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2 May 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, SR/2

SUBJECT : Contact Report - AEKIL0/2

1. On 9 March 1962 at approximately 2100 hours, [ ] contacted AEKIL0/2 via telephone at his home, 4 Summit Street, East Orange, New Jersey, Area Code 201, OR 3-4488. The purpose of the call was to arrange a meeting the following day for the purpose of debriefing Subject relative to matters of interest to the Latvian desk. Subject agreed to meet the undersigned in the lobby of the Park Sheraton Hotel at 1030 hours.

2. The meeting was held as scheduled and the debriefing was conducted in Room 342. The following items were discussed:

a. Riga Retour. The Subject's impressions of this recent book by Pavils KLANS (P), published by Helmars RUDZITIS, were interesting. AEKIL0/2 feels that the book was written for ready sale by the author as a piece of sensationalism. According to AEKIL0/2, RUDZITIS periodically grants stipends to two or three Latvian students ~~at~~ living abroad. He recalls that LAIKS, the Latvian newspaper published by RUDZITIS, listed approximately two years ago names of students to whom RUDZITIS granted aid. One of these students was [ ] who figures prominently in the book. [ ] allegedly received a \$200 to \$400 dollar stipend. The speculation that [ ] story to KLANS was a quid pro quo for RUDZITIS' s financial help was raised. According to [ ] who was contacted on 29 March 1962, neither she nor [ ] ever received a cent for their story from the author. It is doubtful that [ ] would have received anything thing even if he did ask for it. Upon receipt of MOG's debriefing of [ ] re Riga Retour, other questions for the field may be forwarded regarding the above.

*Now all info  
return home!!  
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given to R. R. Smith  
293 on this matter?*

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b. Zigurds KRUMINS. AEKIL0/2 was asked to identify Zigurds KRUMINS, DOB: 1927, POB: Aloja, Latvia, who, unbeknown to AEKIL0/2, is the former cell mate of OSANN (P). KRUMINS allegedly served as a radio operator in the Latvian Legion. Based on his access to Legion records, AEKIL0/2 promised, if possible, to develop further information. He was cautioned not to address any queries regarding KRUMINS abroad. (Later in the meeting AEKIL0/2 asked the C/O if he knew the identity of OSANN's Latvian cell mate based on information which he learned from the press. The undersigned disclaimed any knowledge.) AEKIL0/2 was also asked to furnish leads to anyone from Aloja, Latvia, KRUMINS' hometown, as a means to uncover persons in the West who would know something about KRUMINS' past.

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Since the meeting, AEKIL0/2 has furnished as of 27 March 1962 the following lead re Aloja, Latvia:

Mrs. J. SPONE  
Route 2  
Northfield, Minnesota  
Northfield 5-4926

*is this individual  
related to OSANN?*

Mrs. SPONE at one time lived in Aloja. She is not known personally to AEKIL0/2. Latvian cards indicate that she may be identical with the wife of Janis SPONS of the above address. No derogatory information has been uncovered.

c. Cecilija LAPINA and Alice ZIEMELIS. Subject stated that both individuals were regarded as prostitutes in Latvia. These individuals have been associated with Henry BAGATAIS [ ] and Robert ANCANS [ ] Cecilija LAPINA has been a heavy financial contributor to KARA INVALIDU, the Latvian Disabled Veterans Magazine. These individuals may be unwitting tools of RIS activities among the emigres. AEKIL0/2 has since furnished the attached biographical information regarding BAGATAIS. (Attachment A) In addition, AEKIL0/2 has furnished as of 4 April 1962 a copy of Circular No. 11 published by KARA INVALIDU wherein an original \$2,000.00 non-interest loan by Cecilija LAPINA has been given allegedly as of 10 December 1961 to the home for invalids. She is the single largest contributor to date.

*is this a bond file  
substant? →  
given name without ref  
for C.I.E.I account  
100% → May be she  
has got nothing!!*

d. LUDZE, Latvia. This town in Latvia is the former home of Abraham TRUNKS, a naturalized Latvian American citizen from Miami, Florida, who visited Latvia in 1961. In an effort to develop information from people who might have known TRUNKS and his relatives, AEKIL0/2 was asked previously to furnish the name of anyone from that city. He furnished the following lead:

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Antonio MILLERE  
2047 Nostrand Avenue  
Brooklyn, New York  
Apartment 408  
DOB: c. 1920 POB: \_\_\_\_\_, Latvia  
Education: Majored in psychology at the University of  
Latvia; attended high school in Ludze, 1936-  
37. Former teacher.  
Other: Left Ludze c. 1940. Divorced. Now employed in an  
unknown office in Brooklyn. No derogatory information  
has been uncovered.

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e. Eriks ROBEZGRUBTNIKIS aka E. ROBEZ. The attached informa-  
tion (Attachment B) regarding E. ROBEZ has not been translated at  
this writing. For reasons stated in paragraph 11, SR/2-B-62-109,  
19 April 1962, he will be excluded from consideration as a REDSKIN  
spotter and consultant in Canada.

3. a. AEKIL0/2 turned over to the undersigned copies of DZIMTEKES  
BALSS (Voice of the Homeland) for January 1962, Nos. 1 (595) - 6  
(600); copies of the Baltic Review, Nos. 4, 5 and 22, to complete  
SR/2/Latvia files; and a copy of Daugavas Vanagi, No. 1, 1962, the  
Latvian veterans' magazine. The C/O paid \$6.00 for a 1962 subscription.  
A receipt for same is on file.

b. Subject furnished a package of pictures received indirectly  
from [ ] a Soviet Latvian defector in Sweden, allegedly  
depicting the conditions of homes in Latgale in 1960. Copies are on  
file for briefing on Latvian realities. One of the pictures taken in  
Siberia shows Mrs. M. VANAGS, wife of the former publisher of Daugavas  
Vestnesis. She has since returned to Latvia.

4. The meeting adjoined at 1145 hours. AEKIL0/2 left the hotel room un-  
accompanied. The next meeting will take place on call of the undersigned  
sometime following Subject's return from a Daugavas Vanagi meeting in  
Chicago 7-8 April 1962.

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