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[redacted] stated he then asked himself why he should be willing to give his life for the Communists to stop Fascism when Russia was signing friendship treaties with the Fascists. He stated he has had absolutely no contact with the VALB or any Communists since about 1940.

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[redacted] examined a photo of MORRIS COHEN. He stated he does not recall ever having seen the person in the photo. He also advised the names MORRIS COHEN, [redacted] and [redacted] mean nothing to him.

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[redacted] stated he did not know many men on the "Ausonia", but he did know [redacted]. He stated he knew [redacted]

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 stated he has not been
contacted by any VALB members or Soviets since his
return from Spain. He displayed a completely
cooperative attitude.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-406659)

FROM: SAC, DETROIT (100-25066)

SUBJECT: MORRIS COHEN, was.;
LONA COHEN, was.
ESPIONAGE - R
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Referenced NY airtel noted that MORRIS COHEN was employed by Amtorg Trading Corp. (ATC), NYC, subsequent to his employment at the Soviet Pavilion to the Worlds Fair in 1939.

The following individuals residing in the vicinity of [redacted] when contacted by SA [redacted] advised that the pictures of MORRIS and LONA COHEN were entirely unfamiliar to them as individuals observed as residing or visiting in that neighborhood area: [redacted]

- 3 - Bureau (100-406659)
- 2 - New York (100-103389) (AIR MAIL, REGISTERED)
- 2 - Detroit

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[REDACTED]

After observing the photos of MORRIS and LONA COHEN, [REDACTED] advised that these individuals were entirely unknown to him by names or pictures. He pointed out that ATC employed numerous individuals and as a result the employees in most instances did not become acquainted with their fellow associates. He could suggest contacting no other ATC employees other than one [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

NY may desire, if not already handled, to identify, locate, and interview [REDACTED] regarding Subject.

NY, if deemed advisable, in the event your investigation determined the specific dept. or office of ATC in which COHEN was employed, advise DE, and [REDACTED] will be recontacted to determine whether he can recall the names of any other ATC employees in that specific dept, in order that they be contacted.

[REDACTED] while employed by ATC, the Russian employees did not associate with the Americans and at no time was the CP mentioned [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] appeared friendly and indicated that Bureau representatives should not hesitate to recontact him re any matters in which he could be of assistance.

No further action being taken by Detroit.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-406659)

DATE 7/30/58

FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55567)

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SUBJECT: MORRIS COHEN, was.;
LONA COHEN, was.
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(OO: NY)

(Rpt is ser 1059)

Enclosed are appropriate copies of the report of SA [redacted] dated and captioned as above, at Los Angeles. Also enclosed for the Bureau and New York is one copy of a photostat titled "Company C, 241st Q. M. Service Battalion." This is a menu of a Christmas dinner, December 25, 1942, and gives the names of the members of the above outfit. This was furnished by [redacted] Enclosed for Albany is the photo furnished by Albany for display to [redacted] by Albany report, 6/2/58.

REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] 5/16/58 at Los Angeles.
Report of SA [redacted] 7/9/58 at New York.

ADMINISTRATIVE

This report is classified "~~CONFIDENTIAL~~" because it pertains to a Soviet Intelligence operation.

The Bureau has instructed that all leads in this case must be given expeditious handling.

[redacted] when contacted by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] announced she would not be visiting New York this summer. She also stated that upon reflection, she believes she could not comfortably discuss with [redacted] the subject of MORRIS COHEN.

The identity of the New York Agents and the date they received the manifest of the "SS AUSONIA" for 12/20/38, is not known to Los Angeles.

Let's send items for Paris

Let's Paris

- 2 - Bureau (Encls. -6)(REGISTERED)
- 2 - Albany (65-2251)(Encls. -3)(REGISTERED)
- 3 - New York (100-103389)(Encls. -4)(REGISTERED)
- 2 - San Francisco (105-5932)(Encls. -2)(REGISTERED)
- 2 - Los Angeles

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cc [redacted]
8-8-58

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Referenced report of SA [redacted] sets forth a lead to locate [redacted]. By airtel 5/22/58, Los Angeles advised that as of 1950 [redacted] believed to reside at [redacted] Boston received a copy of this airtel. b7c

Photos of [redacted] were furnished to the New York Office by Los Angeles airtel 6/6/58. They were furnished the New York Office for display to [redacted] b7c

LEADS

ALBANY DIVISION

AT ALBANY, NEW YORK

Will return, or arrange for return, of photo enclosed to the Albany Division for return to [redacted] b7c

NEW YORK DIVISION

AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK

Will, if not already done, attempt to locate and interview [redacted] mentioned by [redacted] as being a close friend of COHEN; also, [redacted] mentioned by [redacted] b7c

SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

AT SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

If not done previously, consider reinterviewing [redacted] re COHEN in light of information given by [redacted] and [redacted] (report of SA [redacted] 5/16/58 at LA, pg. 25.) b7c

LA 100-55567

LOS ANGELES DIVISION

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

1. Will continue to follow logical leads in an effort to locate subjects of instant case.

2. Will, when Bureau permission obtained, interview the following members of the ALB, re COHEN:

a. [REDACTED] (present address unknown). b7c

b. [REDACTED]

c. [REDACTED]

d. [REDACTED]

3. Will, when located, interview [REDACTED]

[REDACTED], an individual who may have participated in sports with COHEN at Mississippi State in 1932. (See NY airtel, 7/9/58.) b7c



COMPANY C

241st Q. M. Service Battalion



Wishing You

A Merry Christmas

and

Happy New Year

1942

A Message from

CAPT. ALAN H. RAUGHLEY

1ST LT. A. R. COX, JR.

2ND LT. FRANK DeSCIPIO

We are pleased to take this opportunity to extend to all personnel of Company C our best wishes for a pleasant holiday and for the year to come. We wish that we may depend upon your loyalty and devotion to duty in carrying on the daily duties of your Company, and in performing any tasks which may arise during the present emergency.

Alan H. Raughley

A. R. Cox, Jr.

Frank DeScipio



DECEMBER 25, 1942

Compliments of the Staff

Cdr. H. M. ... Sgt. M. J. ...

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CAPTAIN

Alan H. Roughley, Commanding

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A. R. Cox, Jr.

SECOND LIEUTENANT

Frank DeSena

FIRST SERGEANT

Morris A. Wharton

SUPPLY SERGEANT

Robert W. Barber

COMPANY CLERK

Corporal Milton Dorfman

MESS SERGEANT

John M. Kozewicz

COOKS

Sgt. Tony D. Scarpino
Sgt. A. Shumanowitz
Sgt. Angelo Lamina

Cpl. Joseph J. Powers
Cpl. Frank Richter

Plt. Philip G. V. J.
Plt. Anthony M.
Plt. G. A. M.

SERGEANTS

Dr. J. Barnett

Alfred J. Brown

Dr. J. K.

CORPORALS

Kenneth Brownell
Karl K. Fisher
Joseph Eubank
Vincent A. Miller

Ed. and F. Ferguson
Louis A. Polino
Theodore Dietrich
Julius Schaefer

Frank A. Miller
Joseph H. W. J.
John J. J.
A. J. J.

PRIVATES FIRST CLASS

Charles M. Benson
Samuel Chitties
Charles A. Clayton
Morris A. Cohen
William J. Cornwell
Joseph F. Fuchsler
Walter F. Friedman
Bernard Galanter

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Robert Jones
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Robert A. Lester

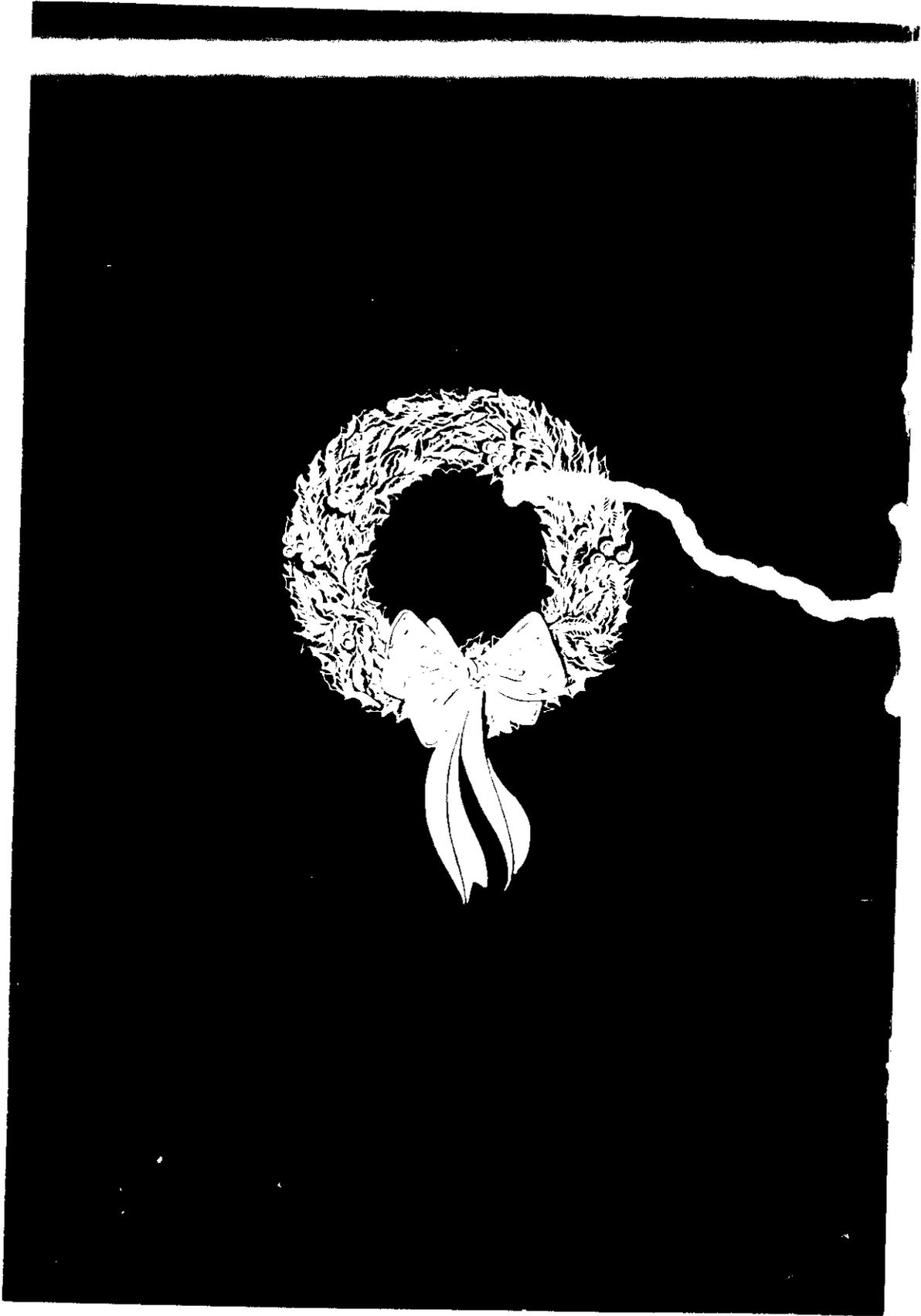
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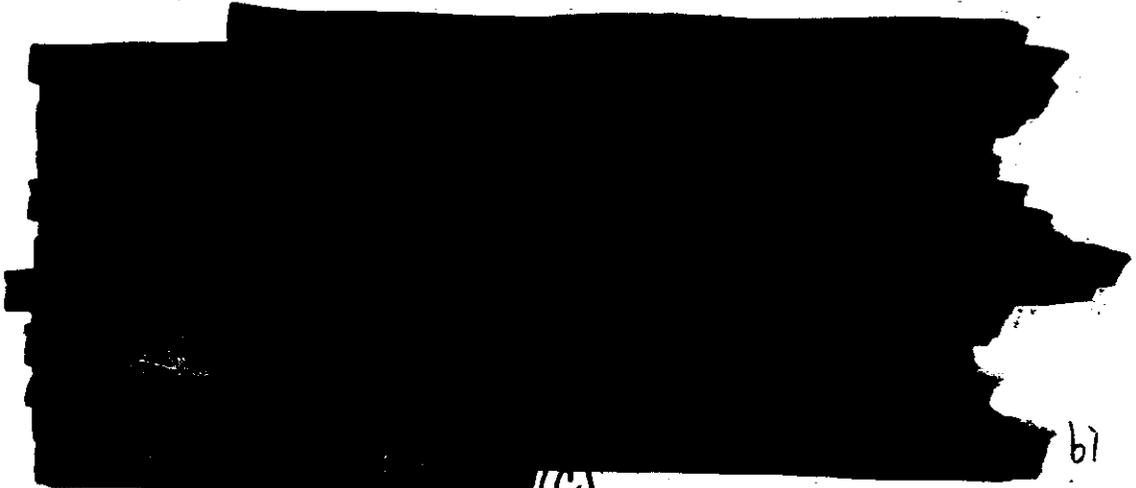
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MORRIS COHEN, was.
LONA COHEN, was.
ESPIONAGE - R

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ReBullets dated 6-19-58 and 7-28-58.



Enclosures (2)

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Morris Cohen, with aliases
Lona Cohen, with aliases

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NOTE: Classified ~~Confidential~~ since it pertains to efforts to locate Morris and Lona Cohen who are believed to have been involved in espionage with Rudolf Abel. Unauthorized disclosure of this information might jeopardize our efforts to locate these subjects. During the investigation to locate the Cohens we have been interviewing former Army buddies of Morris Cohen. One of these men, [REDACTED] furnished information concerning friends Cohen made with [REDACTED]

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Reporting Office PITTSBURGH	Office of Origin NEW YORK	Date 7/31/58	Investigative Period 5/14, 19, 22; 6/2, 18; 7/8, 1
TITLE OF CASE MORRIS COHEN, was.; LONA COHEN, was.		Report made by [REDACTED]	Typed By: [REDACTED]
		CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R	

Synopsis:
 [REDACTED], unable to furnish any pertinent information concerning Army association with MORRIS COHEN. [REDACTED] unable to be located at Clarksburg, W. Va. *b7c*

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DETAILS:

The identity of the following individual was determined from review of a booklet entitled "3233 Quartermaster Service Company" which was furnished the New York Office by [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] that he joined the 3233 Quartermaster Service Company at Camp Edwards, Mass., after this Company returned from Canada and Alaska. He identified a photograph of COHEN but stated he was only casually acquainted with him. He said their conversations only involved topics of general interest and never involved politics. He has neither seen nor heard of COHEN since leaving military service. He advised he had no information relative to any civilian friends or associates COHEN may have developed in Europe and has no information where COHEN may be presently located. He also advised he has no photographs of COHEN. b7c

The identity of the following individual was determined from a list of names and addresses of men who served in Company C, 241st Quartermaster Battalion, made available by [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] advised on May 14, 1958, that he could locate no record of [REDACTED] residing in Clarksburg, W. Va. b2 b7c

A review of the Voters Registration records of Harrison County, Clarksburg, W. Va., May 14, 1958, by SA [REDACTED] disclosed no registration for [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] Clarksburg, W. Va., Police Department, and [REDACTED] West Virginia State Police, Clarksburg, advised on May 14, 1958, their records disclosed no information concerning [REDACTED] b7c b7d b7e

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-406659)

DATE: 7/31/58

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TO : SAC, PITTSBURGH (100-13113)

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SUBJECT: MORRIS COHEN, was.;
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(OO: New York)

Enclosed for the Bureau and New York are five and three copies, respectively, of the report of SA [redacted] dated 7/31/58, at Pittsburgh, together with five and three copies, respectively, of a letterhead memorandum of the same date reflecting the reliability of the source used.

REFERENCES

Report of SA [redacted], Pittsburgh, 5/26/58.
Report of SA [redacted], Indianapolis, 6/12/58.

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Careful consideration has been given to the source concealed in this report and a T symbol was utilized only in that instance where necessary.

[redacted] is [redacted] Clarksburg, W. Va.
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AT VERDUNVILLE, W. VA. (LOGAN COUNTY)

Will reinterview [redacted] on the basis of information furnished by [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 100-13113

July 31, 1958

MORRIS COHEN, was. ;
LONA COHEN, was.
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Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] b7c
[REDACTED] dated July 31, 1958, at Pittsburgh.

[REDACTED] utilized in referenced report, has furnished reliable b2
information in the past.

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SAC, NEW YORK (65-17492)

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Re report of SA [REDACTED] 2/25/58 at NY,
NY letter, 3/10/58, and Los Angeles letter, 6/10/58.

Reference letters submitted recommendations con-
cerning [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] in order to attempt to determine the present
whereabouts of LONA and MORRIS COHEN. In this regard,
it will be recalled [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

1. [REDACTED]

2. [REDACTED]

3. [REDACTED]

- 1-Bureau (65-34966)
- (1-100-406659) (LONA COHEN, was. MORRIS COHEN, was.)
- 1-New York (100-103389) (LONA COHEN, was. MORRIS COHEN, was.)
- 1-New York [REDACTED]
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4. [REDACTED] b1

5. [REDACTED] b7c

6. [REDACTED] b7c
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7. It is believed that if cooperative, subject could furnish details of her association with MORRIS COHEN and possibly furnish information concerning his present whereabouts.

In addition, if cooperative, she may be able to furnish information concerning [REDACTED] b7c

8. Bureau authority is requested to interview the subject in accordance with existing instructions relating to interviews of Security subjects.

If the subject appears cooperative, no affirmative steps will be taken during initial interview to direct her activities and complete background investigation required by Section 107 - C will be conducted and the Bureau will be requested to authorize recontact with subject as a PSI.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-406659)

DATE: 8/7/58

FROM : SAC, NEWARK (100-39327)

SUBJECT: MORRIS COHEN, was.
LONA COHEN, was.
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OO - New York

Re LA letter, 7/23/58, enclosing photos of [redacted] to be displayed to [redacted]

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On 7/31/58 the photographs of [redacted] were exhibited to [redacted] who advised that he could not recognize them as being of the unknown man he observed [redacted]

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- 2-New York (100-103389) (RM)
- 2-Los Angeles (100-55567) (RM)
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Date: 8/8/58

Mr. Tolson	
Mr. Belmont	
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Mr. Nease	
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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-40659)

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (100-103389)

SUBJECT: MORRIS COHEN, was;
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ReNYairtel to Bureau dated 7/11/58 which contained information re [redacted] and [redacted]

[redacted] was interviewed [redacted] by SAS [redacted] and [redacted] at which time he furnished the following information:

[redacted] does not know MORRIS COHEN by name or photograph. He advised that he has never seen COHEN associating with either [redacted]

[redacted]

- 3 - Bureau (100-40659) (RM)
- 2 - New Haven (100-15936) (RM)
- 1 - New York [redacted]
- 1 - New York (100-103389)

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Re: first line "NH"

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Approved: [Signature] Special Agent in Charge

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-406659)

DATE: August 8, 1958

FROM : SAC, ST. LOUIS (65-2025)

SUBJECT: MORRIS COHEN, was.;
LONA COHEN, was.
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Rerep SA [redacted] St. Louis, dated 7-31-58
and New York airtels dated 7-23-58 and 7-30-58.

Inasmuch as it has been determined that [redacted]
is not identical with MORRIS COHEN, no further investigation
remains to be conducted by the St. Louis office.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (100-406659)

FROM: SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-55567)

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Rebuairtel 8/4/58.

[redacted] states ^{CALIF.}
never met MORRIS or LONA COHEN. Was able to identify
1947 passport photo as being MORRIS COHEN by reason of the
fact that she had observed photos of MORRIS COHEN in
apartment of parents in New York City. Says photo bears no
resemblance to UNSUB whom she saw visiting COHEN after death
of COHEN's mother. ^{b7c}

Rebulet 6/25/58 and Buairtel 8/5/58. ^{214 945} ^{200 1055}

[redacted] interviewed. Refused to discuss CP. ^{SPAIN}
Admitted membership in ALB [redacted]
March, 1937 to 12/20/38 when returned to U. S. on SS AUSONIA. ^{CALIF.}
[redacted] Did not know ^{b7c}
COHEN. Stated he [redacted]
and was in Northern section of Spain. Did not recognize names
of others who returned on same ship. ⁴⁰⁰

Re New York report of SA [redacted] dated 8/4/58
disclosing COHEN probably applied for a second certified copy
of his birth certificate on 1/24/51. ^{b7c}

It has previously been set forth that he applied for
a certified copy on 4/11/47 and this first copy was probably
used by the Soviets to make a forged copy of a birth certificate

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Special Agent in Charge

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for ABEL. If not already done, it is suggested that New York request Boston to carefully check files at Adams, Mass., where LONA COHEN was born 1/11/13. If LONA COHEN also obtained a certified copy in 1951, the certifications may have been used by the Soviets to forge birth certificates for both LONA and MOORIS so they could obtain U. S. passports under different names in 1951 or for other purposes of establishing identity of the COHENS or others.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-406659)

DATE: 8/11/58

FROM : SAC, NEW YORK (100-103389)

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ReBulet to NY, dated 5/26/58, which granted authority to interview [redacted] from Spain on the "Ausonia" with MORRIS COHEN.

A review of the NYO indices indicates that [redacted] served in the ALB under the name [redacted] and returned to the US on the "Ausonia" with MORRIS COHEN.

A check of Con Edison, [redacted] criminal, welfare, Blue Cross, motor vehicle and election records during June, 1958, revealed no record of [redacted]

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It may be noted that this disappearance of [REDACTED] bears certain similarities of MORRIS COHEN. They both served in the ALB, they returned on the same ship, they were both CP members, and this membership was not known to the NYO. Their parents died and they did not attend the funeral and they disappeared suddenly without warning, leaving all of their personal property.

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There is no known connection between MORRIS COHEN and [REDACTED] and there is no tangible evidence that [REDACTED] entered the CP underground or Soviet Intelligence as MORRIS COHEN did. Therefore, no further action will be taken in this matter in the COHEN investigation.

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However, a copy of this communication has been prepared for the NYO section handling SM-C investigations for ~~consideration~~ and possible investigation to determine if [REDACTED] did enter either the CP underground or Soviet intelligence, as his disappearance might tend to indicate.

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LONA COHEN, was.
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Re NY airtel to Bureau, dated 7/3/58, which indicated that NYO would interview [redacted] UACB. *ser 992 b7c*

Re Bureau airtel, dated 5/28/58, which granted authority to interview [redacted] who returned from Spain on the "Ausonia" with MORRIS COHEN. *ser 999 b7c*

All investigation by NYO in an effort to locate [redacted] and [redacted] has proved negative. It is believed that those names were probably fictitious ones, which were used by the ALB. *b7c*

UACB, NYO will take no further action to locate and interview [redacted] *SP 10/11/58 b7c*

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TITLE OF CASE MORRIS COHEN, was.; LONA COHEN, was.		REPORT MADE BY [REDACTED] b7c	TYPED BY [REDACTED]
		CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE - R	

SYNOPSIS:

Records of Chicago Office failed to reflect [REDACTED] in contact with MORRIS COHEN during past eight years.

[REDACTED] Files of Chicago Office regarding American Student Union failed to reflect any information pertaining to MORRIS COHEN [REDACTED] recalled [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] as individuals who went on pass from Wiemar, Germany to Liege, Belgium in 1945. Could not recall MORRIS COHEN as being on this pass. [REDACTED] recalled name of town where COHEN made civilian friends while in Europe as Welkenradt (phonetic) located on border of Belgium and Germany. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

ellow student of MORRIS COHEN at Mississippi State College, recalls him by name and identified photograph of him. Recalls him as likable individual who kept to himself and referred to by fellow students as "ABE". Recalls COHEN visited with [REDACTED] and friendly with student [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] while attended Mississippi State. knew of no Communist associates or Communistic statements made by COHEN while at Mississippi State, and possessed no information as to present whereabouts. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] recalls COHEN while attending Mississippi State talking of Communist Party (CP) and insisting could see nothing wrong with it. Can recall no specific statements but recalls COHEN very outspoken in this regard and openly spoke in favor of CP. His belief COHEN held these views prior to attendance at Mississippi State and feels brought them with him from New York University. Knows of no one at Mississippi State who shared COHEN's feelings in this regard and never knew of COHEN's attendance at CP meetings or attempting to organize such activity while at Mississippi State. Recalls COHEN friendly with student [REDACTED] at Mississippi State and his recollection COHEN instrumental in influencing [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Recalls COHEN also friendly with [REDACTED] and student [REDACTED] Has not seen COHEN since Mississippi State school days. Met [REDACTED] in New York City about 1938 or 1939, and [REDACTED] had stated COHEN then still interested in CP movement. Could supply no further information in this regard.

[REDACTED] knew of no associates of COHEN's considered Communists. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] recalls COHEN as "equipment manager". Recalls as quiet, likable individual referred to as "ABE". Recalls COHEN friendly with [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Has not seen COHEN since college school days. In 1937, heard from a then professor at Mississippi State, now deceased, that COHEN while attending University of Illinois did some park speaking on behalf of the Negro. Knew of no associates of COHEN at Mississippi State considered Communists and knew of no Communistic statements made by COHEN. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] recalls MORRIS COHEN by name and identified photograph of him. Could furnish no further information regarding COHEN

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DETAILS:

Investigation conducted herein was at Chicago, Illinois, unless otherwise indicated.

The following organizations utilized in this report have been designated by the Attorney General of the United States pursuant to Executive Order 10450:

- Communist Party, USA (CP)
- Young Communist League (YCL)

ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE MORRIS COHEN THROUGH [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] (c) b1

The records of the Chicago Office failed to reflect any information indicating contact between [REDACTED] and MORRIS COHEN in the past eight years. [REDACTED]

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ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE
MORRIS COHEN THROUGH

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The records of the Chicago Office failed to reflect any information indicating a contact between [REDACTED] and MORRIS COHEN in the past eight years.

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A pretext telephone call on July 11, 1958, made to the Drover Motor Sales, Barrington, Illinois, Dunkirk 1-4466, disclosed that there is a [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED]

The records of the Chicago Office reflect no information concerning [REDACTED] b7c

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ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE MORRIS COHEN THROUGH REVIEW OF INFORMATION PERTAINING TO AMERICAN STUDENT UNION

The American Student Union has been cited by the Special Committee on Un-American Activities, Annual Report, HR 2, January 3, 1939, Page 80, as a Communist front which was "the result of a united front gathering of young Socialists and Communists in Columbus, Ohio in 1935. The Young Communist League took credit for the creation of the organization which offered free trips to the Soviet Union. It claimed to have led as many as five hundred thousand students out in annual April 22nd strikes in the United States.

The records of the Chicago Office regarding the American Student Union failed to reflect any information pertaining to MORRIS COHEN.

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ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE MORRIS COHEN THROUGH REINTERVIEW OF INDIVIDUAL WHO SERVED IN ARMY WITH HIM

[redacted] who served with MORRIS COHEN in the Army, advised that he can recall only the following individuals other than [redacted] as among those who went on pass from Wiemar, Germany to Liege, Belgium in 1945:

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[redacted] cannot recall MORRIS COHEN as among those on this pass. He stated that [redacted] had traveled with the group from Wiemar to Liege, but upon arrival at Liege he and an unrecalled individual had gone by train to Ferwez (phonetic), Belgium, and at the termination of the pass had again traveled to Liege in order to return to Wiemar with the group.

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[redacted] on one occasion COHEN, while in Europe, had made friends with civilians in a town, the name of which he could not recall.

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[redacted] recalls the name of this town as Welkenradt (phonetic), located on the border of Belgium and Germany with parts of the town located in each country.

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ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE MORRIS COHEN THROUGH [redacted]

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[redacted] recalls [redacted] as residing at that address, and believes that they moved in about 1952, to an unknown address.

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[REDACTED] had resided at [REDACTED] for a long while and might know the present whereabouts of [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] had resided at [REDACTED] about one year ago, at which time [REDACTED] had present address [REDACTED] advised that she recalls [REDACTED] and recalls that they moved sometime in 1952. She advised that about two months subsequent to their move she met [REDACTED] in the neighborhood and he had told her that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] he stated [REDACTED] but she was [REDACTED] indicated that they were then residing [REDACTED] possibly in the 1500 block, exact address not recalled.

[REDACTED] at that time [REDACTED] was a very elderly and feeble man and she would not be surprised if he too had since died. She advised that she could supply no information regarding [REDACTED]

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A pretext telephone call on June 27, 1950, to [REDACTED] disclosed [REDACTED]

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The files of the Chicago Office failed to reflect information precluding interview of members of the [REDACTED] family.

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ATTEMPTS TO LOCATE MORRIS COHEN THROUGH FELLOW STUDENTS AT MISSISSIPPI STATE COLLEGE, STARKVILLE, MISSISSIPPI

[REDACTED]

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He stated that he recalls MORRIS COHEN's attendance at Mississippi State and identified a photograph of him.

[REDACTED] described COHEN as an individual who devoted a great deal of time to books and who appeared to be a deep thinker. He stated that COHEN associated a good deal with athletes in his capacity as trainer, but was an individual who did not participate in varsity sports because of a lack of natural ability. He advised that COHEN was a likable individual who kept to himself and was referred to by fellow students as "AME".

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[redacted] recalls that COHEN, while at Mississippi State, had visited with [redacted] by the name of [redacted]

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[redacted] could not state how closely the two were associated.

[redacted] further recalls that COHEN, while attending Mississippi State, had been friendly with a student [redacted] who was from New York City and who graduated in 1957. He advised that he is unable to state how closely the two were associated, but he recalled that they were at least friendly. He advised that he could furnish no information as to the present whereabouts of [redacted]

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[redacted] also recalls that COHEN had been friendly with [redacted]

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[redacted] is unable to state how closely the two were associated, but does recall that COHEN held [redacted] in high esteem and seemingly idolized him in a manner akin to hero worship. He advised that he could furnish no information as to the present whereabouts of [redacted]

[redacted] the correct spelling for [redacted] and that he presently resides at [redacted]

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[redacted] can recall no other professors or students with whom COHEN had been friendly while at Mississippi State.

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He advised that he has not seen or heard of COHEN since he (COHEN) left Mississippi State, and he could furnish no information as to his present whereabouts. He further advised that he knows of no one with whom COHEN associated at Mississippi State who might be considered Communist, and that he does not recall any statements made by COHEN which would indicate that he was Communistically inclined.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois
August , 1958

In Reply, Please Refer
to File No. 100-32027

MORRIS COHEN, with aliases;
LONA COHEN, with aliases
ESPIONAGE - R

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent *bv*
[redacted] at Chicago, dated and captioned as above.

All informants mentioned in referenced report have
furnished reliable information in the past, [redacted] *[C]*
[redacted] who are in positions to furnish information set out
herein. *b.*

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[redacted] has not heard from COHEN nor has he received any information concerning COHEN since [redacted] graduated from the college in the early 1930's. [redacted] to his knowledge, COHEN never associated with persons who were considered to be Communists and, as a matter of fact, he knew no persons at the college who were considered to be Communists at that time. [redacted] had never heard COHEN make any statements which would indicate that he was Communistically inclined.

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[redacted] it was his recollection that COHEN at that time was single and he believed he roomed in the athletic dormitory by himself. He stated that COHEN's only interest seemed to be sports and he has no recollection of COHEN being closely associated or particularly friendly with any certain students.

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[redacted] questioned concerning the identity of persons who knew COHEN at the college whose names do not appear on the list contained in referenced letter, and he stated that the only persons whom he thought might have been acquainted with COHEN and whose names do not appear on the list, were [redacted]

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[redacted] was from Philadelphia, Mississippi. [redacted] did not recall [redacted] given name.

[redacted] mentioned that [redacted] were probably acquainted with COHEN. [redacted] was unable to furnish the exact addresses of these individuals but believed that these addresses could be obtained from Mississippi State College records. These persons were listed by [redacted] as follows:

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Information available to the Knoxville Office does not reflect whether or not these [redacted] or [redacted] have been interviewed concerning COHEN. If the Memphis Office has

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not interviewed these individuals it is requested that their whereabouts be ascertained from Mississippi State College records and appropriate leads set forth to have them interviewed.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-406659)
FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (100-32027)
SUBJECT: MORRIS COHEN, was.;
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O.O. NEW YORK

DATE: 8-11-58

Classified by *S/P B. J. [unclear]*
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Enclosed herewith are five copies of the Chicago report of SA [redacted] dated and captioned as above, together with five copies of a letterhead memorandum. *b7c*

REFERENCES

New York airtel to the Director dated 5/27/58. *air 852 b7c*
Report of SA [redacted] dated 6/21/58, at Albany. *air 883*
New York letters to the Director dated 6/4/58 and 7/9/58. *air 988*
Chicago letters to the Director dated 6/26/58, 7/23/58 and 7/31/58.
Chicago airtel to the Director dated 7/3/58. *air 950*
Cleveland letter to the Director dated 7/25/58. *air 1031 1049*

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Enclosed report contains results of interviews and other investigation which developed leads in other field divisions. No leads are set forth in this report since these leads have been set forth in previous Chicago communications to these divisions. *b7c*

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The death records at the Bureau of Vital Statistics were reviewed by Investigative Clerk [REDACTED] b7c

The pretext used regarding [REDACTED] was a pretext [REDACTED] and was made by SA [REDACTED] b7c b7E

The pretext used to determine [REDACTED] address in 1950, is unknown. It was made by SA [REDACTED] b7c

This report is classified confidential since data reported from [REDACTED] could reasonably result in the identification of confidential informants of continuing value and compromise future effectiveness thereof. (C) b1

Careful consideration has been given to each source concealed and T symbols were utilized only in those instances where the identities of the sources must be concealed.

It is noted with regard to [REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] No specific lead is being [REDACTED] for the Cleveland Office to check the telephone [REDACTED] inasmuch as it has been determined there is no such number as [REDACTED] utilized in that area. b7c

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LEADS

THE ALBANY, CLEVELAND, SPRINGFIELD AND
DENVER DIVISIONS - INFORMATION

Inasmuch as the above Divisions have investigation which ties in with that conducted in Chicago they are being furnished one copy of the enclosed report.

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INTERVIEW REPORT

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Date 8/5/58

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] he stated that he recalls COHEN by name, and he identified a photograph of COHEN. He advised that he recalls COHEN as a trainer.

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COHEN would talk of the Communist Party (CP) and always insisted that he could see nothing wrong with it.

[REDACTED] cannot recall any specific statements made by COHEN but does recall that COHEN was very outspoken in this regard and openly spoke in favor of the CP. [REDACTED] as far as he knew COHEN held these views since his attendance at Mississippi State College and [REDACTED] had always assumed that he had brought them with him from New York University, which he had attended prior to Mississippi State College. He stated that he especially felt this to be true since he knows of no one at Mississippi State who shared the feelings of COHEN in this regard, and he never knew of COHEN attending any Communist meetings or attempting to organize such activity while at the college.

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[REDACTED] knew of no professors with whom COHEN had been friendly while at Mississippi State. He advised that COHEN had been friendly with another student, [REDACTED] and he also felt that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] had been friendly with COHEN.

[REDACTED] it was his recollection that COHEN had been instrumental in influencing [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] has not seen COHEN since school days at Mississippi State.

Interview with [REDACTED] File # 100-32027
on 7/23/58 at Chicago, Illinois Date dictated 8/1/58
by Special Agent [REDACTED]

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[redacted] while in New York he had met [redacted] and had been invited to his home for dinner. He advised that he accepted [redacted] invitation, and during the conversation that evening COHEN's name had come up and [redacted] had indicated that COHEN was then still interested in the CP movement. He advised that he could supply no further information in this regard. He stated that he is unable to recall the whereabouts of [redacted] residence and could furnish no information as to his present whereabouts. He advised that he is of the opinion that [redacted] had resided in the Bronx and possibly was, at that time, living with his parents, names unrecalled.

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[redacted] it is his opinion that [redacted] did not share COHEN's views with regard to the CP, and that [redacted] was against the CP.

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[redacted] knew of no associates of COHEN at Mississippi State who were considered to be Communists.

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[redacted] that it is his recollection that COHEN had also been friendly with a student [redacted] who was from Chicago and who attended Mississippi State for about six months or a year. [redacted] could furnish no information as to the present whereabouts of [redacted]

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On July 23, 1958, a check of the Chicago Suburban Telephone Directory, 1958 - 1959, disclosed that [REDACTED] b7c

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[REDACTED] he recalls MORRIS COHEN well by name and identified a photograph of him. He advised that he recalls COHEN as "equipment manager" for the varsity athletic teams. He stated he recalls him as a very quiet, likable individual from New York City whom fellow students referred to as "ABE". b7c b7D

He stated that he recalls MORRIS COHEN had been friendly with [REDACTED] b7c b7D

[REDACTED] He advised that he is unable to state how closely associated the two were, but he recalls that because of their respective positions they did have various dealings together.

[REDACTED] has not seen COHEN since school days at Mississippi State. He stated that in about 1937, he had heard from a then English professor at Mississippi State, first name unknown, COOPER, now deceased, that MORRIS COHEN while attending the University of Illinois had done some park speaking on behalf of the Negro. b7c b7D

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[REDACTED] never knew MORRIS COHEN to associate with persons who were considered to be Communists while at Mississippi State. He stated that he knew of no such individuals at Mississippi State during his attendance there. He further advised that he had never heard MORRIS COHEN make any statements while at Mississippi State which would indicate that he was Communistically inclined. b7c
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On July 24, 1958, a check of the Chicago Suburban Telephone Directory, 1958 - 1959, disclosed that [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] he recalls MORRIS COHEN by name and identified a photograph of him. He stated that he recalls COHEN because of the fact that COHEN had been a trainer [REDACTED] b7c
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[REDACTED] can furnish no information concerning COHEN. He advised that he is unable to recall any professors or students with whom COHEN had been friendly, and stated that he has not seen COHEN since school. He advised that he knew of no individuals he considered to be Communists while at Mississippi State, and knew of no statements made by COHEN while at Mississippi State which would indicate he was Communistically inclined. He further advised that he is unable to recall the identity of any persons who may have known COHEN at Mississippi State. b7c
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TO : Director, FBI (100-406659)

DATE: 8/13/58

FROM : SAC, Knoxville (65-564)

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SUBJECT: MORRIS COHEN, was;
LONA COHEN, was.
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Re New York letter to the Director 7/9/58, which contained a lead for the Knoxville Office to interview [redacted] and [redacted]

to ascertain if these former acquaintances of COHEN at Mississippi State College had any information regarding current whereabouts of subjects.

[redacted]

It is requested that the Detroit Office interview [redacted] at the above address. For assistance in this interview one copy of New York letter to the Director dated 7/9/58, is enclosed for Detroit.

[redacted] was interviewed by Special Agent [redacted]

[redacted] he was at that time acquainted with MORRIS COHEN who was a student at the college and was the trainer for the Athletic Department. [redacted] COHEN was known at that time by the nickname "ABE" COHEN. [redacted] was unable to recall any professors or students with whom COHEN was particularly friendly. [redacted] shown the photograph of COHEN and stated he recognized the photograph as that of subject.

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SAC, New York (100-103389)

August 18, 1958

Director, FBI (65-65296)

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**USE OF A PHOTOGRAPHIC INDEX TO EFFECT
THE IDENTIFICATION OF ILLEGAL INTELLIGENCE
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NYlet 7-7-58 captioned "Morris Cohen, was,
Lona Cohen, was, Espionage - R" and WFOlet dated 8-7-58
captioned as above.

The Bureau has given consideration to suggestion
set forth in your letter of 7-7-58 and appreciates
the thought and preparation which you devoted to this
suggestion. However, in view of the results of the
inquiries made at State Department by WFO the Bureau
is of the opinion that your suggestion is not practicable.
Therefore, no further action will be taken concerning
this suggestion.

1 - Washington Field (100-28397)

1 - 100-406659 (Morris Cohen)

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NOTE: NYlet 7-7-58 submitted suggestion to Bu to the
effect that Bu establish a photographic index. This
photographic index would be comprised of sought after
individuals and compared on a daily basis with photographs
of individuals making application for passports. NY suggested
that maybe arrangements could be made with State Dept. to obtain
on a daily basis a copy of the photograph of these individuals
making application for passports. WFO was requested to
make certain inquiries at State Dept. and also submit their
observations concerning NY's suggestion. Referenced WFO let
stated that in the opinion of WFO the suggestion of setting up
a photographic index containing passport photographs is not
practicable in that it would involve placing an undue amount of
effort on the passport office; would necessitate a revision by
executive order of passport regulations (this referring to
NY suggestion to have State request 3 passports instead of 2
at the time of application for passports) it would involve
a substantial expenditure to place the suggestion into continual
operation at the Bu. WFO states that these considerations are
viewed in the light of whatever favorable results might be
anticipated from the suggestion. WFO also advised that
during the calendar year 1957, a total of 579,590 passports
renewals and applications were received by State, and that this
in passport regulations for the year 1958 in view of the recent chan

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-406659) DATE: 8/14/58

FROM : SAC, MIAMI (65-2751)

SUBJECT: MORRIS COHEN, was.; ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
LONA COHEN, was. HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
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Re New York airtel to Bureau dated August 5, 1958. *NEW 1056*

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[redacted] was interviewed by SA [redacted]

[redacted] was shown pictures of MORRIS and LONA COHEN and given descriptive data regarding MORRIS COHEN. He stated, after viewing picture of MORRIS COHEN, that he could truthfully say that he had no recollection of COHEN whatsoever. [redacted] had served with the Abraham Lincoln Brigade during the war in Spain and had returned to the United States aboard the "Ausonia". He also stated that all the Americans who had served in Spain had come back on this ship and there were many aboard that he did not know. *b7c*

[redacted] had never been on the staff of the ALB magazine "Volunteers for Liberty" or a writer for the magazine as such. He stated that when World War II broke out he enlisted in the U. S. Army and served until after the end of World War II. He advised that while in the U. S. Army he had written many letters to "Volunteers for Liberty" which letters had been published, but he had never been employed by or compensated by the magazine. *b7c*

[redacted] in retrospect, he now regrets his connections with the Communist Party and ALB and if he had his life to live over, he would not have *b7c*

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the University of Illinois known or suspected of being
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (100-406659)

DATE: AUG -7 1958

FROM : SAC, SPRINGFIELD (65-946)

*o-1 Salt Lake City
Surp 10-22-58*

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SUBJECT: MORRIS COHEN, was;
LONA COHEN, was.
ESPIONAGE - R
OO: NEW YORK

*o-1 Salt Lake
let to NY 9/1/58
R.H.C.*

Re Chicago letter to Director 6/26/58. *rev 950*

[REDACTED]

University of Illinois directory lists

[REDACTED]

Urbana, Illinois Post Office, advised that carrier's records reflect the only persons receiving mail at

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] that he has no knowledge of [REDACTED] ever having been associated with any individual or group at

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- 2 - New York (100-103389) (RM)
- 2 - Salt Lake City (65-1258) (RM)
- 1 - Albany (65-2251) (info) (RM)
- 1 - Cleveland (105-2285) (info) (RM)
- 1 - Denver (100-8103) (info) (RM)
- 2 - Springfield (65-946)

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associated himself with these organizations. He stated he has had no Communist Party connections or activities since he went into the Army and he ceased his ALB connections upon his discharge in 1946.

[REDACTED] could not recall ever having known [REDACTED] and he has no information regarding him.

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known family background information concerning [REDACTED] b7c
[REDACTED] pertinent to the disability of an inter-
view with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] b7c

The Salt Lake City Division at Las Vegas,
Nevada is requested to identify subscriber to telephone
number [REDACTED] b7c

Interview with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]
being held in abeyance by the Springfield Division pending
authorization from the Bureau. b7c

Springfield indices negative re [REDACTED]

Information emanating from this case is not to
be incorporated in any correspondence for dissemination
outside the Bureau without prior Bureau authority.

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The University of Illinois Student Directory for the year 1938 reflects that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] the University of Illinois. The name [REDACTED] appears in the Student Directory beginning with 1937, 1938, 1939.

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED]

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appear on petitions in behalf of the American Student Union at the University of Illinois during 1938-39.

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It is to be noted that subject MORRIS COHEN was at the University of Illinois during one semester in the fall of 1935 and [REDACTED] did not enroll at the University of Illinois until 1937.

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The Chicago Division at Chicago will identify subscriber to telephone number Graceland [REDACTED]

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SAC, Springfield (65-946)

August 18, 1958

Director, FBI (100-406659)

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MORRIS COHEN, was.
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Reurlet 8-7-58.

It is noted you requested in relet information from Chicago pertaining to [redacted] and [redacted] which would be pertinent to the possible interviews of these persons. You also stated the interviews are being held in abeyance pending receipt of authority from the Bureau. When the requested information is furnished your office by Chicago, you should then submit your recommendations pertaining to these interviews.

- 1 - New York (100-103389)
- 1 - Chicago (100-32027)

(b) [redacted] bu
NOTE: Morris Cohen attended the University of Illinois and during the time he was there, [redacted] American Student Union in which organization Cohen was also active. New York requested Chicago to consider the possibility of interviewing [redacted] for info re Cohen. New York also requested Chicago to attempt to determine if [redacted] might have been in contact with Cohen. [redacted]

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TITLE OF CASE MORRIS COHEN, was.; LONA COHEN, was.	Report made by [REDACTED] <i>b7c</i>	Typed By [REDACTED]
	CHARACTER OF CASE ESPIONAGE ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 1/29/85 BY SP6 EJA/MLK	

Synopsis:
[REDACTED] re-interviewed on basis of information furnished by [REDACTED].
[REDACTED] During re-interview, [REDACTED] stated he could not recall rooming with COHEN and was unable to identify photograph of [REDACTED]. *b7c b7D*

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DETAILS:

[REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] that as a result of his service with the 3233 Quartermaster Service Company, he vaguely recalled COHEN. [REDACTED] had never worked with or been closely associated with COHEN. *FRANCE*
no discernible negative info
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BY [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] advised he was acquainted with COHEN as a result of service with the 3233 Quartermaster Service Company. He advised that in Berlin, Germany, COHEN resided in a room in an Army operated apartment house with [REDACTED]

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He said [REDACTED] associated with COHEN quite frequently and was on the same shift with him.

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[REDACTED]

During re-interview [REDACTED] advised SA [REDACTED] that he recalls serving with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] while in Germany, and may have roomed with them. To the best of his recollection, he never did room with COHEN and cannot specifically recall any of the men he roomed with other than [REDACTED]. He said [REDACTED] may have been assigned to a different Army outfit at that time and later went to work for Officers Sales Commissary. After viewing a photograph of [REDACTED] stated he could not recall her and could not recall any girl ever visiting his room while in Berlin. He also was unable to recall ever visiting a night club with COHEN. [REDACTED] stated that while overseas, he, on no occasion, made a trip to LeHavre, France, and did not return to the United States through LeHavre in 1946.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (100-406659)

DATE: 8/12/58

Handwritten initials: JFM

FROM : SAC, Pittsburgh (100-13113)

SUBJECT: MORRIS COHEN, was.;
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(OO: New York)

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Enclosed for the Bureau and New York are five and three copies, respectively, of the report of SA [redacted] dated 8/12/58, at Pittsburgh. Also enclosed for New York is one copy of a photograph of [redacted] and one copy of a photograph of [redacted]

REFERENCES

Report of SA [redacted] Pittsburgh, 7/31/58
Chicago letter to the Bureau, 7/31/58 *ser 1047*

ADMINISTRATIVE

Referenced Chicago letter set forth a lead for the Pittsburgh Office to interview [redacted] Pittsburgh airtel to Bureau, August 31, 1958, reported the results of interview with [redacted]

The following additional information was furnished by [redacted] but does not appear pertinent to this investigation at this time. This information is being set forth for consideration of the New York Office, as of possible future lead value:

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] to the best of his recollection,
and COHEN were good friends [REDACTED]

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1 - Mr. Lee

MORRIS COHEN, aka;
LONA COHEN, aka

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There is attached one copy of a photograph of the
fingerprints of Lona Cohen, which were taken under her maiden
name of Lontina T. Petka.

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Enclosure

2 - London (65-966)

1 - Foreign Liaison Unit (ROUTE THROUGH FOR REVIEW)

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They requested these fingerprints, as well as recent photographs and descriptions. The Cohens are the Americans who were arrested in England in 1961, charged with espionage and sentenced to prison terms. They were exchanged in 1969 for a British subject imprisoned by the Russians.

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- Walters _____
- Mohr _____
- Bishop _____
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Memorandum

TO : Director, FBI (100-406659)

DATE: 9/24/72

FROM : Legat, Hong Kong (65-7)

SUBJECT: ~~IRIS~~ IRIS COHEN;
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