to their getting in touch with the Manchester Guardian, but that I would prefer that no direct enquiry was made to The Times.

B.2.b  
19.9.51

A.S. Martin  
A.S. Martin

B2b/MMP  
15/9/51

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NOTE

At a meeting with Courtney-Young (B.1.k) this morning it was agreed that -

- (a) Courtney-Young should contact a fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge, and discover from him the best method of obtaining the name of PEACH's tutor at Trinity College. It was agreed that if [redacted] considered it necessary to approach any other person this should not be done until it had been considered by B.2.
- (b) If Foreign Office files failed to reveal what journalists were appointed to General Franco in 1936 - 1938, that B.1.k would work out a plan for obtaining this information through a journalist e.g. E.C. CLIFFORD, who had been Reuter's correspondent with General Franco.

B.2.b  
18.9.51

*A.S. Martin*

A.S. Martin

*Bob MAY  
21.9.51*

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B.5/Mr. Storrier.

See also 85a

I should be grateful if you could obtain through your sources a copy of the certificate of marriage between Harold Adrian Russell PHILBY, born 1.1.1912, and Alice FRIEDMANN.

This marriage took place in Vienna on 24th February, 1934.

It appears from the file that this enquiry was made unsuccessfully in 1947, but we should be grateful if you would make another attempt.

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B.2.A.  
18th September, 1951.

C. A. G. Simkins.

2/10/51  
18.9.51

89a

PF. 604,584

B.5/Mr. Storrier.

See also 85a

I should be much obliged if you could obtain through your sources a list of persons living at:-

"Braeside",  
Farbury Road,  
Carshalton,  
Surrey,

during the first half of 1940.

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B.2.A.  
18th September, 1951.

C. A. G. Simkins.

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15-9-51

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Harold Adrian Russell PHILBY

Born: 1.1.1912

Educated: Westminster School.

Passport No. 93320 issued London 17.3.33.

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Information.</u>	<u>Source.</u>
1929-June 1933	Undergraduate at Trinity College, Cambridge. Travelled to Germany, Central Europe and the Balkans during vacations.	Own statement.
1929	Joined Cambridge University Socialist Society.	Own statement.
<del>24.3.33</del> 34	Married Alice FRIEDMANN née KOLLMANN	Police report at 4a in PF.604584 (Probably inaccurate).
1933(after June)	Visited Vienna.	Own statement.
7.9.33.	Subscriber to "Labour Monthly".	M.I.5 agent, 1a in PF.604584.
24.2.34	Married Alice FRIEDMANN née KOLLMANN.	Divorce papers, 8b in PF.604584.
May 1934	Returned to U.K. with Alice PHILBY.	Own statement.
15.11.34	Proposing to form "London Continental News" with H.P. SMOLKA.	Letter from SMOLKA to Home Office, 2a in PF.604584
1934-1935	Assistant Editor of "Review of Reviews".	Own statement.
1935	Visited Spain.	Own statement.
1935-early 1936	Employed by "World Review", Chatto & Windus (successor to "Review of Reviews").	Own statement.
1936	Resided at 22 Glenross, Belsize Road, N.W.6.	Police report at 4a in PF.604584
1936	In partnership with Stafford TALBOT (PF.10546) with view to publishing commercial magazine. Joined Anglo-German Fellowship.	Own statement.
Feb. 1937	Departed for Franco Spain as free-lance journalist. Ceased to live with Alice PHILBY.	Own statement.



88C

(continued)

<u>Date.</u>	<u>Information.</u>	<u>Source.</u>
April 1937	Returned to London and was appointed "Times" correspondent in Franco Spain.	Own statement.
September 1937	Gave up lease of flat at 22 Glenross, Belsize Road, N.W.6.	Police report 4a in PF.604584.
1937 or 1938	Visited Alice PHILBY in Paris.	Own statement.
August 1939	Returned to London from Spain.	Own statement.
27.9.39	Vetted for Section "D".	PF.604584 serial 3a.
29.9.39	Applied for visa for Alice PHILBY to enter France.	PF.68261 at serial 17a
October 1939	Left for France as "Times" correspondent with B.E.F.	Own statement.
12.4.40	Living in Hampstead area.	Food Office, at 10a in PF.604584
19.6.40	Re-vetted for Section "D".	PF.604584 at serial 6a.
5.7.40	Entered Section "D". employment.	
13.9.41	Left Section "D" to join S.I.S.	
prior to 15.6.45	Resided at 7 Grove Court, Drayton Gdns, S.W.10.	B.5 report at 10a in PF.604584
15.6.45	Took up residence at 18 Acol Rd., N.W.6	"
7.9.45	Took up residence at 7 Grove Court, Drayton Gdns, S.W.10.	"
12.12.45	Took up residence at 18 Carlyle Sq., S.W.3.	"
22.1.49	Left U.K. for the U.S.A.	"
25.9.46	Married Aileen Armanda FURSE.	"
June 1951	Living at 18 Grove Court, Drayton Gdns, S.W.10.	"

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NOTE

At a meeting with Capt. Derbyshire /B.4.c it was agreed that Capt. Derbyshire should consider ways of obtaining through his agents all possible information concerning Lizzy PHILBY; in particular he would look into the source of the report at 14b on PF.68261 ~~when~~ and he would re-examine the            reports on the same file.

In view of the delicacy of the PEACH case he would confine the briefs to his agents to Lizzy PHILBY.

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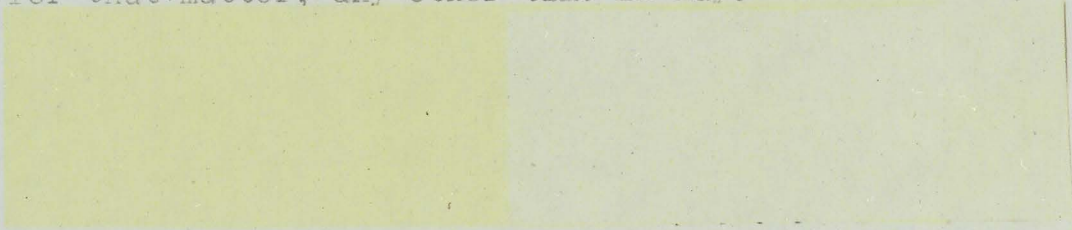
To: Director-General

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Would you please refer to your PF.604,584/  
B.2a/CAGS dated September 6, 1951.

I believe PHILBY motored to New York with Guy BURGESS, in the latter's car, on or about March 17th. PHILBY then continued his journey to Ottawa via rail or air. PHILBY left Washington by car, unaccompanied, on April 21st, arrived in Ottawa on April 23 and motored all the way back on the 24th. I remember this last trip, because I was also in Ottawa at the time and PHILBY did not offer to transport me in either direction. However, there is nothing significant in this as he liked to do marathon car journeys on his own and my company might have slowed him down - or merely bored him.

I am afraid that I have no knowledge of any trips out of Washington which PHILBY may have made subsequent to April 23rd until his final departure in June. I think I can say that he made no further official trips either to New York or Ottawa. At weekends he usually took his large family on a sight-seeing trip or a picnic. I cannot be absolutely certain, because New York is only 200 miles away and one can easily do the return journey by air or rail in a day, but I do not think that PHILBY stayed a night away from Washington between May 5th and 25th, or for that matter, any other time in May.



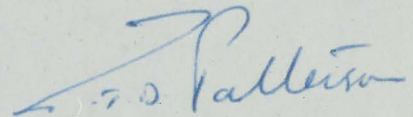
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I am afraid that this is not very helpful and there are no sources I can tap that might assist in your enquiry. PHILBY was never very communicative about his private life and I am afraid that only his family and Guy BURGESS - and possibly [redacted] would have known if he ever disappeared from his home for a day during a weekend. If he was absent on a working day [redacted] would know. [redacted]

I will continue to think about this matter, and if I am lucky enough to find out anything more I will, of course, inform you immediately.



September 12, 1951

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B.2.a / Mr. Reed

Arising from a re-reading of the PEACH file I wonder if you could obtain the following additional particulars;

- (a) a copy of the certificate of marriage between PEACH and his first wife, Alice;
- (b) copies of the expired passports of PEACH and his first wife, Alice;
- (c) the identity of the persons living at -

Braeside,  
Harbury Road,  
Carshalton

- during the first half of 1940 (See PF.604584 serial 6b).

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NOTE

Mr. White today telephoned Lord Talbot of the Foreign Office to ask him whether he could suggest contemporaries of PHILBY at Trinity College Cambridge. Lord Talbot suggested the following persons:

Lord Hood

X Hugh Easton X

Claude Phillimore

X George Barnes X

Sir John Nicholson.

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NOTE

I telephoned Mr. Carey-Foster this morning asking him whether it would be possible for him to obtain a list of accredited Press representatives to General Franco during the years 1936-37-38. I understood from his conversation that he had already discussed the purpose of this enquiry with Mr. White and was fully aware of the need for discretion. He said he would do what he could.

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PF. 604,584

PEACH.  
BLUNDEN.

PF. 604,582

Extract for File No. : ..... Name: .....

Original in File No. : PF. 604,584/Supp. Serial: 97 Receipt Date: 13.9.51.

Original from: Telecheck on PEACH. Under Ref.: KNI. 2437 Dated: 12.9.51.

Extracted on: 14.9.51 by: EMN Section: B2a

... Helena (ENGELBACH) remarked that PEACH was just back from America; he had hated everything about it. He had voluntarily resigned, as he had been a close friend of Guy BURGESS. Helena asked whether Peggy remembered BLUNDEN. When Peggy said she did, Helena told her that he had offered to resign. BLUNDEN had been interrogated every day, because he used to share a flat with Guy. Peggy could only imagine that "they" had gone on a spree. Helena had at first thought they had gone on a dope weekend. ...

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NOTE.

Following upon the meeting with D.B. on 10.9.51, the PEACH case was further discussed today between B.2, B.2.a. (Mr. Simkins) and B.2.b. (Mr. Martin).

The following action was agreed upon:-

Action By.

1. Further enquiries will be made regarding PEACH's political sympathies while at Cambridge. This will be done in the first place by examining University records in order to identify PEACH's contemporaries, with a view to selecting one of these who can be confidently approached by us.

B.2.b.

2. It is desirable, if possible, to obtain particulars of all British foreign correspondents at Franco's Headquarters during the Spanish Civil War. This will be done by:-

(a) Examination of the Registry for any possibly relevant file. Mr. Potter has been asked to do this.

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(b) Enquiries through Mr. Carey Foster at the Foreign Office, as to the possibility of the information being obtainable from Foreign Office records of journalists granted facilities to travel to Spain during the Civil War.

B.2.b.

3. As much information as possible is required about the relationship between PEACH and his first wife. In particular, it is desired to establish with absolute certainty the date of their separation, and whether the separation was in fact the result of a loss of mutual affection, or was arranged with some ulterior purpose. In this connection, information is required about the finances of both the PEACHs in the relevant time, and in particular as to whether they had at any time separate sources of income and what these were. It is hoped to obtain the answers to these questions as follows:-

(a) If the identity of PEACH's fellow journalists in Franco Spain is established, it may be that one of these was sufficiently well acquainted with PEACH, and sufficiently reliable, for us to ask him for information.

B.2.b.

(b) Further information may be obtainable from PEACH's personal file

[Redacted]

D.B.

(c) The B.4.c. source reports about the first Mrs. PEACH and about the Austrian Centre will be re-examined, with the object of discovering whether by any chance the original source is still available and in a position to supply further information from memory about her, and about her relations with her husband.

B.2.b.

(d) Immediately on his return next week Mr. Poston will be asked to carry out:-

(i) An investigation of PEACH's current banking account, and thereafter

B.2.b./B.4

(ii) an enquiry as to PEACH's finances in the period of his first marriage.

(c) [Redacted] should be asked to visit this office and questioned about:-

(i) [Redacted] personal knowledge of PEACH.

(ii) [Redacted] recollection of the circumstances of the ELLI and VOLKOV investigations, and of the part played in them by PEACH

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NOTE

A meeting was held in Mr. White's room on 10.9.51 at which were present Mr. Robertson, Mr. Simpkins and Mr. Martin.

It was agreed that the summary of the case which was to have been prepared by Mr. Simpkins should not be further proceeded with at this stage, but that certain lines of enquiry should be pursued. They are -

1. To obtain a list of all British journalists in Franco Spain during the year 1937 in order that each may be compared with the record of the man named by KRIVITSKY as having been employed by Paul HARDT to assassinate General Franco.
2. To obtain a precise curriculum vitae of PHILBY's service with S.I.S.
3. To re-assess the evidence of penetration of the British Intelligence Services with particular reference to that supplied by VOLKOV.
4. To obtain further details of PHILBY's first marriage and in particular of his finances during this period.
5. To consider the advisability of interviewing [redacted] knowledge of PHILBY and of the investigations carried out in the ELLI and VOLKOV cases.
6. To take all possible steps to ensure full interception at PHILBY's new house. In particular the possibility of installing a microphone is to be considered.

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 Original in File No.: FF. 604,584/Supp. Serial: 85 Receipt Date: 10.9.51.  
 Original from: Telecheck on PEACH. Under Ref.: SLO.0937 Dated: 7.9.51.  
 Extracted on: 11.9.51 by: EMN Section: B.2.a.

Incoming call to Hazel ALLEYNE from Ida,  
 to thank her (for yesterday's matinee) and  
 ask how she was.  
 Hazel took the opportunity to grumble  
 interminably about the PEACHes and Dora.  
 She mentioned that the man from The Times  
 was due back on Saturday and might offer  
 PEACH a very good job. Nothing else  
 of interest was said.

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PEACH.  
BLUNDEN.

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PF. 604,582 Name: PEACH.  
BLUNDEN.

Original in File No.: PF. 604,584/Supp.Vol.2. Serial: 82 Receipt Date: 7.9.51.

Original from: Telecheck on PEACH. Under Ref: SLO. 8945. Dated: 6.9.51.

Extracted on: 7.9.51 by: EMN Section: B2a

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Incoming call from BLUNDEN, answered by Eileen. They agreed that it had been nice to meet again. BLUNDEN asked whether PEACH were sober this morning. Eileen said he had woken up feeling very ill. She had remarked that it served him right, so PEACH was rather cross. PEACH was out now. BLUNDEN said he and PEACH had arranged to meet for a drink this evening. If PEACH had to baby-sit, they would meet here; otherwise they would meet at the Travellers. Eileen said she would find this out and ring BLUNDEN back.

Outgoing call to BLUNDEN from Eileen to ask him to come here this evening. He would arrive at about 18.30 (she would not be here). BLUNDEN apologised for having left early last night on account of his fever and swollen glands. Eileen remarked that PEACH had been in a filthy mood. BLUNDEN agreed that he had been very aggressive. Eileen said she particularly objected to that kind of drunkenness; it made her furious. BLUNDEN was so unused to being sober when other people were drunk that he had not recognised it as drunkenness.

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PEACH only. Incoming call to PEACH from [redacted] who was speaking from Amersham. She thanked PEACH for his note. The PEACHES would probably see Esther on

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Saturday some time. PEACH had to telephone tomorrow evening in order to make plans. He could either call on [redacted] at the Crown or meet her at the COLLINS' flat. He would speak to Patsy on Friday evening and leave a message for Esther with her. Esther would contact Patsy on Saturday morning. PEACH said the house was almost theirs now and he thought they would be moving into it fairly soon.

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G.T.D. Patterson Esq.,  
The British Embassy,  
Washington, D.C.  
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As you know, we have been considering most carefully here whether PHILBY could have been the source of the leakage to the Russians of the fact that we intended to interrogate MACLEAN. One of the theories put forward is that PHILBY could have tipped off the Russians in, say, the last fortnight before 25th May 1951. If he did, he would have tipped them off either in Washington, or perhaps even New York.

Without making any obvious enquiries, do you think it possible to find out, or do you have any knowledge of, any trips that PHILBY might have made to New York between about 5th May and 25th May? Do you know of any other trips which he made away from Washington on which perhaps further information could be gathered?

I am afraid this is a long shot, but we are looking for any possible help in this problem.

*CAG*  
C.A.G. Simkins

6th September 1951.

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Note.

I asked Mr. Drew to visit us for a conference on this case this afternoon. B.2. and B.2.a., Mr. Simkins, joined me at this conference.

I began by asking Mr. Drew whether, while on his recent visit to the United States, he had informed PHILBY of this project and revealed the true identities of the two principal agents. He replied that he had. I then asked if any American authorities whom he had also informed were aware of the fact that PHILBY had knowledge of the matter. To this he replied that he was reasonably certain that no American authority was aware of the fact that PHILBY was in the know. I then informed Drew that his answer to my first question posed an embarrassing issue. The C.I.A. were extremely suspicious of PHILBY on account of his close association with BURGESS in the period just prior to the latter's disappearance. If, therefore, they later discovered that PHILBY had knowledge of the project involving the release of classified U.S. information and that we were aware of this fact and had failed to inform them, they might nourish a grievance against us. That grievance would certainly lie, in the first instance at any rate, against him personally. It was for this reason that I had thought it right to inform him of the facts.

Drew then told me that he was aware that PHILBY had been indiscreet while in the U.S.A. but it was news to him that he might also be unreliable. He asked whether we share the American suspicions of him. I replied that while we certainly did not share C.I.A.'s convictions of PHILBY's guilt there were points in the record which caused us disquiet and which were currently under examination. To the question: how long would it take to reach a definite conclusion I replied that it was possible that we should never reach a definite conclusion but that we should probably be formulating a conclusion and terminating our enquiries by the end of November. In the circumstances I thought it was a reasonable risk and in no way and undue one to proceed to the next stage of the case and only to review the question of discussing the PHILBY aspect of it with the Americans if it develops to the point where major U.S. interests are concerned. This was agreed.

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 Original in File No. : PF. 604,582/Supp. .... Serial : 92 ..... Receipt Date : 31.8.51.  
 Original from : Telecheck on BLUNDEN. .... Under Ref. : WEL.1389 ..... Dated : 30.8.51.  
 Extracted on : 1.9.51 ..... by : BMN ..... Section : B.2.a.

Mrs BASSETT said that RALEIGH had told her that he was meeting PEACH next week. BLUNDEN said he must ring PEACH.

BA. And listen; I said I had heard in a roundabout way was it true he was leaving - you said don't quote you - I don't want you to think I did. He said, yes but PEACH doesn't want it known. So I won't say anything about it.

BLUNDEN thanked her and said PEACH had not told him not to repeat it but he was obviously sad about the whole thing. BLUNDEN was sure he would not mind her knowing anyhow.

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 PF. 604,584 Name : FLANAGAN.  
 PEACH. ✓  
 Original in File No. : PF. 604,583/Supp. Serial : 64 Receipt Date : 30.8.51.  
 Original from : Telecheck on RALEIGH. Under Ref. : Sonning. Dated : 28.8.51.  
 Extracted on : 3.9.51 by : EMV Section : B2a.

Incoming call from RALEIGH to MARGY. They chatted, RALEIGH trying to be funny after they had obviously had a row of some sort. He said that FLANAGAN rang him this morning and told him that PEACH and his wife would like to meet them sometime, and, had thought it best if they could meet them for a drink one evening in his flat. FLANAGAN had asked if she could be persuaded to come to London. RALEIGH had said that MARGY was thinking of coming to London next week anyway. They were invited on Friday. MARGY accepted. RALEIGH would ring FLANAGAN to that effect. They both agreed that this was very nice. RALEIGH said that he would like to see him. (PEACH) MARGY had never met them. She asked what he was doing. RALEIGH told her that he was having rather a difficult time. He believed that had more or less got over it, but said it was his mother who rather worried. They were being housed at the moment by her mother who was fairly well off. MARGY went on to ask about the children etc. MARGY felt very sorry for them. RALEIGH was pleased they had been asked, and remarked - "just what we wanted". MARGY agreed and asked if he had told him that they had actually been thinking of asking them. RALEIGH said yes.

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30th August 1951.

PF. 604,584/B2a/RTR

Dear Saffery,

I should be grateful if you would add to HOW. No. 1266, SLO:8945, which is installed at 13 Wilton Street, S.W.1.

PHILBY will be moving to this address on Saturday, 1st September, and I should like it to be operated from that date.

At the moment I am retaining the check on the other two numbers, which operate under this H.O.W., i.e. KNightsbridge 2437 and SLOane 0937.

Yours sincerely,

*R. T. Reed*  
R.T. Reed.

G.F. Saffery, Esq.,  
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29th August 1951.

PF. 604, 584/B2a/RTR

Dear Saffery,

Please refer to my letter of the 18th August 1951 about H.O.W. 1266.

I have now heard that Harold Adrian Russell PHILBY has moved to Flat E, 23 Cadogan Gardens, S.W.3., where the subscriber is Mrs. ALLEYNE and the telephone SLOane 0937 is installed.

I should be grateful therefore if you would impose a telephone check on this number.

Yours sincerely,

*R. T. Reed*  
R.T. Reed.

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

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Extract for File No. : P.F. 604,584 Name : PEACH  
 Original in File No. : \* P.F. 604,582 Serial : 83 Vol. Supp Receipt Date : 27.8.51  
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Outgoing call BLUNDEN to Mrs. BASSETT.  
 Mrs. BASSETT mentioned that [redacted] was going to come and see her. She is up in York. BLUNDEN did not know that she was in England. Mrs. BASSETT had apparently written to her in America and received a reply from York. She remarked on the question of a job for her - she had asked her whether she thought she would be going back to PEACH. This was in America. PEACH, she had thought, would have been fixed up by the time she could have taken on the job. Mrs. BASSETT asked BLUNDEN if he had seen PEACH since his return (from Greece). No, he had not, he had seen him just before leaving. Mrs. BASSETT went on -

- Mrs. B. ALLAN (**MACLEAN**) told me that he - only don't say anything to PEACH will you -
- B. No.
- Mrs. B. He heard in a round about way that PEACH didn't particularly want to see him, so he hasn't seen him.
- B. Oh.
- Mrs. B. But don't say anything to PEACH will you.
- B. No.
- Mrs. B. I don't know why? But I'm very glad I kept clear of PEACH because that . . . that he doesn't want to have anything to do with any of us, you know except (you?).
- B. He was rather remote it's true.
- Mrs. B. Well that's what I felt you see, I said to JACK, (**her husband**) he knows my address he knows my telephone number if he want's to get in touch

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B. with me he can. But I'm not hurt, don't think -  
I found him rather remote altogether.

Mrs. B. They were so good to me in America, and, so good to GUY, and really  
GUY was . . . that I have no - whatever happens I have no grievance,  
so don't think that.

B. Well I think I shall probably try and see him.

Mrs. B. Oh yes I . . . but you see I only - you see whenever GUY went to  
New York he stayed with ALLAN, - and, ALLAN said he only heard it  
from a colleague at the Foreign Office.

B. Yes.

Mrs. B. But don't hand that on to PEACH will you.

B. No, no.

Mrs. B. I don't mind you telling him, if it comes up, that I've seen ALLAN,  
I mean I don't mind that a bit.

B. I hardly know him, I only met ALLAN once.

Mrs. B. He's such a boy, he's about 27. He had lunch with NIGEL (BURGESS)  
and then he came in to see us the next day.

B. His career, I imagine, is completely wrecked.

Mrs. B. Yes, he's resigned.

B. I saw that.

Mrs. B. NIGEL is trying to get him a job.

B. Oh is he, oh good.

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She went on to say how NIGEL was trying to get him a job. NIGEL it seems had great difficulty in getting another job. He has a good one now apparently. BLUNDEN would see her on Tuesday at about 5.30.

20.32.

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**SECRET**

**SECRET**

Copy for PF.604,584 Main Vol. 69/A

NAME: PEACH  
 Tel. No.: KVI 2437  
 Responsible Section: B.2.a.

T.C. No.: 2141

Date: 22.8.51.



88 AUG 1951

Incoming call to Dora from Dulcie. Chat.  
 Dora mentioned that she was expecting Helena  
 and her husband and child from Hamburg. n.t.s.  
 (before 10.31)

Outgoing call by Dora to HOLMES at HOL 6000.  
 HOLMES was away until next week. 10.33

Outgoing call by Dora to BAY 6500 for MARTIN  
 or MOSSMAN (ph) neither of whom was here. 12.27

Outgoing call by Dora to FRO 0915 to accept  
 Mrs. KITCHIN's invitation to a party on 1st  
 September. 12.31

Incoming call to Dora from Eda (ph) and Ronald.  
 Ronald was a doctor (possibly SILCOCK - ph)  
 Chat.  
 Dora said that PEACH had resigned. "They all  
 have - anybody who was connected with that  
 affair".  
 Ronald said he knew two young men in the  
 Foreign Service, from whom he had heard nothing  
 but good of MACLEAN, and nothing but bad about  
 Guy BURGESS.  
 Ronald asked whether anybody knew anything about  
 it. Dora told him nothing at all, except that  
 they were probably beyond the Iron Curtain.  
 Whether they were selling our secrets or not  
 was not known. They certainly had secrets.  
 Dora said BURGESS had gone to the bad towards  
 the end. PEACH had told her that latterly  
 BURGESS had been an absolute swine "and he  
 thinks that he was using him -" Ronald  
 interrupted. He said it was a terrible  
 reflection on the F.O. to have employed BURGESS.  
 Dora mentioned that PEACH had had a terrible  
 time in America when the news had broken.  
 She said they would have to meet soon. She  
 hated talking on the telephone - "you never  
 know who's -" Ronald interrupted to say he  
 and Eda were going to Bellagio soon after  
 20th September. They would come to see Dora  
 before they went. 19.51

Outgoing call by Dora to Camberley 1490.  
 No reply.

20.38

KW.

Note for:  
PF. 604, 584.

68a

In accordance with the footnote which I put on my letter to Saffery concerning the PEACH check, in which I asked him to telephone me before it was imposed, he telephoned me this afternoon.

I told him that negotiations for "The Manor House" had broken down and that while I wished to retain the H.O.W. in principle, it should not be put on at the telephone number I had given him. I said I would let him know where the PEACH's finally settled.

B.2.a.  
21.8.51

*R.T. Reed*  
R.T. Reed.

*Reed*  
24.8.51

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Note for PR.604,584

I asked Denman today to add the number:

SLOane 0937 installed at  
Flat "E", 23 Cadogan Gardens, S.W.3.  
Subscriber Mrs. ALLEYNE

to the PEACH telephone check, in view of a report from  
B.4.B. that PEACH and his wife would be moving to Mrs.  
PEACH's mother's house by about Wednesday of next week.

I told Denman that this number would be added  
to the PEACH H.O.W. as soon as its approval was officially  
signed and sealed. For the moment we were operating  
the PEACH check as an addition to another one.

*R.T. Reed*

R.T. Reed.

B.2.a.  
18.8.51.

*June 18/51*  
*24.8.51*

67a

SECRET

18 August 1951.

FF. 604, 584/B2a/RTR

Dear Saffery,

I am applying for a telephone check on ROTHERFIELD 403, which is installed at "The Manor House", Rotherfield, Sussex, and the subscriber to which is at present Mrs. H.M. WILSON. The house is shortly to be taken over by H.A.R. PHILBY, the subject of current investigation.

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

Yours sincerely,

*R. T. Reed*  
R. T. Reed.

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

B26/MT  
23011



SECRET.

66a 1266  
18 August 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 :

ROTHERFIELD 403

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.*

Harold Adrian Russell PHILBY, who is shortly to use this number, is suspected of espionage on behalf of a foreign power.

# REGISTRY ACTION SLIP.

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**REGISTRY.** Please look-up name(s) marked on attached and \*return with further papers  
\*If N.T. make P.F. and return

Date..17.8.51..... Section..B2a..... Signature.....~~AHC for R.T. Reed~~.....

\*Delete as necessary.

When necessary clarify name(s) to be looked up :

Ernest Arnold EMMET, O.B.E.

RESULT OF LOOK-UP

FILE Herewith  or OUT to —

NT under — Ernest or Arnold

NT under — E

NT at the address in att.

filed

AM  
17.8.51.

Signature.....K.P...... Date.....17/8.....

Conn. by.....

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R.T.R.

The Law List shows:

EMMET & Co., 14 Bloomsbury Square, W.C.1.

Partners: ~~Ernest Arnold EMMET, O.B.E.,~~ <sup>Apr. 17/51</sup> ~~Arthur Philip WHITEHEAD~~ Hol 7981.

There is a firm:

~~CLIFFORD WEBSTER & EMMET, 61 Carey Street, Lincolns Inn~~

Partners: ~~Edward Fletcher EMMET~~  
~~Ernest Arnold EMMET~~

B.2.a.  
17.8.51

*Handwritten:*  
24-8-51

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Note for PR. 604,584.

Miss Huggins, who has made enquiries about Mr. ENGELBACH, tells me that the Air Ministry have said that ENGELBACH's private address is as recorded on their last vetting application in February 1949.

He is stationed in Germany at the present time and has been there for about eighteen months with his wife. He is employed on secret work of the same nature as that done by G.C.H.Q. The Air Ministry were rather cagey about giving this information and asked us not to enquire where he was stationed. They said they thought his wife was probably all right because she was doing similar work during the war.

I told Miss Huggins I thought we did not need to make further enquiries.

*R. T. Reed*  
R. T. Reed.

B.2.a.  
17.8.51

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*Trans B2*  
*21.8.51*

65d

Note for FF. 604, 584

\* PEACH's solicitor, EMMET, is almost certainly identical with Heneage EMMET, born July 28th 1912 at Longfield, Kent. He has a R. of S.

In June 1940 he applied for a position in this office and gave his address as 1 Wildhatch, N.W.11. The nationality of his wife was given as Uruguayan. He gave his previous employment as follows: -

1930 - 34 Articled Clerk to Messrs. EMMET & CO. Solicitors.

1934 - 35 Secretary/Manager to Browham Garage, Bedford.

1936 - 37 Radio script writer for MATHER & CROWTHER, Advertising Agents.

1938 - 39 Radio script writer and chief of propaganda for the French Government with the International Broadcasting Company.

Jan - June 1940 Executive Officer of Intelligence Department (Enemy Exports) Commercial Secretariat, British Embassy, Rome.

He was introduced by [redacted] through Captain R. STEPHENS. He was employed in this office until June 1942 when he left owing to a reorganisation.

An enquiry from the Admiralty was received about him in April 1948, to which the reply was given - Nothing Recorded Against. At that time he gave his address as Myrtle Cottage, Eynsham, Oxon. His form indicated that he had been employed in 1945 with N.I.D., in 1946 with the Staff of the Foreign Secretary and British Delegation at Paris and from 1946/48 N.I.D. Admiralty.

B.2.a.  
16.8.51

R. T. Reed  
R.T. Reed.

\*. Not now so certain. Heneage Emmet is thought still to be employed by [redacted] 17.8.51 [redacted]

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PF. 604,584

C.2.a. Miss Huggins.

In February 1949 we received a vetting form from the Air Ministry for Patrick Stevens ENGELBACH, Born 17.3.1922 at Manchester, British subject.

There was nothing recorded against him and there still is nothing recorded against him, but he has come to my notice in connection with another case I am investigating, and I should be glad if you could find out for me from the Air Ministry whether he is still employed by them, where he is stationed and what he is doing. Also if possible his present private address.

His service number is 122946.

B.2.a.  
16.8.51

*R.T. Reed*  
R.T. Reed.

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B.2.A. (Mr. R.T. Reed)

*add*

PF 604558

CURZON

As spoken, herewith Marriage  
Certificate of Helena Verna ENGELBACH nee  
PHILBY.

— See front of file

*D. Storrier*

D. Storrier

B.5.  
14.8.51.  
F 118/158.

LO'S P.S. ENGELBACH  
D R  
may. 13/8

612/13

*Free 132*  
*24-8-51*



NOTE FOR FILE. P.F.Y. 604584.

Copy on PP 4342 Supp. KRIVITSKY.

The young man recruited by the R.I.S. to assassinate  
General Franco.

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The possibility has occurred to me that PEACH could be identical with the young man who was, according to KRIVITSKY, recruited by Paul HARDT to assassinate General Franco.

Paul HARDT's recruit:

According to KRIVITSKY, early in 1937 the OGPU received orders from Stalin to arrange the assassination of General Franco. HARDT was instructed by the OGPU chief, YEZHOV, to recruit an Englishman for the purpose. He did in fact contact and send to Spain, a young Englishman, a journalist of good family, an idealist and fanatical anti-Nazi. Before the plan matured, HARDT himself was recalled to Moscow and disappeared.

KRIVITSKY was "pretty certain" that the Foreign Office (Imperial Council) source would have been amongst the friends of the young man sent to Spain.

PEACH:

PEACH was aged 25 in 1937. He was a journalist and can be described as of good family. It would probably be true to say that he was an idealist and anti-Nazi.

PEACH left London in February 1937 and went to Seville. By April, he had collected a quantity of material and the first article he wrote resulted in an immediate offer from "The Times" to become their correspondent with Franco's forces. He returned to England and spent a few days in the London office of "The Times" and then went back to Spain where he remained until August 1939. He visited London on one or more occasions during that period.

PEACH has explained his reasons for going to the Franco side as follows:-

When, at the beginning of 1937, he wished to break away from magazine work and get into the swim of the newspaper world by getting on to one of the major newspapers, he realised that Spain offered the best opening. Since, however, all the regular Madrid correspondents were on the Republican side and the greater part of the news from Spain came from Republican sources, he thought that he would try Franco, and he obtained letters of accreditation from several London newspapers in order to get a Franco visa.

Assuming CURZON to be identical with the Foreign Office (Imperial Council) source, the question of whether or not PEACH knew CURZON in 1937 must be considered. It is not certain that he did, but it seems probable. CURZON and PEACH were at Cambridge at approximately the same time, PEACH at Trinity College from 1929 to 1933, CURZON at Trinity Hall from 1931 to 1934. When asked whether he had known CURZON at Cambridge, PEACH said - "At Cambridge, I'm almost certain not - no." At a later interview PEACH said that he believed he met CURZON during the period when he, PEACH, was in Spain. He met him at the Foreign Office on one of his visits to London in either 1937, 1938 or 1939.

It has been suggested that the young man sent to Spain was identical with Esmond ROMILLY, but there is no kind of proof that this is so and no evidence that either of the ROMILLY brothers ever attempted to go to the Franco side during the Spanish war.

*E. McBarnet*

E. McBarnet.

B.2.b.  
13.8.51.

10th. August 1951.

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Re: Robert L. ARMITAGE and  
Gwladys L. ARMITAGE.

See led

A search has been made at Westminster Food Office but no trace can be found of any person named ARMITAGE as living at 71 Carlisle Mansions, S.W.1. The persons you seek would appear to be Robert L. ARMITAGE, N.R.No. O G N 1720431 and Gwladys L. ARMITAGE, N.R.No. O G N 1720430 both C /o the Royal Empire Society, Northumberland Avenue, W.C.2.

The above particulars were obtained from their reference leaf taken from the 1951 ration book.

The maintenance cards for the ARMITAGES could not be located either at Westminster Food Office or London Registration Office.

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RBW

B.2.A. ( Mr. R. T. Reed )

mm

Your memo PF.604,584 dated 7.8.51 refers.

*Storrier*

D. Storrier.

B.5.  
11.8.51.  
F.118/157.

huin Crooks

None of these initials or initials "R" in any form

Please see if you can get particulars of Robert L. Armitage from the Civil Service list. 20/8. *Appld RBW*

609/17

Copy in AF.604,686 IVENS

PA Peach 638

HJM  
13.8.51

B.2.b.

PF.604,584

PFIVE 17264

I think you may care to see these files for NEWIADOMSKA and LYKIARDOPULO which came as the result of a look up which we asked for on the telephone check on PEACH.

PFR.281 295615

On 15.7.51 Nina IVENS, who was at the PEACH's house, telephoned to PARK 4639 and spoke to a Mrs. NEWIADOMSKA. The conversation began in Russian and continued in Greek (You will remember that Nina IVENS was Greek). The subscriber to PARK 4639 is P.N. LYKIARDOPULO, 82 Addison Road, Kensington, W. 14.

The trace for NEWIADOMSKA is for a Colonel Paul NEWIADOMSKI whose papers end in 1931, and I do not feel it worth while going to any trouble to identify Mrs. NEWIADOMSKA. If, however, as a result of your research into the case, you think it is worth while, I will do what I can to identify whoever it was who was telephoned.

R.T. Reed  
R.T. Reed.

B.2.a.  
10.8.51

B2A - R.H.  
14/8

I see no point in going any further with the identification of N.

B2b  
13.8.51

A.S.T

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TOP SECRET & STRICTLY PERSONAL

7th August, 1951.

PF.604584/B.2.b/ASM

Dear

As we have advised you, we are enquiring into the current associates of Mr. H.A.R. PHILEY and we find that, presumably in connection with the future employment which he is seeking, he is in touch with <sup>(1)</sup>Walter Thomas WREN and <sup>(2)</sup>Francis OGILVIE. WREN is a director of the firm of AGA HEAT Ltd. (Aga Cookers) and OGILVIE is a director of Mather & Crowther, Advertising Agents.

We have no reason for supposing that the present contact of these two men with PHILEY is in any way significant, but their early connection prompts us to ask whether you have any additional information about them.

Yours sincerely,

ASM.  
A.S. Martin.

- (1) Seelet x Ref to W.T. WREN R075.
- (2) Seelet x Ref to L258(1789)Adams

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PF. 604, 584

Could you please let me have Food Office particulars  
for:

Mr. and Mrs. R.P. ARMITAGE,  
71 Carlisle Mansions,  
S.W.1.

*see Suppl. Vol.  
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B.2.a.  
7.8.51

*R.T. Reed*  
R.T. Reed.

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Note for PF. 604,584

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The telephone check on PEACH has shown that he has been in touch with Enriqueta (the Spanish equivalent of Henrietta) HARRIS, the sister of Violetta HARRIS and the sister of Tomas HARRIS. They discussed the proposed visit of PEACH to Majorca and during the course of conversation PEACH said that he had written to Tomas HARRIS to tell him of the present position. ~~concerning his job and future activities.~~

B2 and

On hearing this news, Mr. Martin and I discussed the advisability of imposing a letter check upon PEACH for both incoming and emanating correspondence, and we decided that there were good reasons for not having such a check.

*R. T. Reed*  
R. T. Reed.

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<sup>5144  
4-8-57</sup>  
B.2.b. Mr. Martin

You will remember on the PEACH t/c that a certain "Freckles" WREN and Francis OGILVIE will be helping PEACH to obtain a job in advertising.

Their files are attached. WREN has an R. of S. and Francis OGILVIE is carded throughout L.258/1789.

I am a little intrigued by the passage of 23a that I have sidelined and if we write \_\_\_\_\_ and ask for further information about both these characters and David OGILVIE, we might ask for the identity of the person mentioned at 23a.

B.2.a.  
31.7.51

*R. T. Reed*  
R. T. Reed.

## EXTRACT.

58cb  
FLANAGAN  
PEACH

Extract for File No. PF. 604589 Name: FLANAGAN  
PF. 604584 ✓  
 Original in File No. PF. 604583 Serial: ..... Receipt Date: .....  
 Original from Note by B.2.b Under Ref. : ..... Dated : 30.7.51  
 O  
 Extracted on: 8.8.51 by: NLM Section: B2b

Note by B.2.b on interview with Morgan Goronwy REES by B.2 and B.2.b  
 on 24.7.51...

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...

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Received under cover of MUG letter 7.2773/A  
SPF 604,964 (REED) of 24.7.51.  
copy of FF 603656 - VOLKOV  
B2D/MNT. 7/18/51.

24 JUL 1951

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I

M.I.5. already have a copy of the papers attached to R.G.HOWE's letter of 19.9.45. to Sir A. CADOGAN. In connection with these papers the following points are noted.

On August 24th 1945 VOLKOV wrote a personal letter to the Vice-Consul, PAGE, asking to be received either that day or the next evening on urgent and important business. An interpreter would be needed and he should be an Englishman. HURST, the Consul General and PAGE decided to ignore this letter and suspected that VOLKOV's name was being used without his knowledge.

On Sept. 4th 1945, VOLKOV called at the Consulate General. Major SUDAKOV was called over from the Passport Control Office to interpret. VOLKOV then told Mr. PAGE that he wished to see Mr. REED, the 1st Secretary of the Embassy.

PAGE then telephoned REED and sent VOLKOV over accompanied by SUDAKOV. VOLKOV insisted that his interview with REED should be private, so SUDAKOV was sent out.

According to an account written by REED on the same day VOLKOV told him (among other things) that

1. (a) The Soviet authorities had been able to read all cypher messages between the F.O. and the Embassy in Moscow for the last 2½ years.
- (b) They could also read messages from [redacted]
- (c) Also from Col. HILL - these were particularly easy to decypher.
2. The Russians had:
  - (a) 2 agents inside the F.O.
  - (b) 7 inside the British I.S.
3. He was not apprehensive about making this visit, as he was not being followed or watched and only his wife knew what he was up to.

This minute was forwarded by BUSK in Istanbul to HELM in Ankara, who received it on September 5th 1945 and forwarded it to CODRINGTON at the F.O. on the same day.

On September 13th VOLKOV handed PAGE an envelope addressed to REED which REED translated as best he could. This described the information which VOLKOV was prepared to supply. Among other items it offered the following:

1. (a) a list of N.K.G.B. agents in the English Intelligence Service and the F.O. in Great Britain. (apparently nine)
- (b) One of the above agents acts as head of a Section of the British C.E. Service in London.
- (c) Another works in the British Consulate in Istanbul
2. (a) Explanations of the measures taken by the N.K.G.B. in connection with the English Secret Service in Moscow
- (b) Explanation of the sources from which the N.K.G.B. have received copies of British diplomatic and military cyphers in Moscow

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Handwritten notes and signatures, including "26.15" and "25.7.51".

2.

22.9.45.

PHILBY would leave U.K. for Istanbul via Cairo on Sept. 26th before going on to Istanbul. [redacted] should not [redacted]

22.9.45.

PHILBY took with him a letter of instruction from CADOGAN to HELM in which it was said that it had been agreed that the case should continue to be handled by REED, who would be briefed by PHILBY [redacted]

If possible the handling of the case should be restricted to these persons, but HELM could decide whether PHILBY should also inform the Ambassador and BUSK of the F.O.'s views on the case.

29.9.45.

PHILBY signalled that PAGE telephoned at noon of 29th Sept. to the Soviet Consulate to arrange an appointment with VOLKOV, but the Soviet Consul General himself replied that VOLKOV was "not in"

PAGE telephoned again later and was answered by a person who claimed to be that of VOLKOV (but was not) who agreed, nevertheless, to meet PAGE this afternoon, however, nobody arrived to keep the appointment. This looks ominous, but we will try again on Monday.

1.10.45.

Telegram from PHILBY [redacted]

Today the telephone operator at the Soviet Consulate informed PAGE that VOLKOV is in Moscow.

PHILBY adds that he has not thoroughly investigated the possibility of a local leakage and asks if he is to do so, though his own view is that such investigation should be undertaken by the F.O., in which case he proposes to leave on October 3rd.

2.10.45.

[redacted] it was clear there had been a leakage or VOLKOV was watched when he visited HELM. Possible indiscretion on the part of SUDAKOV should be followed up.

PHILBY was asked whether he could ascertain the names of all Russians who left Turkey over the relevant period, how long VOLKOV had been stationed in Istanbul and whether his wife was still there. [redacted]

4.10.45.

PHILBY telegraphed that it had now been established that VOLKOV was flown away on Sept. 26th from Istanbul in a north westerly direction.

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of the Embassy who had interviewed VOLKOFF on the occasion of his first visit on September 4.

As a result of these discussions, the following course of action was agreed:

1. PAGE, the Vice-Consul whom WOLKOFF had first approached, was to telephone VOLKOFF at the Soviet Consulate-General, using the password proposed by VOLKOFF himself, at the first available opportunity, i.e. during office hours next morning.

2. When VOLKOFF called, PAGE was to pass him on to REED, who would then interview him in my presence. It was decided:

- a) that REED should tell VOLKOFF that, while we were by no means frightened of the sum he demanded, we should require samples of his information before agreeing to his conditions. It was foreseen that this part of the interview might develop along unexpected lines (e.g. some counter-offer from VOLKOFF), and it was therefore agreed that REED should accept my advice if further bargaining became necessary;
- b) that REED should press VOLKOFF to agree to meeting us in future in more conspiratorial conditions. It was thought that repeated visits to the Embassy would be a danger to security; further, the Ambassador was particularly anxious that the case should be taken out of the Embassy precincts as early as possible.

(It is necessary, I think, to note here that REED, though willing to help in every way, showed considerable nervousness throughout the proceedings. He showed undue reluctance to meet VOLKOFF alone, on the grounds that the Soviet Embassy "had its knife into him". He was also extraordinarily forgetful in matters of detail, a matter of some importance as will appear later. His nervousness may well have been due to a severe attack of sinus trouble from which he was suffering at the time).

At 11.30 a.m. on September 29, PAGE telephoned the Soviet Consulate-General. He was simply informed that VOLKOFF was "not in". At about 12.50 p.m. PAGE tried again, and, when he asked the telephone operator for VOLKOFF, he was asked to wait. After a short pause, a voice came to the telephone, and the following conversation (in English) ensued:

Voice: "Hullo".

PAGE: "This is Page, of the British Consulate-General speaking. Is that Mr. VOLKOFF?"

Voice: "Yes"

PAGE: "Well, I want to discuss with you the case of Beergence, that Soviet national in Palestine".

Voice: "The case of who?"

PAGE: "Beergence. B-E-E-R-G-E-N-C-E. Would you come round and discuss it with me at the Consulate this afternoon at 3.30?"

Voice: "I will be at the Consulate at 3.30".

In reporting this conversation to REED and myself, PAGE commented that he had known at once "that it damned well wasn't VOLKOFF at the other end of the line, because VOLKOFF can't speak English".

The afternoon of September 29 was spent in awaiting vainly the arrival of a genuine or bogus VOLKOFF. Neither turned up; nor was there any telephone message cancelling the appointment, or explaining why it had not been kept.



On September 30, I discussed these disquieting omens further with the Ambassador, HELM and REED. It was agreed that a further effort should be made on October 1 (Monday). Accordingly, I advised PAGE to adopt a truculent tone, and to complain that he had ruined his weekend in order to keep an appointment with VOLKOFF on Saturday afternoon, and that VOLKOV never turned up. The only result of his truculence, however, was a statement from the telephone operator of the Soviet Consulate-General, to the effect that VOLKOFF was in Moscow.

It was clearly useless for me to linger further in Istanbul, so I resolved to take the next aircraft back to Cairo (October 3). In the interval, I instructed our representative to make every effort, short of actually asking the Turks, to obtain confirmation of VOLKOFF's departure. I also arranged that, if our representative should fail, the Ambassador should draw the attention of the Turkish Foreign Office to the unusual behaviour of the Soviet Consulate-General (viz. the unexplained failure to keep appointments, the sudden breaking-off of talks on the repatriation of Soviet nationals, etc.) and ask them if they knew of any plausible explanation. The Ambassador agreed that he could easily make such an enquiry without arousing comment.

In the event, no such step proved necessary. By the evening of October 3, our representative had discovered that a Soviet military aircraft had arrived from Sofia on September 25, and that the aircraft with VOLKOFF and his wife on board had returned to Bulgaria on September 26. A full report on this discovery has been despatched by our representative, and should reach London soon.

#### CONCLUSIONS

1. It is just conceivable that the removal of VOLKOFF from Istanbul was connected, not with his contemplated treachery, but with the quarrels which he had had with his Ambassador and other members of the Embassy staff. This, however, would seem to be extremely unlikely. It would not explain the strange behaviour of the staff of the Soviet Consulate-General on the telephone nor the special measures adopted to get VOLKOFF out of the country. These point rather to the supposition that VOLKOFF had been detected in some grave irregularity which called for his speediest possible removal.
2. Equally, the theory of provocation would appear to be extremely improbable. If the whole affair had been a plant, it was clearly designed to provoke a reaction on our part. We did in fact react, but nothing happened. It is difficult to see why a plant operation should be called off in mid-course.
3. It is therefore virtually certain that VOLKOFF was in fact a traitor, and that he was detected before he was able to consummate his treachery. Two problems now arise, viz.
  - a) how should we judge such information as he was able to give us before his removal?
  - b) how did his contemplated treachery become known to the Russians?
4. As regards (a), I see no reason to doubt VOLKOFF's claim that he was an officer of the N.K.G.B. His "sales-catalogue" is a convincing document, in that it offers just the sort of information which a well-placed intelligence officer would be in a position to supply. One important qualification is, however, necessary. It is extremely unlikely that any intelligence officer, however well placed, could supply all the information promised by VOLKOFF; it is likely, therefore, that the claims made by VOLKOFF were considerably stepped up in order to increase our interest and loosen our purse-strings.
5. In this connection, it should be noticed that the "sales-catalogue" makes no mention of Soviet cryptographic work. This is extremely odd in view of REED's minute, according to which VOLKOFF claimed that the N.K.G.B. were reading Foreign Office, SIS and SOE cypher telegrams. When I

mentioned Soviet cryptography to REED in Istanbul, he said: "But surely VOLKOFF didn't say anything about that"; and, when I pointed out that my evidence came from his own minute, he merely said "In that case, I suppose he must have done". I have already mentioned REED's extraordinary forgetfulness. And I am inclined to think that REED got that part of the story wrong. It may well be that copies of such telegrams are in the office of the N.K.G.B; but the most likely source, in my opinion, would be the agents in the Foreign Office and in the "British Intelligence Service".

6. As regards (b), we can only speculate. As far as I could discover, without causing resentment by "snooping" in the Embassy, the secret was well-kept by those handling the case in Istanbul. PAGE, the original intermediary, had not the foggiest idea of what all the fuss was about. Our representative had not even heard of VOLKOFF before my arrival. While I cannot answer for what happened before my arrival, I was assured that nothing about the case had been mentioned over the telephone; and I am satisfied that, while I was there, absolute discretion was observed in that respect.

7. It must be remembered that VOLKOFF had already quarrelled with members of his Embassy before he approached us. It is possible that his confidence that he was not being followed was misplaced. Furthermore, he had confided in his wife, and it is possible that their joint apprehensions may have prompted one or other of them to make a slip. Finally, they were actually resident in the Soviet Embassy, a fact that would have greatly facilitated eaves-dropping, e.g. the installation of a microphone in their rooms. In short, it is probable, though not of course certain, that the leakage occurred through VOLKOFF himself.

8. The special aircraft which took VOLKOFF and his wife to Bulgaria on September 26 arrived from Sofia on September 25. We must probably allow at least three days for the preliminary telegraphing, and organisation of the aircraft. It is therefore probable that the leakage took place some time before September 22. In the internal, VOLKOFF was presumably held under arrest in the Embassy, a fact which would explain his failure to persist in his attempts to get an early answer from us. "

The main conclusions reached in the above account were that VOLKOV was a genuine traitor and that probably, though not certainly, a leakage occurred through VOLKOV himself.

The writer, however, confronts us with a somewhat confusing situation in regard to (a) REED and (b) Soviet cryptographic work.

In reference to (a) he makes an interpolation to the effect that REED showed considerable nervousness and a reluctance to meet VOLKOV alone on the grounds that the Soviet Embassy "had its knife into him". Also that he was extraordinary forgetful in matters of detail. Later the writer points out that VOLKOV's written offer makes no mention of Soviet cryptographic work, whereas REED's minute had said that VOLKOV claimed that the Russians were reading FO, SIS and SOE cypher telegrams. According to the writer REED, when challenged on this point, did not remember VOLKOV saying this; from which PHILBY says he is inclined to think that REED got this part of the story wrong, though the Russians may have obtained copies of such telegrams through their agents. He again stresses REED's extraordinary forgetfulness.

4. Comment by R.5.D.3. 20.7.51: We know that REED's account of his interview with VOLKOV was written immediately after it took place, on September 4th. The conversation between REED and PHILBY cannot have taken place before Sept 28th, when the latter reached Istanbul. If REED is extraordinary forgetful it is difficult to see why PHILBY preferred his recollection of events 24 days after his interview with VOLKOV, rather than what he wrote immediately after that interview.

As regards cryptographic work itself, the following sets out what was said:

REED's account of 4.9.45.

The Soviet had been able to read all FO/Embassy, Moscow cypher messages for the last 2 1/2 years. Also messages from Col. HILL - the latter were particularly easy to decypher.

VOLKOV's written offer.

VOLKOV offered an explanation of the sources from which the N.K.G.B. have received copies of British diplomatic and military cyphers in Moscow.

PHILBY's report

The "sales-catalogue" makes no mention of Soviet cryptographic work. If copies of telegrams are in the office of the N.K.G.B. their most likely source would be the N.K.G.B. agents in the F.O. and British I.S.

Meanwhile [redacted] reported that it was now established that a Russian military plane had arrived (without notification to or authorisation from the Turkish authorities) at Yesilkoy airfield on 25.9.45. from Sofia.

It had been occupied by:

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|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Lt. Ivan LUKIEVIC         | 1st pilot.      |
| Lt. Grigori PAVLOV        | 2nd pilot.      |
| 2/Lt. Igor DIMITRIEV      | mechanic.       |
| 2/Lt. Alexandre ULIANOVIC | "               |
| Sgt/Maj. Mikhail SHANOV   | Radio operator. |
| Col. PETERCIN.            | Doctor.         |

The plane took off again at 1640 on 26.9.45 with the following passengers in addition to the above:

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| Constantin VOLKHOV    | Soviet Consul, Istanbul.  |
| Loya VOLKHOVA         | Wife of above.  |
| Andre SILOVA or SLOMA | Consular Secretary.   |
| Andre BAIKO           | ) "Diplomatic couriers" who had arrived by train from Bulgaria on Sept. 24th with Turkish visas issued Moscow on Sept. 21 and 22nd respectively, proceeding to Ankara and reaching the YESILKOY airfield from there one hour before the plane took off. (Their names did not appear in a subsequent list of diplomatic couriers). |
| Alexandre DANILOV     |   |

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[redacted] interviewed SUDAKOV who was at first reluctant to talk as he had been sworn to secrecy by REED. He stated that when he was left alone with VOLKOV, the latter said he knew about him and knew his christian name. SUDAKOV remembered, almost certainly, that VOLKOV arrived on this occasion in a chauffeur driven Soviet Embassy car.

[redacted] does not believe there was any leakage on our side, but that VOLKOV was either suspected, caught out or recalled as the result of his quarrel with his Ambassador and colleagues.

18.10.45. Andrei SILOVA (now shown as SLOMA), whose role had presumably been that of an escort, returned to Istanbul on 4.10.45. from Sofia.

18.10.45. [redacted] PHILBY prepared a rather shorter account of this affair for the F.O., which concluded as follows:

" It is extremely unlikely that we shall ever hear of VOLKOFF

again. From the evidence already at hand, we can draw the following conclusions:

- 1) VOLKOFF's statement that he was an officer of the N.K.G.B. was true; he genuinely intended to put his information at our disposal, on conditions.
- 2) Although he probably exaggerated considerably the quantity of intelligence which he was in a position to give us, there is little doubt that his information would have been of great value.
- 3) It is exceedingly difficult to guess which parts of his statement were true and which parts exaggerated or false. We regard the figures of 250 and 314 for N.K.G.B. agents in the U.K. and Turkey respectively as wildly exaggerated. We tend strongly to the opinion that VOLKOFF was mistaken (possibly honestly) in asserting that N.K.G.B. cryptographers were reading Foreign Office and S.I.S. telegrams. On the other hand, information from other sources leads us to take seriously his statement that there are two N.K.G.B. agents in the Foreign Office and seven in the British "Intelligence Service".
- 4) It is extremely unlikely (though of course it is impossible to speak with certainty) that indiscretion in the British Embassy in Istanbul was the cause of VOLKOFF's exposure to the Russians. The more probable explanation is that VOLKOFF betrayed himself. He was resident in the Embassy; he had confided in his wife; he had quarrelled with his Ambassador; and, ever since August 24th, he must have been living in a state of great nervous anxiety. It is quite probable that his quarrels led to his being watched, and that either he or his wife, or both, made some fatal mistake.

Finally, I would like to draw your attention to the fact that VOLKOFF's information as to the existence of N.K.G.B. agents in official positions is so vague that it is improbable that we shall succeed in identifying them. To scrutinise the past records, and maintain observation, of all those who might possibly fill the bill would be as impracticable as it would be invidious. While we, and no doubt M.I.5. as well, will do all that is possible in this respect, my own firm belief is that we shall achieve success only by offensive methods. It is in the U.S.S.R. itself, and in its diplomatic and commercial missions outside its boundaries, that the roots of this activity are to be found. If we want the information, we shall have to go and get it. "

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24th July, 1951.

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PF.604025

Dear

Serial 676

Please refer to Stott memorandum No.8565 of 5th July, 1951.

It is asked in this memorandum whether PHILBY knew of BURGESS's contact with Communist and pro-Russian circles. PHILBY has stated that when he knew BURGESS at Cambridge from 1931 to 1933, he was not aware that BURGESS held Communist views. We have no evidence with which to refute this statement. Between 1939 and 1941 when PHILBY was a colleague of BURGESS in the organisation which was the fore-runner of S.O.E. he must undoubtedly have known that BURGESS had contacts in left-wing circles, since it was these very circles which the organisation was seeking to exploit. That is not to say, however, that PHILBY was aware that BURGESS cultivated such contacts for any but professional reasons.

The memorandum then requests further information concerning Isaiah BERLIN and the proposed 1940 visit to Moscow of BURGESS and BERLIN. The precise circumstances under which this proposed visit came to be sponsored are not yet clear. It is known that BURGESS's visit was approved by the head of the section of British Intelligence for which he was then working, but it has not been possible to establish its purpose. We know too that Isaiah BERLIN whilst in Washington proposed himself by telegram to the British Ambassador in Moscow (Sir Stafford Cripps) for employment as an Attache, claiming that he was doing so with Foreign Office approval. This claim was later refuted by the Foreign Office and the Ambassadors in Washington and Moscow were informed accordingly.

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It seems probable that the journey was largely a "private venture" inspired by the men in the belief that they could bring about a better understanding between the British and Soviet Governments and that, to this end, they evaded official sanction except where it was necessary to procure their travel facilities. We are unable to explain as yet why they made the journey via the U.S.A.

We have by no means completed our enquiries into this visit, the details of which we are piecing together from official records. We have it in mind that it may in due course be desirable to interview Isaiah BERLIN, the results of which we should, of course, pass to you.

The next point raised in the memorandum concerns one of PHILBY's sisters. PHILBY has three sisters and we are at present engaged in investigating the allegation that one was a Communist. So far we have found no confirmation.

Finally, the memorandum raises the question of the extent of PHILBY's knowledge of Eric KESSLER. PHILBY himself has stated that he knew KESSLER casually while they were both in the U.S. in 1949 - 1951, but has given no indication that he knew him in the U.K., nor have we any reason to suppose that he did. PHILBY described KESSLER as being bitterly anti-American; he also mentioned in vague terms a black-market transaction in dollars which KESSLER and BURGESS had together negotiated. When asked if he had any reason to think that BURGESS might have been in contact with the Russians through KESSLER, PHILBY replied that he had no reason to think so.

Our own records of KESSLER during the period 1936 - 1939 are as follows:

KESSLER, who was born in 1899, first arrived in the U.K. from PARIS on 2.6.1935. He represented the "Neue Zurichische Zeitung" a reputable Swiss newspaper. At the beginning of 1940 he was appointed Press Attache at the Swiss Legation in London, which appointment he held until March 1946. While in London he married Mary LILY née ZAEDNER, British, born 6.11.1911.

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We have nothing on record to suggest that KESSLER held strong pro-Soviet views at this time, although he was openly anti-Nazi. His contacts in London were wide, but none of which we know could be considered unusual for a neutral diplomat to hold.

We are, of course, continuing our enquiries into the whole of KESSLER's career whilst he was in the U.K.

Yours sincerely,

*ASm*  
A. S. Martin.

J.A. Gimperman Esq.,  
American Embassy.



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This information was derived from a search of S.O.E. records carried out \_\_\_\_\_ in connection with the enquiries being made into the subject of this file.

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H. A. R. PHILBY (No. 272)

Appears to have been employed in a Training Section of "D" Section.

On 5.10.1939 a report was received from M.I.5 that he was a member of the Cambridge University Students' Society and a recipient of the "Labour Monthly". In 1934 a certain London editor of the Neue Freie Presse advised the Home Office of his intention to form the "London Continental News Ltd" in conjunction with 272. This editor was an Austrian, had engaged in left-wing activities, and was alleged by the French to be a paid spy of the Italians.

On 5.7.1940 a letter was sent to B.W. c/o "The Times", asking for 272 to be released for special work. He was to be employed by "D" on a full-time basis.

On 13.9.1941 he signed off from "D" and joined 'C'.

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Our first list of names was sent to Special Branch in a minute dated 9th June 1951 - see serial 6a in PF.604,582 attached. 18 names

The name of MacGIBBON was added in an oral message by Mr. Skardon to Special Branch on 26th June 1951.

The name of PHILBY was added in a letter dated 19th July 1951 - see PHILBY's file also attached.

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PF. 604,584/B2a/AFB


Commander,  
Special Branch

Please refer to our letter PF.604,529/B2a/RTR dated 9th June 1951.

Could you please arrange for the undermentioned other name to be circulated to your officers at the Ports: --

MILBY, Harold Adrian Russell  
Born: Ambala, India on 1st January 1912  
NRIC No. AKCE 193/7  
Passport No. 383531 issued 6.1.47  
Profession: Member of H.M. Foreign Service.

Any information regarding the movements of this person 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.

  
A.F. Burbidge.

19.7.51

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PP. 604,589 FLANAGAN  
✓ PP. 604,584 PEACH  
PP. 604,583 RALEIGH

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BK came to see me today and told me: -

1. She spent Sunday, 15th July with the REES at Sonning, when Margery REES asked her to lunch on 18.7.51 to meet Mrs. BASSETT, who is in an hysterical state.
2. When she met the PHILBYs recently at dinner Eileen PHILBY had told her that Guy BURGESS was convinced a war with Russia was inevitable, that he had blotted his copy book to an extent that he had no future in the U.K. In practice he had secured for himself a job with Michael BERRY's newspaper interests.
3. D.F.'s considered view is that BURGESS and MACLEAN have "done a HESS".

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(Sgd) M. D. C.

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EXTRACT.

Extract for File No.: PP. 604, 584 Name: PEACH

Original in File No.: PP. 604, 582 Serial: 27a Receipt Date: 14.7.51

Original from: B.2.b. Under Ref.: Dated:

Extracted on: 19.7.51 by: AHC Section: B2a

Extract from report by B.2.b. of interview between Anthony BLUNT and B.2/B.2.b. concerning the former's knowledge of BURGESS.

.....As evidence of BURGESS's mental state while in Washington, BLUNT produced a letter which he had received from PHILBY (the top half of which had been torn off, indicating possibly that the production of this letter was not the sudden afterthought which it had seemed to be). PHILBY described in this letter the embarrassment which BURGESS's behaviour in Washington had proved to be.....

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EVIDENCE OF R.I.S. PENETRATION OF BRITISH  
INTELLIGENCE SERVICES AS IT COULD RELATE TO THE  
RECORD OF MR. H.A.R. PHILBY.

Four former members of the Russian Intelligence Service have testified separately that the British Intelligence Services are penetrated. One stated in 1945 that a Russian agent held the position of Head of a section of the British Counter-Espionage Service in London. None provided evidence sufficient for identification.

Two important British Counter-Espionage operations have failed since 1945. The reasons for failure have not been established, and therefore the possibility of leakage must be accepted.

(a) The Case of VOLKOV.

In September 1945 Constantine VOLKOV, an official of the Soviet Consulate in Istanbul, attempted to defect to the British, offering a catalogue of information concerning R.I.S. agents in return for money. Before the defection could be accomplished, VOLKOV disappeared. Knowledge of VOLKOV's offer to defect was confined, before his disappearance, to a limited number of Foreign Office officials and, [redacted]

[redacted] PHILBY was one of the [redacted] officers.

(b) The Case of Donald MACLEAN.

In April 1951 it was established that Donald MACLEAN was under strong suspicion of espionage and immediate investigation was undertaken by the Security Service. Knowledge of this operation was confined to

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a limited number of officers and secretaries in London

and to three officers and three secretaries in the British Embassy, Washington. PHILBY was one of the officers in Washington.

On 25th May, 1951, Donald MACLEAN disappeared and must now be presumed to have fled behind the Iron Curtain.

Throughout the week preceding the flight it was known in London that a further fortnight - later increased to three weeks - would elapse before the interrogation of MACLEAN. In Washington, however, it was assumed from the data available there that the interrogation would take place almost immediately.

It can therefore be said that if the Russians had an agent among the fully informed officers or secretaries in London, they would have known that MACLEAN was not in immediate danger; on the other hand, a fully informed agent in Washington would have advised them that he was.

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POINTS FOR CONSIDERATION IN THE CASE OF  
MR. H.A.R. PHILBY.

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1. PHILBY's early political record.

The facts on record in M.I.5 are that:

- a) In 1933, whilst at Cambridge, PHILBY was a member of the Cambridge University Socialist Society and a subscriber to the Communist periodical "Labour Monthly". In 1932 - 1933, while PHILBY and BURGESS were both at Cambridge, he was an associate of Guy BURGESS, whose open allegiance to Communism while at Cambridge has been established beyond doubt.
- b) In 1934 PHILBY married in Vienna Alice FRIEDMANN, <sup>(L134)</sup> nee KOLLMANN, a member of the Austrian Communist Party who, at the time he met her, was working for the International Red Aid or the International Workers Aid. A record of their marriage shows that it took place in Vienna on 24.4.34.
- c) The record of Alice PHILBY <sup>(L134)</sup> shows that in 1939, when she went to Paris, her passport bore an endorsement for a visit to Spain in 1938. In 1945 she was reported to be a friend of Edith TUDOR HART (Austrian-born, British by marriage, known to M.I.5 as a Communist since 1930 and reported to have worked for the Russian Intelligence Service in Vienna and Italy in 1932/33. Implicated in the GLADING case: the camera and photographic equipment found in his possession were bought through her. Became a member of the British Communist Party in 1949 <sup>3.7.1949</sup> when it was stated that she had been a member of the Communist Party since 1927). In 1946 <sup>L134</sup> further reports were received that Alice PHILBY was in close contact with numerous well-known Communists in London and Paris and in particular with Dr. Georg HONIGMANN, a well-known German Communist then employed by Reuters. Alice PHILBY <sup>L134</sup> left the U.K. in 1946 and in November 1946 was reported to be in Berlin. In February 1947 it was reported that she had married HONIGMANN in Berlin and it is believed

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that both are now living in the Soviet sector of Berlin.

- d) PHILBY and his wife returned to this country in 1934 and at the end of that year he attempted to set up a private press agency in partnership with an Austrian journalist H.P. SMOLKA @ SMOLLETT, a close friend of Alice PHILBY. SMOLKA was reported in 1930 to have Communist sympathies. He visited Russia in 1935 and again in 1936. In 1939 he stood as referee for Alice PHILBY when she applied for an Exit Permit for France. In 1941 he was again reported to be a Communist. Today he lives in Vienna and is reliably reported still to be a Communist.
- e) In September 1939 PHILBY wrote to the Passport Office asking that an Exit Permit for France for Alice PHILBY should be expedited in order that they might travel together to Paris to dispose of a flat.

PHILBY has made the following statements on the above points:

- a) He has denied that he himself was ever a Communist but admits that he was a Fabian Socialist while at Cambridge and that some of his contemporaries might have thought he was a Communist. He has failed to mention that he was a subscriber to the "Labour Monthly". He states that it is his 'positive recollection' that BURGESS was not a Communist or a member of the Cambridge University Socialist Society at the time that he (PHILBY) was at Cambridge, i.e. 1932/33, and that he only learned of BURGESS's Communist period and visit to Moscow in about 1935.
- b) He admits that he knew his wife Alice to be a Communist when he married her. He has stated that their marriage in Vienna took place hurriedly in April 1934 two or three weeks before his return to this country. He claims that, under his influence, she moved away from Communism after they came to England, that their marriage broke up in 1936 and that they finally separated in 1937 when he went to Spain.

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- c) He did not mention that Alice PHILBY visited him in Spain in 1938. There is no evidence that she did so when she went to Spain and he was not questioned on this point. He claims that he knows nothing of her career after their separation, beyond the fact that she went to France.
- d) He has admitted a fairly close association with SMOLKA from 1933 - 1936, which arose from his wife's friendship with Lotte SMOLKA, and led to their attempt to set up a private business together in 1934. He says that he saw little of the SMOLKA's after 1936 and that he has never met him since September 1941.
- e) Only after being confronted with the evidence did he admit that, at her request, he had written to the Passport Office on Alice PHILBY's behalf, but he states that he has no recollection of the incident and that she presumably asked him for assistance to get to France in order to liquidate the possessions in her flat. On further questioning he admitted that he visited her in Paris two or three times in 1937/38.

In assessing PHILBY's early political record it has to be decided what importance should be attached to the facts that:

- i) PHILBY should have married a woman he knew to be an active Communist and should have been prepared to go into business with a man he must have known to be a Communist.
- ii) PHILBY should so far have forgotten his relations with his first wife as to omit reference to meetings after their separation.
- iii) PHILBY should claim to have no knowledge of his wife's political record after their separation.

(The normal M.I.5 attitude to early near-Communism or close association with Communists is to regard it as having a bearing on current assessment in the absence of any positive evidence of a change of views. Since PHILBY has been employed for ten years in S.I.S. such evidence may be available there.)

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2. Facts reflecting upon PHILBY's discretion and judgment.

(1) In 1948, and again in 1950/51,

PHILBY accepted BURGESS as a guest, first in Istanbul and then in Washington. It is known that in Washington PHILBY introduced BURGESS freely to his professional contacts. PHILBY acted in this way despite the fact that he knew BURGESS had been a Communist, that he was a homo-sexual and that he had strong anti-American opinions which he did not hesitate to express. It has therefore to be decided whether PHILBY was justified, on the score of friendship, in exposing his own department to the discredit which his association with BURGESS could bring upon it.

(ii) It has been reported by C.I.A. that PHILBY drank heavily whilst in Washington. Even before he went to Washington PHILBY was on occasions an exceedingly heavy drinker.

(iii) Donald MACLEAN was a contemporary of both PHILBY and BURGESS at Cambridge; he was then a close friend of BURGESS and a fellow Communist sympathiser. Donald MACLEAN's brother Alan, moreover, was a close friend of BURGESS in 1951 and it is on record that this friendship was known to PHILBY. When therefore PHILBY was informed that Donald MACLEAN was under suspicion he might have been expected to volunteer:-

- a) that he had known MACLEAN.
- b) that MACLEAN had been a friend of his guest BURGESS.
- c) that MACLEAN's brother was a current friend of his guest BURGESS.

In fact he volunteered none of this information, neither to his own [redacted] nor to the Security Service officer, Mr. Patterson.

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✓ Copies in PF. 604,584 PEACH  
PF. 604,582 BLUNT

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TOP SECRET AND STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL

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

B.K. said that PHILBY 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, PHILBY 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 FLANAGAN's.

PF. 604,636

B.4.  
12.7.51

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P.F. 60,558.

NOTE FOR FILE.

I rang [redacted] in connection with the attached traces on Annie DIXON who is apparently carded in this office at the request of B.26. I asked [redacted] if he could provide any information on this person.

[redacted] rang back to say that the only traces they had of her was their own copy of the B.26 vetting enquiry. It would appear from this that she was at one stage considered for employment but had not been taken on.

From the C.I. card in our registry it will be seen that Annie DIXON was in January 1944 living at an address in Dudley Hill, Bradford. She was apparently considered by B.26 for employment as a clerk at that time. Her N.R.I.C. No. was KBPK/200/3 and she was born in Bradford on the 14th May 1924.

B.2.a.  
11.7.51.

*A. F. Burbidge*  
A. F. Burbidge

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FOR STOTT

July 5, 1951

DONALD DUART MACLEAN  
GUY FRANCIS DE MONCY BURGESS

Reference is made to your memorandum SS/01 dated June 30, 1951, and the enclosed report relative to this case. We do appreciate the comprehensive report and have found it to be of considerable interest. There are a few points on which we would like to comment and ask for clarification. On pages 9 and 10 it is pointed out that in 1940, H. A. R. Philby joined the British Intelligence organization which was the forerunner of S. O. E. and Philby became Burgess' assistant. Your report states it is believed that Burgess made very little secret of the fact that he had contacts with Communists and pro-Russian circles and that they might be of value to the allied cause. You pointed out he was taken seriously as evidenced by the fact that in 1940 he was allowed to get as far as the United States in company with Isiah Berlin on a good-will mission to Moscow which was later called off. You stated this matter was being investigated further. We are interested in the above from the following three standpoints:

1. Did Philby know of Burgess' contact with Communist and pro-Russian circles?
2. Where does Isiah Berlin fit into the good-will mission? Has he been interviewed?
3. Why was it necessary for the two men to come to the United States en route to Russia and did they make contacts in the United States in furtherance of the project?

With respect to the report from another Government Agency that one of Philby's sisters is a Communist, we would like to know if you are endeavoring to run down this allegation and we would like to know the outcome.

H. A. R. Philby must have had considerable knowledge of the association between Burgess and Eric Kessler, both in England and in the United States. We are endeavoring to develop further data concerning Kessler and would like further details regarding Kessler as known to Philby. We would also appreciate further information developed by you concerning Kessler's activities in London in the period 1936 to 1939. We note from information furnished by you that John Lehmann who was interviewed was suspicious of Kessler and his contacts in London.


P.F. 604558 ✓

B.5. Mr. Storrier.

Please refer to your F.118/137 dated 5th July 1951.

I would be grateful if you would obtain Food Office,  
particulars for me of Annie DIXON, Flat 3, Albany Court, 1  
Prince Albert Road, London, N.W.1.

B.2.a.  
11.7.51.

  
A. F. Burbidge

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BRITISH EMBASSY  
WASHINGTON

PF.95(R)

July 5, 1951

*ASM*  
Dear Arthur,

*PF 604584/B2b/AS17*

*4HA*

Thank you very much indeed for sending me your consolidated report under cover of your L.305/Govt/42/B.2b/ASM dated July 2, 1951.

PF604.582

This has been a great help to me and I am happy to say that I am confident that I have been able to quell any misgivings we may have had. 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 while employed with British Intelligence.

*PF 604 589.*

What you modestly call "disconnected snippets" have also been gratefully received both by me and by the F.B.I. As I mentioned in a previous letter Mickey is most anxious that you should provide Cimperman's office with a few further snippets to show that the flow of information continues during Cimperman's and my own absence from our respective stations. I left the Bureau late this evening and Betty will no doubt type this tomorrow morning. We sail from New York tomorrow, and I look forward very much to seeing you on the 16th.

Yours ever,

A.S. Martin Esq.,

Dictated by G.T.D. Patterson

*B2b/AN7  
25-757*

W.T.S. to see  
seen para 2. 46B  
Reference

B.2.A. 8/9/7 WTS-para 2.

PF604584  
Ext para 2 to PF604538.

Action para 1.

Para 2 to be added for Lady  
Maclean's return.

TOP SECRET

B.2. 9/7

B.2.A. - To see

1. In connection with the investigations into PHILBY's background, the following action might provide us with more information on his relations with his first wife after the time that he alleges they separated:

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to  
PF604620

PF 658961

i) When Alice PHILBY applied for an Exit Permit for France in September 1939 she gave as one of her references Michael Stewart, 21 Fitzroy Square, London, then employed at the Ministry of Information. (See copies of her passport papers at 10a). I believe there is a Michael Stewart now working who may be identical, but in any case I think we might try and establish the identity of her referee with a view to questioning him about the relations at that time of Kim and Alice PHILBY.

PF604558  
CURZON

2. I remember that when Skardon saw Lady Maclean shortly after Donald Maclean's disappearance that she said that, at the time that Donald came down from Cambridge, he went off to France for a holiday with some of his college friends. On his return he told her that he had been mistaken about his Communist sympathies. If Skardon has occasion to see Lady Maclean again, I think he might ask her if she can remember with whom Donald went on holiday at that time so that we may see whether we have records for any of them.

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D.B. D.G. White  
9.7.51.

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## EXTRACT.

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 Original in File No.: FF.604589/Supp. Vol. Serial: 2b Receipt Date: 7.7.51  
 Original from: T.C. on FLANAGAN Under Ref.: No.2149 Dated: 6.7.51  
 Executed on: 12.7.51 by: EMM Section: B.2.

Outgoing call by FLANAGAN to RALEIGH.

FLANAGAN said Charles (Probably Charles DUNDAS) had rung him this morning and told him he was distressed and worried about the RALEIGHs, so he was ringing to find out how they were. He asked whether it was just that life was being a bit tiresome. RALEIGH said "No, no. Not at all." RALEIGH suggested that FLANAGAN spoke to Margy. First, FLANAGAN took the opportunity to ask about an edition of Dostoevsky's letters which he wanted to send to someone who had been kind to him in Triests. Margy assured FLANAGAN that she was perfectly all right. He asked about RALEIGH, but it was difficult for Margy to say much in front of RALEIGH. Margy asked after Beatrice and invited them both to come at the weekend. FLANAGAN said it was impossible this weekend but that they might come the Sunday after. He would tell RALEIGH on Monday. FLANAGAN asked Margy to tell RALEIGH that if it were raining on Monday PEACH would join them. If it were fine, PEACH would be at Lord's. Margy said it would do RALEIGH good to see FLANAGAN. RALEIGH was very worried. FLANAGAN said he should not be. Margy declared that it was no good doing other people's worrying for them. FLANAGAN would try to distract RALEIGH by putting things in a more frivolous and brutal light.



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TOP SECRET.

PF.604558/D.B.

5th July, 1951.

I undertook to let you have a copy of the covering letter from the D.G. to General Bedell Smith to the report supplied to the C.I.A. This is attached.

B26/1111  
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Receipt for TOP SECRET Document. 45b.

To be signed by the recipient and returned immediately to:—

Box 500, PARLIAMENT STREET B.O., LONDON, S.W.1.

TOP SECRET Document/Package Reference No. PF.604558/DB. *Noted in R1*

Dated 5.7.51. Sect DB. *1st 6/7*

Despatched to:— [redacted]

Date 5.7.51.

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*4.7.51.* Signature [redacted]

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*AB 9/7*

*b2 to see* *Shannon JCH 1977*

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You will see that Annie DIXON produced a trace which it is said should be referred to B.26 (F.O). Noone is quite clear what this means, but I think it is a case which calls for a look up [redacted] and I suggest the best way of doing this would be for B.2. to take it up

You will remember that 1 Prince Albert Road is the address of one of PEACH's sisters.

B.2.a.  
7.7.51

*H. T. Reed*  
H. T. Reed

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4th July 1951

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Re:- Albany Court, 1 Prince Albert Road,  
London, N.W.1.

Voters' List particulars for the address quoted are:-

Flat 1.	X BRANDON	Florence X	NT.
	X BRANDON	Ronald X	NT.
Flat 2.	X JONES	Elizabeth X	See h.
	X MYERS	Wilfred S. X	See h.
	X MYERS	Alice E. X	See h.
	X SHAW	Arthur E. X	
Flat 3.	X DIXON	Annie X	See h.
	X STEEN	Frances L. X	NT.

The National Registration Office for the London area has no record of a man named ENGELBACH registered as living at 1 Prince Albert Road, N.W.1.

lo.

B.2.A. (Mr R.T. Reed)

*Mr R.T.*

P.F. 604558

CURZON

See 40a.

Further to our report F.118/133 of 27.1951.

*Storrier*

B.5.  
5.7.51  
F.118/137

D. Storrier

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P.F. 603816

P.F. 604588

P.F. 604584

P.F. 604598

## EXTRACT.

MORRIS, Harry

PENLAKOV

FRIDTHER

MILIKI ✓

PHILPOTS

44C

Extract for File No. .... Name: .....

Original in File No. .... P.F. 604584 - BURGESS V.A. .... Serial: 2274 .... Receipt Date: .....

Original from: B.2./JRB .... Under Ref.: .. ... Dated: 3.7.51.

Extracted on: 1.8.51. .... by: WS .... Section: B.2./JRB

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.

HILBY, Kim. (P.F. 604584).

Final conclusion on case depends on further research and on continued current investigation by B.2.a.

Subject of T.C. S.F. to be imposed on move to new premises which is expected in near future.

~~B2. 182B. (Ham)~~

I have updated this letter to D.G.

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TOP SECRET & PERSONAL

22/6/51

BRITISH EMBASSY  
WASHINGTON

5 JUL 1951

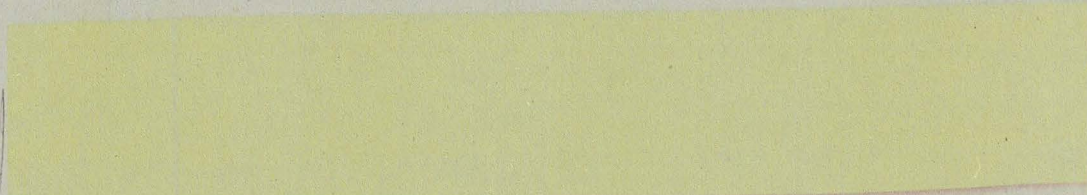
PF.95(R)

July 3, 1951

My dear Dick,

Would you please refer to your PF.604558/B.2/JCR (undated) with which you sent me your composite report on Philby's case.

I duly presented this report to Mr. Ladd of the F.B.I. and also passed on to him the views expressed in the second paragraph of your letter. I understand that both Ladd and Mr. Hoover have seen the report, and it is now being studied by Lamphere who will no doubt have some questions for us in due course.



The F.B.I. were very pleased to receive this report as it provides evidence of our complete frankness towards them. They are also very grateful for the flow of interview reports which Arthur has sent over. Many of them were, of course, of no direct interest or value to the F.B.I., but volume really does matter. Mr. Hoover can thus be assured of our co-operation on a day to day basis.

Having read the Philby report Lamphere again asked me if we had cause to be suspicious of Maclean before his disappearance, but I was able to satisfy him that Maclean was only one of 20 odd suspects and that his disappearance, coupled with the

*Maclean*

D.G. White Esq., C.B.E.,  
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additional recovery which you received on May 28th had put him immediately in the category of No.1. suspect.

Lamphere is also worried about the suggestion that Kim Philby must have been aware in 1940, at which time he was working as Burgess' assistant, of Burgess' Communist activities during the 1930s. The F.B.I. will want to know whether Philby reported this to his masters.

I leave in three days time for the U.K. and look forward to visiting Head Office.

Our relations with the Bureau appear to be excellent, and there is no doubt that Mr. Hoover was duly flattered by the D.G.'s visit. Arthur had one tough day during his visit to the F.B.I., but he obviously came out of it very well.

I am fairly certain that the F.B.I. will not want to have another M.I.6 representative accredited to them, and if a new man comes out they will expect C.I.A. to sponsor him. Any dealings which the F.B.I. may wish to have with M.I.6. will therefore be conducted through Cimperman or through M.I.5., either locally or in London. This policy is not, of course, official, but I merely report the views expressed by certain senior F.B.I. officials. I am not aware of Mr. Hoover's own views.

Yours ever,

*Leighton*



4th July 1951

44A

L.U.

see h. 629/7

Re: ~~X~~ LUCY A. FRANKLIN ~~X~~  
2 Culross Street  
London, W.1.

Food Office particulars of the above-named woman are:-

N.R.No. C.M.A.S. 170/1

Born 17.2.1871

Nationality. British

Moved to present address on about 13.11.1945 from Mogador House, Lower Kingswood, Surrey.

so.

B.2.A. (Mr R. T. Reed) <sup>sm</sup>

Your memo., PF. 604,584 of 30.6.1951 refers.

*D. Storrier*

D. Storrier

B.5.  
5.7.1951  
F.118/136

Miss Crooks.

Please L.U again as date of birth of this woman seems very different from trace put up.

Adreed

B2a  
6.7.51.

(same address as T.C.)  
(if come).

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BOX No. 500,  
PARLIAMENT STREET B.O.,  
LONDON, S.W.1.

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A

REQUEST FOR PASSPORT OR PERMIT PAPERS.

PASSPORT AND PERMIT OFFICE,  
DARTMOUTH STREET, S.W.1.

May we please borrow:—LATEST PASSPORT FILE  LATEST PERMIT FILE

(Mark item(s) required.)

for the following:—

OUR FILE No.: PF. 604,584

SURNAME: PHILBY (possibly now ENGELBACH)

*Please see*

CHRISTIAN NAMES: Helena Verna

*Fo 955665/10*

PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH: Camberley  
18.8.24 ~~Woking~~ Surrey

*File attached*

PROFESSION: :

Received 2.7.51

ADDRESS: (Last known) 18 Accl Road, N.W.6.

\*PARTICULARS OF  
TRAVEL ABROAD:

\*NUMBER AND DATE  
OF PASSPORT:

Section.....B.2.a.....

Signature.....A.H. Crooks for.....

R.T. Reed.

Date.....29.6.51.....

\* Where known.

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... as to J.A.M. ...  
... 2nd July, 1951.  
...  
PP. 60, 581/B. 2. b/ASM

Dear Geoffrey,

I promised before I left to try to pull together all the threads of the BURGESS/MACLEAN investigation in order that you could present a consolidated report to the F.B.I. Last week my heart bled for you as I received your series of requests for any scraps of information which you could pass to them. I knew only too well what you were feeling. I hope that what I was able to pass on helped to quell any misgivings they may have had, or at least to make your visits easier. Nevertheless - apart from the PHILBY report - they were only dis-connected snippets and not I think of any real value to the F.B.I.

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 this office, and secondly to try to put the whole problem into perspective.

With regard to the first object, we have deliberately picked out the names of PHILBY, [REDACTED] and REES even though we have no evidence that any of them, apart from REES, had even the remotest connection with Soviet espionage. We do regard them as the most urgent cases under investigation, but we would not

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normally have passed our suspicions to the F.B.I. at so early a stage. We are doing it simply to allay the probable violent reaction from the F.B.I. should they discover for themselves that these four close friends of BURGESS all had connections with British Intelligence. It is therefore of the greatest importance that in presenting this paper to the F.B.I. you should make it absolutely clear that we have no grounds at present for suspecting that any of them have worked for the Russians while employed in British Intelligence. Indeed, I think the best way of presenting their cases to the F.B.I. is to cite them as examples of the large scale and very urgent research work with which we are faced. Which brings me to the second purpose of the paper - to put the investigation into perspective.

We are doing all that we can to cover the tasks shown on the accompanying paper under the headings (a), (b) and (c). Each of them is important, but it is unlikely that any single immediate step that we can take will provide a solution. We do not see any point therefore in passing to the F.B.I. the day-to-day papers which represent the work we are doing on this aspect. Certainly we will appeal to the F.B.I. if it does seem that they will be able to help, and certainly we will pass to them any worth-while advances which we may make. Can you explain to them, therefore, that because we are not exchanging masses of paper it does not mean that we are concealing information from them or that we are lying down on the job. Indeed, I think they will appreciate, having read the report on PHILBY, that we do not intend to conceal anything from them.

If, added to that explanation, you can point out the urgent tasks that face us under heading (d) and which naturally must absorb a very high proportion of our time, I hope that you will be able to leave them next Friday convinced that we are fulfilling our share of the bargain.

(sgd) A.S. Martin

G.T.D. Patterson Esq.,  
 British Embassy,  
 WASHINGTON, D.C.

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30th June, 1951.

This is a brief account of the results so far obtained from investigations resultant upon the disappearance of Donald MACLEAN and Guy BURGESS, and of the lines along which further investigation will be directed.

Four main lines of enquiry have been pursued:

(a) to discover the present whereabouts of MACLEAN and BURGESS.

Despite the most exhaustive enquiries among relatives and associates of both men nothing has come to light to show their intentions when they left or their present whereabouts. This enquiry is, of course, continuing and any information received, either of direct significance or with a U.S. bearing, will be passed to the F.B.I. at once. It is not proposed, however, to pass the day-to-day details to the F.B.I.

(b) to discover whether and, if so, how MACLEAN was warned of the possibility of security action being taken against him.

From analysis of statements made by friends of both MACLEAN and BURGESS and from M.I.5 observation of MACLEAN it seems probable, though not certain, that the plan to leave England was conceived on or very shortly before Wednesday 23rd May 1951. If it was the result of warning it is of course possible that the decision to leave was reached after an indefinite period of debate. On the other hand, friends of BURGESS have remarked that he appeared to be agitated during the last two days before he left and his temperament is hardly that to withstand a long period of indecision without revealing some marks of it to his friends. On the whole, it seems more likely that, if a warning was received, it reached one or other in London rather than that it reached BURGESS while in Washington.

No progress has been made in tracing the source of the leakage - if leakage there was - but a tentative theory has been advanced in the memorandum dealing with the questioning of Mr. H.A.R. PHILBE.

(c) to investigate the espionage activities of MACLEAN and BURGESS.

Nothing has come to light to indicate that any of the known associates of MACLEAN were involved in his espionage activities. Similarly the statement of Morgan Geronvy REES remains the only firm evidence that BURGESS was engaged in espionage from 1934 to 1939.

It is considered that this aspect of the investigation must start from a thorough re-examination of all cases of suspected espionage in the U.K. since 1934. This task is already in progress.

(d) to re-examine the security records of all early associates of BURGESS.

This is by far the largest task and, since some of them now hold important positions in British Government service, it is also the most urgent.

Morgan Geronvy REES has stated that, when BURGESS apparently

.../changed his

changed his political views in 1934, most of his old friends deserted him. REES has named three who remained his friends despite the change in his political views. They are:

H.A.R. PHILBY

Well known to the F.B.I. A report on the examination of PHILBY has been passed to you.

[ PF604582.  
Prof. A.F. BLUNT ]

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

REES himself has not yet satisfied us that he has been completely frank. He has been employed, part-time, since the War. There is at present no evidence that any of them (other than REES, whose position vis-a-vis BURGESS is described in his own statement, of which you have a copy), has at any time been engaged in espionage.

It must of course be recognised that the continued association of these persons with BURGESS, at a time when his Communist friends had deserted him, may mean no more than that they themselves were non-political, or at any rate not Communists. Nevertheless full investigation is being made of these four persons and research is being carried out into their past associations.

Apart from these four, we have compiled a very long list of persons with whom BURGESS became closely associated later in his career. They include persons of whom both we and the F.B.I. already have traces:

- e.g. Baroness Mura BUDBERG
- Gerald HAMILTON
- Alexander HALPERN
- Rolf KATZ
- Eric KESSLER
- James KLUGMAN
- Frederick KUH
- H.P. SMOLKA @ SMOLLETT

Their records are being re-examined.

The majority of his close associates, however, have no traces in our records. We are enquiring about each in order to assess the nature of the association.

It will be appreciated that none of these tasks - unless the unexpected happens - can be completed quickly. We will keep the F.B.I. informed of any significant developments under headings (a), (b) and (c), and we will, of course, advise them should any of our findings under (d) raise serious security doubts.

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PA Reach

2nd. July 1951.

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L.U.

Re: Helena Verna ENGELBACH nee PHILBY

x ccc to 3/7 MSP

The following particulars have been obtained from the maintenance card of the above:

Name: ENGELBACH Helena Verna  
Born: 18.8.1924  
N.R.No: E J C C 3471

Moved to 1 Prince Albert Road, N.W.1. from 18 Acol Road, N.W.6. on 11.7.1949.

EBW

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B.2.A. ( Mr. R.T.Reed )

ml 2.7.

PT. 604558

CURZON.

As spoken.

Storrier

D. Storrier.

B.5.  
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F.118/133.

BS are trying to trace Mrs Engelbach.

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PF. 604,584

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Could you please get me Food Office particulars for: -

Lucy FRANKLIN, (See Supp. Vol. serial 10)  
2 Culross Street, W.1.

B.2.a.  
30.6.51

*R. T. Reed*  
R. T. Reed.

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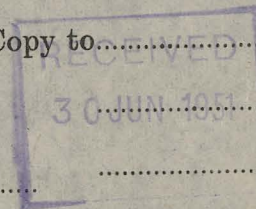
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Signed A. S. Martin

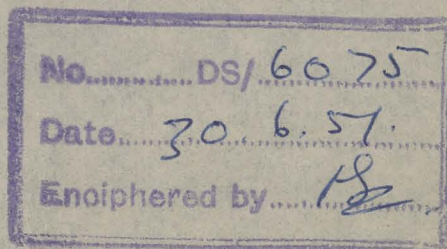
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Reference your letter No. PF. 95 of 26.6.51  
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1. Your para 4. Letter follows.
2. Your para 5. D.G. was informed of para 1 (a) of your WASH/73 but wished to study evidence before commenting. Comments now embodied in memorandum on PHILBY.



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Extract for File No.: PF.604584 Name: PEACH  
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PHILBY report despatched 28.6.51 by F.O. Bag No.496.

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EXTRACT.

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Subject for File No.: PF.602584 Name: PEACH  
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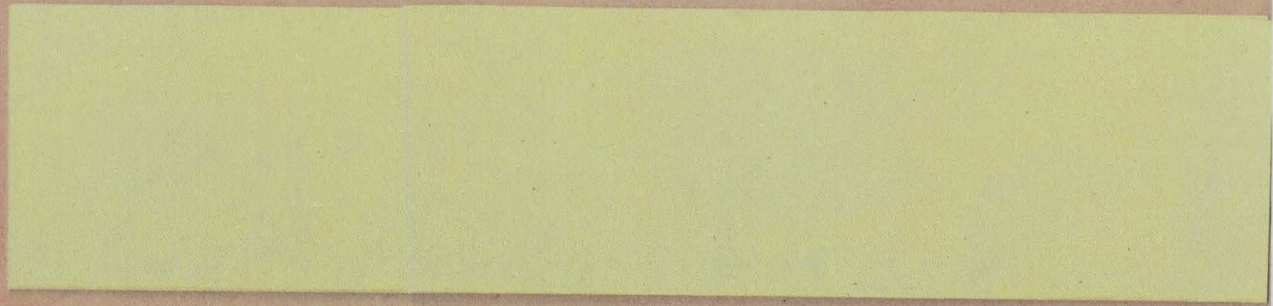
... You will now have received my Wash/73 of today's date which I sent off to you this afternoon.

It is difficult to forecast exactly what will happen out here. There is no doubt in my mind that Mr. Hoover will order a full-scale investigation of Philby's activities while he was out here, and it will thus be necessary to give them every help we can. I lunched with Mickey Ladd today and he was as depressed as I am at recent developments.

At the time of writing I have received nothing at all from London since your departure and Bob Lamphere is beginning to get rather agitated. As I mentioned in yesterday's letter he will have to write a day to day report for the Director, and in it he is bound to say that the F.B.I. have received nothing whatever from the British for about a week. It is perfectly obvious that we must have interviewed a lot of people in the U.K. and it is difficult for the F.B.I. to understand why we have not forwarded the relevant reports. I personally feel that we cannot wait to assess or evaluate everything before we pass it on, but for the sake of speed should adopt the F.B.I. tactics of forwarding all reports of interrogations as soon as they are available.

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NOTE FOR THE FILE.

B.5. were asked for particulars of the occupants of No. 1 Barton Rd., W.14, as it was thought that another of PEACH's sisters lived there. One of the occupants was known to be a Mr. Glen MILNE, and it was thought that the "Pat" who was presumably his wife, had the maiden name of PHILBY.

This was proved to be correct and the papers have been removed to PF 604,672 (MILNE).

(B.2.B. note dated 28.6.51. and B.5 minute dated 29.6.51.).

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Form 81

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LANHAN/BIKERS 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 BLISK, [redacted] and BLANT. As we increase the scale of coverage of these persons, I intend accordingly to reduce it in some of the more and less significant cases.

Ideally, it would be very desirable to have S.F. in the case of all four the individuals just mentioned. This is likely, however, to be very difficult, but we hope to be able to make use of this source in the case of [redacted]

In all four cases, however, I consider that our principal concern should not be of further interrogation and my recommendation is that [redacted] BLANT should in due course be interviewed at length, not only about their knowledge of BIKERS, but also about their own past histories, on the same lines as those which have been pursued in the case of BLISK.

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