

Basque Intelligence Service

Section II

Office of the Legal Attache
Buenos Aires, Argentina
May 9, 1946

SECRET-AIR COURIER

Director, FBI

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Re: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION

Dear Sir:

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There are enclosed herewith three envelopes of reports of the Basque Intelligence Organization in Buenos Aires addressed to Sr. Don JOSE ANTONIO de AGUIRRE, 30 Fifth Avenue, New York City. It is requested that the Bureau deliver these three envelopes to AGUIRRE at the Basque Delegation in New York in accordance with previous arrangements made with the Basque group in the United States.

It is pointed out that one of the three envelopes opens at the end and under the flap is a red capital "A". The Basques in the past have never marked the envelopes sent from Buenos Aires to New York via the Office of the Legal Attache so this mark might possibly be of some significance. It is being left to the Bureau's discretion as to whether this envelope and its contents should be examined for any secret writing or code. No mention of this mark has been made to the Basque Organization representative in Buenos Aires since it is not deemed advisable.

Very truly yours,

[Redacted signature block]

Legal Attache

Enclosure)

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FBI
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REPORT
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

June 3, 1946

To: **[Redacted]**
Legal Attache
Buenos Aires, Argentina

~~SECRET~~ - AIR COURIER

Following is the report of the FBI Laboratory giving the results of examinations conducted on evidence received from your office.

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Director

Re: Basque Intelligence Organization.

YOUR FILE NO. 66-101
FBI FILE NO. 64-23119 -326
LAB. NO. PC-17350 DF
CR-10104 BA
RECORDED & INDEXED 234

Examination requested by: **Addresses**

Reference: **Letter of 5/9/46**

Examination requested: **Chemical - Cryptographic**

Specimens: Q1, Envelope containing 17 pages of typewritten material.
Q2, Envelope containing 13 pages of typewritten material.
Q3, Envelope containing 14 pages of typewritten material.

RESULTS OF EXAMINATIONS:

Non-staining treatment revealed no secret ink on specimens Q1 through Q3. Cryptanalytic examination of specimens Q1 through Q3 revealed no code or cipher. Summary translations of this material are attached.

ENCL.

In accordance with your request, specimens Q1 through Q3 will be delivered to the Basque Delegation in New York.

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Carson
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Gurnea
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Tele. Room
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

COMMUNICATIONS SECTION
MAILED
2 - Buenos Aires
cc-SIS European Desk

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

50 JUN 19 1946

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Laboratory Work Sheet

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EXPEDITE

Re: **BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION**

File # *61-7319-*
Lab. # **PC-17350 DE**

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Examination requested by: [redacted], Legal Attache, Office of the Legal Att.

Buenos Aires, Argentina (66-101)

Date of reference communication: **letter 5-9-46**

Date received: **5-21-46**

Examination requested: **Chemical (Secret Writing)**

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [redacted]

Sent to [redacted]

6/7/46

Specimens submitted for examination

- ✓ Q1 One envelope containing seventeen pages of typewritten material.
- ✓ Q2 One envelope containing thirteen pages of typewritten material.
- ✓ Q3 One envelope containing fourteen pages of typewritten material.

PC-17350

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- Information pertained only to a third party with no reference to you or the subject of your request.
- Information pertained only to a third party. Your name is listed in the title only.
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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE

THE AMERICAN EMBASSY
MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY

Montevideo, Uruguay
May 6, 1946

~~SECRET~~ - AIR COURIER

Director, FBI

Re: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE
Administrative
(Bureau file 64-23119)

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ON... 5/21/88
26746

Dear Sir:

It is requested that the enclosed material from Confidential Informant [redacted] be furnished to Sr. JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE (RECUBE) in New York City, in accordance with previous arrangements made between the above-captioned service and the Bureau.

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A copy of this material has been furnished this office.

Very truly yours,

[Redacted signature block]

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DATE 11/19/88 BY [redacted]

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64-23119-327

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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE

THE AMERICAN EMBASSY
MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY

Montevideo, Uruguay
May 17, 1946

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~SECRET~~ - AIR COURIER

Director, FBI

Re: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE
Administrative
(Bureau file 64-23119)

Dear Sir:

It is requested that the enclosed material from Confidential Informant [redacted] be furnished to Sr. JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE (LECUBE) in New York City, in accordance with previous arrangements made between the above-captioned service and the Bureau.

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A copy of this material has been furnished this office.

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Very truly yours,

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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE
THE AMERICAN EMBASSY
MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY
Montevideo, Uruguay
June 5, 1946

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

~~SECRET~~ - AIR COURIER

Director, FBI

Re: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE
Administrative
(Bureau file 64-23119)

Dear Sir:

It is requested that the enclosed material from Confidential Informant [redacted] be furnished to Sr. JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE (LECUBE) in New York City, in accordance with previous arrangements made between the above-captioned service and the Bureau.

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A copy of this material has been furnished this office.

Very truly yours,

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Office of the Legal Attaché
Buenos Aires, Argentina
June 3, 1946

~~SECRET~~ - AIR COURIER

Director, FBI

RE: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION *Service*

Dear Sir:

There are enclosed herewith three envelopes of reports of the Basque Intelligence Organization in Buenos Aires addressed to Sr. Don JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE, 30 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

It is requested that the Bureau deliver these three envelopes to AGUIRRE at the Basque Delegation in New York in accordance with previous arrangements made with the Basque group in the United States.

Very truly yours,

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June 4, 1946

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DATE 4/19/84 BY SP-8 [redacted]

Director, FBI

Re: ⁰ BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE SP [redacted]
ADMINISTRATIVE

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Santiago letter to the Bureau dated May 23, 1945, which forwarded certain material received from the Basque Intelligence Service in Santiago.

There are inclosed herewith several additional items of information received from the Basques in Chile. It will be appreciated if the Bureau will forward this material to the Basque authorities in the United States.

Very truly yours,

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6/19/46
for delivery to my office

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FBI
30 JUN 25 1946
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52 JUL 2 1946
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Office of the Legal Attache
Buenos Aires, Argentina
June 14, 1946

~~SECRET~~ - AIR COURIER

Director, FBI

RE: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION
Administrative

Dear Sir:

There are enclosed herewith two envelopes of reports of the Basque Intelligence Organization in Buenos Aires addressed to JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE, 30 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

It is requested that the Bureau deliver these two envelopes to AGUIRRE at the Basque Delegation in New York in accordance with previous arrangements made with the Basque group in the United States.

Very truly yours,

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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE

THE AMERICAN EMBASSY
MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY
Montevideo, Uruguay
July 2, 1946

~~SECRET~~ - AIR COURIER

Director, FBI

Re: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE
Administrative
(Bureau file 64-23119)

Dear Sir:

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ON 5/24/88

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It is requested that the enclosed material from Confidential Informant [redacted] be furnished to Sr. JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE (LECUBE) in New York City, in accordance with previous arrangements made between the above-captioned service and the Bureau.

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A copy of this material has been furnished this office.

Very truly yours,

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Special Research Section
Buenos Aires, Argentina
July 2, 1946

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~~SECRET~~ - AIR COURIER

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Director, FBI

Re: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION
ADMINISTRATIVE

Dear Sir:

There is enclosed herewith an envelop containing copies of reports of the Basque Intelligence Organization in Buenos Aires addressed to Senor Don JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE, 30 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

It is requested that the Bureau deliver this envelop in accordance with previous arrangements.

Very truly yours,

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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE

THE AMERICAN EMBASSY
MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY
Montevideo, Uruguay
June 20, 1946

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~~SECRET~~ - AIR COURIER

Director, FBI

Re: ⁰ BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE
Administrative
(Bureau file 64-23119)

Dear Sir:

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ON 5/24/88
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It is requested that the enclosed material from Confidential Informant [redacted] be furnished to Sr. JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE (LECUBE) in New York City, in accordance with previous arrangements made between the above-captioned service and the Bureau.

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A copy of this material has been furnished this office.

Very truly yours,

[redacted signature block]

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Enclosure

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CONFIDENTIAL - AIR POUCH

Date: July 2, 1946
To: Legal Attache
Santiago, Chile
From: Director, FBI
Subject: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE

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DECLASSIFIED BY [redacted]
ON 4/17/14

b-1 [redacted] The Bureau has received by pouch from Santiago an envelope marked [redacted] containing what appeared to be reports by the Basque Intelligence Service, and it is assumed that that Service desires these reports be forwarded to Basque Headquarters in New York City.

b-1 [redacted] AS you know such reports from the Basques should be examined by your office and then transmitted with an appropriate cover letter to the Bureau with a request that they be forwarded.

It is desired, therefore, that you advise the Bureau immediately why these communications were sent in this fashion, and whether it is desired that they be forwarded to New York.

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Special Research Section
Buenos Aires, Argentina
July 10, 1946

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~~SECRET~~ - AIR COURIER

Director, FBI

Re: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION
ADMINISTRATIVE

Dear Sir:

There is inclosed herewith an envelope containing copies of reports of the Basque Intelligence Organization in Buenos Aires, addressed to Señor Don JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE, 30 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

It is requested that the Bureau deliver this envelope in accordance with previous arrangements.

Very truly yours,

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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE
THE AMERICAN EMBASSY
MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY
Montevideo, Uruguay
July 19, 1946

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Director, FBI

Re: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE
Administrative
(Bureau file 64-23119)

Dear Sir:

It is requested that the enclosed material from Confidential Informant [redacted] be furnished to Sr. JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE (LECUBE) in New York City, in accordance with previous arrangements made between the above-captioned service and the Bureau.

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A copy of this material has been furnished this office.

Very truly yours,

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Special Research Section
Buenos Aires, Argentina
July 26, 1946

~~SECRET~~ - AIR COURIER

Director, FBI

Re: ^① BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION;
ADMINISTRATIVE

Dear Sir:

There are enclosed herewith two envelopes containing copies of reports of the Basque Intelligence Organization in Buenos Aires, addressed to Sr. Don JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE, 30 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

It is requested that the Bureau deliver these envelopes in accordance with previous arrangements.

Very truly yours,

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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE
THE AMERICAN EMBASSY
BOGOTA, COLOMBIA

July 18, 1946

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Director, FBI

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Dear Sir:

I am enclosing herewith [redacted] attached
which has been prepared by Confidential Informant [redacted]
concerning [redacted]

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It is appreciated that [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] however, it is being submitted to the Bureau for
its study and possible use.

Very truly yours,

[redacted signature]

Legal Attache

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ON 5-24-88

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Enclosure

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ENCLOSURE BEHIND FILE
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Section 552a

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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE

THE AMERICAN EMBASSY
MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY
Montevideo, Uruguay
August 2, 1946

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~~SECRET~~ - AIR COURIER

Director, FBI

Re: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE
Administrative
(Bureau file 64-23119)

Dear Sir:

It is requested that the enclosed material from Confidential Informant [redacted] be furnished to Sr. JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE (LECUBE) in New York City, in accordance with previous arrangements made between the above-captioned service and the Bureau.

A copy of this material has been furnished this office.

Very truly yours,

[Redacted signature block]

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EX-22

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FBI
29 AUG 1946

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8-19-46*

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22 AUG 23 1946

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Special Research Section
Buenos Aires, Argentina
August 14, 1946

~~SECRET~~ - AIR COURIER

Director, FBI

RE: ⁰ BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE

Dear Sir:

There are being transmitted herewith two letters addressed to Mr. JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE, Basque Delegation, 30 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

It is requested that these envelopes be delivered in accordance with previous arrangements effected at the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

[Redacted signature block]

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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE
EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES
SANTIAGO CHILE

July 24, 1946

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Director, FBI

Re: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter to Santiago dated July 3, 1946, entitled as above, which reflected that the Bureau had received by diplomatic pouch from the Santiago Office an envelope marked [redacted] (c) containing what appeared to be reports submitted by the Basque Intelligence Service. In referenced letter the Bureau assumed that the aforementioned Service desired that these reports be forwarded to the Basque Headquarters in New York City. It was requested that this office ascertain why these communications were forwarded without a cover letter.

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[redacted] (c)

Reference is made to Santiago letter to the Bureau dated June 4, 1946, entitled BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE; ADMINISTRATIVE, which furnished certain material to the Bureau from the Basque Intelligence Service in Santiago with the request that the Bureau forward this material to the Basque authorities in the United States. Apparently it is this material which was contained in an envelope marked [redacted] (c) which the Bureau has received without a cover letter. The best possible explanation for the receipt of same without a cover letter is that said letter was apparently lost in transit. A copy of this cover letter is presently maintained in the administrative file on the Basque Intelligence Service in Santiago.

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14-23119-343

In connection with the Bureau's request regarding the forwarding of such reports and the fact that these were to be examined by this office and then transmitted with an appropriate cover letter to the Bureau, reference is made to Santiago letter to the Bureau dated May 23, 1945, entitled BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE; ADMINISTRATIVE, which informed the Bureau that, unless advised to the contrary, these reports would be examined by this office and after information of value had been taken from them, they would be furnished to the Bureau under suitable cover letter.

Very truly yours,

[redacted signature block]

DATE 4/14/47

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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Special Research Section
Buenos Aires, Argentina
July 20, 1946

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267468
Re: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION
ADMINISTRATIVE

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Director, FBI

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that JOSE MARIA DE LASARTE, the head of the Basque Intelligence Organization in Argentina, will leave Buenos Aires on July 23, enroute to France. In his journey he will stop in New York for what he indicated was a period of two to three weeks.

The question of the work being performed by the Basque Intelligence Organization has been discussed several times recently with Mr. LASARTE. It will be noted that this office is paying this organization \$2,000.00 U.S. per month and it has been felt that the volume of information which has been submitted by this group, while valuable, has not been sufficient to justify this large monthly payment. Mr. LASARTE has said that he realizes this fact and that one of the principal reasons for his visit to New York is to discuss this matter with his superiors and to formulate a plan for the reorganization of their service in Argentina. He says that during the past year they have never known whether or not their services were going to be continued and they have hesitated to make a complete reorganization, bringing in additional personnel, because of the fact that the Bureau might at any minute dispense with their services. He also said that during the war the contacts which the agents they presently have in Argentina made were primarily concerned with German activities and with political activities.

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Director, FBI

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Mr. LASARTE said that he will confer with his superiors in New York, following which a complete plan for reorganization will be submitted to the Bureau through his superiors in New York for the Bureau's approval. (X)

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b7D [redacted] Mr. LASARTE will not return to Buenos Aires and [redacted] will be the individual in charge of this service following the departure of LASARTE. (X)

It is suggested that if and when this plan for reorganization is submitted to the Bureau, (that the Bureau give consideration to paying the Basques through their headquarters in New York. In Argentina there is a great deal of difficulty in obtaining large amounts of Argentine pesos because of local currency regulations and it would facilitate the workings of this office if this could be accomplished. It is suggested that if this is done the amount paid the Basques monthly could be deducted from the office advance of the Buenos Aires office. (X)

Very truly yours,
[redacted signature block] b7c

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. Ladd

FROM : C. H. Carson

SUBJECT: Basque Intelligence Organization Administrative

DATE: August 29, 1946

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b7c Prior to the departure of Special Agent [redacted] on his assignment [redacted] he was instructed to review the informants set up in that country with particular regard to the utilization of the Basque Intelligence Organization. During the past two years we have paid the Basque Organization in Argentina \$2,000.00 monthly. JX

[redacted] has recently advised that he discussed the question of the work being performed by the Basques on several occasions recently with Jose Maria de Lasarte, the head of the organization in Argentina. It was pointed out to Lasarte that the volume of the information submitted by his group, while valuable, was not sufficient to justify the large monthly payment presently being made. Lasarte said he realized that fact and that he intended to discuss the matter with his superiors in New York, with a view to reorganizing their service in Argentina. Lasarte was to leave Buenos Aires on July 23 last en route to France and expected to spend two to three weeks in New York City. He told [redacted] that during the past year he had never known whether or not their services were going to be continued and hesitated to arrange a complete reorganization which called for bringing in additional personnel. He explained that with the change in emphasis from coverage of Nazi activities [redacted] his group could probably do better work if he brought in several individuals from other countries in Latin America and in Europe who were more familiar with the Communist picture. Lasarte indicated that after his conversations in New York, a complete plan for reorganization will be submitted to the Bureau for approval. (c)

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[redacted] suggested that if a new arrangement is made with the Basques, it would be preferable to arrange to pay the Argentine group through their headquarters in New York City. He said that in his present situation, it was extremely difficult to obtain the large amount of Argentine pesos required to pay them on account of local currency regulations. JX

The payments made to the Basques in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and other Latin American countries have been reviewed. Employment of the Basques in Colombia, Mexico, Chile and Cuba, the only other countries in

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Memo to Mr. Ladd

which we are utilizing the services of this organization, has been under close observation and at the present time it is felt that we should cut our payments to them by fifty per cent (50%). The approximate totals of payments set forth below indicate what is being paid monthly in each of these countries for salaries and expenses: (X)

Colombia	\$400.00	X J
Mexico	\$750.00	
Chile	\$100.00	
Cuba	\$350.00	

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the fact that the Bureau's SIS program is being brought to a close, it is felt that we should definitely not encourage the Basques to bring any more employees into Argentina. I believe we should inform them that our entire program is being curtailed because of peacetime conditions and requirements, and that we are unable to estimate at this time how long we will need their services. Since we are still receiving information of value from the Basque Organization in Argentina, it would appear advisable to reduce the monthly payments to them to \$1,000.00 at the present time, with the thought in mind that this might further be reduced in the near future. I think that the Basque Organization will agree to this. (X)

b-1 [REDACTED] (X)

b-1 [REDACTED] (C)

As for the other countries listed above, I believe we should immediately advise the Basque headquarters in New York City of the necessity of reducing our payments by fifty per cent. (X)

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Memo to Mr. Ladd

ACTION:

Attached is a communication to our office in New York, instructing Special Agent [redacted] to approach President Aguirre of the Basques and advise him in line with the above, indicating that we will henceforth pay the Basque group of Argentina \$1,000.00 per month and are reducing our payments in the other countries by fifty per cent. [redacted] is also being asked to discuss with Aguirre the possibility of paying the Argentine group through their New York headquarters. Letters are also attached for our interested offices, advising of the action being taken here. b7c

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August 29, 1946

SAC, New York
Attention: Special Agent Lawrence J. Quinn
Director, FBI

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Basque Intelligence Organization
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At the present time we are paying the Basque Intelligence Organization in Argentina \$2,000.00 per month for its service as informants of our office there. This service and the monthly payment have been recently discussed in Argentina with Jose Maria de Lasarte, the head of the Basque group in that country. It was pointed out to him that the information submitted by his unit, although valuable, did not appear sufficient to justify this large monthly payment at the present time. He indicated that he realized this fact, and also informed our office that he intended to visit his New York headquarters, at which time he would discuss the situation there. De Lasarte was to leave Buenos Aires on July 23, 1946, en route to France, and expected to stop in New York for a period of two to three weeks. He said that a plan would be worked out for the reorganization of the Basque Intelligence Service in Argentina and would then be submitted to the Bureau for approval. He pointed out that with the shift in emphasis from coverage of Nazi activities [REDACTED] different men would be needed who were more familiar with Communist activities. (X)

In view of the Bureau's plans to curtail and eventually cease all SIS operations, it is desired that you discuss this matter with President Aguirre of the Basques, or one of his representatives, and inform him of the fact that our operations are necessarily being curtailed due to peacetime requirements. No definite information can be given him as to when we will cease operations, but he should be informed that the Bureau does not believe it advisable for his group to bring new representatives into Argentina for the purpose of assisting us. You should inform him that the Bureau finds it necessary to reduce the monthly payments to the Argentine unit to \$1,000.00 and determine if this is satisfactory to him. It is desired that you also indicate to Aguirre that the Bureau's representative in Argentina, because of the present situation there, finds it extremely difficult to secure Argentine pesos to pay the Basques their monthly payment, and inquire as to the possibility of making this monthly payment to the New York headquarters of the Basques in the future. (X)

In line with the above, you should also advise President Aguirre that the Bureau is finding it necessary to reduce its payments by fifty per cent to its informants in other countries and that this will include the Basque Organizations in our pay in Colombia, Mexico, Chile and Cuba. Instructions to this effect are being sent to our offices in those countries immediately.

You should advise the Bureau as soon as possible of the reaction of the Basque president to the above.

- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
- Mr. Clegg _____
- Mr. Glavin _____
- Mr. Ladd _____
- Mr. Nichols _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
- Mr. Tracy _____
- Mr. Carson _____
- Mr. Egan _____
- Mr. Gurnea _____
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- Mr. Hendon _____
- Mr. Pennington _____
- Mr. Quinn Tamm _____
- Mr. Nease _____
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 To: Civil Attache
 Mexico, D. F.
 From: Director, FBI
 Subject: Basque Intelligence Organization
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The Bureau has reviewed the use of the Basque Organization in the various countries in Latin America and has reached the conclusion that we should reduce our payments to them by fifty per cent (50%).

You should advise the Basques in your pay to this effect and point out to them that our entire program is being curtailed because of peacetime conditions and requirements. If necessary, you should explain that we are unable to estimate how long we will need their services.

[REDACTED]

- cc: Legal Attache
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- cc: Legal Attache
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

September 3, 1946

To: COMMUNICATIONS SECTION.

Transmit the following message to: SAC, New York

URGENT - TELETYPE

RE BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION; ADMINISTRATIVE. REBULET AUGUST 29 LAST.
I DESIRE YOU ADVISE BASQUE SERVICES BASQUE ORGANIZATION IN ARGENTINA BEING
DISCONTINUED ENTIRELY. EXPLAIN TO THEM THIS CURTAILMENT DUE TO PEACETIME
CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS AND BECAUSE WE ARE NOW IN ARGENTINA ON TEMPORARY
BASIS. INSTRUCTIONS AS TO OTHER COUNTRIES SET FORTH IN REFERENCED LETTER ARE
UNCHANGED. ADVISE REACTION OF BASQUES.

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TO : MR. D. M. LADD

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DATE: September 15, 1946

FROM : C. H. Carson

SUBJECT: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION IN ARGENTINA,
ADMINISTRATIVE

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Reference is made to my memorandum to you dated August 29, 1946, entitled "Basque Intelligence Organization; Administrative." It was pointed out therein that our representative in Buenos Aires, [redacted] had written the Bureau concerning the Basque Organization, which is employed by our office there. He pointed out that we were paying the Basques \$2,000 monthly and that the present returns from that group did not, in his opinion, warrant our continuing to pay this large sum. He indicated that he had discussed this with Jose Maria de Lasarte, the Head of the Basques in Argentina. Lasarte said he realized that the volume of information submitted by his group had fallen off. This was due to the change in emphasis from coverage of Nazi activities. [redacted] suggested that a new arrangement be worked out with the Basques in New York City. Accordingly, the referenced memorandum was prepared suggesting that we reduce our payments in Argentina to \$1,000 per month. A letter was forwarded to our New York office suggesting that the matter be discussed with the Head of the Basque Organization there and that the Bureau be advised of the latter's reaction to our decision to reduce the pay of our Basque informants in Argentina. (S)

A radiogram has now been received from [redacted] pointing out that in view of the present situation and the lack of information which the Basque Service is submitting in Argentina, he now desires to discontinue their services altogether. He asks if this would disturb the Bureau's relations with the Basques in other South American countries. (S)

[redacted]

This new suggestion on the part of [redacted] that we discontinue now the use of the Basques in the Argentine should be given serious consideration in my opinion. We have always placed direct responsibility on our Legal Attaches in Latin America for the employment of all informants and their discharge when the returns received from them warrants such action. Therefore, I think we should treat this particular situation in the same manner as we have all others and authorize our Buenos Aires office to discontinue use of the Basques. The attitude of the Basques in other Latin American countries is no longer a factor which we need consider in view of the fact that we are definitely withdrawing from the SIS picture.

[redacted] the Bureau's SIS representative in the New York office, was telephonically contacted this morning, and it was determined that [redacted]

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the above-referred-to letter to the New York office had just reached his desk and he, therefore, had not yet discussed the matter with the Basque Headquarters. It was suggested that he refrain from doing so until he received further instructions.

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1. [redacted] Attached is a suggested teletype to the New York office directing [redacted] to advise the Basque Headquarters that we are discontinuing the services of the Basque Organization in Argentina with the explanation that this step was necessary in view of the peacetime conditions and requirements and because our stay in Argentina is now on a temporary basis. ~~ⓧ~~

2. A radiogram is attached for the Buenos Aires office authorizing discontinuance of the services of the Basque Organization there. ~~ⓧ~~

Attachments.

Approved
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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE

THE AMERICAN EMBASSY
MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY
MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY
August 26, 1946

by

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Director, FBI

4/4/94
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Re: ^o BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE
Administrative
(Bureau file 64-23119)

DECLASSIFIED BY [redacted]
ON..... 5/27/94
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Dear Sir:

It is requested that the enclosed material from Confidential Informant [redacted] be furnished to Sr. JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE (LECUBE) in New York City, in accordance with previous arrangements made between the above-captioned service and the Bureau. X

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A copy of this material has been furnished this office.

Very truly yours,

[redacted signature block]

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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE

THE AMERICAN EMBASSY
MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY
Montevideo, Uruguay
September 5, 1946

~~SECRET~~ - AIR COURIER

Director, FBI

Re: ⁰ BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE
Administrative
(Bureau file 64-23119)

Dear Sir:

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ON *5/24/88*
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It is requested that the enclosed material from Confidential Informant [redacted] be furnished to Sr. JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE (LECUBE) in New York City, in accordance with previous arrangements made between the above-captioned service and the Bureau.

A copy of this material has been furnished this office.

Very truly yours,

[redacted signature block]

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EMBASSY OF THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
HABANA, CUBA

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As of
Director, FBI

RE: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION
ADMINISTRATIVE

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter to the Civil Attaché,
Mexico, D.F. dated August 29, 1946, a copy of which was sent to
Habana regarding the above-captioned matter.

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b7D CONF. INFT. The only Basque informant now being employed by this
office is [redacted] Until July 1, 1946, this informant was being
paid the sum of \$350. On this date his salary was reduced to
\$250. In view of his present services to this office, it is
believed that his present salary should be reduced to \$200. It
is felt that no further reduction should be made since his salary
was recently cut in the above amount. *x*

He has been advised that our entire program is being
curtailed because of peacetime conditions and requirements and
has willingly accepted the reduction of \$50 effective immediately. *x*

Unless the Bureau advises otherwise, this office will
henceforth pay this informant the sum of \$200 per month. *x*

Very truly yours,

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Buenos Aires, Argentina
September 17, 1946

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Director, FBI

RE: ⁰ BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION
ADMINISTRATIVE

Dear Sir:

DECLASSIFIED BY [redacted]
ON 5/24/84

There are enclosed herewith four envelopes ²⁶⁷⁴¹
containing copies of reports of the Basque Intelligence
Organization in Buenos Aires addressed to ~~Señor Don JOSE~~
~~ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE~~, 30 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

It is requested the Bureau deliver this
material in accordance with previous arrangements.

In accordance with Cablegram No. 22 received
from the Bureau September 4, 1946, [the local representative
of the Basque Intelligence Organization has been advised
that this service will be discontinued effective September 30,
1946. The salary of this group will be paid for the month
of September, following which no further contact will be had
with them. The reasons for this curtailment were explained
to the local representative as outlined in the Bureau cable-
gram of reference.]

Very truly yours, ^{b7c}

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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE

THE AMERICAN EMBASSY
MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY

September 25, 1946

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Director, FBI

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Dear Sir:

RE: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE;
ADMINISTRATIVE.
(Bureau file 64-23119)

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It is requested that the enclosed material from ~~confidential informant [redacted]~~ be furnished to Sr. JOSE ANTONIO DE ~~AGUIARRE (LECOBE)~~ in New York City, in accordance with previous arrangements made between the above-captioned service and the Bureau.

A copy of this material has been furnished this office.

Very truly yours,

[redacted signature block]
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Buenos Aires, Argentina
September 30, 1946

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Director, FBI

RE: ⁰ BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION ^{Service}
ADMINISTRATIVE

Dear Sir:

There are enclosed herewith two envelopes containing copies of reports of the Basque Intelligence Organization in Buenos Aires addressed to Señor Don JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE, 30 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

It is requested the Bureau deliver this material in accordance with previous arrangements.

Very truly yours,

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BOGOTA, COLOMBIA

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Re: 0 Intelligence Service
BASQUE ORGANIZATION
ADMINISTRATIVE

Dear Sir:

Arrangements for investigative cooperation on the part of the Basques in Colombia have been modified as follows:

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~~Confidential Informant~~ the principal Basque contact, ~~_____~~

He continues to cooperate as in the past, but his salary is reduced from 300 to 200 pesos per month, as he can no longer devote full time to investigative work.

~~Confidential Informant~~ ~~_____~~
~~_____~~ He formerly received 300 pesos; his salary has been reduced to 200 pesos per month, because he is no longer free to devote full time to investigative activities.

The services of ~~Confidential Informant~~ ~~_____~~ have been terminated. With ~~_____~~ and ~~_____~~ it was felt that the services of ~~_____~~ were no longer necessary. The Basques can obtain information from him without his being on our payroll.

The monthly payment of \$250.00 (US) to the Basque Delegation continues in effect, as this arrangement was made by the Bureau.

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~~Confidential Informant~~ ~~_____~~ is contacted by Special Agent ~~_____~~ and ~~_____~~ of the same agent ~~_____~~. This arrangement is changed from time to time for the sake of variation in the interests of security.

~~Confidential Informant~~ ~~_____~~ is contacted directly by Special Agent ~~_____~~

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Director

September 5, 1946

Re: BASQUE ORGANIZATION
ADMINISTRATIVE

The above information is set forth regarding relations with the Basques as a group. Individual letters are being written on Confidential Informants [redacted] and [redacted] for their separate files. The official Basque contact has stated that this arrangement is completely satisfactory. (X)

Very truly yours,

[redacted signature]

Acting Legal Attache

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. LADD

FROM : C. H. CARSON

SUBJECT: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION
ADMINISTRATIVE Service

DATE: September 25, 1946

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- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Coffey
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Gurnea
- Mr. Hendon
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

BACKGROUND:

Reference is made to my memoranda of August 29, 1946 and September 3, 1946 discussing the future relations with the Basque Intelligence Organization. You will recall that we have been using the Basques as informants in a number of South American countries. You were advised that our Buenos Aires Office had requested authorization to discontinue the services of the Basque organization there, and to stop the monthly payment of two thousand dollars which has been made to the Basques in the past. I recommended that the services of the Basques be discontinued in Buenos Aires and in other countries where they are being used, the Legal Attaches be instructed to reduce payments to them.

The New York SIS representative was instructed to advise Basque headquarters in New York of the Bureau's action with the explanation that this step was necessary in view of peacetime conditions and requirements and because our continued stay in South America is now on a temporary basis.

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We have now been informed by the New York SIS representative that he discussed this matter with Mr. Antonio Irala, Secretary of the Basque organization. Mr. Irala stated he was very sorry to learn that the Bureau is curtailing its work in South America and requested that, should the Bureau find it necessary to discontinue entirely its relations with the Basque organization in countries other than Argentina, he be given as long a period of notice as possible. He explained that he desired notice in order to prevent the disorganization of his intelligence service as it exists in South America.

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. LADD

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I believe we should have the New York SIS representative advise Irala that the Bureau will continue to operate in South America for some months and that we will tell him in advance as to when we intend to pull out of the various countries where we are using the Basque organizations. He should be told that in the meantime the Bureau is still the American intelligence organization handling coverage in Latin America and that he should continue to deal with the Bureau.

ACTION:

A suggested letter to the New York SIS representative is attached.

Attachment

9/26/46
Dear Mr. [REDACTED] re. [REDACTED]
Instructions from Mr. [REDACTED]:
[REDACTED] told to tell [REDACTED] we are
continuing for present in L.A.
[REDACTED]

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Buenos Aires, Argentina
September 26, 1946

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Director, FBI

RE: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE

Dear Sir:

This is to advise that on September 26 the representative of the above organization was paid the balance of salary for the month of September, 1946, and the services of this organization will be terminated by this office effective September 30, 1946. (c)

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For the information of the Bureau [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] in Buenos Aires, advised that he had received word from the other offices of the Basque Intelligence Service in South America that their services were being discontinued. However, he said that the Basque Intelligence Service would continue to operate although he did not know on what basis. He will go to New York around November 1 for further instructions and would then return to Buenos Aires. He indicated his belief that the service will continue to function and that he believed that they would continue working for the United States Government although he did not state definitely that any such arrangements had been made. (c)

Very truly yours,

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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE
THE AMERICAN EMBASSY
BOGOTA, COLOMBIA

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September 19, 1946

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DIRECTOR, FBI

RE: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION
ADMINISTRATIVE Service

267-468
9-29-93

Dear Sir:

9803 [redacted] b7c

Reference is made to Bureau letter of August 29, 1946 to the Civil Attaché at Mexico, D. F., concerning the reduction of payments to the Basque Intelligence Organization.

On September 18, 1946 this matter was discussed with the principle Basque Contact, Confidential Informant [redacted] and he was advised that beginning October 1, 1946 the monthly payment to the Basque Intelligence Organization will be \$125.00 United States currency instead of \$250.00 United States currency. It was pointed out to him that our entire program is being curtailed because of peacetime conditions and requirements.

It was not necessary to mention that we are unable to estimate how long we will need the services of the Basques.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
New York 7, N. Y.

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Director, FBI

Attention: [redacted]

RE: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION;
Administrative Service

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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your teletype dated September 4, 1946 captioned as above instructing that the Basque officials be contacted and advised of the discontinuance of the use of the Basque organization in Argentina in its entirety and further, that the Bureau is finding it necessary to reduce its payment by fifty per cent to the Basques in Colombia, Mexico, Chile and Cuba. (c)

Mr. ANTONIO IRALA, Secretary of the Basque organization was immediately contacted and advised of the above. Mr. Irala stated that he was very sorry to learn that the Bureau is curtailing its work in South America and requested that should the Bureau find it necessary to discontinue its relations with the Basque organization in the countries in South America other than Argentina, he would much appreciate it if the Bureau would give him as long a period of notice as possible. He explained that he desired this notice in order to prevent the disorganization of his intelligence service as it existed in South America. (c)

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New York, N. Y.
September 13, 1946

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He was told not to make any move in this direction until the Bureau granted him permission to do so. He said that he would comply with these instructions. (X)

Very truly yours,

Edward Scheidt

EDWARD SCHEIDT
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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE

THE AMERICAN EMBASSY
MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY

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October 4, 1946

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Director, FBI

DECLASSIFIED BY [redacted]
ON 5/24/08
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Dear Sir:

RE: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE;
ADMINISTRATIVE.
Bureau file 64-23119)

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It is requested that the enclosed material from confidential informant [redacted] be furnished to Sr. JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE (LECUBE) in New York City, in accordance with previous arrangements made between the above-captioned service and the Bureau.

A copy of this material has been furnished this office.

Very truly yours,

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OFFICE OF THE CIVIL ATTACHE
EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
MEXICO CITY

October 21, 1946

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Director, FBI

RE: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION
Administrative
(Bureau File 64-23119)

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to your letter dated August 29, 1946, instructing this office to reduce payments to the Basque Informants by fifty per cent. (X)

The Basques were advised that effective October 1, 1946, their salary would be cut in half which would effect payment of 250 pesos a month to each of the four informants. This is exclusive of expenses (X)

Confidential Informant [redacted] who is [redacted] advised that he did not know how long the four informants could continue at such pay inasmuch as this amount was not enough to live on; however, he said that the informants would continue until they received some word regarding the situation from the Basque President, Señor AGUIRRE. (X)

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Very truly yours,



Civil Attache

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Director, FBI

DECLASSIFIED BY R.P. [REDACTED]
ON 2/24/88
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Dear Sir:

RE: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE;
ADMINISTRATIVE.
(Bureau file 64-23119)

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It is requested that the enclosed material from confidential informant [REDACTED] be furnished to Sr. JOSE ANTONIO DE ACQUIRRE (LECUBE) in New York City, in accordance with previous arrangements made between the above-captioned service and the Bureau.

A copy of this material has been furnished this office.

Very truly yours,

[REDACTED SIGNATURE]

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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE
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MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY

November 6, 1946

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Director, FBI

Dear Sir:

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RE: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE;
ADMINISTRATIVE.
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It is requested that the enclosed material from confidential informant [redacted] be furnished to Sr. JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE (LECUBE) in New York City, in accordance with previous arrangements made between the above-captioned service and the Bureau.

A copy of this material has been furnished this office.

Very truly yours,

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OFFICE OF THE LEGAL ATTACHE

THE AMERICAN EMBASSY
MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY

November 20, 1946

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Director, FBI

Dear Sir:

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RE: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE;
ADMINISTRATIVE.
(Bureau file 64-23119).

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It is requested that the enclosed material from ~~con-~~
fidential informant [redacted] be furnished to Sr. JOSE ANTONIO DE
YAGUIRRE (LECUBEL) in New York City, in accordance with previous
arrangements made between the above-captioned service and the
Bureau.

A copy of this material has been furnished this office.

Very truly yours,

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THE AMERICAN EMBASSY
MONTEVIDEO, URUGUAY

December 23, 1946

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Director, FBI

Dear Sir:

RE: ⁰ BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE;
ADMINISTRATIVE
(Bureau file 64-23119)

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It is requested that the enclosed material from ~~con-~~
~~fidential informant~~ be furnished to Sr. JOSE ANTONIO DE
AGUIRRE (LECUBE) in New York City, in accordance with previous
arrangements made between the above-captioned service and the
Bureau. X)

A copy of this material has been furnished this office.

Very truly yours,

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Director, FBI

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ON 5/29/88
267468

Dear Sir:

RE: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE;
ADMINISTRATIVE.
(Bureau file 64-23119)

It is requested that the enclosed material from ~~confidential informant [redacted]~~ be furnished to Sr. JOSE ANTONIO DE AGUIRRE (LECUBE) in New York City, in accordance with previous arrangements made between the above-captioned service and the Bureau.

A copy of this material has been furnished this office.

Very truly yours,

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Director, FBI

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ON 5/2/88
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Dear Sir:

RE: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE,
CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT [redacted]
ADMINISTRATIVE.

This is to advise that the services of the above-captioned Intelligence Service organization were terminated as of January 1, 1947, through [redacted]

[redacted] was furnished terminal salary until February 1, 1947.

[redacted] expressed some dissatisfaction at not being paid terminal salary until March 1, 1947. However, he appeared to be satisfied with the above arrangement upon being reminded that he was advised in the early part of December, 1946, that the use of his service would be discontinued.

Very truly yours,

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Director, FBI

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RE: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE
ADMINISTRATIVE

G. I. R. 5

Dear Sir:

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This is to advise the Bureau that the connection which this office has maintained with the Basque Intelligence Service in Santiago through [redacted] was terminated as of January 31, 1947, when the latter was furnished a monthly stipend of 2,500 pesos. Previously, with the Bureau's information, in December, 1945, the monthly remuneration paid this organization was reduced from 8,500 to 2,500 pesos. [redacted] did not request and did not receive a termination of service payment and severs his connection with this office under very congenial and pleasant circumstances. He understands the situation with respect to the closing of this office and previously the Basque Intelligence Service reduced its organization from two to one representative.

While the Basques have had no intelligence training and while they have lacked really valuable and informative sources [redacted] they have nevertheless been valuable at times in a limited manner in obtaining certain tidbits concerning [redacted] [redacted] himself has proven friendly to this office, honest, and reliable, although not always well informed, and very willing to be of assistance.

In the event the Bureau returns to the SIS field in Chile and the Basques have not returned to Spain it is recommended that they be recontacted.

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Very truly yours,

164-23119-31

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Director, FBI

RE: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION
ADMINISTRATIVE

Service

Dear Sir:

[redacted]
[redacted]

The Basques had been given a month's notice on January 29, 1947. The following financial arrangements were made in connection with the termination:

The Basque Organization was paid 218.13 pesos, the usual amount for the month of February, 1947. Confidential Informant [redacted] was paid a month's salary for February, 1947, and in addition, in keeping with Colombian labor laws and in order to protect the best interests of the Bureau, he was paid 370 pesos as cesantia.

Confidential Informant [redacted] another member of the organization, was paid a full month's salary for February, 1947, and in addition was given 375 pesos in the form of cesantia.

Relations were terminated very cordially with the Basques, who stated that they would be willing to be of service to the Bureau at any time in the future. No statement regarding any future intelligence activities was made.

The services of Confidential Informant [redacted] another member of the Basque Intelligence Organization, who has been active in Cali, were terminated by [redacted] as the Bureau has been advised by separate letter.

Sufficient copies of instant letter are being forwarded to the Bureau in order that one copy may be placed in the Bureau files for Confidential Informant [redacted] and Confidential Informant [redacted].

cc Bureau File [redacted]
Bureau File [redacted]

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Office Memorandum • UNIT STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : R. T. HARBO
FROM : D. J. Parsons
SUBJECT: Basque Intelligence Organization

DATE: 7-14-48

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There is attached the file which has been maintained in the Laboratory in connection with the above captioned matter. It is desired that this file be maintained as an enclosure behind the main file in the Records Section.

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ENCLOSURE BEHIND FILE

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- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Gurnea
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn
- Tele. Room
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Holmes
- Miss Gandy

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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EXPEDITE

Re: PASQUE INTELLIGENCE SERVICE

File # 64-23119
Lab. # D-17350 DE
CR-10104-BA

Examination requested by: [redacted] Legal Attache, (Office of the Legal Att

Buenos Aires, Argentina (40-100)

Date of reference communication: letter 5-2-46

Date received: 5-21-46

Examination requested: [redacted] (Secret Writing) - Crypt.

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [redacted]
5/28/46

Specimens submitted for examination

- Q1 One envelope containing seventeen pages of typewritten material.
- Q2 One envelope containing thirteen pages of typewritten material.
- Q3 One envelope containing fourteen pages of typewritten material.

Dictation: Cryptanalytic examination of specimens Q1 - Q3 revealed no code or cipher. Summary translations of this material are attached hereto.

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Date: April 9, 1953
To: Mr. John F. Ford
Director
Office of Security
Department of State
515 22nd Street, N.
Washington, D. C.

FOI/PA # 267468
APPEAL #
CIVIL ACT. #
E.O. # 12345
DATE 9-88

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Subject: BASQUE DELEGATION
INTERNAL SECURITY - BASQUE

State Dept info. in para 3 remains (u) per [redacted]
letter DTD 11-5-51 Para's are (C) for other reason
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The informant stated

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cc - 2 - Bureau (Encls. 2) (Page 2)
cc - 2 - New York - Attachment (Info on page 2)
Note: [redacted]

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Basque Delegation of [redacted]

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cc - Butte - note

You will be furnished any information the Bureau receives in this matter.

cc - New York - note

Attached is a cc of a memo from the Butte Office dated March 9, 1953. You will be furnished any information the Bureau receives in this matter.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Director, FBI
FROM : SAC, NY (100-20982)

DATE: 8/5/53

SUBJECT: BASQUE DELEGATION
INTERNAL SECURITY - BASQUE

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Re: Bureau letter to State Department dated April 7, 1953 and State Department letter to the Bureau no date, re captioned matter.

NY 507-s who received compensation from the Bureau for information as early as 1944 and who has been a paid informant of the New York Office since January 1950, is the Basque Delegate in New York. This informant is presently furnishing valuable information to the New York Office.

It is believed that an investigation in this matter might jeopardize the informant's value.

This being the case, Bureau permission is being requested to allow the agent who ordinarily contacts the informant to contact him and interview him regarding the allegations made by [redacted]

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It is believed that by handling it in this manner, the Bureau will not run the risk of losing a valuable informant.

G.I.L.

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SAC, New York (100-20982)

August 21, 1953

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Director, FBI (64-23119)-380

**BASQUE DELEGATION
INTERNAL SECURITY - BASQUE**

Reurlet 8-5-53, requesting Bureau permission to interrogate NY 507-S concerning the allegations received from [redacted] concerning the Basque Delegation.

Bureau permission is granted your request providing no information in your possession militates against same.

NOTE:

Information received from [redacted] of unknown reliability reflects [redacted]

(State subsequently advised the State Department has no knowledge that Basque Delegation in the U.S. is recruiting civilians for forming an army.)

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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

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SAC NY adv. rpt. will
be submitted 9/30/53.*

Date: August 4, 1953

To: Mr. John W. Ford
Director
Office of Security
Department of State
515 22nd Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: ⁰ BASQUE DELEGATION
INTERNAL SECURITY - BASQUE

Reference is made to our memorandum dated April 7, 1953, containing information received from a source of unknown reliability concerning the captioned delegation.

The above-mentioned source has now advised that

[REDACTED]

The informant pointed out that

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BY SPL. MSGR.

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These data are being furnished for your confidential use with the request that they not be disseminated outside your Agency.

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Form No. 1
 THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT

NEW YORK

REPORT MADE AT NEW YORK	DATE WHEN MADE 9/29/53	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE 9/15, 21/53	REPORT MADE BY <i>[redacted]</i>
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TITLE BASQUE DELEGATION	CHARACTER OF CASE INTERNAL SECURITY - BASQUE
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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:
[redacted]
 no army being formed. No indication Basque Delegation in US has any Agents in France and Spain. *[redacted]*

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DETAILS: This investigation is predicated upon information received from *[redacted]* of unknown reliability but who is acquainted with activities of the Basque Delegation. *[redacted]* advised *[redacted]*

[redacted] another Government Agency conducting security type investigations, advised it had the following information on the Basque Delegation:

APPROVED AND FORWARDED <i>[redacted]</i>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE <i>[redacted]</i>	ENCLOSURE	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES
CIVILACT. # <i>[redacted]</i>	L.O. # <i>[redacted]</i>	64-23119-342	RECORDED - 51
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. NEASE

DATE: NOV 14 1958

FROM : L. E. SHORT

SUBJECT: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION

- Tolson —
- Boardman —
- Belmont —
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- Tamm —
- Trotter —
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Bulky Exhibit File Number: 64-23119-326

Worthington
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We are presently in the process of reviewing all bulky exhibits presently on hand, in order that we may weed out those which will serve no useful purpose by being retained. Inasmuch as a great many of these bulky exhibits pertain to inactive cases and are occupying badly needed space, it is requested that you have the appropriate substantive supervisor review the above-listed bulky exhibit and render a decision as to the retention or disposition of the material contained therein. A notation as to the decision rendered should be placed on this memorandum, and it should be returned to the Filing Unit of the Records Branch, Room 1113, Identification Building. This memorandum will be filed in the case file.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above-listed bulky exhibit be reviewed and a decision rendered as to the retention or disposition of the material contained therein.

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Memo to [Redacted]
[Redacted]
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Donahoe

- 1 - Mr. Donahoe
- 1 - Mr. Short
- 1 - Mr. McGuire
- 1 - Mr. Parsons
- 1 - [REDACTED]

DATE: March 6, 1959

FROM : [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: BASQUE INTELLIGENCE ORGANIZATION
IS - ARGENTINA

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Reference is made to memorandum from Mr. Short to Mr. Nease dated November 14, 1958, which recommended that bulky exhibit 64-23119-326 be reviewed and decision rendered as to retention or disposition of material contained therein.

Bulky consists of roll of film and photographs of 44 pages of material apparently in the Spanish language, and photographs of three envelopes. These photographs were prepared from three envelopes of reports of the Basque Intelligence Organization in Buenos Aires, Argentina, addressed to Sr. Don Jose Antonio de Aguirre, 30 Fifth Avenue, New York City, and were submitted to the Bureau by Legat, Buenos Aires 5-9-46 with request that Bureau deliver the three envelopes to Aguirre at the Basque Delegation in New York in accordance with previous arrangements made with the Basque group in the United States.

The Laboratory translated the material, pertinent data was summarized, indexed, and retained in the main case file. The Laboratory, by letter to Legat, Buenos Aires 6-3-46, advised that non-staining treatment revealed no secret ink on specimens and cryptanalytic examination of specimens revealed no code or cipher. The Laboratory indicated the material would be delivered to the Basque Delegation in New York per Legat's request.

The exhibit itself was never indexed, there is no obligation to return, and of no foreseeable use to the Bureau.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Domestic Intelligence Division recommends that bulky exhibit (64-23119-326) be destroyed. However, in view of Laboratory interest in this matter, it is recommended that Laboratory concurrence be obtained prior to destruction of exhibit.

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*Cryptanalysis - Translation
Section has no objection
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (64-23119)
FROM : SAC, New York (100-20982)

DATE: 9/29/53

SUBJECT: BASQUE DELEGATION
IS - BASQUE

Enclosed herewith are five copies of the report of SA [redacted] dated 9/29/53, at New York, in the above-

It is to be noted that NY-507-S is the only representative of the Basque Government in the United States and is the Basque Delegate.

NY-507-S was not questioned directly concerning information received from [redacted] for obvious reasons. NY-507-S was not questioned concerning allegations [redacted]

It was felt that this line of questioning would jeopardize the possibility of losing a valuable informant who has contributed much information to the Bureau in the past. This case is therefore being placed in a closed status, UACB.

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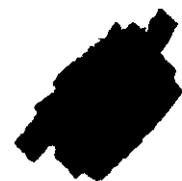
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██████████ advised that there was no indication that the Basque Delegation in the United States recruits civilians to form an Army. The Basque Nationalist Party undoubtedly has Agents in France and Spain. The Basque Party puts out a daily press bulletin in Paris called "Oficina Prensa Euzkadi" and sponsors a radio station called "Radio Euzkadi" (S-11(X)4

There seems to be emphasis on Anti-Franco propaganda rather than on steps to further Basque independence. ██████████ stated there was no evidence that the Basque Delegation in the United States has any Agents operating in France and Spain. According to ██████████ neither the Basque Delegation in the United States nor any members thereof are being utilized by ██████████ (S-11(X)4 -

The Basque Delegation in New York City is the Representative in this country of the Basque Government in exile located in Paris. ██████████ continued that the principal missions of this catholic and conservative exiled group are to secure international support, to aid in the removal of the present Spanish regime and to coordinate resistance to Franco in the Spanish Basque provinces. The Government in Exile favors the formation of a committee representing the four Basque provinces to govern the region during the anticipated transitional period between the removal of Franco and the organization of a permanent Spanish Government. This committee would maintain order, set up provincial and city governments, and organize a referendum of the Basque provinces to determine the eventual relationship between the Basque region and the Madrid government. (S-11(X)4

██████████ continued that the immediate objective of the Basque Government in Exile and its dependant agencies is the overthrow of the present Spanish Government. The Basques accordingly direct propaganda to Spain and engage in informational activities abroad, and have Agents operating in Spain, France, and a number of countries in the Western hemisphere. However, ██████████ asserted, there is no information to indicate that the Basques have ever attempted to recruit abroad for a "liberation army". The Government in Exile would appear to believe that liberation can only be achieved through the efforts of a relatively united people who believe themselves ethnically and culturally different from the remainder of the country in which they live. (S-11(X)4

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