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MEMORANDUM FOR: DIRECTOR, FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION ATTENTION: Mr. John F. Sullivan

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THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT NEWARK REPORT MADE AT DATE WHEN MADE 67C REPORT MADE BY 8/24,25;9/9, 11-15-54 20,29;10/20,21 LOS AMGELES BJF 24,26-29;11/1, TITLE ALBERT EINSTEIN INTERNAL SECURITY - R SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: Former employee of RKO Pictures, Hollywood, California, from 1921 to 1937, recalls GERRITT J. LLOYD, but does not recall the reason for his leaving RKO Pictures (in 1931). Records of RKO-Radio Pictures, Incorporated, failed to reflect JOHN HOWARD LAWSON, LESTER COLE, or ADRIAN SCOTT were employed by RKO Pictures during LLOYD's employment. DETAILS: BETTY ROBERTS GAULT, 7467 Hollywood Boulevard, Hollywood, California, stated on October 24, 1954, that she was employed by RKO Pictures (and its predecessors) from 1921 until 1937, and that she remembers "JACK" LLOYD very well; but that she does not recall his leaving employment with RKO Pictures as a result of any disagreement with or protest by writers working under him, that she does not recall and does not believe that JOHN HOWARD LAWSON, LESTER COLE or ADRIAN SCOTT had come from New York to work with RKO Pictures in Hollywood before "JACK" LLOYD left there, and that had he left employment as a result of such a protest, she would have been aware of it and would very likely recall it at this time. She stated that she can recall one instance when a writer was "put out" because he refused to make some alteration desired by ADRIAN SCOTT. AGENCY IPC ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED REQ. REC'D HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED DATE 7- 23-96 BY 382/C DATE FORW. /2 HOW FORW. # 360461 REGORDED-45 COPIES OF THIS REPORT INDEXED-45 - Bureau (61-7099) (REGISTERED) - Newark (100-32986) (REGISTERED) Oktahoma City (100-6135) (REGISTERED) **J**os Angeles (105-1636)

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of known reliability, stated on May 13, 1954, that JOHN HOWARD LAWSON, LESTER COLE and ADRIAN SCOTT were three of the ten motion picture writers popularly known as the "Hollywood Ten", who were subpoensed before the House Committee on Un-American Activities, Washington, D.C. in 1947, and as a result of the hearings were cited, convicted of contempt and served prison sentences.

added that all ten of the "Hollywood Ten" were or had been members of the Communist Party in Hollywood.

Records of RKO-Radio Pictures, Incorporated, 780 North Gower Street, Hollywood, California (Payroll Section) disclosed JOHN HOWARD LAWSON, 2034 La Mesa Drive, Santa Monica, California, was employed as a writer by RKO Pictures from December 2, 1931 to January 1, 1932; from January 2, 1932 to February 3, 1932, and from November 7, 1933 to November 18, 1933; and that his earnings in 1931 were at the rate of \$150. per week and his total 1931 earnings were \$650.

The file records disclosed LESTER COLE, 2005 Ivar Street, Hollywood, was employed as a reader at \$30. per week from June 2, 1930 to July 19, 1930, but disclosed nothing additional concerning him.

The same records disclosed ROBERT ADRIAN SCOTT, Social Security Number was employed as a writer from August 24, 1934 to October 27, 1934; from September 3, 1935 to September 30, 1936, and in other capacities during periods between 1942 and 1947.

In this connection, it should be noted that as previously reported, GERRITT & LLOYD's employment with RKO Pictures was from January 5, 1931 to September 26, 1931. (Although records of RKO-Radio Pictures are not complete for the period concerned, they at least failed to indicate that LAWSON, COLE and SCOTT were employed by RKO Pictures during LLOYD's employment).

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Pictures, Incorporated, Hollywood, California, on October 29, 1954.

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LOS ANGELES OFFICE

At Los Angeles, California: Re Newark letter to Bureau dated September 3, 1954. Will endeavor to locate AARON TYCKO's former wife (divorced 1934) whose last address was 816 South Ogden Drive, Los Angeles, in 1937. In this connection, it might be well to recall that AARON TYCKO had a son, DANIEL H. TYCKO, born about 1927 (in Los Angeles?). Refer to lead set out for Oklahoma City Office.

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At Oklahoma City, Oklahoma: Re Bureau Air Tel to Newark dated September 2, 1954. Newark letter to the Bureau dated September 3, 1954, set forth a lead for Los Angeles to locate AARON TYCKO's former wife for any information she may possess regarding his contacts with ALBERT EINSTEIN in the early 1930's and for possible connections with the Communist movement. Although no action by the Oklahoma City Office is apparently desired at this time by the office of origin (Newark), two copies of instant report are being sent to the Oklahoma City office for utilization in a possible future reinterview of GERRITT J. LLOYD at Tulsa, Oklahoma. It should be noted that Los Angeles reinterview of AARON TYCKO should not be accomplished until after reinterview of LLOYD.

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REFERENCE:

dated August 23, 1954

Report of SA dated August 23 at Los Angeles.

Newark letter to Bureau dated September 3, 1954.

Report of SA at New York, dated September 23, 1954.

DIRECTOR, FBI (100-338978) (61-7099)

DATE: 11/9/54

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SAC, NEWARK (100-2961L) SUBJECT

(100-32986)

LEN DUKAS, was INTERNAL SECURITY - R ALBERTOEINSTEIN #INTERNAL SECURITY - R ORIGIN: NEWARK

Reference Newark letter to Bureau entitled "HELLN ZUKAS, was - IS-R" dated 9/29/51, and Newark letter to Bureau entitled "ALBERT EINSTEIN, IS-R, 9/3/54.

The files concerning above captioned subjects have en reviewed in the Newark Office for the purpose of ascertaining what leads are outstanding and necessary investigation to brink both of these cases to a logical conclusion.

In regard to HELEN DUKAS, she is currently engaged as a Secretary-housekeeper for Dr. ALBERT FINSTFIE at his residence at 112 Mercer Street, Frinceton, New Jersey. has previously advised she has been associated in that capacity with Dr. EINSTEIN since 1928.

Investigation in this matter has been predicated Sf-42000MF upon information previously furnished alleging that Doctor SINSTEIN's office in Berlin, Germany was used as a cable drop for a Soviet Espionage Ring operating in the Far East. was approximately 1929-1931. During this time Dr. EINSTEIN allegedly had two secretaries in his office, both of whom were Communist Sympathizers. One of these secretaries decoded the Soviet Espionage messages and in turn passed them on to a courier who was responsible for limited between EINSTEIN's office and Soviet Officials in Moscow.

HELEN DUXAS was apparently working as EINSTEIN's personal secretary during the period of 1929-1931, during which time this office was used as a cable drop. Further investigation in this matter has reflected she has in the past been in contact with known espionage agents in Europh,

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EINSTILLY. He last saw her in 1932 in Berlin, however he could furnish no information regarding her friends, relatives, or associates, nor did he have any knowledge of her political affiliations. He advised that he did not have a close friend-ship with DURAS.

Investigation in this matter to date has been for the purpose of ascertaining if HELEN DUKAL is identical with the Senior Secretary to Dr. EINSTEIN during the 1929-1931 period, inasmuch as the Senior Secretary was allegedly the one who decoded the Soviet Espionage Cablegrams.

A review of the file fails to reflect any outstanding leads in this case and the most logical remaining lead in 59-48 Within matter is to interview HELEN LUKAS.

It is believed that DUMAS should be interviewed for the purpose of ascertaining her present Cr sympathies and to ascertain if she was the Senior Secretary to EINSTEIN in Berlin during 1929-1931.

In regard to Dr. EINSTEIN, a review of his file reflects that one of the outstanding leads at this time is to ascertain the whereabouts of his son EDWARD EINSTEIN who was last known to be residing in Switzerland.

It is to be noted that a Summary Report concerning Dr. EINSTEIN was written August 5, 1953 and that to date the only activity which has been noted for him has been his participation in counseling witnesses not to testify before the Congressional Committees. It is believed that further investigation in this matter is not warranted after the completion of present outstanding leads, and upon the completion of these leads, the Newark Office will consider closing the case concerning Dr. EINSTEIN.

It is believed that an interview With HELEN DUKAS would provide an opportunity to ascertain the whereabouts of all of Dr. EINSTEIN's children at the present time, therefore Bureau permission is requested to interview HELEN DUKAS.



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Reurlet November 9. 1954.

In connection with the request contained in your referenced letter, the Bureau is presently conducting a therough review of its files relating to Helen Dukas. Upon completion of this review, you will be advised as to whether Dukas should be interviewed.

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To properly evaluate Newark's request for authority to interview Dukas in this case, the following additional action is necessary. A review of all Bureau references on Dukas since October 4, 1949, should be made. It is noted all "See" references re Dukas were reviewed on .10-4-49 (100-338078 Serial 51). A review should be made of the Bureau's files re the several German Soviet agents who. allegedly used Dr. Einstein's cable address in Germany from 1929 to 1933 as a telegraph "drop" in order to determine whether any have defected or could be interviewed to establish that Dukas was the senior secretary of Einstein who turned over the cables received to Soviet agents. A thorough review of all sections of the Dukas and Einstein files should be made in considering the request to interview Dukar made by the Newark office $\{90\}$

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Rerep of SA at Los Angeles dated 11/15/54, setting out lead to locate AARON TYCKO's divorced wife, who is last known to have resided at 816 South Ogden Drive, Los Angeles in 1937.

Inquiry in the neighborhood of 816 South Ogden Drive led to WILLIAM L. HAHN, 4901 Gould Avenue, La Canada, California, who stated on 11/15/54 that as he recalled MRS. SONIA TYCKO remarried about 1937 to a wealthy man named MR. BROWN and had moved away. However, records of the Los Angeles County Clerk's Office failed to disclose any record of her remarriage under either the name of SONIA TYCKO or SONIA SADICOFF between 1933 and 1949. Nevertheless, records of the Los Angeles County Recorder's Office did disclose record of the marriage of DANIEL H./TYCKO, age 21, born 11/14/27 and then residing at 3191 West 4th Street, Los Angeles on 1/30/49 to GRETA MARKSON, age 21, and then residing at 227 Veteran Avenue, Los Angeles. This record reflected his parents names as AARON M. TYCKO and (nee) SONIA SADICOFF and their birth in Poland and Russia respectively. Witness to the marriage was THOMAS A. LESLIE, JR., then residing at 2966 South Robertson.

Inquiry at 227 Veteran Avenue, West Los Angeles, disclosed that the MARKSON family had moved about 1949. However, recourse to a current telephone directory disclosed the listing of one LEON H. MARKSON (which name had been shown on the marriage record of DANIEL H. TYCKO as his bride's father's name) at the address of 601 Midvale, West Los Angeles. On 12/3/54, MRS. LEON MARKSON stated that DANIEL H. TYCKO is no longer her son-in-law and that she does not know the present address of his mother, but that she would attempt to obtain it and furnish it to this office in the immediate future.

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Helek Dukas was born October 17, 1896, in Germany. She was brought to the U.S. by Albert Einstein, entering on 6/3/35. She became a naturalized U.S. citizen on 10/1/40. She is employed as secretary and housekeeper to Finstein and resides in his house in Princeton, New Jersey.

An investigation of Dukas was instituted in 1945 on the basis of information from censorship indicating that in 1943 she corresponded with Otto Katz, an alleged Soviet agent in Mexico City. Investigation reflected that she had correspondence with a number of individuals abroad and in the U.S. who are considered possible Soviet agents, Communists, or pro-Communists. In addition, it was determined that in 1946 her name appeared in the address book of Ursula Irene Fasserman, a Soviet agent. In 1943 her name was among effects of Solomon Isaacovich Michaels and Lt. Col. Itzik Feffer, suspected Soviet agents, who were in the U.S. in 1943 on a propaganda tour allegedly representing Jewish delegations in the USSA. She is the aunt of Albert Wallenberger, who, in 1940, was chairman of the Friends of New Germany, a Communist infiltrated organization. The investigation was closed in 1949.

The investigation of Dukas was reopened in October, 1950, upor receipt of information from G-2 dated 9/7/50 to the effect that an unnamed source reported that from 1929 to 1933 Albert Rinstein's Berlin office was used as a cable address by the Soviets, and Finstein's senior secretary (of two secretaries) handled the messages and turned them over to the Soviets. The G-2 report indicated to some extent that Rinstein did not have knowledge of this activity. The G-2 report named Soviet personalities who may have had knowledge that Finstein's address was used as a mail drop. On 10/23/50, G-2 was requested to obtain further details and corroboration. G-2 has stated that these individuals who may have had knowledge of this operation have either been liquidated by the Soviets, died in the Spanish Civil Far, are masing, or are firmly

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with the Soviets. A review of Bufiles on these indivituals either corroborates the above statement by G-2 relating to the unavailability of the Soviet personalities or the individuals could not be identified. Investigation in the U.S. has reflected that Helen Dukas has been employed as Einstein's personal secretary since 1928. Extensive investigation of Dukas has been conducted in the U.S. and all logical leads in the U.S. and abroad have now been covered. Dukas was previously interviewed on 11/2/51 as reliable information had been received to the effect that Gunther Stein, Soviet espionage agent in the (Bichard) Sorge Ring, had called a Miss Dukas at Einstein's home in January, 1948. Dukas was pleasant but denied any contact with or knowledge of Stein. She was not questioned at that time concerning the G-2 allegation as mentioned herein inasmuch as G-2 was still investigating the matter and it was believed desirable to await the results of G-2's investigation for possible corroborating data. (100-355214-165)

Nevark has recommended that Dukas be interviewed in an effort to resolve the matter. There are the disadvantages in interviewing her because of her close association with Albert Finstein, Finstein's prominence throughout the world and his known tendency to make public statements concerning matters with which he personally disagrees. However, in order to completely resolve the matter, it is believed that she should be interviewed. All investigative leads have been exhausted and the only possibility of reaching a successful conclusion would be through interviewing her. The possibility exists that the allegations may again be brought up and, if so, we can state that the Tureau has completely and thoroughly investigated the matter, only if we interview Dukas. It should be possible to interview her, without antagonism, by using the pretext of seeking information concerning certain Soviet and German personalities (the individuals who allegedly know of the use of Einstein's address as a mail drop) (S) (M) (M)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is believed that the advantages of interviewing Tukas 10/13, outweigh the disadvantages. Accordingly it is recommended that Helen Dukas be interviewed. If you agree, appropriate instructions to Newark are attached.

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Reference is made to your memorandum dated November 9, 1954, requesting Bureau authority to interview Helen Dukas. Further reference is made to Bureau reply dated December 2, 1954, advising that Bufiles were being reviewed on Helen Dukas and upon completion advice would be furnished as to whether or not she should be interviewed.

Bufiles do not reflect any additional pertinent information and authorization is granted to interview Dukas. The interview should be conducted in accordance with existing Bureau regulations for interviewing security subjects. The interview must be conducted by experienced agents who should thoroughly familiarize themselves with all details and personalities mentioned in the Dukas and Einstein cases.

It is suggested that the interview could begin on the pretext of seeking information concerning certain individuals who were formerly in Germany, such as the persons named by G-2 as having knowledge of the use of Einstein's address as a mail drop. In this maker it is believed that ADUKas will not gain the impression that she is under investigation which would tend toward minimizing any possible antagonism she might have Some

The results of the interview should be submitted in a report form suitable for dissemination.

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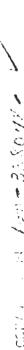
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As for her former husband, TYCKO, she stated that she never had the slightest doubt of his loyalty to this country, and that she is sure he had no connection with the Communist movement or sympathy with Communism in any way. She said that he, as was true of his closest acquaintances, was always an ardent Zionist, and therefore "intensely anti-Communist" as a matter of principle. She said that no allegation of Communist sympathy could truthfully apply to him. She said that she never knew him to possess any works by LEON TROTSKY or other Communist leaders, or to discuss such works or to express any admiration for such writers.

As for his closest acquaintances at the time in question, she could recall only one by name, OSMAN, and in this instance only the last name. She said that she can recall no one named LLOYD as one of his acquaintances.

(It should be noted that, as previously reported, AARON TYCKO has stated that the subject sat for his photograph in his (TYCKO's) studio at the Ambassador Hotel, also, that he reads extensively and may have in the past expressed praise for LEON TROTSKY as an able writer and orator, and for his brilliant mind, which expressions could have been misinterpreted as approval of TROTSKY's Communist views.)



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NEWARK OFFICE

AT NEWARK, NEW JERSEY:

Will advise the Bureau, Los Angeles, and Oklahoma City Offices, whether it considers reinterview of the complainant GERRITT J. LLOYD desirable. See Los Angeles letter to the Bureau dated 8/2/54, and Bureau Air-Tel to Newark dated 9/2/54.

OKLAHCMA CITY OFFICE

AT OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA:

Will comply with future instructions of Newark or the Bureau regarding reinterview of GERRITT J. LLOYD, 1348 S. Florence Avenue, Tulsa, Oklahoma. Should the reinterview be requested, will refer to information appearing in the reports of SA Angeles, dated 8/2/54, 8/23/54, 11/15/54, and instant report, as all contain information bearing on LLOYD's allegations against the subject.

LOS ANGELES OFFICE

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA:

- 1. Will surep information pertaining directly to the subject obtained from original sources within its territorial jurisdiction.
- 2. Will reinterview AARON TYCKO if desired by the office of origin, (Newark), depending on the results of reinterview of LLOYD by the Oklahoma City Office.

REFERENCES:

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HELEN DUKAS, Secretary for Dr. ALBERT EINSTEIN, Princeton, New Jersey, interviewed concerning possible connection with espionage activities on behalf of Russia 1928-1933 in Berlin, Germany. She disclaimed any know- ledge of the identities of known espionage agents, who might possibly have been in contact with Dr. EINSTEIN's office during pertinent period. She has no knowledge concerning the "CLUB OF INTELLECTUAL WORKERS" in Berlin during this period. She advised that she has been EINSTEIN's only secretary since 1928 and that the only other assistants that he has had were his wife and oldest step-daughter, both deceased. She stated that Dr. EINSTEIN maintained his only office in Berlin at his place of pesidence, and that there were no other employees in the householdShe further advised that at the present time Dr. EINSTEIN is in poor health. ACCINCT PRODUCTION OF ACTIVITIES IN GERMANY ON JULIA ALLEGATIONS OF ACTIVITIES IN GERMANY								
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that information was received from a eliable source to the effect that prior to 1933 a Communist Internationale (COMINTERN) and other Soviet apparate were very active in gathering intelligence information in the Far East. Many international Communist functionaries were stationed in Shanghai and Canton, China, for the purpose of gathering intelligence information. One of the means of communication used by these individuals to contact Central Headquarters in Moscow was through the use of telegrams. Such telegrams, which were always coded, were never sent directly to Moscow, but were sent to agents in other countries such as Egypt and France where they were recopied and forwarded to telegram addresses or "drops" in Berlin, Germany. According to T-1, one of these telegram addresses was the office of ALBERT EINSTEIN in Berlin, and this address proved to be very successful inasmuch as EINSTEIN received a great quantity of mail, telegrams and cablegrams from all over the world. EINSTEIN's personal secretary, whose identity was not known to T-1, gave the telegrams to a Soviet Courier, whose duty it was to pick up such mail from several telegram "drops" and then channel the mail to Moscow

EINSTEIN'S Berlin office allegedly employed at least two female secretaries, both of whom were Communist sympathizers. The exact period EINSTEIN's office was used as an address for coded cables by Soviet Intelligence was not known. However, EINSTEIN's cable address was already in action as of 1929. The reason for the use of EINSTEIN's cable address was due to the quantity of legal cable traffic which he received due to his established international reputation, which in turn provided a relatively innocuous cover for illegal communications. The person in EINSTEIN's office through whom arrangements were made for the use of the cable address, was EINSTEIN's chief secretary at the time. However, T-1 did not know the identity or background of the secretary in question. This individual was allegedly EINSTEIN's senior and private secretary, at least during the period 1929 to 1931. This person was allegedly closely associated with the international apparate functionary of Soviet Russia.

The informant described the operation of the Intelligence activities as follows:

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An intelligence message was first transcribed into a prearranged Comintern or Soviet code. This message was then transcribed into a second code prior to the time it was transcribed into an approved international cable code. The informant believed that EINSTEIN used a code developed in Germany by RUDOLPH MOSSE Publishing and Newspaper firm. The double coded message was then dispatched to EINSTEIN's cable address. At EINSTEIN's office, it was the duty of the senior secretary to decode all messages and to give them to EINSTEIN for reading. This person was therefore in a position to intercept all messages which did not pertain to EINSTEIN and transmit them to the appropriate Soviet courier.

This courier or contact man responsible for liaison with EINSTEIN's Berlin Office, came directly to that office to pick up incoming cables for the apparate.

The informant advised that it was believed that EINSTEIN was unaware of the true nature of the correspondence which was channeled through his cable address from the Far East and it is quite possible that arrangements had been made through EINSTEIN'S secretary without his knowledge:

Informant also pointed out that if EINSTEIN were aware of the use of his address from the beginning, the most logical approach to him in order to gain his approval of such activities would be to convince him that it was in the interests of "human rights"

Informant further advised that at least one incident occurred during the Summer of 1930 which indicated that EINSTEIN must have had some knowledge of the use of his cable address for purposes other than his own. At that time, EINSTEIN's secretary had planned to go on a three or four week vacation and had been instructed to notify the Soviet courier in advance of the date of her departure so that arrangements could be made to intercept the Comintern cables before they were given to EINSTEIN. The private secretary left on her vacation without informing the courier, and no attempt was made by the courier to contact EINSTEIN personally, and he awaited the return of the private secretary in order to receive the cable messages. When she returned from her vacation, all the cables were turned over to her by EINSTEIN and nothing was said to her concerning them. The use of the cable address by the Soviets continued as in the past. The informant was unaware as to whether EINSTEIN asked for an

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explanation from the secretary concerning the use of his cable address for activities not related to his profession.

Informant stated that EINSTEIN was frequently active in supporting so-called "front groups" especially those relating to human rights or anti-Fascist activities.

Newark further advised that it was common knowledge in Berlin, during this period, that EINSTEIN sympathized with the Soviet Union to a great extent. His Berlin staff of typists and secretaries was allegedly composed of individuals who were recommended to him at his request by individuals who were very close to a Communist cover organization known as the "Klub Der Geistesarbeiter" (Club of Intellectual Workers). This organization allegedly served as a source of personnel for various illegal Soviet apparate. EINSTEIN was closely associated with this club and was very friendly with members who later became Soviet agents.

During the early 1930's, EMIL KLAUS FUCHS, who was a student in Berlin, was also associated with this club. FUCHS was later jailed and convicted in England for giving atomic bomb information to the Soviets. EINSTEIN was also friendly with several members of the Soviet Embassy in Berlin.

According to among the Soviet agents who made contact with EINSTEIN's Office to pick up the coded messages, was one RICHARD GROSSKOFF, who was also in charge of falsifying passports for the Soviet apparate and has subsequently become Chief of Berlin Criminal Police in the Soviet Sector of Berlin

INTERVIEW WITH HELEN DUKAS

On February 23, 1955 SA

interviewed HELEN DUKAS at her

place of residence, which is also the residence of
Dr. ALBERT EINSTEIN, 112 Mercer Street, Princeton, N. J.

DUKAS was interviewed concerning her association with
EINSTEIN and to ascertain if she had any knowledge of the
alleged espionage activities at the Office of EINSTEIN
in Berlin, Germany, during the 1929 to 1933 period.
She advised that she has been in the employ of
Dr. EINSTEIN as his private secretary since 1928. Prior
to 1928, EINSTEIN did not have a personal secretary, but

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his office duties were handled by his wife, WISA MINSTEIN, and she was assisted by her oldest daughter, name unknown. EINSTEIN also had some assistance on a purely part time basis by students in Berlin, Germany. DUKAS advised that EINSTEIN has never had a large office staff, that the only office he maintained in Berlin, Germany, to her knowledge, was in his home, and in a sense this was not an office, but consisted of a combination study and work area. All of his private and social correspondence was handled by his wife. EISA. DUKAS not only served as a private secretary for such duties as typing and other office work, but also served as the cook, and general housekeeper for the entire family. She advised that EIMSTEIN did not have an office at the Prussian Academy of Scientists located at the Kaiser Wilhelm Institute in Berlin, although he did go their approximately once a week for academic purposes. Since she started with EINSTEIN in 1928, he has hed no other employees or staff members, and that she has had no other persons assisting her as secretary to EINSTEIN.

DUKAS was asked if she was acquainted with or had ever heard of any of the following persons:

GEORGIY DIMITROFF, who, according to T-1, was a Comintern official in Berlin, Germany. She stated that in regard to DIMITROFF, she did not know him and had never met him. However, she believes that he is probably identical with the DIMITROFF who was well known in German circles and who received much publicity as the result of the Reichstag fire in Berlin in the early 1930's.

JACOB ABRAMOV, wa., \MIROV - She advised shedid not know this person.

The following persons, according to T-1, served as couriers in contact with EINSTEIN's Office or were engaged in activities of Soviet espionage wherein they would use or have knowledge that EINSTEIN's Office was a cable drop for the Soviet apparate

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FRITZ BURDE
WILLT WLOCH
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DUKAS advised that none of the above persons were known to her. However, many of them had common German names and it is quite possible that she might have had contact with them and not be aware of it. She stated that to her knowledge, none of them ever contacted her at Dr. EINSTEIN'S Office nor did any of them attempt to contact Dr. EINSTEIN.

She stated that she had no personal knowledge of any of them and that she rather doubts that they would have tried to contact Dr. EINSTEIN at his office, inasmuch as he had very few callers, but handled most of his affairs by mail.

She stated that she has never been interested in politics here in the United States or in Germany, except that she was against the rise of Hitler in Germany. She stated that her only interest in life has been EINSTEIN and that she follows all of his wishes. She stated that at no time would she have engaged in any activity without first bringing it to Dr. EINSTEIN's attention. She stated that she never had any knowledge of anyone in Germany, who was interested in Communism, attempting to infiltrate Dr. EINSTEIN's office or the office of any other scientist traveling in Dr. EINSTEIN's circle.

She stated that during the period 1929 to 1933, Dr. EINSTEIN was extremely active in his work in Berlin, and that he enjoyed good health and his social demands were very heavy, that he handled practically all of his correspondence from his home, and was assisted to some extent by his wife and oldest step-daughter. At the present time, Dr. EINSTEIN does nearly all of his work from his home.

As to the Klub Der Geistesarbeiter, she has no knowledge of such an organization. However, it is quite possible that it did exist inasmuch as Dr. EINSTEIN was very active in many professional circles, especially scientific groups in Berlin, Germany. She advised that she probably would have little knowledge concerning such activities, inasmuch as she did not travel in the same circle of friends as did Dr. EINSTEIN. Her circle of friends was nearly all Jewish and she was interested primarily in Jewish affairs.

In regard to Dr. EINSTEIN's family, she stated that he had two sons, by his first wife, one of which,

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HANS ALBERT EINSTEIN, is currently serving as a Professor at the University of California, Berkeley, California. The other son, EDWARD EINSTEIN, born in 1909, is presently confined to a mental institution in Zurich, Switzerland. He has been confined there since the age of twenty-one, and she described him as a hopeless mental case. She further advised that EINSTEIN has two step-daughters, by his second wife, ELSA, one of whom she did not name, the oldest, is deceased. The other, MARGOT, presently makes her home with Dr. EINSTEIN in Princeton, New Jersey.

She further advised that at the present time, Dr. EINSTEIN is in poor health, having suffered from a severe attack of the flu during the past winter and developing a case of anemia. Dr. EINSTEIN has been confined to his home for several months, until just recently, when he was allowed by his doctor to go outside for a few minutes each day.

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Berlin,
Germany

5/10/51 Bureau 100-29614-83

This report is being classified "secret" inasmuch as the information furnished by G-2 set forth in this report, has been classified by the Department of the Army as "secret".

Copies of this report are being furnished to G-2, ONI, OSI, and INS, inasmuch as they have previously had an interest in this matter.

REFERENCE: Newark letter to Bureau 11/9/54
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TO

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DATE: 39/55

RE: Report of SA dated 3/9/55

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It is to be noted that referenced report sets forth the results of the interview with HELEN DUKAS. During the interview, DUKAS was extremely friendly and appeared quite sincere in her answers. She did not appear to be evasive in any manner, but spoke quite freely and admitted that due to the passage of years, her mind was not too clear as to names, dates and places. She did not elaborate on many of her answers and the interview was conducted in a discrete and circumspect manner as suggested by the Bureau. The main premise for the interview was given to DUKAS as an opportunity for her to assist in developing information concerning activities in Berlin, Germany, during the period 1928 to 1933. At no time did she give any hint or indication that she was aware the investigation concerned her in any way, and at the conclusion of the interview, she expressed no antagonism toward the interviewing agents or the Federal Bureau of Investigation. She stated that in the future, in the event she could be of any assistance she wished to be most helpful and would welcome an interview with the agents.

On the basis of the information developed during the interview, it is not believed that additional investigation in this matter is warranted.

It is to be noted that DUKAS claimed that she was the only employee of Dr. EINSTEIN since 1928 and that in itself tends to discredit the allegations by G-2's source,

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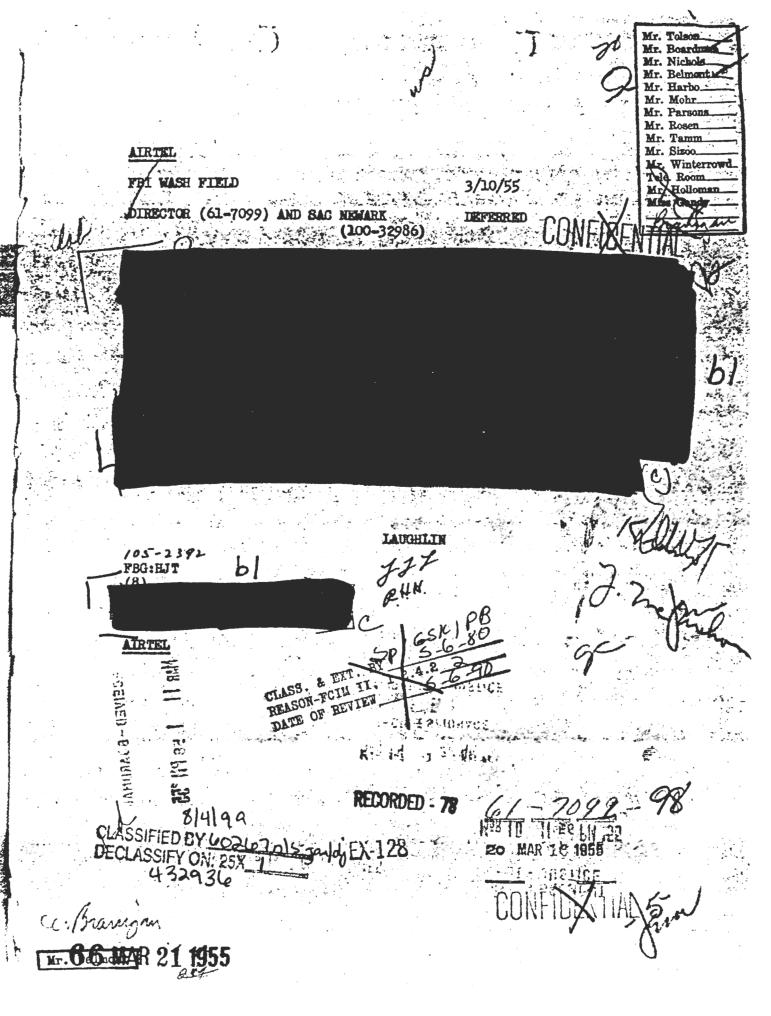
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who furnished the information that EINSTEIN's office a staff of secretaries and typists and that his senior secretary was the one engaged in contacts with Soviet couriers. It is believed that in the event the allegations made by G-2's source are correct, that the chief or senior secretary referred to in most probability was BINSTBIN's wife, ELSA BINSTEIN, now deceased, or his oldest stepdaughter, name unknown, also deceased, but who, according to DUKAS, did serve as EINSTEIN's secretary up to about 1926 at which time she married .

It is also noted that the interview has identified BINSTRIN's children and their current whereabouts, discountling any possibility of children being held behind the Iron Curtain as possible hostages of the Soviets.

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Rebulet to Newark dated 3/17/55, mentioning a Newark letter dated 3/19/55 which stated that no additional investigation in this case seemed to be warranted.

In view of the announced death of ALBERT EINSTEIN on 4/18/55, this office contemplates no further investigation without the specific request of the Bureau or Newark office.

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hic Reference is made to the closing report of dated Murch 9, 1955, at Newark, New Jersey, in the Dukas case. Jurther reference is made to your letter dated March 9, 1955, bearing the above dual caption, which informed that no additional investigation (in either the Dukas or Zinstein cases). appeared to be warranted.

<u>Reference</u> is also made to the report of dated March 3, 1955, at Los Angeles, California, in the Einstein case, which apparently crossed in the mail with the above-referenced communications. The Los Angeles report dated March 3, 1955. suggested possible leads for Newark, Oklahoma City and Los Angeles, provided Newark so directed.

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m C$ files and advice Oklahoma City, Lee Angeles and the Bureau if the suggested leads set forth in the Lee Angeles report dated March 3, 1955, should be covered. Newark should also advise if any additional investigation appears to be warranted in this matter. If no additional investigation is indicated, a closing report should be submitted in the Einstein case.

In addition, Hewark should furnish one copy of the Los Angeles report dated March 3, 1955, to the local INS office. 41- 70

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REFERENCE: Report of SA

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DATE: May 2, 1955

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Reference is made to the report of SA dated 3/3/55, at Los Angeles, and Bureau letter to Newark dated 3/17/55.

It is to be noted that ALBERT EINSTEIN died at Princeton, New Jersey on April 18, 1955.

A review of instant file in the Newark Office failed to reflect the necessity for any additional investigation in this matter. Therefore, it is not believed that the lead set forth in referenced Los Angeles report need be conducted by the Los Angeles and Oklahoma City Offices. This matter is being closed.

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FROM:

SAC, NEW YORK (105-6252)

SUBJECT: ALBERT EINSTEIN

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Rebulet to NY 3/21/55, captioned signified the Bureau desired that immediate steps be taken to correct the previous characterization of in all reports and letters prepared in the past. Rebulet directed that in all instances information furnished by should be attributed to by name. He should be characterized as "an alleged former Comintern representative whose credibility is not known since he has in the past furnished both reliable and unreliable information." Rebulet additionally instructed that the characterization be inserted on all copies of the communication in ink, noting the date of change and the initials of the person making the change.

In accordance with the above, the following communication has been changed in the NYO to properly attribute the information to name and characterization:

(Rpt., Letter, (Place Where (Page (T-Symbol) (Date) (Agent's Name) Airtel, Etc.) Made) Nos.) NY letter to 1/15/54 Serial # 740 1&2 Bureau

Where this communication was a report, the information corresponding to the T-symbol number for the informant page has been marked Deleted."

It is requested that the Eureau and all interested offices who received copies of the communication make changes on all copies in their possession.

It is to be noted that copies of this communication were disseminated locally to the following NY agencies None

These agencies have been advised by separate letter of characterization and they have been advised that they may desire to change Itheir copy of the communication accordingly.

It is noted that a copy of the above communication was disseminated locally to none . It is requested that the Office notify this agency in writing, making reference to the communication which has been changed, that credibility cannot be evaluated since he is known to have furnished both reliable and unreliable information and the agency may desire to change the copy of the communication in its possession accordingly.

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FROM:

SAC, NEW YORK (105-6252)

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SUBJECT: ALBERT EINSTEIN

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Rebulet to NY 3/24/55, captioned "which signified the Bureau desired that immediate steps be taken to correct the previous characterization of in all reports and letters prepared in the past. Rebulet directed that in all instances information furnished by should be attributed to by name. He should be characterized as "an alleged former Comintern representative whose credibility is not known since he has in the past furnished both reliable and unreliable information." Rebulet additionally instructed that the characterization be inserted on all copies of the communication in ink, noting the date of change and the initials of the person making the change.

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In accordance with the above, the following communication has been changed in the NYO to properly attribute the information to by name and characterization:

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For the information of the Newark division, the above report was disseminated to the NYO by letter dated 12/14/53. It is noted this report reflects 10 copies were furnished to the Bureau and an additional 22 copies were retained by the Newark division. Inasmuch as the NYO has no way of determining the extent of any additional dissemination of the report, it is requested the Newark division advise all interested offices and agencies, if any, who might have received copies of this report, to make appropriate changes on all copies in their possession.

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - U. S. GOVERNMENT

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DIRECTOR, FBI (61-7099)

DATE: 6/8/55

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SAC, NEVARK

(100-32986)

SUBJECT:

ALBERT EINSTEIN

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Re Newark letter to Albuquerque dated 12/14/53; report of SA dated 8/5/53 at Newark; and New 67 York letter to the Director dated 5/27/55, entitled "ALBERT EINSTEIN, IS-R."

Referenced New York letter requested, at the direction of the Bureau, that all information furnished by LOUIS GIBARTI in all letters and reports be attributed to him by name and that he be characterized as follows: "An alleged Comintern representative whose credibility is not known since he has in the past furnished both reliable and unreliable information."

In view of the above, on page 97, paragraphs 1 and 62 of referenced report should be changed accordingly. Information on page 138 pertaining to should be deleted.

If any offices receiving this letter have disseminated the above-mentioned information to any other offices or agencies, it is requested that the necessary corrective action be taken and the Bureau advised.

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Appropriate steps have been taken to have the 22 copies of referenced report prepared for Newark changed, with the exception of the report that was forwarded to G-2, New York. This report was forwarded to G-2, New York, by Newark letter dated 2/2/54. It is requested that the Bureau, through liaison, furnish the above information to G-2 so that they might change referenced report accordingly.



House of Commons Canada

Mr. Harbo Mr. Mohr Mr. Parsons Mr. Rosen.. Mr. Tamm. Ottawa, July 13 Ml.9575. Mr. Winterrowd Tele. Room. Mr. Holloman Miss Gandy_

Mr. J. Edgar Hoover. Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington. D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Various statements I have seen that the late Dr. Albert Einstein was connected with a number of Communist organizations or fronts. But I require proper documentation or authority.

I was wondering if you have this information and could officially release it so that I could qubte the information and the source -- your office -from where I would get it. Would you have this information?

Thanking you, and awaiting your convenience, and with my best wishes.

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Yours sincerely.

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John H. Blackmore, M.P.

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July 20, 1955

Honorable John H. Blackmore, M. P. (Original) House of Commons Ottawa, Canada

My dear Mr. Blackmore:

Your letter of July 13, 1955, has been received and I appreciate the interest which prompted your inquiry.

In response to your request, I wish to advise that information in Federal Bureau of Investigation files is confidential and available for official use only. I would like to point out that this Bureau is strictly a fact-gathering agency and does not make evaluations or draw conclusions as to the character or integrity of any organization, publication or individual. I hope that you will understand the reasons for these rules and will not infer either that we do or do not have information concerning the subject of your inquiry.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Liaison Representative Ottawa, Canada

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NOTE FOR LIAISON REPRESENTATIVE

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Letter to Honorable John H. Blackmore, M. P. House of Commons
Ottawa, Canada

NOTE FOR YELLOW:

On 6-23-54 in House of Commons, Blackmore introduced excerpts from Director's testimony before House Subcommittee on Appropriations on 12-9-53, particularly that part indicating that where one agent was formerly needed for proper coverage of the Communist underground, nine or ten are now needed. Copy of testimony was furnished Blackmore by Bulet of 6-10-54. Bufiles (State Department info of 12-8-53) reflect Blackmore is member of Social Credit Party which party favors strong action against Communist influence in Government. (62-96332-79)

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Office Memorandum • United STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : A. H. Belmont

DATE: July 27, 1955

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SUBJECT:

ALBERT EINSTEIN
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Albert Einstein, internationally famous mathematician and discoverer and exponent of the theory of relativity, born 3-14-79 in Germany. Director of Theoretical Physics, Kaiser Wilhelm Institute and Professor, Prussian Academy of Sciences, both Germany, until 1933. Entered U. S. 1935 and naturalized 1940; held life professorship, Institute for Advanced Studies, Princeton, New Jersey; and lived with housekeeper and secretary, Helen Dukas, who accompanied him to U. S. in 1935.

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Investigation of Einstein instituted 1950 based upon information that he was affiliated with over 30 Communist-front organizations. Investigation reflected he sponsored entry into U.S. of numerous individuals with pro-Communist backgrounds. G-2 informed in 1950 as follows: (1) From 1929 to 1933 his Berlin, Germany, office was used as cable address by Soviets; (2) messages were handled by his senior secretary (of 2 secretaries) and (3) he had staff of typists and secretaries in Berlin. G-2's information came from unidentified source. Extensive investigation in U. S. reflected Einstein affiliated or his name extensively associated with literally hundreds of pro-Communist groups. No evidence of CP membership developed. Extensive investigation in Germany conducted by G-2 at our request with Investigation reflected Helen Dukas was negative results. his secretary during pertinent period, 1929-33. We interviewed her on 2-23-55. She was cooperative and stated Einstein never had any other secretaries since 1929, and he never maintained an office staff or even an office in Germany but worked from his home. Dukas questioned identities of individuals who, according to G-2, allegedly had knowledge of use of Einstein's office as mail drop. These individuals are all now deceased or are in East Germany or Soviet Union. Dukas stated that she had no knowledge of any of the individuals and no knowledge that any of them ever contacted Einstein Figure 1

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Memorandum for Mr. Belmont

On 4-18-55 Einstein died. At that time all logical investigation had been conducted. All references to him in Bufiles have been reviewed. This file review is in accordance with existing Bureau policy where there is allegation of espionage. File references were last reviewed on February 25, 1952, and it was determined that all pertinent information concerning Einstein appeared in his main file at that time. There are over 200 references since February 25, 1952, and all of them have been reviewed and it has been determined all pertinent information concerning Einstein appears in his main file. Dissemination has been made to all interested Government agencies. A separate investigation has been conducted and a separate memo has been prepared on Helen Dukas.

RECOMMENDATION:

Close case.

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ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIR IS UNCLASSIFIED 61-7099 DATE 7- 22-96 BY 592/CLC #360461 October 4, 1955 Date: (Original &li) Assistant Chief of Staff, To: Department of the Army The Pentagon

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director

Washington 25, D. C.

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ALBERT EINSTEIN Subject: INTERNAL SECURITY - R

MC Reference is made to the report of Special doted August 5, 1953, at Newark. Agent New Jersey, in captioned case.

Your attention is directed to page 97 of the afore-mentioned report, wherein certain_information is furnished by Confidential Informant This informant whose credibility is not known since he has in the past furnished both reliable and unreliable information. (21)

It is suggested that the agencies receiving copies of this communication may desire to make an appropriate notation on the copy of Special Agent furnished on September 30, 1953.

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