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SUBJECT: ROBERT MAXWELL

FILE: 105-25063 (SECTION 2)
IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, WAS, JAN LUDWIG HOCH, LUDWIG HOCK, CAPTAIN
MAXWELL, ROBERT MAXWELL, WALLACE CHESTERTON, ENIAN ROBERT
MAXWELL, IS-R AND GE. REWPOTEL OCTOBER TWENTY-SIX LAST, AND
OCTOBER TWENTYEIGHT LAST. RE NEWARK TEL OCTOBER TWENTYEVEN LAST
AND NY TEL OCTOBER TWENTYEIGHT LAST. SUBJECT MADE THE FOLLOWING
LONG DISTANCE CALLS, WHICH HAVE NOT PREVIOUSLY BEEN FURNISHED BY
WFO. ON OCTOBER TWENTYFOUR LAST A CALL TO TELEPHONE NUMBER AL
SIX DASH FIVE SIX NINE FIVE, THIS NUMBER BELIEVED TO BE IN NYC.
OCTOBER TWENTY-SIX LAST TO DR. JOHN VON NEWMANN, PRINCETON, NJ,
TELEPHONE NUMBER ONE DASH FOUR FOUR ZERO SIX. THIS NUMBER MAY BE
ONE DASH FOUR FOUR ZERO ZERO. ONE CALL TO GREENWICH, CONN, TELEPHONE
EIGHT DASH SIX EIGHT EIGHT ZERO. OCTOBER TWENTYEVEN LAST SUBJECT
TRIED TO REACH DR. ALVIN WEINBERG, TECHNICAL DIRECTOR OF OAKRIDGE
NATIONAL LABORATORY, AND DR. L. HARWORTH, TECHNICAL DIRECTOR OF
BROOKHAVEN, NATIONAL LABORATORY, LONG ISLAND, NY. ON OCTOBER ONE
TWENTYEIGHT LAST SUBJECT CONTACTED BY TELEPHONE DR. ZIMM, LAMONT,
ILLINOIS. THIS CALL WENT THROUGH THE AEC SWITCHBOARD. SUBJECT
CALLED UNKNOWN PARTY AT PLAZA THREE DASH EIGHT FIVE EIGHT ZERO,
LONDON ADDRESS OF SAVOY HOTEL, LONDON. FOR INFO BOSTON, SUBJECT PLACED A LONG DISTANCE CALL TO CAMBRIDGE, TELEPHONE NUMBER 89-DASH THREE THREE SEVEN ZERO. THIS MAY BE CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

FOR INFO NY, CONGRESSIONAL HOTEL, ADVISED SUBJECT IS WELL KNOWN AT WESTBURY HOTEL, NYC. HE FURTHER LEARNED SUBJECT IS DUE TO BE IN LONDON, MONDAY NIGHT NEXT AND HE MAY BE GOING BY PAN AMERICAN AIRLINES. ALL OFFICES ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY SUBJECT CONTACTS, AND UNLESS REASON EXISTS TO THE CONTRARY, INTERVIEW TO DETERMINE WHAT MAXWELL DESIRED AND EXACTLY WHAT INFO OR ASSISTANCE HE RECEIVED. FOR INFO ALL OFFICES NOT PREVIOUSLY ADVISED.

INTERVIEW RESULTS. DFC 83 2 30 61 24

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IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, WASH., IS DASH R AND GE. BUF1. ONE NAUGHT FIVE
DASH TWO FIVE NAUGHT SIX THREE. RE WFO TEL OCT. TWENTYNINE LAST
AND SPECIFICALLY — TO SUBJECTS PHONE CALL TO RIDGEFIELD NO. SIX
SEVEN SIX THREE ONE. SUBSCRIBER TO THAT NUMBER SCHLUMBERGER WELL
SURVEYING CO., RIDGEFIELD. INVESTIGATION REFLECTS SUBJ ATTEMPTED TO
CONTACT DR. JAMES G. BECKERLEY, PHYSICIST ASSOCIATED WITH LATTER
FIRM. SUBJ SUBSEQUENTLY ON OCT. TWENTYEIGHT LAST CONTACTED
BECKERLEY AT LATTERS RESIDENCE, UPPER MARLBORO, MD., AND THEY
ARRANGED A MEETING SAME DATE AT CONGRESSIONAL HOTEL, D.C.
BECKERLEY ADVISES HE WAS APPROACHED BY MAXWELL AS MEMBER OF NEWLY
ORGANIZED AMERICAN NUCLEAR SOCIETY. LATTER, PROFESSIONAL GROUP,
FORMED OCT. ELEVEN LAST IN WASH. D.C. NY TIMES SAME DATE REPORTED
THAT EVENT, TOGETHER WITH NAMES AND BUSINESS AFFILIATION OF THOSE
PARTICIPATING. BECKERLEY WAS APPOINTED EDITOR PRO DASH TEM OF
SOCIETY AND PRESUMES MAXWELL GOT HIS NAME FROM NY TIMES ARTICLE.
DISCUSSION WITH MAXWELL LIMITED TO POSSIBILITY OF PEGAMON PRESS
HANDLING PUBLICATION OF INSTANT SOCIETY AS A JOINT OR SEPARATE
JOURNAL ASSOCIATED WITH CURRENT PEGAMON PUBLICATION RE NUCLEAR
ENGR. WORK IN EUROPE. MAXWELL INDICATED TO BECKERLEY HE HAD
DISCUSSED THE PROPOSAL WITH ALVIN WEINBERG, OAK RIDGE NATIONAL
LABS. URNER LIDDELL, FORMERLY OF BENDIX AVIATION, DETROIT, AND
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L. HAWORTH, DIRECTOR, BROOKHAVEN NATIONAL LABS., L.I., NY, PRIOR TO MEETING WITH BECKERLEY. BECKERLEY ADVISED MAXWELL HE WAS INTERESTED, BUT TOO EARLY TO MAKE A COMMITMENT. BECKERLEY ADVISED HE HAD HEARD OF MAXWELL PREVIOUSLY IN CONNECTION WITH PEGAMON PRESS, SOMewhat SUSPECT, NEVER MET HIM PREVIOUSLY. CONSIDERS HIM A QUOTE PROMOTER UNQUOTE. BECKERLEY ASCERTAINED SUBSEQUENTLY THAT MAXWELL TALKED TO J.H. LUNTZ OF MC GRAW DASH HILL, NY. LUNTZ AND BECKERLEY AGREED DEALINGS WITH MAXWELL SHOULD BE CIRCUMSPECT. MAXWELL ADVISED BECKERLEY HE WAS LEAVING FOR ENGLAND OCT. THIRTY LAST. REF TEL REFERRED TO ANOTHER CALL MADE TO GREENWICH, CONN, BY SUBJ. THIS WAS MADE TO RESIDENCE [REDACTED] WHO IS CONNECTED WITH HAMBROSE BANK, LTD., NYC. ARRANGEMENTS TO INTERVIEW [REDACTED] NOV. FOUR NEXT.

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MAXWELL, ROBERT MAXWELL, WALLACE CHESTERTON, ENNAN ROBERT MAXWELL,
IS-R AND GE. REWFOTEL TO BUREAU OCT. TWENTYSIX. RETEL REFLECTED LONG
DISTANCE CALL BY SUBJECT TO TRENTON, NJ, TELEPHONE NO: ONE FOUR FOUR
NAUGHT NAUGHT. INQUIRY TELEPHONE COMPANY OFFICIALS REFLECTS NO SUCH NUMBER
IN TRENTON, NJ. NUMBER CALLED POSSIBLY PRINCETON ONE FOUR FOUR NAUGHT
NAUGHT, SUBSCRIBED TO BY INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY, PRINCETON, NJ.
THIS NUMBER IS SWITCHBOARD AT IAS, WHICH RECEIVES CALLS FOR ALL
DEPARTMENTS OF THIS INSTITUTE. DR. J. ROBERT OPPENHEIMER IS CURRENTLY
DIRECTOR, INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY, ALSO, DR. JOHN VON NEUMANN,
RECENT APPOINTEE TO AEC AS COMMISSIONER, IS MEMBER OF IAS. NEWARK HAS
NO INFO CONCERNING POSSIBLE CONTACT BY SUBJECT WITH ANYONE AT IAS. RUC.
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eIGHT LAST AND WFO TEL OCTOBER TWENTY NINE LAST. JEROME LUNTZ,
MC GRAW - HILL PUBLISHING COMPANY, ADVISED OCTOBER TWENTY NINE LAST
SUBJECT TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED HIM AS ORGANIZING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN
OF "AMERICAN NUCLEAR SOCIETY" AND EDITOR OF "NUCLEONICS." SUBJECT-S
COMPANY, PERGAMON PRESS, LONDON, PUBLISHES "JOURNAL OF NUCLEAR
ENERGY" AND DESIRES TO FINANCE A NEW AMERICAN ATOMIC ENERGY MAGAZINE
WHICH WILL ASSIST PERGAMON PRESS IN DEVELOPING PUBLISHING CONTACTS
IN U.S. MAXWELL IS ATTEMPTING TO INITIATE MAGAZINE THROUGH
"AMERICAN NUCLEAR SOCIETY" ... TENTATIVELY PLANNED TO OBTAIN
DOCTOR LAWRENCE R. HAFLER AS EDITOR IN CHIEF. EDITORS WOULD BE AEC
NATIONAL LABORATORY DIRECTORS AND A FIFTEEN MAN EDITORIAL BOARD OF
AMERICAN SCIENTISTS WOULD BE SET UP. LUNTZ INDICATED "AMERICAN
NUCLEAR SOCIETY" PROBABLY WOULD REJECT MAXWELL'S OFFER.
HOWEVER, IF ACCEPTED, THE SOCIETY WOULD INSIST ON COMPLETE CONTROL OF
magazine. MAXWELL/TALKED TO LUNTZ IN PERSON OCTOBER TWENTY NINE
LAST RE ABOVE PROPOSAL. SUBJECT ANXIOUS TO SET UP MAGAZINE QUICKLY
AS POSSIBLE. ONCE TOLD, MAXWELL PROPOSAL WOULD BE DISCUSSED AT
"AMERICAN NUCLEAR SOCIETY" EXECUTIVE MEETING NOVEMBER AND DECIDED UPON
AT BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SOCIETY JANUARY, NINETEEN FIFTY-FIVE.
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LUNTZ, WHO NEVER MET MAXWELL BEFORE, STATES MAXWELL’S PROPOSALS AND STATEMENTS INDICATE NOTHING OF SUSPICIOUS NATURE OF "OUT OF LINE." SOURCE, WESTBURY HOTEL, NYC, ADVISED MAXWELL CHECKED OUT OCTOBER THIRTY LAST. PAA SOURCE ADVISED MAXWELL DEPARTED IDLEWILD AIRPORT ABOARD FLIGHT ONE HUNDRED, WHICH LEFT FOUR PM OCTOBER THIRTY LAST FOR LONDON.

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Date: November 4, 1954

To: Captain John A. Watson, Director of Security
Atomic Energy Commission
Room 5214, T-5 Building
16th and Constitution Avenue, N. W.
Washington 25, D. C.

From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, with aliases
INTERNAL SECURITY - R. G.

Reference is made to the investigative reports concerning subject which have previously been furnished to you.

Jerome Lunts of the McGraw-Hill Publishing Company advised that subject contacted him telephonically. Subject stated that his company, Pergamon Press, London, England, publishes the "Journal of Nuclear Energy" and desires to finance a new American atomic energy magazine which will assist the Pergamon Press in developing publishing contacts in the United States. Subject stated he is attempting to initiate the magazine through the "American Nuclear Society" and tentatively planned to obtain Dr. Lawrence R. Nafstad as an editor in chief. Other editors would be Atomic Energy Commission National Laboratory, Director and a fifteen-man editorial board of American scientists would be organized. Lunts indicated that as far as he was concerned, subject's proposals would probably be rejected.

Additional information concerning subject coming to the attention of this Bureau will be furnished to you.

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IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, WASH., IS-R AND GE. RE NY TEL OCT. TWENTYEIGHT LAST
AND WFO TEL OCT. TWENTYNINE LAST. DR. ALVIN WEINBERG, RESEARCH DIRECTOR,
OAK RIDGE NATIONAL LABORATORY, OAK RIDGE, TENN., ADVISED THAT ON OCT.
TWENTYEIGHT OR TWENTYNINE LAST, HE RECEIVED A CALL FROM A MAN WITH AN
ENGLISH ACCENT WHO STATED HE WAS A CAPTAIN MAXWELL AND CALLING FROM NYC.
MAXWELL REPRESENTED HIMSELF TO BE A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE PERGAMMON PRESS.
LONDON, ENGLAND, PUBLISHERS OF THE "JOURNAL OF NUCLEAR ENERGY". WEINBERG
STATED THAT MAXWELL, IN EFFECT, RELATED THAT THERE WAS SOME PLAN TO PUB-
LISH AN AMERICAN EDITION OF THE JOURNAL AND HE ASKED WEINBERG IF THE
LATTER WOULD CONSIDER BEING ONE OF THE EDITORS OF THE AMERICAN EDITION.
WEINBERG STATED THAT HE TOLD MAXWELL HE WOULD BE INTERESTED BUT WOULD BE
MORE INTERESTED IN BECOMING EDITOR OF THE JOURNAL AS IT WAS AT THE PRE-
SENT TIME AND THEY DISCUSSED THE POSSIBILITY OF MAKING THE PRESENT JOURN
AN INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL, RATHER THAN PLAN TO PUT OUT AN AMERICAN EDITION.
MAXWELL MENTIONED THAT SOME PEOPLE HAD OBJECTED TO JUST ONE JOURNAL OF
SUCH A NATURE. WEINBERG STATED THAT MAXWELL ADVISED HE HAD DISCUSSED THE
PUBLICATION OF THIS JOURNAL WITH THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS: DR. L. R.
HARWORTH, BROOKHAVEN LABORATORY, DR. WALTER ZIMM, ARACON LABORATORY,

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AND DR. L. R. HAFFSTED, AEC, WASHINGTON, D.C. WEINBERG STATED HE LATER RECEIVED A CALL FROM DR. ZIMM AND DURING CONVERSATION, ZIMM MENTIONED THAT SUBJECT HAD CALLED HIM REGARDING THE PUBLICATION OF THE JOURNAL. WEINBERG STATED THAT DURING THE CONVERSATION, MAXWELL MADE NO MENTION THAT THE PUBLICATION WOULD DEAL WITH ANY PARTICULAR FIELD OF NUCLEAR DEVELOPMENTS AND WEINBERG STATED SUBJECT DID NOT ATTEMPT TO FERRET OUT OR SOLICIT ANY INFORMATION PERTAINING TO THIS FIELD. HE ADVISED THAT SUBJECT CASUALLY MENTIONED THAT IF HIS TIME PERMITTED, HE WOULD LIKE TO VISIT WEINBERG BUT THAT HE DID NOT DISPLAY ANY PARTICULAR INTEREST IN VISITING OAK RIDGE AND THE MENTION OF A VISIT WAS ONLY CASUAL. WEINBERG STATED THAT NO PLANS WERE MADE FOR ANY VISIT FOR SUBJECT TO OAK RIDGE AND ADVISED THAT HE WAS NOT ACQUAINTED WITH MAXWELL AND HAD NEVER HEARD OF SUBJECT UNTIL ABOVE PHONE CALL. REPORT FOLLOWS.

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MAXWELL, ROBERT MAXWELL, WALLACE CHESTERTON, ENAN ROBERT MAXWELL,

IS-R, GE. NEW YORK TEL OCTOBER TWENTYEIGHT. DR. JOHN VON NEUMANN,

INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED STUDY, PRINCETON, NJ, AND RECENTLY APPOINTED

AEC COMMISSIONER, WAS INTERVIEWED CONCERNING ALLEGED CONTACT BY SUB-
JECT ON OCTOBER TWENTYSIX LAST. VON NEUMANN ADVISED THAT ON OCTOBER
TWENTYSIX, SUBJECT TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED HIM AND EXPLAINED THAT HE

WAS CAPTAIN MAXWELL, CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF PERGAMON PRESS OF LONDON,
ENGLAND, WHICH IS ALSO ASSOCIATED WITH THE JOURNAL OF NUCLEAR SCIENCE,
A TECHNICAL PUBLICATION PUBLISHED IN ENGLAND. HE STATED THAT HE

IS INTERESTED IN STARTING AN ANGLO AMERICAN EDITION OF THIS JOURNAL OF
NUCLEAR SCIENCE IN THE UNITED STATES. HE REQUESTED VON

NEUMANN TO CONSIDER SERVING ON THE EDITORIAL BOARD OF THE PROPOSED
ANGLO AMERICAN EDITION OF THIS JOURNAL. HE ADVISED VON NEUMANN THAT
HE WAS ALSO REQUESTING DR. LIBBY, WHO IS ALSO A COMMISSIONER OF AEC,
TO SERVE ON THE EDITORIAL BOARD. HE MENTIONED TO DR. VON NEUMANN
THAT HE HAD TALKED TO DR. LAWRENCE R. HOFSTEAD, DIRECTOR OF REACTOR
DEVELOPMENT, WASHINGTON, D.C., CONCERNING HIS PARTICIPATION WITH THE
PROPOSED JOURNAL. DR. VON NEUMANN DID NOT COMMIT HIMSELF TO ANY OF

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MAXWELL'S PROPOSALS BUT ADVISED HIM THAT HE WOULD CONTACT HOFSTETTER PRIOR TO MAKING ANY DECISION. VON NEUMANN STATED THAT MAXWELL WAS UNKNOWN TO HIM BUT THAT HE CONSIDERED THE PROPOSED JOURNAL TO BE A FEASIBLE PROJECT IN THE U.S. HE STATED THAT THERE IS ONLY ONE TECHNICAL JOURNAL PRESENTLY PUBLISHED IN THE U.S. AND THAT ATOMIC ENERGY IS SUCH A LARGE FIELD THAT THERE IS ROOM FOR ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL JOURNALS.

DR. VON NEUMANN ADVISED THAT HE INTENDED TO DISCUSS MAXWELL'S PROPOSAL WITH OTHER OFFICIALS OF AEC TO ASCERTAIN WHAT THEIR OPINIONS MIGHT BE CONCERNING MAXWELL'S REQUEST. RUC.

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HAFSTAD, DIRECTOR, REACTOR DIVISION, AEC, INTERVIEWED OCTOBER
TWENTY-NINE LAST. HE ADVISED SUBJECT CONTACTED HIM IN CONNECTION
WITH A PUBLICATION CALLED QUOTE JOURNAL OF NUCLEAR ENERGY UNQUOTE
PUBLISHED BY PERGAMON PRESS, LIMITED, LONDON. ACCORDING TO DR.
HAFSTAD, A GROUP OF SCIENTISTS CONTRIBUTE TO THIS JOURNAL BUT
NO AMERICANS TO HIS KNOWLEDGE. DR. HAFSTAD ADVISED AT THE
PRESENT TIME A GROUP OF SCIENTISTS IN THIS COUNTRY ARE IN THE
PROCESS OF ORGANIZING A SOCIETY CALLED QUOTE NUCLEAR ENERGY
SOCIETY UNQUOTE. DR. HAFSTAD SAID SUBJECT WANTED THIS GROUP
TO PUT OUT A JOURNAL WITH AMERICAN SCIENTISTS AS CONTRIBUTORS,
AND LET HIS COMPANY PUBLISH THE JOURNAL. DR. HAFSTAD STATED
SUBJECT REQUESTED HIM TO BE EDITOR IN CHIEF OF THIS JOURNAL.
HAFSTAD TOLD SUBJECT SINCE HE WAS A GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE, HE
COULD NOT HELP HIM, BUT HE REFERRED SUBJECT TO JEROME LUNTZ,
EDITOR, NUCLEONICS, THREE THREE NAUGHT WEST FORTYSECOND STREET,
NEW YORK CITY. LUNTZ IS A MEMBER OF THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE
FOR QUOTE NUCLEAR ENERGY SOCIETY UNQUOTE. HAFSTAD ADVISED SUBJECT
WAS INTRODUCED TO HIM BY LETTER FROM DR. J. V. DUMWORTH, EDITOR IN
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CHIEF, QUOTE JOURNAL OF NUCLEAR ENERGY UNQUOTE, WHOM HE
HAD MET IN SEPTEMBER WHILE IN ENGLAND. REPORT FOLLOWS.

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IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, WAS. IN-R AND GE. RE INFO TEL. 10/29/54 SPECIFICALLY RE CALL TO GREENWICH, CONN. THIS IS THE RESIDENCE OF ASSOCIATED WITH HAMBERO'S BANK, LTD., 149 BROADWAY, NEW YORK CITY. INTERVIEWED 11/1/54, ADVISED HE IS WELL ACQUAINTED WITH SUBJ. BUT NOT INTIMATELY SO. FOLLOWING INFO., LARGELY HERESAY BUT FROM RELIABLE SOURCES. HAMBERO'S BANK, LTD., LONDON, FINANCED SUBJ. AFTER WORLD WAR II IN FIRST VENTURE IN PUBLISHING BUSINESS. SUBJECT HAS BEEN HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL. LANGE, MAXWELL AND SPRINGER, INC.; SIMPKIN MARSHAL; AND Pergamon Press are British companies controlled by subj. All three engaged in publishing or distribution of books dealing mainly in scientific work in which field German work dominant. Contact with Herr Springer of Heidelberg, well known German publishing family, enabled subject to start in publishing business. Subject's enterprises in U.S. are Lange, Maxwell and Springer and the British Books Center, both of which located on E. 55th St., NYC. Of both firms which engage in publishing and distribution of books, of British Books Center, and of Lange, Maxwell and Springer. Leaving firm this month to go into business for self. Subject trying to activate Pergamon Press in U.S. to publish journal

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ON NUCLEAR RESEARCH. ITS U.S. HEADQUARTERS CURRENTLY AT LAW FIRM OF LORD &
LORD, CUNARD BUILDING, LOWER BROADWAY, NYC. [REDACTED] MEMBER OF LATTER
FIRM, HANDLES AFFAIRS. [REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED], NOW KNOWN AS

[REDACTED]. HAMBRON'S TOLD HIM TO TAKE HIS ACCOUNT
ELSEWHERE OR GET A BUSINESS MANAGER AND SUGGESTED MAXWELL, WHO MANAGED

[REDACTED] AFFAIRS FOR EIGHTEEN MONTHS, DURING WHICH TIME HE ATTEMPTED TO
REORGANIZE [REDACTED] INVESTMENTS. [REDACTED] INVESTED 400,000 POUNDS IN MAXWELL'S
FIRM - SIMPKIN MARSHALL. [REDACTED] SAID HE HEARD OF AN ATTEMPT TO SELL PRE-FAB
HOUSES DOWN SOUTH BUT HAS NO KNOWLEDGE, SAYS HE UNDERSTANDS QUITE GREAT BARTER
DEALS UNQUOTE WERE GOING ON TO REORGANIZE [REDACTED] AFFAIRS. MAXWELL ENCOUNTERED
TROUBLE WITH THE BRITISH EXCHANGE CONTROL OVER [REDACTED] AFFAIRS WHICH
RESULTED IN MAXWELL BREAKING HIS CONTRACT WITH THE LATTER. [REDACTED] THREATENED
A LAW SUIT. [REDACTED] AND MAXWELL HAVE PARTED COMPANY BUT THE FORMER'S
400,000 POUNDS STILL INVESTED IN SIMPKIN MARSHALL. [REDACTED] ADVISED THAT SUBJECT
IS REGARDED BY HAMBRON'S BANK AS A MAN OF INTEGRITY, ALTHOUGH SOMewhat WILD
IN BUSINESS. HE HAS MADE MONEY BY BRITISH STANDARDS BUT HIS IDEAS FOR NEW
VENTURES OUTRUN HIS FINANCIAL RESOURCES. HE BANKS IN U.S. WITH NEW YORK

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TRUST CO., 100 BROADWAY, NYC. [REDACTED] HAS NO INFORMATION SUBJECT CONNECTED WITH BRITISH INTELLIGENCE BUT ASSUMES HE MAY HAVE BEEN DURING WORLD WAR II. HE IS A BRILLIANT LINGUIST, WAS BORN IN RUTHENA, CZECHOSLOVAKIA, IMMIGRATED TO HUNGARY PRIOR TO WORLD WAR II WHERE HE LANDED IN JAIL. [REDACTED] UNDERSTANDS THIS IN FAULT OF ANTI-COMMUNIST ACTIVITIES BUT KNOWS NO DETAILS. ENTERED ENGLAND SHORTLY PRIOR TO WORLD WAR II AND ROSE TO CAPTAIN IN BRITISH ARMY, WHICH IS UNUSUAL FOR A NON BRITISHER. BELIEVES MAXWELL NOT HIS TRUE NAME BUT HAS USED IT SINCE HIS ARRIVAL IN ENGLAND. SUPPOSEDLY WAS DROPPED BEHIND THE LINES AT HAMBURG LATE IN WORLD WAR II AND ALLEGEDLY PERSUADED GERMANS TO LIMIT THEIR RESISTANCE. RECEIVED THE MILITARY CROSS. MARRIED FRENCH GIRL AND HAS FIVE OR SIX CHILDREN. A CLOSE BUSINESS ASSOCIATE IN ENGLAND IS BARON VAN DEN HEUVEL OF ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANNICA. WHEN IN N.Y. FREQUENTLY STAYS IN AN APARTMENT OF A FRIEND (NAME UNKNOWN) WHO [REDACTED] DESCRIBED AS PRESIDENT OF AMERICAN PAPER CO. THIS APARTMENT IS LOCATED AT THE HAMPSHIRE HOUSE, NYC. ALSO STAYED AT SAVOY PLAZA. [REDACTED] NEVER HAD POLITICAL DISCUSSIONS WITH SUBJ. BUT ASSUMES IS ANTI COMMUNIST, AT LEAST HE CANNOT GO BACK TO COMMUNIST CONTROLLED CZECHOSLOVAKIA. SOMETIME AGO MAXWELL HAD PLANS TO GO TO PRAGUE ON BUSINESS AND HAMBRO'S PERSUADED HIM NOT TO DO SO FEELING HE WOULD HAVE DIFFICULTY WITH CZECH AUTHORITIES. SUBJECT'S SECRETARY WENT INSTEAD.

LAST YEAR MAXWELL WENT TO MOSCOW WITH A GROUP OF BRITISH BUSINESSMEN, PRESUMABLY AT SOVIET INVITATION. MAXWELL SPEAKS RUSSIAN. MISSION INVOLVED

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TRADE BETWEEN UNITED KINGDOM AND THE USSR. MAXWELL INTEREST WAS IN BUYING RUSSIAN BOOKS AND POSSIBLY SELLING HIS PUBLICATIONS IN RUSSIA. [REDACTED] SAID HE DID EXPECT, BUT DID NOT KNOW IT TO BE A FACT, THAT BRITISH INTELLIGENCE MIGHT HAVE BEEN INTERESTED IN MAXWELL'S OBSERVATIONS CONCERNING USSR BUT DID NOT BELIEVE THIS WAS THE PRIMARY PURPOSE BEHIND SUBJECT'S TRIP. MAXWELL INDICATED HE HOPES TO RUN FOR PARLIAMENT AS A MEMBER OF THE LABOR PARTY. SUBJECT WELL KNOWN TO SIR CHARLES HAMBRO, HEAD OF HAMBRO'S BANK, AND WHO [REDACTED] UNDERSTANDS IS AN ACQUAINTANCE OF DIRECTOR J.E. HOOVER. [REDACTED] AVAILABLE FOR ADDITIONAL INTERVIEWS WITH RESPECT TO SUBJECT AND CAN BE REACHED AT HIS OFFICE IN NYC IF THAT IS NECESSARY. NEW HAVEN WILL SUREP INCORPORATING RESULTS OF INSTANT INTERVIEW AND INTERVIEW WITH DR. JAMES BECKERLEY, RESULTS OF WHICH WERE FURNISHED IN NEW HAVEN TEL TO BUREAU 11/3/54.

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SAC, NEW YORK (105-7654)

IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, WAS, INTERNAL SECURITY - R AND OK.

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Dr. ALVIN WEINBERG, Research Director, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tenn., advised he received a telephone call from a Captain MAXWELL, New York City, on Oct. 28 or 29, 1954. Subject stated he was representative of Pergammon Press, London, England, and asked WEINBERG if latter would be editor of American Edition of Journal of Nuclear Energy which was planned to be published. WEINBERG stated during conversation MAXWELL solicited no information regarding nuclear development field and did not display any particular interest in visiting Oak Ridge. WEINBERG not acquainted with MAXWELL and had never heard of subject prior to phone call. MAXWELL stated he had also contacted Dr. LEE HAWK, Dr. WALTER ZIMM and Dr. L. R. HAFER regarding publication.

Dr. ALVIN WEINBERG, Research Director, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, advised that on October 28, or 29, 1954, he received a telephone call from a man who spoke with an English accent. WEINBERG advised that this man identified himself as a Captain MAXWELL and represented himself to be a representative of the Pergammon Press, London, England. WEINBERG added that the Pergammon Press was the publisher of the Journal of Nuclear Energy, which he described as a publication European in scope. MAXWELL stated he was calling from New York.
WEINBERG advised that his telephone conversation with MAXWELL was to the effect that MAXWELL stated there was some planned proposals to publish an American edition of the Journal of Nuclear Energy and MAXWELL asked WEINBERG if the latter would be willing to be one of the editors of such a publication. WEINBERG advised that he would be interested but that he would be more interested in being one of the editors of the Journal as it stands at the present time. WEINBERG advised MAXWELL that he thought possibly it would be better to have the present Journal in the status of more of an international publication rather than to have an American edition and perhaps other editions of the Journal. WEINBERG stated MAXWELL mentioned that some people had opposed such a proposal. According to WEINBERG, MAXWELL did not relate that the publication would deal with any particular field of nuclear energy development and such matters were not discussed in the telephone conversation.

WEINBERG advised that MAXWELL did not attempt to ferret out or solicit any information concerning the nuclear development field. WEINBERG advised that MAXWELL made some casual remark that he would like to pay WEINBERG a visit if his time permitted but that no arrangements for a visit were discussed nor formulated. WEINBERG stated that during the conversation MAXWELL did not display any particular interest in visiting Oak Ridge and the mention of the visit was only casual.

WEINBERG advised that during the conversation MAXWELL stated that he had discussed the publication with Dr. LEE DEWITT, Dr. WALTER ZIMM and Dr. L. R. HAFFTED. WEINBERG advised that these persons were connected with Brookhaven Laboratory, Argonne Laboratory and with the AEC, respectively.

WEINBERG advised that he was not acquainted with MAXWELL and had never heard of the subject prior to this telephone conversation. He advised that subsequent to the subject's phone call he was engaged in a telephonic conversation with Dr. WALTER ZIMM of the Argonne Laboratory and Dr. ZIMM mentioned that MAXWELL had called him and discussed the publication.
ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

Copies of this report are designated for the Chicago and Washington Field Offices inasmuch as investigation in connection with this case is being conducted in these divisions.

REFERENCES

New York teletype to Knoxville dated 10-28-54.
WFO teletype to Knoxville dated 10-29-54.
Knoxville teletype to the Bureau dated 11-4-54.
IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, WAS. IS - R AND GE. RENYTEL OCT. TWENTY-EIGHT
FIFTYFOUR. DR. W. H. ZINN, DIRECTOR OF ARGONNE NATIONAL LABORATORY,
LEMONT, ILL., ON NOV. NINE FIFTYFOUR FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING INFO RE-
GARDING HIS TELEPHONIC CONTACTS WITH MAXWELL. MAXWELL TELEPHONICALLY CON-
TACTED ZINN ON OCT. TWENTY-NINE FIFTYFOUR, IDENTIFIED HIMSELF AS CAPT.
IAN MAXWELL, PRES. OF PERGAMON PRESS IN LONDON, PUBLISHERS OF SCIENTIFIC
BOOKS AND PUBLISHER OF THE NEW BRITISH SCIENTIFIC MAGAZINE, QUOTE JOURNAL
OF NUCLEAR ENERGY. UNQUOTE MAXWELL REFERRED TO THE DISCUSSION THAT HAD
TAKEN PLACE IN HARWELL, ENGLAND, IN EARLY NOV. FIFTYFOUR BETWEEN
DR. ZINN AND DR. LAWRENCE R. HAFSTAD, DIRECTOR OF REACTOR DEVELOPMENT,
ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION, WASH, DC, AND THE BRITISH SCIENTIST J. V.
DUNWORTH, DIRECTOR OF REACTOR DEVELOPMENT, ATOMIC ENERGY RESEARCH ESTAB-
LISHMENT AT HARWELL, REGARDING THE POSSIBILITY OF PERMITTING THE PARTI-
CIPATION OF LEADING AMERICAN NUCLEAR SCIENTISTS IN CONTRIBUTING MATERIAL
FOR THE MAGAZINE AND SERVING AS MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF ADVISERS.
ZINN AND HAFSTAD HAD LEARNED WHILE IN ENGLAND THAT THE
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QUOTE JOURNAL OF NUCLEAR ENERGY, UNQUOTE WHICH ISSUED ITS FIRST VOLUME ON OCT. ONE FIFTYFOUR, WAS BACKED BY THE LEADING NUCLEAR SCIENTIST'S IN ENGLAND AND WESTERN EUROPEAN COUNTRIES BUT DID NOT INCLUDE AMERICAN PARTICIPATION. ZINN AND HAFSTAD THOUGHT THE PUBLICATION OF UNCLASSIFIED INFO IN THE FIELD OF NUCLEAR SCIENCE IN THE FORM OF A MAGAZINE, SUCH AS THE QUOTE JOURNAL OF NUCLEAR ENERGY, UNQUOTE WAS AN EXCELLENT IDEA, BUT SUGGESTED THAT THE EXCHANGE OF SUCH INFO SHOULD BE ON A WORLD-WIDE BASIS, AND THEY ASKED DR. DUNWORTH WHY THE US WAS BEING IGNORED. DR. DUNWORTH, WHO IS EDITOR IN CHIEF OF THE QUOTE JOURNAL OF NUCLEAR ENERGY, UNQUOTE INDICATED THAT HE AND OTHERS WERE DOUBTFUL ABOUT US RESPONSE TO PARTICIPATION. ZINN DID NOT SEE OR HEAR OF MAXWELL WHILE IN ENGLAND. WHEN MAXWELL TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED DR. ZINN ON OCT. TWENTYNINE FIFTYFOUR, HE INDICATED THAT PERGAMON PRESS AND THE BRITISH SCIENTISTS AFFILIATED WITH THE JOURNAL HAD DISCUSSED AMERICAN PARTICIPATION IN CONTRIBUTING MATERIAL FOR THE JOURNAL AND FELT THAT THEY WERE NOW READY TO ASK LEADING AMERICAN NUCLEAR SCIENTISTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE MAGAZINE. MAXWELL WANTED TO KNOW IF ZINN WOULD BECOME ONE OF THE EDITORS. ZINN SAID HE WOULD HAVE TO WITHHOLD HIS END PAGE TWO
ANSWER UNTIL A LATER DATE. THEREAFTER ZINN TELEPHONICALLY CONversed WITH SEVERAL LEADING AMERICAN NUCLEAR SCIENTISTS AND A DAY OR SO LATER WHEN ZINN RECEIVED A SECOND CALL FROM MAXWELL, WHOSE WASH-DC-TELEPHONE NO. WAS LI SIX DASH SIX SIX ONE ONE. ZINN INFORMED MAXWELL THAT AFTER DISCUSSING THE JOURNAL WITH OTHER SCIENTISTS, HE LEARNED THAT SEVERAL AMERICAN SCIENTISTS THOUGHT THE MATTER WAS A GOOD IDEA, BUT NONE WAS READY TO GIVE A DEFINITE ANSWER AT THE TIME. SHORTLY BEFORE MAXWELL RETURNED TO ENGLAND ON NOV. FOUR FIFTYFOUR, ZINN RETURNED MAXWELL'S CALL AT THE LATTER'S REQUEST AT WHICH TIME MAXWELL INDICATED HE WOULD RETURN TO THE US IN ABOUT TWO WEEKS AND WOULD THEN IN ALL PROBABILITY MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO PERSONALLY VISIT DR. ZINN AND FURTHER DISCUSS THE MATTER. DR. ZINN STATED THERE IS NO QUESTION ABOUT THE CALIBER OF THE LEADING NUCLEAR SCIENTISTS IN ENGLAND AND WESTERN EUROPE SUPPORTING THE JOURNAL. DR. ZINN POINTED OUT THAT SUCH A JOURNAL CONTAINING INFO OF INTEREST TO SCIENTISTS ONLY, AS CONTRASTED WITH THE AMERICAN MAGAZINE, QUOTE NUCLEONICS UNQUOTE CONTAINING SCIENTIFIC DATA FOR POPULAR APPEAL, HAS BEEN NEEDED IN THIS COUNTRY., BUT THAT THE COST OF PUBLICATION BECAUSE OF THE LACK OF ADVERTISING AND END PGE THREEE COR PAXX LNE 14 LST FOUR WRDS "ENGLAND AND WESTERN EUROPE"
LIMITED NUMBER OF SUBSCRIBERS, HAS BEEN PROHIBITIVE. ZINN COMMENTED THAT WITH PERGAMON PRESS, AN OFFSHOOT OF THE FAMOUS OLD GERMAN PUBLISHING HOUSE SPRINGER PRESS, WILLING TO FINANCE THE PUBLICATION OF SUCH A SCIENTIFIC MAGAZINE, SUCH AS THE QUOTE JOURNAL OF NUCLEAR ENERGY, UNQUOTE HE THINKS THAT AMERICAN PARTICIPATION IS THE SENSIBLE THING TO DO. REGARDING MAXWELL, ZINN SAID HE KNOWS NOTHING ABOUT HIM PERSONALLY. ZINN SAID THAT BASED ON THE CALIBER OF MEN CONTACTED BY MAXWELL IN THE US AND THE TYPE OF QUESTIONS ASKED BY MAXWELL. HE KNOWS OF NO REASON TO QUESTION THE MOTIVES OF MAXWELL IN CONTACTING VARIOUS NUCLEAR SCIENTISTS IN THIS COUNTRY. ZINN SAID HE KNOWS THAT MAXWELL HAS CONTACTED DOCTORS HAFSTAD, ALVIN WEINBERG, RESEARCH DIRECTOR AT THE OAK RIDGE NATIONAL LABORATORY, JERRY LUNTZ, EDITOR OF QUOTE NUCLEONICS UNQUOTE PUBLISHED BY MC GRAW HILL IN NYC, J. R. MENKE, PRES. OF NUCLEAR DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATES, WHITE PLAINS, NY, AND JAMES BECKERLEY, FORMER DECLASSIFICATION OFFICER OF AEC IN WASH DC, NOW IN PRIVATE INDUSTRY, NAME OF COMPANY UNKNOWN. IT IS

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SUGGESTED THAT VERIFICATION OF MAXWELL'S ASSOCIATION WITH DR. J. V. DUNWORTH, THROUGH LIAISON IN ENGLAND, BE DETERMINED AS PREVIOUSLY SUGGESTED BY NYC PRIOR TO CONDUCTING FURTHER INTERVIEWS WITH ALL INDIVIDUALS CONTACTED BY MAXWELL ON HIS RECENT TRIP TO THIS COUNTRY.

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IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, WAS., IS - R & GE. RE NH TEL NOV LAST.

J. G. BECKERLEY REFERRED TO THEREIN RECEIVED A LETTER FROM SUBJ. DATED NOV. 4 LAST FROM MAXWELL HOUSE, 242 MARYLEBONE ROAD, LONDON, N.W.1. LETTER EXPRESS SPHERE "THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE NEW SOCIETY WILL FIND IT POSSIBLE TO GIVE APPROVAL TO THIS JOINT PROJECT." STATES HE SAW DR. DUNWORTH AND LATTER WAS DELIGHTED TO HEAR THAT BECKERLEY WOULD BECOME EDITOR IN CHIEF OF JOINT JOURNAL IF SUCH MATERIALIZED. ADVISED OF "OUR" COMPANY WAS EN ROUTE TO U. S. ON SS UNITED STATES AND THAT LATTER WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH BECKERLEY.

SUBJ ENCLOSED A RESUME ON PROJECT. THEREIN SUBJECT STATES "LEADING PERSONALITIES CONNECTED WITH AEC AND NEW SOCIETY OF NUCLEAR ENERGY SEEM UNANIMOUSLY AGREED THAT IT WOULD BE AN EXCELLENT IDEA FOR OUR JOURNAL TO BE EXPANDED TO TAKE IN PAPERS FROM USA. THEY ALSO FEEL THAT THE JOURNAL SHOULD RESTRICT ITSELF TO PUBLISHING BASIC RESEARCH AND THEORETICAL PAPERS IN THIS FIELD AND THAT APPLIED AND ECONOMIC PAPERS BE LEFT TO NUCLEONICS INSTEAD OF STARTING A SEPARATE JOURNAL." SUBJ THEN SUGGESTS EDITORIAL BOARD AS FOLLOWS: BECKERLEY, U.S. EDITOR IN CHIEF; DRS. HAFSTED, WEINBERG, ZINN AND HAYWORTH, EDITORS. FOR EDITORIAL ADVISORY BOARD HE SUG...
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Transmit the following Teletype message to:

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DRS. LANE, LIDDEL, LIBBY, LUNTZ, LOUGHRIDGE, MENKE, VON NEUMAN,
PLLARD (SIC), MR. W. E. SCHOUFP, AND DR. SPORN. SUBJ STATED
HE LEARNED FROM JEROME LUNTZ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WOULD CONSIDER
PROPOSAL SOMETIME THIS MONTH. BECKERLEY WILL ADVISE OF FURTHER
WORD FROM SUBJ AND ASSOCIATES. ABOVE FOR INFO.

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IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, WAS, INTERNAL SECURITY-R AND GE. REBUCABLE OCTOBER 30 LAST.

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Dr. W. H. Zinn, Director of the Argonne National Laboratory, Lemont, Illinois, was telephonically contacted on three occasions, during October and early November, 1954, by a subject identifying himself as Captain Ian Maxwell, President of Pergamon Press in London, England. Maxwell asked Dr. Zinn if he would become one of the editors of "Journal of Nuclear Energy," published by Pergamon Press and backed by leading nuclear scientists in England and Western Europe. Dr. Zinn while in England in early 9/54 had suggested to Dr. J. V. Dunworth, editor of the "Journal of Nuclear Energy," that leading American nuclear scientists be asked to participate in contributing material for the magazine. Zinn, after telephonically contacting other nuclear scientists in this country, advised Maxwell that he and other scientists thought American participation was a good idea, but none was prepared to give definite answers at this time. Shortly before Maxwell returned to England on 11/4/54, he informed Zinn that upon his return to the United States in about two weeks, he would probably make arrangements to personally discuss the matter with Zinn. While Dr. Zinn is not acquainted personally with Maxwell, he knows of no reason to question Maxwell's motives in contacting various nuclear scientists in this country.

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DETAILS:

On November 9, 1954, Dr. W. H. ZINN, Director of the Argonne National Laboratory, Lemont, Illinois, an installation of the Atomic Energy Commission, furnished the following information regarding his telephonic contacts with MAXWELL:

MAXWELL telephonically contacted ZINN on October 29, 1954, identified himself as Captain IAN MAXWELL, President of Pergamon Press in London, publishers of scientific books and publisher of the New British scientific magazine, "Journal of Nuclear Energy." MAXWELL referred to the discussion that had taken place in Harwell, England, in early September, 1954, between Dr. ZINN and Dr. LAWRENCE R. HAFSTAD, Director of Reactor Development, Atomic Energy Commission, Washington, D.C., and the British scientist, J. V. DUNWORTH, Director of Reactor Development, Atomic Energy Research Establishment at Harwell, regarding the possibility of permitting the participation of leading American nuclear scientists in contributing material for the magazine and serving as members of the Board of Advisers.

ZINN and HAFSTAD had learned while in England that the "Journal of Nuclear Energy," which issued its first volume on October 1, 1954, was backed by the leading nuclear scientists in England and Western European countries but did not include American participation. ZINN and HAFSTAD thought the publication of unclassified information in the field of nuclear science in the form of a magazine, such as the "Journal of Nuclear Energy," was an excellent idea, but suggested that the exchange of such information should be on a world-wide basis, and they asked Dr. DUNWORTH why the United States was being ignored. Dr. DUNWORTH, who is editor in chief of the "Journal of Nuclear Energy," indicated that he and others were doubtful about United States response to participation.

ZINN did not see or hear of MAXWELL while in England. When MAXWELL telephonically contacted Dr. ZINN on October 29, 1954, he indicated that Pergamon Press and the British scientists affiliated with the Journal had discussed American participation in contributing material for
the Journal and felt that they were now ready to ask leading American nuclear scientists to participate in the magazine. MAXWELL wanted to know if ZINN would become one of the editors. ZINN said he would have to withhold his answer until a later date.

Thereafter ZINN telephonically conversed with several leading American nuclear scientists and a day or so later when ZINN received a second call from MAXWELL, whose Washington, D.C. telephone number was LI 6-6611, ZINN informed MAXWELL that after discussing the Journal with other scientists, he learned that several American scientists thought the matter was a good idea, but none was ready to give a definite answer at the time.

Shortly before MAXWELL returned to England on November 4, 1954, ZINN returned MAXWELL's call at the latter's request at which time MAXWELL indicated he would return to the United States in about two weeks and would then in all probability make arrangements to personally visit Dr. ZINN and further discuss the matter.

Dr. ZINN stated there is no question about the caliber of the leading nuclear scientists in England and western Europe supporting the Journal. Dr. ZINN pointed out that such a journal containing information of interest to scientists only, as contrasted with the American magazine, "Nucleonics," containing scientific data for popular appeal, has been needed in this country, but that the cost of publication, because of the lack of advertising and limited number of subscribers, has been prohibitive. ZINN commented that with Pergamon Press, an offshoot of the famous old German publishing house, Springer Press, willing to finance the publication of such a scientific magazine, such as the "Journal of Nuclear Energy," he thinks that American participation is the sensible thing to do.

Regarding MAXWELL, ZINN said he knows nothing about him personally. ZINN said that based on the caliber of men contacted by MAXWELL in the United States and the type of questions asked by MAXWELL, he knows of no reason to question the motives of MAXWELL in contacting various nuclear scientists in this country.
ZINN said he knows that MAXWELL has contacted doctors HAFSTAD, ALVIN WEINBERG, Research Director at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory, JERRY LUNTZ, Editor of "Nucleonics," published by McGraw Hill in New York City, J. R. MENKE, President of Nuclear Development Associates, White Plains, New York, and JAMES BECKERLEY, former declassification officer of the Atomic Energy Commission in Washington, D.C., now in private industry, name of company unknown.

Dr. ZINN mentioned that he has in his possession at home a copy of the Volume 1, number 1, issue of the "Journal of Nuclear Energy." The first issue was published on October 1, 1954, and is available for examination and review if desired.
RECOMMENDATIONS

New York teletype dated 10/28/54.
Knoxville teletype to Bureau dated 11/4/54.
Chicago teletype to Bureau and New York City dated 11/10/54.
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**TIAN ROBERT MAXWELL, M.S.**

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**10/10/57**

**BY**

**12/30/54**

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Dr. JAMES GWAVAS BECKERLEY advised that Subject approached him 10/28/54 with a proposal that proposed journal of newly organized American Nuclear Society, for which venture BECKERLEY designated Editor Prof-Tem, be published by Pergamon Press, London. Resume of Subject's proposition set forth. Hambrose Bank, Ltd., London, furnished personal history and business connections of the Subject as known to him. Subject's business ventures in U.S. include Langer, Maxwell and Springer, British Book Center and Pergamon Press, all engaged in publishing field in which Subject has been successful in England but unsuccessful to date in the United States. Advised Subject visited Moscow with a group of British businessmen in 1953 but "assumes" Subject is anti-Communist. Understands Subject can not visit his native Czechoslovakia because of hostility to present Czechoslovakian Government. Advised Subject had a management contract with **[redacted]** and Maxwell have parted company. Advised no information that Subject engaged in intelligence work in or out of United States.

**DECLASIFIED BY**

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**DATE**

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**DETAILS:**

**AT RIDGEFIELD, CONN**

Dr. JAMES GWAVAS BECKERLEY was interviewed on November 3, 1954. Dr. BECKERLEY is associated as a Physicist with the Schlumberger Well Surveying Corporation, Ridgefield, Conn. Until August, 1954, he was associated with the Atomic Energy Commission as Director of...
Dr. BECKERLEY advised that one IAN MAXWELL had attempted to contact him telephonically at his office, Ridgefield, Connecticut, during the preceding week. Dr. BECKERLEY advised that he was, during that week, engaged in moving his household furnishings from Upper Marlboro, Maryland to Ridgefield. The caller was referred to BECKERLEY's residence in Maryland.

On October 28, 1954 MAXWELL called BECKERLEY at the latter address and arrangement was made to meet in Washington, D.C. Dr. BECKERLEY advised that he met with IAN MAXWELL on October 28, 1954 at the Congressional Hotel in Washington.

Dr. BECKERLEY advised that MAXWELL approached him as a member and Editor Pro-Tem of a new organization called the American Nuclear Society. He stated that the American Nuclear Society was formed on October 11, 1954 as a professional society and the formation of such was fully reported together with the officers in the New York Times of October 12, 1954. Dr. BECKERLEY therefore assumed that MAXWELL got his name from the Times story which identified Dr. BECKERLEY as the Editor Pro-Tem of the organization's proposed journal.

Dr. BECKERLEY advised that his conversation with MAXWELL dealt wholly with a proposal advanced by MAXWELL that Pergamon Press handle the proposed publication of the American Nuclear Society. He stated that Pergamon Press now publishes a journal on European nuclear energy work and MAXWELL proposed a joint journal or if it was deemed more desirable a separate journal. MAXWELL indicated that he had held discussions on the same subject with A.M. WEINBERG, URNESS, MIDDLE and JERRY LUNTZ, all of whom are interested in the American Nuclear Society. MAXWELL indicated that he had an appointment with LUNTZ on October 29, 1954 and that he was to return to England on October 30, 1954.

Dr. BECKERLEY advised MAXWELL that he was interested in the possibilities but it was too early to make a commitment. He indicated that he would bring the matter up for discussion at the next meeting of the Board of Directors of the American Nuclear Society.

Dr. BECKERLEY advised that he subsequently discussed MAXWELL's proposal with J.E. LUNTZ and the latter advised him that he had talked with MAXWELL on October 29, 1954. Dr. BECKERLEY said that he and LUNTZ both felt it was a matter which should be explored very carefully and agreed that MAXWELL appeared to be a "promoter".
Dr. BECKERLEY also recalled that MAXWELL said he saw Dr. HAMORTH, Director of the Brookhaven National Laboratories.

Dr. BECKERLEY advised that he had heard of MAXWELL previously in connection with Pergamon Press. He could not recall the source but stated he heard that MAXWELL was somewhat "suspect". BECKERLEY advised he never previously met MAXWELL.

Dr. BECKERLEY, under date of November 12, 1954, advised that he had received a letter from MAXWELL, a copy of which Dr. BECKERLEY made available to this office. This is set forth below:

"CAPT. I.R. MAXWELL, M.C."

MAXWELL HOUSE

Telephone: 242 Marylebone Road,
Ambassador 3421 London, N.W.1.

IRW/SS 4th November, 1954

Dr. James C. Beckerley,
Schlumberger Corporation,
Ridgefield, Connecticut,
U.S.A.

"Dear Dr. Beckerley,

"It was so kind of you to spare time for me in Washington during your house-moving.

"I very much hope that the Executive Committee of the New Society will find it possible at their meeting to give its approval to this joint project.

"Since my return I have spoken to Dr. Dunworth, who wishes to be remembered to you, and when told by me that, if this materializes, you would be taking up the appointment of Editor-in-Chief of this joint Journal, I can but say that he was delighted to hear of it.

"I enclose herewith a brief resume on the project resulting from my various discussions during my recent visit to Washington and to New York. The official proposals are being sent by me to Jerome Luntz, as he requested."
"Dr. Paul Rosbaud, who is a Director and the Scientific Editor of our Company, will no doubt be in touch with you. He is at present on his way to America on the S.S. United States.

"With very best regards,

Yours sincerely,

/s/ Maxwell

I.R. Maxwell"

In addition Maxwell attached another letter also addressed to Dr. Beckerley, a copy of which the latter made available and which is set forth herewith:

"PERGAMON PRESS INC.

122, East 55th Street - New York 22, N.Y.

TELEPHONE: PLAZA 3-8580 CABLEGRAMS: LEXICOM NEW YORK

IRU/JMS

4th November, 1954.

"Dear Dr. Beckerley,

"Thank you so much for giving me of your time, advice and help in connection with the Journal of Nuclear Energy.

"You may perhaps be interested in reading this report.

"I am happy to say that the leading personalities connected with A.E.C. and with the new American Society of Nuclear Energy (who are interested in this project) seem to be unanimously agreed that it would be an excellent idea for our Journal to be expanded to take in papers from the U.S.A. They also feel that the Journal should, in principle, restrict itself to publishing basic research and theoretical papers in this field and that applied and economic papers be left to Nucleonics, instead of starting a separate journal.

"This to be achieved by enlarging the present Editorial and Editorial Advisory Board to include the following:--"
Dr. James G. Beckerley as U.S. Editor in chief with perhaps Dr. Hagstedt, Dr. Weinberg, Dr. Zimm and Dr. Hayworth as Editors and an Editorial Advisory Board to which we would like to nominate Dr. Cohen, Dr. G. Failla, Prof. Fermi, Prof. Goudsmit, Dr. James Lane, Dr. Liddel, Dr. Libby, Dr. Luntz, Dr. Loughridge, Dr. John R. Menke, Dr. Von Neuman, Dr. W. Pillard, Mr. W.E. Schoupp, and Dr. Sporn.

In any case these are but our suggestions; officially in our proposals to the Society the matter of contents, appointment of Editors and the Editorial Advisory Board would be exclusively left to the new Society.

I understand from Jerome Luntz that our offer in this matter will be discussed, and perhaps decided upon, at an Executive Committee Meeting of the American Society of Nuclear Energy, to be held sometime this month in New York. Should our offer be approved then the Journal would immediately go over to monthly publication (instead of quarterly as at present), and the American Editors could immediately send papers to our New York Office for publication in the January 1st, 1955, issue.

Thank you again for your kind interest in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

/s/ Maxwell

I.R. Maxwell

AT GREENWICH, CONNECTICUT

who advised that he is associated with Hambros Bank, Limited, 149 Broadway, New York, New York, was interviewed at his residence on Intervale Place, Greenwich, on November 4, 1954. He advised that he was well acquainted, but not intimately so, with IAN MAXWELL. He advised that much of the following was hearsay, but came from sources considered reliable:

MAXWELL was born in Ruthenia, from which he emigrated to Hungary prior to World War II. In Hungary he landed in prison and this may have had something to do with "anti-Communist activities". Shortly before World War II he "gravitated" to England, where he joined the British Army. He was awarded the Military Cross and rose to the rank of Captain, an unusually high rank for one of foreign origin who had recently arrived in England.
MAXWELL is reputed to be a brilliant linguist. He allegedly was parachuted into an area near Hamburg, Germany during the latter stages of World War II, and is alleged to have persuaded the Germans to limit their resistance in that area.

MAXWELL makes his home in London, is married to a French woman, and has five or six children. This is reputedly a happy marriage, and [redacted] believes MAXWELL devotes himself so completely to business that other women do not figure seriously in his affairs.

MAXWELL has been very successful by British standards business-wise. He has come to own a number of companies in England, including Simpkin Marshall, one of the largest wholesale booksellers in the world, and a number of other companies mainly engaged in publishing and distributing scientific books, in which field German books play a large part. Another of his firms is Lange, Maxwell and Springer, which company is the distributing agent for Springer-Heidelberg (Germany), publisher of scientific texts.

[Redacted] advised that Lange, Maxwell and Springer, Inc. has an establishment on East 55th Street, New York, as does the British Book Center. They are located in the same building. [Redacted] was on the Board of Directors of these firms and he stated they are owned outright by Maxwell. The former firm serves as a U.S. outlet for scientific books, and the British Book Center distributes books published in England and arranges for printing British books. It carries on a retail and wholesale.

The only other U.S. firm controlled by the subject insofar as is aware, is the Pergamon Press. [Redacted] said the headquarters of the company are currently located in the office of Lord and Lord, attorneys, in the Cunard Building, New York City. Its affairs are being handled by [Redacted], who is associated with that firm. [Redacted] said he understood that MAXWELL has hopes for activating the firm in connection with a journal for nuclear research, the details of which he did not know.

[Redacted] said none of the Subject's companies in the United States are financially successful up to now. One [redacted] was in charge of Lange, Maxwell and Springer's New York Company. He is a German Swiss and an American citizen, who has been in the book business all his life. He was scheduled to leave the company on November 15, 1954 to go into another firm. One [redacted], an American citizen who spent some years in England, is in charge of The British Book Center in New York.
was asked whether he ever heard of ______ as an associate of MAXWELL. He believed this person is now going under the name of ______ as _____________.

Largely as a result of the bank's influence, MAXWELL was put in charge of affairs under a contract agreement between them. Four hundred thousand pounds of funds were thereupon invested in Simpkin Marshall.

MAXWELL spent about 18 months attempting to reorganize affairs. Among these affairs was a tremendously large supply of pre-fabricated houses which ______ had brought in Hungary or in Austria. He understood ______ had bought up the industry's entire output. When they arrived in England nobody bought them. ______ understood that MAXWELL was making some attempt to unload these houses in the United States, and thought it was "down South" near an atomic energy plant. He had no factual information on this, however. ______ said he heard there were "great barter deals" going on during this period when MAXWELL was attempting to reorganize investments, the details of which he did not know.

While handling ______ affairs, MAXWELL got into some difficulty with British Export Control, as a result of which MAXWELL cancelled his contract with ______ and the latter threatened a law suit. ______ said MAXWELL and ______ have parted company but ______ still has his four hundred thousand pounds invested in Simpkin Marshall and is an officer of the company.

______ stated that MAXWELL, when in the United States, has stayed at the Savoy Plaza and at the Hampshire House in New York City. A close friend of MAXWELL's has an apartment at the latter hotel which MAXWELL has used. ______ believed this friend to be President of a firm known as the American Paper Company, but didn't know his name.

______ said Hambros Bank financed MAXWELL in his early ventures in the publishing field shortly after the end of World War II. During the war in Germany, MAXWELL had become acquainted with Herr Springer who was the head of a prominent publishing firm in that country, and with Springer's permission he brought out of Germany a valuable set of books which he was able to pledge to Hambros as collateral. This enabled him to
get his start in the publishing field. MAXWELL has continued his banking relations with Hambros up to the present time, and he is regarded by that bank as a business man of integrity, although inclined to some wildness. said his ideas outrun his financial resources at times. He is well thought of by his employees in his British firms and by the people at Hambros bank, including Sir CHARLES HAMBROS, head of the bank.

said the Subject banks in the United States with New York Trust Company, 100 Broadway, New York City.

referred to Baron VAN DEN HEUVEL of the Encyclopedia Brittanica as a close associate of the Subject in England.

With respect to the Subject's political tendencies and his alleged use in intelligence work, had the following to say:

He assumed that MAXWELL is not the Subject's true name; that it was adopted by him after his arrival in England, and that he has used it consistently since that time. He assumed that MAXWELL is not on good terms with the Communist Government in his native Czechoslovakia because some time ago he made plans to go to Prague on business and Hambros Bank persuaded him that such would be risky, that he might have trouble getting out of the country. His secretary went in his stead.

Last year (1953) MAXWELL went to Moscow with a group of British businessmen, presumably at Soviet invitation. MAXWELL speaks Russian. The mission, insofar as knows, involved trade between the United Kingdom and the USSR. MAXWELL's interest was to buy Russian publications, and possibly to sell his British books in Russia.

said he might assume that British intelligence would have discussed this trip to Moscow with him, but has no information that the trip was undertaken as an intelligence mission. He said he might also assume that the Subject because of his linguistic ability might have been used on intelligence missions by the British during World War II, and that such is indicated by his having been parachuted behind the lines as referred to above. But he has had no specific information to this effect either from the Subject or others.

has had no political discussion of any kind with the Subject, but assumes he is anti-Communist because of the Czechoslovakian incident referred to above. MAXWELL has indicated to him that he hopes to "stand for" Parliament "on the labor party ticket".
NH 105-812

ADMINISTRATIVE PAGE

LEADS:

NEW HAVEN DIVISION

AT WESTON, CONNECTICUT

Will reinterview [redacted] in accordance with Bureau instructions.

REFERENCE:

WFO teletype dated 10/29/54.


Mr. Marks said his Agency is preparing to file a criminal reference report charging that [redacted] of the New York affiliate, Watford Chemical Company, New York City, was in violation of Foreign Assets Control regulations in importing Chinese products for sale. About one month ago, Maxwell advised the Agency that he was no longer affiliated with [redacted] and had [redacted] and offered certain documentary material for use of the prosecution, claiming that he wanted to be in the good graces of the United States Government. He made an appointment for a later interview but failed to appear.

Mr. Marks wanted to know if we had any information bearing on Maxwell's reliability. I called him back at 3:30 P.M., 11-29-54, and advised him that we could not comment in that connection but briefly informed him of Maxwell's background as contained in a New York report dated 5-13-54 concerning Maxwell which we disseminated to a number of agencies not including the Agency, (105-25063-40).

Mr. Marks said he would appreciate receiving any future report on Maxwell that would be pertinent to his case.

It is recommended that this matter be brought to the attention of Supervisor [redacted] who is handling the Maxwell investigation, for appropriate future handling.
TRANSMIT THE FOLLOWING TELETEYPE MESSAGE TO BUREAU:

I. AN ROBERT MAXWELL, WAS, ESP-R & GE. REN'TEL TO BUREAU, 10/20/54.

A comprehensive report covering subject's activities while in the US 10/23 THROUGH 30/54 IS BEING PREPARED BY THE Nyo. Newark is requested to furnish the identity of the agent who interviewed Dr. John von Neumann as reported in Newark Tel to Bureau, 11/2/54. WFO IS REQUESTED TO FURNISH FULL IDENTITY OF CONTACT AT CONGRESSIONAL HOTEL AND CONTACT AT VISA SECTION, US DEPT. OF STATE, AND IDENTITY OF AGENT WHO OBTAINED INFO. WFO FURNISH IDENTITY OF AGENT CONDUCTING INTERVIEWS WITH VARIOUS AEC OFFICIALS. SUAIR-TEL BY 12/7/54.

KELLY
FBI WASH FIELD

12/8/54

DIRECTOR (105-25063) AND SAC NEW YORK (105-7654)

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Mr. Tann
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Mr. Winterrowd
Tea. Room.
Mr. Holloran
Miss Haney

IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, WAS., IS-R AND GE: RE NY AIRTEL TO BUREAU DECEMBER 19-MNTHS LAST. A REPORT IS AT THE PRESENT TIME BEING PREPARED ON REPLIMAT AT THE MECHANICAL SECTION OF THE BUREAU. THIS REPORT OF WFO WILL FURNISH THE NECESSARY DATA AS REQUESTED IN REFERENCED AIRTEL.

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BRAHIGAN
December 3, 1954

IAN ROBERT MAXWELL

Born: June 10, 1923
Selo Slatina, Czechoslovakia

You are referred to FBI investigative reports furnished your agency in the case entitled "Ian Robert Maxwell, with aliases: Internal Security - A and OE" concerning the subject of your name check request. This information was furnished your agency on November 10, 1954.

(105-25063 - 98)

It is requested that the Headquarters of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Washington, D.C., be advised in the event the above individual is given permission to enter the United States.

The foregoing information is furnished to you as the result of your request for an FBI file check and is not to be construed as a clearance or a nonclearance of the individual involved. This information is furnished for your use and should not be disseminated outside of your agency.

Orig. to: State
BB: 11-19-54 (Req. rec'd)
J.J. Shaw: Jak

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Office Memorandum - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Director, FBI (File 105-25063)  DATE: 12/10/54.

FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (File 105-7654)

SUBJECT: IAN ROBERT MAXWELL WAS ESPIONAGE R+GE.

This case will be delinquent.

Date of Bureau deadline: 0-1 for 12/13/54
(REF. WFO. AIRTEL 12/8/54.)

Reason for the delinquency: COMPREHENSIVE REPORT HAS BEEN
PREPARED AND DICTATED. LOGICAL SEQUENCE OF REPORT DEPENDS
ON DOCUMENTATION OF SOURCES, IDENTITY OF AGENTS, CONDUCTING
INTERVIEW OF AEC OFFICIALS BY W.F.O.  I 2 DEL. ON 11-1-54.

Date the report or necessary communication will reach the Bureau: IMMEDIATELY UPON RECEIPT OF REQUIRED
INFO FROM W.F.O. IT WILL REACH BUREAU BY 12/13/54.

AEC zone designation, e.g., OR, CH, etc.: 105-25063
(THIS APPLIES ONLY TO 116 CASES.)

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**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Subject registered at Congressional Hotel, Washington, D.C., 10/24/54.
He gave an address of Savoy Hotel, London. Subject on 10/25/54, contacted Dr. CHARLES D. LUKE, ULYSSES M. STAEbler and Dr. ALBERTO F. THOMPSON, all AEC. Subject indicated he was connected with Pergamon Press, London, England, which has just published the first volume of "Journal of Nuclear Energy." Subject wanted to get American scientists to serve on the editorial board of an American edition of this journal. Subject also contacted Dr. LAWRENCE R. HAFSTAD, AEC. Subject requested Dr. THOMPSON and Dr. HAFSTAD to serve as editors on the "Journal of Nuclear Energy." Subject, on 10/25/54, paid a visit to the Visa Office, Department of State, attempting to get a re-entry permit. No record of subject contacting INS, Washington, D.C. Subject, on 10/28/54, contacted officials of the Department of Commerce and represented himself as a former employee of Watford Chemical Company, Ltd., London, and stated he wished to assist the Commerce Department in their case concerning the Watford firm. Information concerning Watford Chemical Company, Ltd., and set out. Subject departed Washington, D.C., by American Airlines at 8:15 p.m., 10/28/54, en route to New York City.

**REPORT MADE BY:**

air

**CHARACTER OF CASE:**

INTERNAL SECURITY - R & GE

**SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADD. DISSEMINATION.**
DETAILS: AT WASHINGTON, D. C.

Of known reliability, advised the subject arrived in New York City, New York on October 23, 1954. He was travelling on a British Passport and his Visa was valid until October 31, 1954. According to the subject was en route to Washington, D. C., for the purpose of petitioning the Department of State to get an extension of his Visa which was to expire October 31, 1954.

Of unknown reliability, advised on October 26, 1954, the subject registered at the Congressional Hotel, 300 New Jersey Avenue, S. E., Washington, D. C., at 2:03 p.m. 10/26/54. Stated the subject, while residing at the Congressional Hotel had all of his meals in his room and mostly kept to himself while staying at the hotel. He gave an address of Savoy Hotel, London. Further advised that the subject checked out of the Congressional Hotel on October 28, 1954, and according to the subject had reservations for the night of October 28, 1954, Westbury Hotel, Madison and 69th Street, New York City.

Advised the subject, while at the Congressional Hotel, made or attempted to make the following long distance telephone calls and where indicated, the subject spoke to the listed individuals. In this connection, advised he was not sure if some of the telephone numbers called were the correct numbers or the names subject spoke to, accordingly, in such instances, the numbers and names should be considered phonetic.

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Telephone Number and person talked to

Princeton, New Jersey 1-4406 and spoke to Dr. Von Neumann
Greenwich, Connecticut, 8-6880
London, England (no information this call was completed)
To one New York City
(no number was available)
Circle 7-5900, New York City, spoke to Mr. Spern.
AX 7-0511, New York City, spoke to Mr. Luntz
Subject contacted Dr. Zinn, Lamont, Illinois
(this call went through Atomic Energy Commission
switchboard)
To Mr. Menke, 80 Grand Street, White Plains,
New York (no telephone number available).
Plaza 3-8580, New York City
LY 8-2217, Altadena City, talked to

of known reliability, advised on October 29, 1954, the call to
telephone number LY 8-2217 may have been to Altadena, California; telephone
number SY 8-2217.

TE 9-3370, Cambridge. Advised on October 29,
1954, this call may have been to Cambridge, Pennsylvania.
CV 5-4000, New York City, talked to
LO 4-7000, New York City, talked to Hinsfield
Ridgfield, Connecticut, talked to

also advised that the subject, between October 24, 1954, and
October 28, 1954, made the following local telephone calls. (The subscribers
to these numbers are set out as reflected in the Washington Metropolitan Area
Telephone Directory).

NA 8-3120, United States Capitol
ST 3-8000, Atomic Energy Commission
HO 2-1300, British Embassy
LI 5-6700, Department of Defense
RE 7-5600, Extension 2150, Department of State
EX 3-3300, Bureau of the Budget
ST 3-6400, Congressional Library (this number may
be ST #6400, Foreign Operations Administration).
Telephone Number and person talked to

ST 3-9200, Extension 8108, Department of Commerce.
RE 7-5600, Extension 2150, Department of State.
ST 3-8000, Atomic Energy Commission
XX 3-2345, American Airlines
NA 8-1420, Willard Hotel.

advised in addition to the above telephone calls, the subject, on October 26, 1953, received a telephone call from Dr. LIBBY, AEC, and on October 28, 1954, a call from British Book Center, New York City. The subject, on October 27, 1954, tried to reach Dr. LIBBY, Dr. WEINBERG, and Dr. HARWORTH, all of the AEC.

Receptionist, Atomic Energy Commission, advised on October 26, 1954, that on October 25, 1954, the subject visited Dr. A. F. THOMPSON, ULYSSES M. STAEBLER and CHARLES D. LUKE, at the AEC Headquarters, Washington, D. C.

CHARLES D. LUKE, Director, Office of Classification, AEC, was interviewed on October 29, 1954. Mr. LUKE advised in October, 1954, that he was a delegate from the AEC to the Seventh Declassification Conference held in Harwell, England and while attending this Conference, he met the subject. Mr. LUKE advised the subject was connected with Pergamon Press Ltd., London, England, and he was introduced to the subject by a [redacted] who was also connected with Pergamon Press Ltd., and who is an associate of Mr. LUKE at Syracuse University.

Mr. LUKE advised at the time of the above meeting, the subject told him his firm had just published the first volume of "Journal of Nuclear Energy", which was an unclassified journal and that he was interested in talking to American scientists concerning the journal.

Mr. LUKE stated that on October 24, 1954, he received a telephone call from the subject who told him he had arrived in Washington, D. C. this date and he requested Mr. LUKE and his wife to have dinner with him. Mr. LUKE stated he and his wife did dine with the subject that evening.

Mr. LUKE related he could place no significance as to why the subject invited him out to dinner with the exception as previously stated that he met the subject in London and he had a feeling that the subject was interested in talking to somebody he knew in Washington.
WPO 105-6340

Mr. LUKE advised on Monday, October 25, 1954, the
subject dropped by his office at the A.E.C. for a few minutes
and indicated he was trying to get an appointment with Dr.
LAWRENCE HAFSTAD, Dr. LIBBY and Dr. Von NEUMANN. Mr. LUKE
further advised that Dr. J. V. DUNWORTH, Atomic Energy Research
Establishment, Harwell, England, had given the subject a letter
of introduction to various AEC officials and American scientists.

Dr. ULYSSES M. STAEbler, Reactor Division, AEC,
was interviewed on October 29, 1954, and he advised the subject
was sent to him on October 25, 1954, by the reception desk
inasmuch as Dr. HAFSTAD was busy. STAEbler stated that the
subject told him he was in the United States trying to get some
Americans to serve on an American edition as editors of the
"Journal of Nuclear Energy". Mr. STAEbler stated that inasmuch
as he could not help the subject due to the nature of the subject's
request, he had no comment to make to the subject, however, he
arranged an appointment with Dr. HAFSTAD for the subject.

Dr. ALBERTO F. THOMPSON, Chief, Technical Information
Service, AEC, was interviewed on October 29, 1954.

Mr. THOMPSON advised the subject visited him at the
AEC on October 25, 1954 in connection with the "Journal of
Nuclear Energy", which is published by the Pergamon Press, Ltd.
of London. Dr. THOMPSON also stated the above press was also
affiliated with Pergamon Press Incorporated, 122 E. 55th Street,
New York City.

Dr. THOMPSON stated he was advised by the subject that
he was in the United States trying to ascertain from various
American scientists if they would be interested in publishing
an American edition of the "Journal of Nuclear Energy", using
American scientists as editors and to let his company, Pergamon
Press, Ltd., publish the journal. Dr. THOMPSON stated that
the subject requested him to serve as an editor on this proposed
journal.

Dr. THOMPSON related that he told the subject inasmuch
as he was a Government employee, he could not serve as an
editor but that he felt the journal was a very good idea and
such a journal was needed in this country, therefore, he felt
that a new society which was being formed in this country might be interested. Dr. THOMPSON stated that he told the subject the name of this society was "Nuclear Energy Society".

Dr. THOMPSON advised that he furnished the subject with a list of members of the organizing committee of "Nuclear Energy Society". This membership list is set out below:

Dr. ERNER LIDDELL, Secretary of Committee
Director, Production Division
Bendix Aviation Corporation
1104 Fisher Bldg.
Detroit 2, Michigan

Mr. JEROME LUNTZ, Editor
Nucleonics
330 West 42nd St.
New York, New York

Mr. WALTER FRIEND
EBASCO Services, Inc.
2 Rector Street
New York 6, New York

Mr. W. E. SHOUPP
Assistant Manager, Atomic Power Division
Westinghouse Electric Corporation
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

Mr. WILLIAM BRAZEALE
Pennsylvania State College
State, College, Pennsylvania

Dr. KARL COHEN
Walter Kidde Nuclear Laboratories, Incorporated
975 Stewart Avenue
Garden City, Long Island, New York

Dr. K. H. KINGDON
Knolls Atomic Power Laboratory
P. O. Box 1072
Schenectady, New York

Dr. JAMES G. BECKERLEY
Schlumberger Well Surveying Company
Ridgefield, Connecticut
Dr. R. L. DOAN, Manager, Atomic Energy Division
Phillips Petroleum Company
Idaho Falls, Idaho

Dr. G. PAILLA, Director,
Department of Radiology
Columbia University Medical School
New York, New York

Mr. LAWRENCE A. HYLAND, Vice President
Bendix Aviation Corporation
1104 Fisher Bldg.
Detroit 2, Michigan

Mr. W. E. KINGSTON, Director, Atomic Energy Division
Sylvania Electric Products, Incorporated
P. O. Box 59
Bayside, Long Island
New York

Mr. J. LANDIS
Babcock and Wilcox Company
Atomic Energy Division
330 South Main Street
Akron, Ohio

Dr. JAMES LANE
Oak Ridge National Laboratory
P. O. Box P
Oak Ridge, Tennessee

Dr. TITUS G. LECLAIR
Detroit Edison Company
Room 1702 60 Broadway
New York 4, New York

Dr. D. LOUGHRIDGE
Dean of Engineering
Northwestern University
Evanston, Illinois

Dr. C. ROGERS McCULLOUGH
Chairman, General Development, Department
Monsanto Chemical Company
St. Louis, Missouri
Dr. JOHN R. MENKE
President, Nuclear Development Association
80 Grand Street
White Plains, New York

Dr. R. P. PETERSEN, Director, Nuclear Research
Republic Steel Corporation
Republic Building
25 Prospect Avenue, N. W.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dr. W. POLLARD, President
Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies
Oak Ridge, Tennessee

Mr. S. B. ROBOFF
Sylvania Electric Company
P. O. Box 59
Bayside, Long Island, New York

Mr. T. SAWYER
American Locomotive Company
30 Church Street
New York 8, New York

Dr. M. A. SCHULTZ
Westinghouse Electric Corporation
Princeton Division
Princeton, New York

Dr. PHILIP SPORN, President
American Gas and Electric Service Corporation
30 Church Street,
New York 8, New York

Dr. CHAUNCEY STARR
North American Aviation
Atomic Energy Research Department
P. O. Box 309
Downey, California

DEAN STASSON
University of Michigan
Law School
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dr. ALVIN WEINBERG
Oak Ridge National Laboratory
P. O. Box P
Oak Ridge, Tennessee
Dr. THOMPSON stated that the subject told him he would try to contact as many of the above members as possible while he was in this country and in particular he would try to contact Dr. WALTER ZINN, Argonne National Laboratory, Lamont, Illinois; Dr. L. R. HARWORTH, Director, Brookhaven Laboratory, Long Island, New York, and Dr. ALVIN WEINBERG, Director, Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

Dr. LAWRENCE R. HAFSTAD, Director, Reactor Development, AEC, was interviewed on October 29, 1954.

Dr. HAFSTAD advised in September of this year, he was in England and he had an occasion to talk to Dr. J. B. DUNWORTH, who is connected with the Atomic Energy Research in Harwell, England. Dr. HAFSTAD stated that Dr. DUNWORTH told him about a publication called "Journal of Nuclear Energy" and that he, Dr. DUNWORTH, was the Editor in Chief. HAFSTAD related that Dr. DUNWORTH was of the opinion that this would be a very good journal for American scientists to publish in which American scientists would be used as editors. Dr. HAFSTAD indicated that Dr. DUNWORTH had related to him that the subject was the publisher of the "Journal of Nuclear Energy" and that the subject was planning a trip to the United States in connection with the above journal.

Dr. HAFSTAD stated that sometime during the week of October 25, 1954, the subject came to see him at his office at the AEC and related to him some plan to publish an American edition of "Journal of Nuclear Energy". Dr. HAFSTAD stated that the subject asked him if he would consider serving as editor in chief of the American edition.

Dr. HAFSTAD commented that he told the subject that inasmuch as he was a Government employee, he could not serve in any capacity on the above journal; however, Dr. HAFSTAD stated he referred the subject to the organizing committee for the Nuclear Energy Society, mentioned above. Dr. HAFSTAD indicated that Mr. JEROME LUNTZ of New York City is perhaps one of the leading men in this new organization and that the organization is at the present time only in an organizing stage.

Dr. HAFSTAD stated that the subject ended his conversation with him by stating that he would get in touch with Mr. LUNTZ and as many of the members of the Nuclear Energy Society that he could contact while he was in this country.
In closing, Dr. HAFSTAD advised he felt that the "Journal of Nuclear Energy" was a good publication, however, he was of the opinion that the journal would be more successful if it were made an international journal, using both American and foreign scientists as editors.

Of known reliability, advised on October 26, 1954, that the subject made a visit to the Visa Office, Department of State, on October 25, 1954, for the purpose of getting a re-entry permit. The subject, at the time, indicated he wanted to go to Canada and return to the United States. Advised that the subject was advised because of the time involved, the Visa Office of the Department of State would be unable to help him as it would take time to act on the subject's request. Advised that the subject indicated he would attempt to get a re-entry permit from the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS).

Advised a Mr. BECKMANN from the British Embassy called the Visa Office, Department of State, in connection with the subject trying to get a re-entry permit. The current Diplomatic List, published by the Department of State, reflects Mr. W. G. E. BECKMANN, is the Second Secretary of the British Embassy.

It was reported above that advised the subject on October 25, 1954, made a telephone call to HO 2-1340. The Washington Metropolitan Area Telephone Directory reflected HO 2-1340 is listed to the British Embassy, Washington, D. C.

A check of the Central Office and Visa Office, INS, on October 26 and 28, 1954, reflected that the subject had not requested any information regarding an extension on his visa or information concerning a re-entry permit.

Concerning the subject's call to Telephone Number EX 3-2315, on October 28, 1954, this is the phone number of American Airlines. It was ascertained that the subject had made reservations on Flight 522, leaving Washington, D. C., at 8:45 p.m. on October 28, 1954, for New York City.

Concerning the subject's telephone call to ST 3-9200, Extension 8108, on October 28, 1954, to the Department of Commerce;
Mr. D. PAUL MEDALIE, Director, Investigative Staff, Department of Commerce, was interviewed on November 10, 1954, and he advised as follows:

Mr. MEDALIE stated he received a telephone call from the subject on October 28, 1954. The subject told him that he wanted to talk about the Watford Chemical Company of London, England. Mr. MEDALIE stated he recalled that the subject had previously been connected with this company. According to Mr. MEDALIE, the subject claims he is no longer connected with Watford Chemical Company and he was offering his services to the Department of Commerce inasmuch as he knew the Department of Commerce had been investigating Watford Chemical Company.

Mr. MEDALIE stated although the subject did not say so, he inferred he had been working with or in touch with British Intelligence. MEDALIE advised inasmuch as the case of Watford Chemical Company had been referred to the General Counsel's Office, Department of Commerce, he told the subject to get in touch with [redacted]. Attorney, General Counsel's Office, Department of Commerce, was interviewed on November 10, 1954, and he advised as follows:

[redacted] stated the subject, on October 28, 1954, spoke to him over the telephone concerning the firm of Watford Chemical Company, London, England. [redacted] stated that the Watford case was a case the Department had had for several years and that it had many ramifications connected with it; however he had not recently reviewed the case but he does recall that the files contained numerous references to the subject.

[redacted] stated that briefly the Watford Chemical Company, Ltd., was suspected in some manner of getting hold of United States shipments to England and selling the material to Soviet Bloc countries, and that a Chinese purchasing agent in Berlin, Germany, was also getting some of the material.

[redacted] related that the subject told him over the telephone he was no longer connected with the Watford Firm as he was dissatisfied with the way they failed to clean up their business and he was afraid he would hurt his reputation if he stayed with them. The subject also indicated he was suing Watford for back pay.

[redacted] stated the subject told him when he left Watford, he took some documents with him that would prove they
sold material obtained from the United States to the Soviet Bloc Countries and that he would be willing to answer any questions concerning the Watford firm's operations that the Department of Commerce wished to ask. The subject stated that if questions were submitted through the American Embassy in London, he would answer any questions submitted. The subject indicated in this regard that he did not want to be known as a "common informant".

advised that he told the subject he would probably get in touch with him if any questions came up through the American Embassy in London.

on November 15, 1954, made the file on Watford Chemical Company, Ltd., London, England, available for review and information concerning the subject and information pertaining to the Watford Chemical Company, Ltd., believed pertinent to subject's activities is set out below:

Watford Chemical Company, Ltd., London, England, is a private limited liability Company, organized in 1942 for the purpose of manufacturing synthetic foods and substances. It also deals in export and import of heavy and fine chemicals, pharmaceuticals and medical specialties.

Watford Chemical Corporation, New York City, 16-18 Bridge Street, was a subsidiary of Watford Chemical Company, Ltd., and the parent company also has a subsidiary known as Watford Chemical Company, Ltd., 145 Younge Street, Toronto, Canada. This is reported to be the principal in the parent and subsidiary companies.

The files reflected is or has been affiliated with the following concerns:
J. ROBERT MAXWELL is reported to be one of the leading directors of Watford Chemical Firms.

The files reflected the Department of Commerce became interested in Watford Chemical Company, Ltd., as the result of a letter dated July 31, 1951, received from Regal International, Ltd., of New York City, reporting they had received an inquiry from the Watford Chemical Company of London concerning some purchase of materials from Regal International. The Watford firm declined to certify that the material would not be trans-shipped from England because they were selling various products to customers in Satellite countries. As a result of investigation by the Investigative Staff of the New York Office of the Department of Commerce, it was found that during the latter part of 1951,
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Watford Chemical Corporation of New York City succeeded in exporting under general license GRO, large quantities of Caustic Soda and Monochlorobenzene to Watford Chemical Company in Canada for the purpose of re-exporting to the Watford firm in London. The New York Branch succeeded in obtaining export license for some of the Caustic Soda, however, they failed to obtain export license for the Monochlorobenzene and as the result of the Canadian Governmental action and/or upon the direction of the London Branch of Watford, they were forced to turn it back to the United States for domestic consumption.

Several shipments of synthetic indigo were made during the latter part of 1951 from Watford in New York City to Watford in London under general license GRO. These shipments were diverted at London to Gdynia, Poland and four of these shipments subsequently went to East Germany.

Concerning the above shipments, one firm which was the subject of investigation was the John Block and Company, Inc., 16 Bridge Street, New York City, which was the forwarder of shipments made by Watford Chemical Corporation, New York City.

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in addition, when interviewed on March 4, 1953, by SA [Redacted] of the Department of Commerce Investigative Staff, furnished the following information concerning himself:
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Additional information concerning the subject as appeared in the Commerce files is set out below:
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The subject was interviewed by SA of the Investigative Staff, Department of Commerce, on October 28, 1953, and pertinent information concerning the subject and his duties with the Watford firm are set out below:

"I have discharged approximately 30 persons from the Watford Company who have in the past been involved in East West Trade and who have contributed considerable to the difficulties in which the company finds itself, vis-a-vis United States authorities. I was formerly in the employ of the British Foreign Office in Germany and six months ago I accepted the appointment as general Manager and Director to 'clean house in the Watford group company'. I have been given full responsibilities and authority to reorganize this business which I am at present engaged in doing and I have ceased doing any East-West trade other than the final liquidation of the outstanding business which will not take longer than the end of the year to complete".

In a further interview of the subject on October 28, 1953, the subject stated the Watford New York Company had severed all connections with John Block and Company except that Block will continue to be Watford's forwarder on any further shipments, and that he had arranged to move the Watford New York office files to the British Book Center, located at 122 East 55th Street, New York City. The subject indicated that he will, for the next few weeks, serve as Director of the New York Office.

On December 3, 1953, the subject appeared at the Department of Commerce with the Watford New York Attorney, Mr. ARTHUR L. FISHEIN of the New York firm of Fishbein, Garfield and Kruebel, and the subject turned over to the Department of Commerce, a copy of the contract made in 1951 by the Watford wholly-owned subsidiary, Standard Chemie of Basel, Switzerland and ERNST RAMLOW of East Germany. This contract dealt in trade of chemicals between the two mentioned firms and the shipment was to begin in the Spring of 1952 with commodities purchased in the United States by Watford Chemical Company of Camia. The files further contained a notice that appeared in the Schweizerisches Handelsamtblatt, Basel, Switzerland, dated May 24, 1954, to the effect that ROBERT MAXWELL is no longer on the Administrative Board of Watford.
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Chemical Company and his right to sign as such is no longer valid.

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Concerning all known local telephone numbers set out in the details where no further inquiry was made. Inasmuch as all of the above numbers, when called, go through a switchboard, and due to the lack of extension numbers and names of individuals subject called, it is believed further inquiry as to the parties called at these numbers, which are various Government agencies, would be unproductive. The numbers which were not further checked are as follows:

NA 8-3120, United States Capitol
LI 5-6700, Department of Defense
EX 3-3300, Bureau of the Budget
ST 3-0400, Congressional Library or possibly ST 3-6400,
Foreign Operations Administration.
NA 8-4420, Willard Hotel

Concerning telephone number EX 3-3300, which the subject called on October 27, 1954, this is the Bureau of the Budget. While it is pure speculation, the subject may have been trying to reach the Treasury Department and the following is submitted on the Administrative Page as Mr. MARKS requested his identity and his agency's identity not be reported.

Mr. MATTHEW MARKS, Head of the Compliance Division, Treasury Department, advised on November 16, 1954, that the subject telephoned Mr. [Redacted] Office of the General Counsel, Treasury Department, on October 27, 1954. Mr. MARKS stated his office was familiar with the operations of the Watford Chemical Company, however, his office was mainly concerned with the United States Forwarders Companies which were dealing in East-West Trade, one being the John Block Company of New York City.
Mr. MARKS stated the subject advised Mr. he was no longer connected with the Watford firm and he was offering his cooperation and stated he had some documents the Treasury Department may be interested in concerning Treasury case. Mr. MARKS stated this was about all the subject reported in his telephone conversations with Mr. MARKS further stated they did not place too much faith in the subject inasmuch as over a year ago the subject had offered to turn over to the Treasury Department some documents which he never did, and further, when subject was called upon to do so, the subject stated that the documents must have gotten lost in the mails as he had sent the documents to the Treasury Department.

Mr. was not interviewed inasmuch as he subsequently, to October 27, 1954, left the United States on a two-month assignment.

Concerning the subject's call to Telephone Number ST 3-0400, which is the number of the Congressional Library, it is noted this call may have been to ST 3-6400, Foreign Operations Administration and the following information is reported:

Mr. THEODORE SWEET, in charge of Processing and Combined Materials Branch, advised on November 17, 1954, the subject's name was unknown to him and the subject had not been in touch with anyone in his department as far as he was able to ascertain. Mr. SWEET, in addition, made inquiries of other departments of FOA the subject most likely would have contacted if the subject matter he was to discuss was chemicals, trade or off-short procurement. Mr. SWEET was unsuccessful in determining any contact by the subject.

Concerning the subject's telephone call to RE 7-5600, Extension 2150, on October 27, 1954 and October 28, 1954, Security Division, Department of State, advised in
addition to subject's visit on October 25, 1954, he also
telephone the Visa Office on October 27 and 28, 1954. He stated the purpose of the subject's calls were to
seek information as to whether the Visa Office had any further information on his request for a re-entry permit.

For information, the State Department, on June 10, 1954, issued a lookout notice to the effect if the subject submits any request for a Visa that the Department should be advised for a departmental opinion.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-25063)

FROM: SAC, WFO (105-6340)

SUBJECT: IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, was IS-R and GE Rep of SA, dated 61/2/54 at Washington, D. C.

Enclosed are seven copies of referenced report.

Reference report indicated that on 10/25/54 the subject made a telephone call to ST 3-8000, which was the telephone number of the Atomic Energy Commission and on 10/26/54, the subject received a call from Dr. LIBBY, Commissioner of the AEC.

Reference is made to Newark Airtel dated 11/2/54, where it was reported that Dr. JOHN VON NEUMANN, a recently appointed AEC commissioner, was telephonically contacted by the subject on 10/26/54, at which time the subject requested Dr. VON NEUMANN to consider serving on the editorial board of the proposed Anglo-American edition of the "Journal of Nuclear Energy". According to Dr. VON NEUMANN, the subject was also requesting Dr. LIBBY to serve on the editorial board.

Due to the above and in addition to the fact that several other AEC officials were contacted by the subject with the request that they serve on the editorial board of the above-mentioned journal, it is not believed that an interview of Dr. LIBBY would reveal any further information concerning the subject; therefore, UACE, Dr. LIBBY will not be interviewed.

Reference report also set out a list of names of persons and their business connections with whom the subject stated he would attempt to contact and additional telephone numbers that subject called or attempted to call, which have not previously been reported. Inasmuch as all of the individuals interviewed to date at the AEC have reported that they
were contacted by the subject in connection with the possibility of publishing an American edition of "Journal of Nuclear Energy" and requesting various American scientists to serve as editors on the American edition, it is felt that the subject's pattern of activities has been established along these lines.

No leads were set out in referenced report to contact the individuals mentioned to see if the subject had contacted them and likewise with the exceptions of the telephone calls made by the subject which have previously been reported, no additional leads along these lines were set out. It is being left to the discretion of the Office of Origin if additional leads to interview the reported contacts or possible contacts by subject should be set out.
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DETAILS:

Subject's Arrival in United States,
October 23, 1954

Inspector [REDACTED] Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), Idlewild Airport, New York, on October 23, 1954 telephonically advised that the subject arrived at Idlewild Airport on that date aboard BOAC Flight 509 from London. The subject had informed INS representatives that he was en route to Washington, D.C., and intended to reside at the Congressional Hotel there while he petitioned the State Department for a visa extension, which was valid until October 31, 1954. The subject indicated that his business in Washington would keep him there approximately five days, after which he would travel to Canada and then return to Washington, D.C., about October 31, 1954. The subject carried British Passport #507041.

On October 25, 1954, [REDACTED] Westbury Hotel, 69th Street and Madison Avenue, New York City, telephonically advised that the subject had contacted the hotel from Washington, D.C., and attempted to obtain a room reservation for October 26, 1954. [REDACTED] was informed by the hotel management that there were no rooms available for October 26, 1954; however, [REDACTED] stated he would be at the hotel anyway.

Subject's Activities and Contacts,
Washington, D.C., October 24 - 26, 1954;
New York City, October 28 - 30, 1954

On October 26, 1954, [REDACTED] of unknown reliability, advised that the subject had registered at the Congressional Hotel on the afternoon of October 24, 1954. Subject

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1 - Newark (info)(HH)
2 - New Haven (105-812)(HH)
1 - Washington Field (65-6698)(info)(HH)
did not indicate the length of time he would stay at the
hotel. While at the hotel, Maxwell made a long distance
telephone call on October 25, 1954 to SPOHN (ph), New York
telephone number 507-5920 and one long distance telephone
call to Trenton, New Jersey, telephone number 14400.

Of known reliability, on October 25, 1954,
advised the subject visited the Visa Office, Department
of State, requesting a reentry permit. This permit was
refused inasmuch as INS issues reentry permits.

On October 25, 1954, the subject contacted Dr.
ALBERTO F. THOMPSON, Mr. ULYSSES M. STABLER, and Mr.
CHARLES D. RUCE, all officials of the Atomic Energy
Commission (AEC), according to AEC, AEC.

PHILIP B. SPOHN
President, American Gas
& Electric Company,
AEC Consultant

The Manhattan Telephone Directory lists Philip
SPOHN, 30 Church Street, as the subscriber to telephone
number CO 7-5920.

Philip B. SPOHN was interviewed on October 27,
1954 and he advised that Maxwell telephonically contacted
him on October 25, 1954 and on the morning of October 27,
1954 from Washington, D.C. SPOHN stated he had never met
or heard of the subject before these telephone calls.

Maxwell advised SPOHN that he was assisting Dr. J. V.
DUNWORTH, Editor in Chief of the "Journal of Nuclear
Science" in England. SPOHN advised that Dunworth is also
the assistant to Dr. COCHOT, Director of the Harwell
MAXWELL indicated to SPORN that he was in the United States on behalf of the "Journal of Nuclear Science" and sought assistance in setting up an American edition of the "Journal" for Dr. DUNWORTH. SPORN, who is friendly with DUNWORTH, stated that while visiting DUNWORTH at Harwell this year, he offered his general assistance in setting up an American edition of the "Journal." SPORN advised the only assistance he gave MAXWELL was to refer him to "JERRY LURTZ," the Editor of "Nuclonics," published by McGraw-Hill.

SPORN stated that during his telephone conversation with the subject October 27, 1954, MAXWELL stated he had talked to Dr. LAWRENCE H. HARSTED, Director of Reactor Development, Washington, D.C., Dr. ALVIN M. ZINN, Director of Argonne Laboratory, Lemont, Illinois (JOHN VON NEUMANN, recently appointed AEC Director, had indicated he would talk to Dr. ALVIN M. ZINN), Technical Director of the Oak Ridge Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

On October 29, 1954, PHILIP B. SPORN telephonically advised that the subject had kept an appointment with him that day at SPORN's office, 30 Church Street, New York City. SPORN declared that MAXWELL informed him he had discussed the proposal concerning the formation of the U.S. version of the "Journal of Nuclear Science" with Dr. JOHN VON NEUMANN, recently appointed AEC Director, LAWRENCE H. HARSTED, Director of Reactor Development, Dr. WALTER R. ZINN, Director, Argonne Laboratory, and Dr. ALVIN M. WEINBERG, Technical Director of the Oak Ridge Laboratory, Tennessee.

According to SPORN, MAXWELL visualizes his firm, the Lange, Maxwell & Springer Publishing Company, as being the publishers of the American edition of the "Journal of Nuclear Science," with ZINN and HARSTED as Editors and JAMES BECKENHILL, a former AEC Director of Classification, as Editor in Chief. SPORN believed BECKENHILL is presently connected with the Schlumberger Well Surveying Company of Bridgeport, Connecticut. SPORN stated MAXWELL indicated he would leave on October 30, 1954 for London and would possibly return to the United States in January, 1955.
B. Jerome (Jerome) Luntz
Editor, "Nuclonics"

On October 29, 1954, Jerome Luntz, editor of "Nuclonics," published by the McGraw-Hill Publishing Company, 330 West 42nd Street, New York City, advised the author contact him inasmuch as he is the Chairman of the American Nuclear Society and Editor of the "Nuclonics" magazine.

Luntz stated that the "American Nuclear Society" Organizing Committee consists of twenty-eight American atomic scientists of some notoriety and himself. Maxwell, according to Luntz, publishes the "Journal of Nuclear Energy," a high-level, technical magazine put out quarterly by Maxwell's company, the Pergamon Press. Luntz advised that Maxwell is anxious to start an American Atomic Energy magazine, the reason being it would help him out in his book publishing operation through good contacts. Maxwell is seeking a mechanism to start this magazine, according to Luntz, and he has figured that the best way would be through the "American Nuclear Society."

According to Luntz, Maxwell wants to make an offer to the "American Nuclear Society" for the publication of the American Atomic Energy magazine. Luntz continued to relate that Maxwell has indicated he spoke to Zinn, Marvel, Von Almen, H. D. Thompson, and W. H. Simpson, all atomic scientists and Directors of AEC establishments.

According to Luntz, Maxwell's plan is to have Zinn or Marvel to be Editor-in-Chief of the American Atomic Energy magazine and planned that the Directors of the AEC national laboratories would be editors. Maxwell would set up a fifteen-man editorial board of American scientists. The editors would encourage their assistants and other scientists to submit technical articles on atomic energy to the magazine. No remuneration would be involved in the submission of these articles, and Maxwell's company would cover the entire costs on a monthly basis.
LUNTZ advised that in arrangements of this type there are usually financial losses. MAXWELL is willing to sustain losses in order to make contacts and see that the name of his company becomes better known and established in the United States. LUNTZ added that in addition, the Editors would come across people who are preparing book manuscripts and would refer them to MAXWELL'S company, the Pergamon Press.

LUNTZ related that should the Society accept MAXWELL'S offer, it would only be on condition that the Society would have complete control and that only unclassified information would pass through to publication. He pointed out that MAXWELL would have control of the contacted scientists if the arrangement was conducted on an independent basis.

LUNTZ believed that all of the members of the "American Nuclear Society" have NRC clearance with the exception of himself. He indicated that the "American Nuclear Society" probably would not accept MAXWELL'S offer. LUNTZ learned that the Pergamon Press, MAXWELL'S company, is starting a new magazine in 1955 covering a certain portion of the nuclear field. The magazine is entitled "The Journal of Inorganic and Nuclear Chemistry." He is aware that CHARLES ENGELL, a noted nuclear physicist, is preparing a technical paper for the Pergamon Press.

LUNTZ advised that without knowing anything further about MAXWELL, his proposals and statements indicate nothing of a suspicious or ulterior nature. The fact that he is willing to sustain losses on the proposed American nuclear magazine for contacts and advertising is not "out of line," according to LUNTZ, he stated that to his knowledge it would be the first American magazine in the nuclear or any other field published by a British publishing company. LUNTZ advised that MAXWELL had an appointment at 4:30 p.m. the same day with LUNTZ.

On November 1, 1954, when LUNTZ advised that the subject kept an appointment at his office at 4:30 p.m., October 29, 1954, regarding the magazine proposal. The
subject, according to LUNTZ, appeared anxious to set up the magazine as quickly as possible. LUNTZ related that he informed MAXWELL that the entire proposal would be discussed at the "American Nuclear Society" executive meeting in November, 1954 and that it would be decided upon at the board of directors meeting of the "American Nuclear Society" in January, 1955. LUNTZ reiterated that MAXWELL'S interests and statements did not indicate any ulterior desires.

Mr. LUNTZ voluntarily furnished the press release issued by the "American Nuclear Society" in October, 1954. It is noted that originally the release listed the name of the society as the "Society of Nuclear Scientists and Engineers" and was later changed to the "American Nuclear Society."

"AMERICAN NUCLEAR SOCIETY
320 West 43rd Street
New York 36, New York

"Newspapers of October 12, 1954
Radio - TV after 6 p.m. October 11, 1954

"TEXT OF LETTER FROM ADMIRAL LEWIS L. STRAUSS, CHAIRMAN, U. S. ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION, ADDRESSED TO ORGANIZING COMMITTEE, AMERICAN NUCLEAR SOCIETY

"U. S. ATOMIC ENERGY COMMISSION

"Gentlemen:

"I understand that a number of the American scientific fraternity are in the process of organizing the American Nuclear Society for the purpose of fostering the development of nuclear technology.

"Every American should be encouraged by this demonstration of confidence in the future of the peaceful
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"application of atomic energy on the part of scientists and engineers. For myself and on behalf of the Atomic Energy Commission, may I extend to the Society congratulations and best wishes for a fruitful and enduring existence in the interest of science.

"If this organization can be of any assistance, please let us know.

"Sincerely

/s/ Lewis L. Strauss

"Organizing Committee
American Nuclear Society
C/O National Academy of Sciences
Washington, D.C."

"SOCIETY OF NUCLEAR SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS
30th Floor
329 West 41st Street
New York 36, New York"

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"SOCIETY OF NUCLEAR SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS
FIRST PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY IN ATOMIC FIELD
HOLDS ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING IN WASHINGTON"

"WASHINGTON - A representative group of the 13,000 scientists and engineers engaged full-time in governmental,
"Industrial and educational aspects of atomic energy activity in the United States met today (Monday - Oct. 11) at the National Academy of Sciences in Washington to organize the Society of Nuclear Scientists and Engineers.

"The organizing committee and charter membership include many of the most prominent people working in this nation's atomic energy program. Included are the technical directors of each of the Governmental and industrial laboratories now working on the five-year program of nuclear reactor development recently announced by the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission.

"This is the world's first professional society of scientists and engineers representative of all scientific disciplines engaged in research, development and application of nuclear technology. A principal purpose of the group is to foster the integration and advancement of nuclear science and technology through the interchange of information and ideas in all fields of research utilizing nuclear techniques.

"Change in Atomic Energy Act made Society Possible

"Preliminary planning for the formation of the Society of Nuclear Scientists and Engineers was started in
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"December, 1953, in anticipation of a possible change this year in the Atomic Energy Act of 1946 that would make such a society feasible for the first time. The new legislation, the Atomic Energy Act of 1954, passed by Congress and signed into law by President Eisenhower in late summer, bore out the hopes of the group.

"A major objective of the new law is 'a program for the dissemination of unclassified technical information... to encourage scientific and industrial progress.' To help make this possible, the Atomic Energy Commission has been given the responsibility of taking the initiative in setting up an aggressive declassification program. The organizers of SNSN (Society of Nuclear Scientists and Engineers) expect that their new society will serve as a platform for the initial full public discussion of atomic energy technological problems.

"Conference to be held in June

"SNSN has announced that it will hold its first technical conference June 27-29 on the campus of Pennsylvania State University, State College, Pa. The location for the meeting was selected partially because of Penn
"State's interest in nuclear science and engineering. It now has a 'swimming pool' type of nuclear reactor under construction.

"Although nuclear power technology will be a subject of primary interest to SNSA's activities, other subjects of interest to the membership will include uses of radioisotopes in science and industry, effects of radiation on materials, radiation-sterilization of foods, etc.

"Organization encouraged by Industrial Concerns

"Although membership in the Society is open only to individual scientists and engineers, numerous corporations active in atomic energy work have supported the effort to form such a group. Included among them are American Gas and Electric Company, Babcock & Wilcox Company, Bechtel Corporation, Commonwealth Edison Company of Chicago, General Electric Company, Walter Kidde Nuclear Laboratories, Monsanto Chemical Company, Nuclear Development Associates, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, Sylvania Electric Products, and Union Carbide & Carbon Corp.

"The organizational meeting in Washington was attended by 29 scientists and engineers. (A complete list
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"of the organizing committee is attached.) An additional 200 senior atomic scientists and engineers have accepted invitations to become charter members.

"Membership in the Society will include persons with academic degrees in the fields of physics, chemistry, mathematics, biology, medicine and all branches of engineering, who are engaged in professional activity in one or more of the fields of nuclear science and engineering.

"Will Facilitate International Cooperation in Field

"Another purpose of the new Atomic Energy Act will be served through the formation of the Society is that of international cooperation on peacetime applications of atomic energy. The group has offered to assist Admiral Lewis D. Strauss, AEC chairman, in implementation by the United States of the International Nuclear Energy Conference proposed by President Eisenhower. United Nations sponsorship of such a conference is now being considered.

"Membership in the Society will not be limited to U. S. citizens and it is expected that cooperative conferences will be held with foreign technical groups.

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"Objectives of Society

"Objectives of the SNEE, as defined in the organization's constitution, are:

"The objects of the society are the advancement and integration of nuclear science and engineering in theory and practice, the encouragement of research into the properties of the nuclei and other constituents of atoms, the development of methods for the application of nuclear technology and of the allied arts and sciences, and the maintenance of a high professional standard among its members.

"Among the means to this end are the holding of meetings for the reading and discussion of scientific and technical papers, the publication of papers and discussions and of communications and information in the field of nuclear science and technology, and such other activity as may be appropriate for fulfillment of the objectives of the Society."
THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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"My congratulations to the Society of Nuclear Scientists and Engineers on the occasion of its founding. It greatly pleases me that the leaders of American nuclear science and technology have joined together to form a professional society which can do much to advance beneficent uses of the atom.

"I deem it particularly fortunate that this new society is being founded so soon after the passage of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 which seeks to encourage -- both within our own country and with friendly nations abroad -- the dissemination and exchange of unclassified scientific and technical information and thereby to promote scientific and industrial progress and public understanding. Those of us serving in official capacities in our national atomic energy program are keenly aware of how much non-governmental bodies -- such as this new society -- can contribute to these objectives.

"It is my fervent hope and deep conviction that the founding of the SNSE will underscore our nation's resolve to do everything in its power to further peace-time applications of the atom, and to share these benefits with decent people everywhere."
Dr. Alberio F. Thompson, Mr. Ulysses M. Staepler, and Dr. Charles D. Luke, who were interviewed by Special Agent on October 29, 1954, advised that Maxwell told them he is owner of the Pergamon Press, London, England, which publishes technical magazines. Maxwell has just published the first volume of the "Journal of Nuclear Energy" and he indicated that he was in the United States on behalf of the "Journal" to get assistance from Americans in setting up an American edition of the above "Journal."

The subject indicated that his company is affiliated with the Pergamon Press, Lange, Maxwell and Springer, 122 East 55th Street, New York City. It is noted that this address is the address of the British Book Center.

The subject informed Dr. Thompson, Luke and Mr. Staepler that he is working with Dr. J. V. Dunworth of Harwell, England. It is noted that the first volume of the "Journal of Nuclear Energy" lists Dr. Dunworth as an editor and he is connected with the Atomic energy research establishment at Harwell, England.

Dr. Lawrence R. Haskel

Dr. Lawrence R. Haskel, Director, Reactor Division, AEC, was interviewed by Special Agent on October 29, 1954. He advised that the subject contacted him in connection with the "Journal of Nuclear Energy" published by the Pergamon Press, Ltd., London, England.

According to Dr. Haskel, a group of scientists contribute to this journal, however, there are no American contributors. Dr. Haskel advised that at the present time a group of scientists in this country are in the process of organizing a society called the "Nuclear Energy Society."
According to HAFSTED, the subject wanted this group to put out a journal with American scientists as contributors and allow his company to publish the journal. Dr. HAFSTED stated that the subject requested him to be editor in Chief of this journal. HAFSTED informed MAXWELL that since he is a Government employee, he could not help him and referred the subject to JIM LUNTZ, Editor of "Nucleonics," 330 West 42nd Street, New York City. HAFSTED advised LUNTZ is a member of the Organizing Committee for the "Nuclear Energy Society." HAFSTED advised that the subject was introduced to him by letter from Dr. J. V. LUNTEMMLI, Editor in Chief, "Journal of Nuclear Energy," whom he had met in September, 1954 while in England.

Dr. JOHN VON NEUMANN

ALC Commissioner

On November 1, 1954, Dr. JOHN VON NEUMANN, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, New Jersey, and recently appointed ALC Commissioner, was interviewed by SA [redacted].

Dr. VON NEUMANN advised that on October 26, 1954 the subject telephonically contacted him and explained that he was Captain MAXWELL, Chairman of the Board of Perugmon Press, London, England, which is also associated with the "Journal of Nuclear Science," a technical publication published in England. Subject stated that he is interested in starting an Anglo-American edition of this journal in the United States. He requested VON NEUMANN to consider serving on the Editorial Board of the proposed Anglo-American edition of this journal.

The subject advised VON NEUMANN that he was also requesting Dr. LIBBY, who is also a Commissioner of the ALC, to serve on the Editorial Board. The subject mentioned to Dr. VON NEUMANN that he had conversed with Dr. LAWRENCE H. HAFSTED, Director of Reactor Development, Washington, D.C., concerning his participation with the proposed journal. Dr. VON NEUMANN advised that he did not commit himself to any of MAXWELL'S proposals, but advised MAXWELL that he would contact HAFSTED prior to making any decision.
VON NEUMANN stated that MAXWELL was unknown to him, but that he considered the proposed journal to be a feasible project in the United States. He stated that there is only one technical journal presently published in the United States and that atomic energy is such a large field that there is room for additional technical journals. Dr. VON NEUMANN advised that he intended to discuss MAXWELL'S proposal with other officials of the AEC to ascertain what their opinions might be concerning MAXWELL'S request.

Dr. James G. BUCHANAN

On November 3, 1954, Doctor James G. BUCHANAN, Physicist associated with the Schlumberger Well Surveying Company, Ridgefield, Connecticut, advised Sa [illegible] that the subject contacted him on October 26, 1954 at his residence in Upper Marlboro, Maryland, and that they had arranged a meeting the same date at the Congressional Hotel, Washington, D.C. BUCHANAN advised that he was approached by MAXWELL in that he is a member of the newly formed "American Nuclear Society." BUCHANAN was appointed editor pro tem of the Society and presumed MAXWELL got his name from a "New York Times" article dated October 11, 1954.

BUCHANAN advised that the discussion with MAXWELL was limited to the possibility of the Pergamon Press handling the publication through the Society of a joint or separate journal associated with the current Pergamon publication regarding nuclear engineering work in Europe. MAXWELL indicated to BUCHANAN that he had discussed the proposal with Dr. ALVIN WILSON, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, U.S. Atomic Energy, formerly of Bendix Aviation, Detroit, Michigan, and Dr. W. Th. H. D. G. Director, Brookhaven National Laboratory, Long Island, New York, prior to meeting with BUCHANAN.

BUCHANAN informed MAXWELL that he was interested, but that it was too early to make a commitment. BUCHANAN advised that he had heard of MAXWELL previously in connection with the Pergamon Press, which was somewhat suspect, but
that he had never met him prior to this time. BECKERLEY considered the subject a "promoter." BECKERLEY ascertained subsequent to his contact with MAXWELL that the subject had spoken to E. NIKEZ of Aclew-all, New York City. He stated that he and NIKEZ agreed that dealings with MAXWELL should be circumspect. MAXWELL had informed BECKERLEY that he was leaving for England October 30, 1954.

Dr. ALVIN WEINBERG
Research Director
Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Tennessee

On November 4, 1954, Dr. ALVIN WEINBERG, research director, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, advised that on October 28 or October 29, 1954 he received a telephone call from a man who spoke with an English accent. WEINBERG advised that this man identified himself as Captain MAXWELL and represented himself to be a representative of the Pergamon Press, London, England. WEINBERG added that the Pergamon Press was the publisher of the "Journal of Nuclear Energy" which he described as a publication, European in scope. MAXWELL advised WEINBERG he was calling from New York.

WEINBERG advised that his phone conversation with the subject was to the effect that MAXWELL advised him there were some planned proposals to publish an American edition of the "Journal of Nuclear Energy" and MAXWELL asked WEINBERG if the latter would be willing to be one of the editors of such a publication.

WEINBERG informed the subject that he would be interested, but that he would be more interested in being one of the Editors of the "Journal" as it stands at the present time. WEINBERG informed MAXWELL that he thought possibly it would be better to have the present "Journal" in the status or more of an international publication rather than to have an American edition and perhaps other editions of the "Journal." WEINBERG stated MAXWELL mentioned that some people had opposed such a proposal.

According to WEINBERG, MAXWELL did not relate that the
publication would deal with any particular field of nuclear energy development and such matters were not discussed in the telephone conversation.

WEINBERG advised that MAXWELL did not attempt to ferret out or solicit any information concerning the nuclear development field. WEINBERG advised that MAXWELL made some casual remark that he would like to pay WEINBERG a visit if his time permitted, but that no arrangements for a visit were discussed or formulated. WEINBERG stated that during the conversation MAXWELL did not display any particular interest in visiting Oak Ridge and the mention of the visit was only casual.

WEINBERG advised that during the conversation with the subject MAXWELL stated he had discussed the publication with Dr. LEE H. WORTH, Dr. W. L. R. ZINN and Dr. L. R. H. FOSTER. WEINBERG advised that these persons were connected with the Brookhaven Laboratory, Argonne Laboratory, and with the NRC respectively.

WEINBERG advised that he was not acquainted with MAXWELL and had never heard of the subject prior to this phone conversation. He advised that subsequent to the subject's phone call he was engaged in a telephonic conversation with Dr. ZINN of the Argonne Laboratory and Dr. ZINN mentioned that MAXWELL had called him and discussed the publication.

of unknown reliability, determined that the subject, on October 24, 1954, called long distance to Greenwich, Connecticut, telephone number 8-6630, from Washington, D.C.

was interviewed on November 4, 1954 by Special Agent [REDACTED] is associated with the Hambrons Bank, Ltd., 149 Broadway, New York City. [REDACTED] advised that he is well acquainted with the subject, but not intimately so. [REDACTED] advised
that Hambros Bank, Ltd., London, financed the subject after World War II in his first venture in the publishing business. He stated that the subject has been highly successful.

Lange, Maxwell & Springer, Incorporated, Simpkin Marshall, and Pergamon Press are British companies controlled by the subject, according to the subject's contact with Herr STRANGER of Heidelberg, Germany, well known German publishing family, enabled him to start in the publishing business. He stated that the subject's enterprises in the United States are Lange, Maxwell & Springer and the British Book Center, both of which are located on East 55th Street, New York City. Advised that he is the director of both firms which engage in publishing and distribution of books.

According to the subject is trying to activate the Pergamon Press in the United States to publish a journal on nuclear research. He advised that its United States headquarters are currently at the law firm of Lord & Lord, Cunard Building, Lower Broadway, New York City. He advised that a member of the latter firm, handles the company's affairs.
according to Hambros Bank told [redacted] to take his account elsewhere or get a business manager, and they suggested M.A.W.E.L.L., who managed affairs for 18 months during which time he attempted to reorganize investments. [redacted] invested four hundred thousand pounds in M.A.W.E.L.L.'s firm, Simpkin, Marshall. [redacted] said that he heard of an attempt to sell prefabricated houses in the South of the United States, but has no knowledge of this deal. He understood that "great better deals" were going on to reorganize affairs.

According to M.A.W.E.L.L. encountered trouble with the British Exchange Control over affairs, which resulted in M.A.W.E.L.L. breaking his contract with the latter. [redacted] threatened a law suit and M.A.W.E.L.L. have parted company. [redacted] said that four hundred thousand pounds are still invested in Simpkin Marshall.

[redacted] advised that the subject is regarded by Hambros Bank as a man of integrity, although somewhat wild in business. It is [redacted] opinion that although the subject has made money by British standards, his ideas for new ventures outrun his financial resources. [redacted] stated that the subject banks with the New York Trust Company, 100 Broadway, New York City.

[redacted] advised that he has no information that the subject is connected with British intelligence, but assumed that he may have been during World War II. He described the subject as a brilliant linguist, adding that he was born in Ruthenia, Czechoslovakia, and immigrated to Hungary prior to World War II where he landed in jail. [redacted] believed that he landed in jail in Hungary because of his anti-Communist activities, however, [redacted] did not know the details concerning this.

[redacted] advised the subject entered England shortly prior to World War II and rose to Captain in the British army which is unusual for a non-Britisher. He believed that M.A.W.E.L.L. is not the subject's true name, but that he has used it since his arrival in England. He
stated that the subject supposedly was dropped behind the German lines at Hamburg late in World War II and allegedly persuaded the Germans to limit their resistance for which he was awarded the Military Cross. He advised the subject married a French girl and has five or six children.

A stated that a close business associate of the subject in England is Baron V. N. DEN HUVEL of the Encyclopedia Britannica. He believed that when the subject is in New York he frequently stays in the apartment of an unknown friend who has described as President of an American paper firm. He believed this apartment is located in the Hampshire House, New York City. The subject also stayed at the Savoy Plaza, according to B.

C declared that he has never had political discussions with the subject, but assumes he is anti-Communist and at least he cannot go back to Communist controlled Czechoslovakia.

Some time ago, according to B, MAXWELL had plans to go to Prague on business and numerous persuades him not to do so, feeling that he would have difficulty with the Czech authorities. He stated that the subject's secretary went instead. According to D, last year MAXWELL went to Moscow with a group of British businessmen presumably at Soviet invitation. The subject speaks Russian, according to E. F. further advised that the trip to Moscow involved trade between the United Kingdom and the USSR and that MAXWELL'S interest was in buying Russian books and possibly selling his publications in Russia.

G stated that he expected, but did not know it to be a fact, that British Intelligence might have been interested in MAXWELL'S observations concerning the USSR, but did not believe this was the primary purpose behind the subject's trip; according to H, MAXWELL indicated he hopes to run for Parliament as a member of the Labor Party. He added that the subject is well known to Sir CHARLES HEIMANS, Head of the Lombros Bank.
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Dr. WALTER H. ZINN
Director, Argonne National Laboratory
Lemont, Illinois

On November 9, 1954, Dr. WALTER H. ZINN was interviewed by Special Agent [redacted]; he advised that the subject telephonically contacted him on October 29, 1954, identifying himself as Captain L. N. MAXWELL, President of the Pergamon Press, London, England, publishers of scientific books and publisher of the new British scientific magazine, "Journal of Nuclear Energy."

According to Dr. ZINN, MAXWELL referred to the discussion that had taken place in Harwell, England, in early September, 1954 between Dr. ZINN and Dr. L. HALSEY H. HURSTED, Director of Reactor Development, U.D.C., Washington, D.C., and the British scientist Dr. J. V. DUNWOODY, Atomic Energy Research Establishment, Harwell, regarding the possibility of permitting the participation of leading American nuclear scientists in contributing material for the magazine and serving as members of the Board of Advisors.

ZINN and HURSTED had learned while in England that the "Journal of Nuclear Energy," which issued its first volume on October 1, 1954, was backed by the leading nuclear scientists in England and Western European countries, but did not include American participation. ZINN and HURSTED thought the publication of unclassified information in the field of nuclear science in the form of a magazine such as the "Journal of Nuclear Energy" was an excellent idea, but suggested that the exchange of such information should be on a worldwide basis, and they asked Dr. DUNWOODY why the United States was being enrolled.

According to Dr. ZINN, Dr. DUNWOODY, who is Editor in Chief of the "Journal of Nuclear Energy," indicated that he and others were doubtful about United States response to participation. ZINN did not see, nor hear of MAXWELL while they were in England. According to Dr. ZINN, when MAXWELL telephonically contacted him on October 29, 1954, he indicated that Pergamon Press and the British scientists affiliated with the "Journal" had discussed American
participation in contributing material for the "Journal" and felt that they were now ready to ask leading American nuclear scientists to participate in the magazine. MAXWELL wanted to know if ZINN would become one of the editors. ZINN told MAXWELL that he would have to withhold his answer until a later date. Thereafter, ZINN telephonically conversed with several leading American nuclear scientists. ZINN informed MAXWELL, upon receipt of a second phone call from him, that after discussing the "Journal" with other scientists, he learned that several American scientists thought the matter was a good idea, but none was ready to give a definite answer at the time.

Shortly before MAXWELL returned to England, ZINN returned his call, at which time MAXWELL indicated he would return to the United States in about two weeks and would then in all probability make arrangements to personally visit Dr. ZINN and further discuss the matter. Dr. ZINN stated that there is no question about the caliber of the leading nuclear scientists in England and Western Europe supporting the "Journal." Dr. ZINN pointed out that such a journal would contain information of interest to scientists only, as contrasted with the American magazine "Nuclonics," which contains scientific data for popular appeal. He pointed out that this type of journal has been needed in this country, but that the cost of publication, because of the lack of advertising and limited number of subscribers, has been prohibitive.

ZINN commented that with Pergamon Press, an offshoot of the famous old German publishing house, Springer Press, willing to finance a publication of such a scientific magazine such as the "Journal of Nuclear Energy," he believes that American participation is the sensible thing to do. Regarding MAXWELL, ZINN stated that he knows nothing about him personally, he said that based on the caliber of men contacted by MAXWELL in the United States and the type of questions asked by MAXWELL, he knows of no reason to question MAXWELL'S motives in contacting various nuclear scientists in this country.
ZINN stated that he knows that H. ELLIOTT has con-
tacted DRS. E. L. STEV, WEINBERG, and JERRY LYNCH, editor of
"Nucleonics," J. M. MENDEL, president of Nuclear Development
Associates, White Plains, New York, and JAMES BRICKLE, former
Declassification Officer of NBS in Washington, D.C.,
who is now in private industry.

The Subject in New York City,
October 28, 1954

advised that the subject checked in the hotel on that date
and indicated he would remain for two nights.

On November 1, 1954, stated that the
subject had checked out on October 30, 1954. furnished the following list of telephone numbers called by
the subject while at the Westbury hotel. The identities
of the subscribers to these numbers were furnished by
of known reliability, on November 10, 1954:

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Hambo Trading Company of
America, Incorporated
17 East 51st Street
New York City

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A review of the New York Office indices failed to reflect any pertinent information regarding the above telephonic contacts of the subject.

Subject's Departure
October 30, 1954

On November 1, 1954, [redacted] Executive Desk, reservations, Pan American Airways, advised that the subject was aboard Pan American flight 100 which left Idlewild Airport 4:00 p.m., October 30, 1954, for London, England.
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**Miscellaneous**

It is noted that an attempt was made to interview Dr. LELAND HAWORTH, Director, Brookhaven
On November 18, 1954, [redacted] secretary to Dr. HAWORTH, advised SA that Dr. HAWORTH, at the present time, is spending little time at Brookhaven. She stated that he was not expected back at Brookhaven until November 26, 1954, and that his stays are usually for only one day. [Redacted] stated that Dr. HAWORTH can be reached more readily c/o the Office of Defense Mobilization, Executive Office Building, 17th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C.

It is felt that an interview of Dr. HAWORTH would be duplication of effort inasmuch as MAXWELL'S purpose in contacting AEC officials during his recent visit to the United States has been established. In view of the above, a lead will not be set out to interview Dr. HAWORTH at this time.

LEADS

CHICAGO, KNOXVILLE, NEWARK, WASHINGTON FIELD (INFO)

One copy each of instant report is being furnished to the Chicago, Knoxville, Newark, and Washington field offices for information purposes, as subject contacted AEC officials in these areas.

NEW HAVEN

At Weston, Connecticut

[Redacted] will reinterview [redacted] as set out in Bureau letter to New Haven dated 10/20/54 and report the results of this interview.
LEADS (CONT'D)

New York

At New York, New York:

will await the results of the reinterview of
by the New Haven Office and
determine if additional investigation is warranted in
this case.

REFERENCES

New York tel to Bureau, 10/25/54.
Washington Field tel to Bureau, 10/26/54.
New York tel to Bureau, 10/26/54.
Washington Field tel to Bureau, 10/29/54.
New York tel to Bureau, 10/30/54.
Newark tel to Bureau, 11/2/54.
New Haven tel to Bureau, 11/3/54.
Bureau airtel to New York, 11/12/54.
January 11, 1955

Sac, New Haven (105-612) (orig & 1)

Ian Robert Maxwell, WAS. Internal Security - R & G. Rebuilt

10/29/54 instructing that [redacted] be reinterviewed

Concerning subject. Suair-TEL when reinterview took place and when information was forwarded to the bureau.

Hoover

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[Handwritten note: Information contained here is unclassified. Signed: E. J. Seidman.]

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FBI RADIOGRAM

FROM NEW HAVEN   1-13-55   NR 132141   5:10 PM

DIRECTOR    DEFERRED

I. AN ROBERT MAXWELL, WAS. INTERNAL SECURITY - R AND GE.
RE BUAIRTEL TO NH DATED JANUARY 11, 1955. [BLACKED OUT]
WAS REINTERVIEWED JANUARY 10, 1955.
REPORT BEING TYPED.

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If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably paraphrased in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.
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**FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

**SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:**

Reinterviewed 1/10/55. Circumstances of her meeting with subject in Atlanta in August, 1953, described. Maxwell returned to Atlanta late in October, 1953 and stayed for a week or ten days. Both visits concerned with pre-fab housing venture. Last contact with him during weekend at Miami in March, 1954. All association connected with pre-fab housing venture. Circumstances of meeting with set forth, together with identity of Maxwell's associates in United States known to her.

**DETAILS AT WESTON, CONNECTICUT**

Was reinterviewed at her residence on Weston, Connecticut, on January 10, 1955 by the writer. She furnished the following information:

**ASSOCIATION WITH CAPTAIN MAXWELL:**

Advised that her first meeting with Captain Maxwell was in Atlanta late in August, 1953. She was introduced by whom she identified in her previous interview. This introduction was made at the apartment of in the 6A Howell House in Atlanta. was a close friend of and he arranged a breakfast which was attended by Maxwell, the purpose of which was to get various people together who were interested in a pre-fabricated housing venture, which she described in her earlier interview. She believes that had no prior or subsequent

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association with MAXWELL, merely acting as host on this occasion, on behalf of his friend, 

As previously described, the meeting between her and MAXWELL was for the purpose of discussing the pre-fabricated housing, in which project the subject and were associated. MAXWELL and MAXWELL's associate, whom she identified as were present.

MAXWELL and left Atlanta that evening. The next time she saw MAXWELL was in New York on Columbus Day, October 12, 1953. She visited an apartment located over "British bookstore", which was occupying at that time. This visit was for the purpose of which MAXWELL was considering.

The next time she saw MAXWELL was late in October, 1953 when he returned to Atlanta. On this occasion papers were signed creating the corporation which was to construct and sell the pre-fabricated houses. However, as described in the earlier interview, one of the principals in this venture, a Mr. STOKES, died the same day the papers were signed, and this fact tied the deal up. MAXWELL stayed in Atlanta about a week or ten days for the purpose of attempting to get other real estate operators into the venture to replace STOKES. One such person was introduced to MAXWELL by . She identified him as , with whom she stated she had been keeping company at that time. , however, told her that he had gotten a credit report of some kind on MAXWELL and that he did not like it. She also knew that he had had some rather heated discussions with MAXWELL on the American system of government verses the British system of government. One of the issues discussed was socialized medicine, as practiced in England, which MAXWELL defended and which criticized.

As far as could recall, MAXWELL never returned to Atlanta after his departure from that city early in November, 1953. She could recall only those persons referred to above as having known MAXWELL, with only one exception. said who now lives at , Miami, was present during every meeting which she had with MAXWELL, but would not know anything about him that she didn't know.
The next and final meeting with Maxwell was in Miami in March, 1954. She had a phone call from Maxwell and he said he wanted to talk with [REDACTED] and herself in Miami concerning the pre-fab deal. She went to Miami under the impression that [REDACTED] would also be there. Upon arriving, she registered at the Sans Souci Hotel, where Maxwell was also registered. Evidently Maxwell did not get in touch with [REDACTED] since he did not put in an appearance. She arrived on Saturday morning and Maxwell left on the following Monday morning.

[REDACTED] stated that she stayed on for the balance of the week. During the weekend however, she decided that nothing was going to come of the pre-fabricated housing venture and she made up her mind to drop it and look around for something else.

This was the last time she saw Maxwell and except for one instance, the last she has heard concerning him. After she moved to New York from Atlanta in 1954, she received a call from [REDACTED], who indicated that Maxwell was in some sort of trouble with the directors of [REDACTED] company concerning his use of company funds for his expenses.

The only persons associated with the subject at Atlanta, Miami, or New York, known to this source, have been identified in the foregoing she stated.

SUBJECT'S ALLEGED ASSOCIATION WITH INTELLIGENCE

[REDACTED] stated she could not give exact quotations, but on each of her several meetings with the subject he indicated by things he said that he had "connections with the British Government". She stated he always used the title "CAPTAIN MAXWELL". He told her in Atlanta that he had served in British Intelligence in World War II, and he had what he described as two bullet wounds near the chin-line on the right side of his face and neck, where he was supposed to have been shot. He also told her, during one of their talks, that on one occasion he was scheduled to be shot by the Yugoslavs or one of the other Balkan governments.

In addition, as she previously indicated, Maxwell was very proud and given to displaying his bulky passport. She described it as about the size of a "five year diary". In it he claimed to have visas and stamps from practically every country in the world, including Russia.
During the negotiations in Atlanta concerning the pre-fab housing venture, the deal was tied up for several weeks awaiting Maxwell's return to that city to sign papers. When he arrived in Atlanta it was with the explanation that he had been to Russia "for the British Government". He discussed what he had seen in Russia with her. In view of his claims to have served in British Intelligence during World War II, and his extensive travels since World War II, particularly his travel to the Soviet Union, stated she was under the impression that he had current Intelligence connections with the British Government or at least tried to create that impression upon his associates. He did not however, say that this was the case in so many words and she stated she would not expect him to do so if it were the case.

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stated she met an individual with Maxwell, whose name she recalled as . She met him at the breakfast apartment in Atlanta at the same time she met Maxwell. She understood that Maxwell was managing affairs. This was the only time she met . She understood he was an Austrian, who had been engaged in the chemical business and who had been forced into barter deals in payment for chemical products traded on the foreign market. She indicated in the earlier interview this was how and Maxwell came into possession of the pre-fab housing as she understood it. He and Maxwell also indicated that they had a couple of boatloads of cement to sell, a quantity of silk which she thought might have been from China or Japan, and a quantity of baby bottles. She stated she knew nothing of any of these transactions aside from the affairs involving the pre-fabricated housing venture described above.
REFERENCE: Bureau letter dated 10/20/54.
New Haven report dated 10/5/54.
Re New Haven report, 1/17/55, which reflected the results of a reinterview with

This reinterview completes extensive investigation regarding subject's travels, activities, interests, and contacts in the US during 1954.

A review of the information developed in this case reflects the following pertinent points:

1. A lengthy, extensive investigation regarding the subject's activities and contacts in the US and Canada has not revealed any espionage activities on the subject's part.

2. The AEC has been alerted by the Bureau of the subject's background and his interest in publishing an American "Journal of Nuclear Energy".

It is noted that interviews of numerous AEC officials contacted by the subject disclosed that he made no "out of the ordinary" or suspicious requests for information.

In view of the aforementioned reasons, this case is closed.

Department of Justice
FBI
Washington Field Office

Information contained in this report is unclassified except where shown.

1. New Haven (105-812)(Info)(RM)
2. Washington Field (105-6340)(RM)

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Letter to Director
NY 105-7654

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and was subsequently forwarded by the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC) upon request that it be sent to Argonne National Laboratory and one of the U.S. delegates to the subject conference, furnished the following information:

Enclosure

CWE: FIB

(6) Confidential

1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Branigan
1 - Mr. Todd
1 - Liaison Section
1 - Mr. Bates
Memo to Mr. Belmont
from Mr. Roach

On August 18, 1955, Liaison Agent Bates advised Mr. [redacted] of the AEC Security Division that information on Maxwell was already in possession of AEC.

There is enclosed a copy of a memorandum dated August 13, 1955, which was obtained by Bates from [redacted] in Geneva.

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On 12/14/56, THOROLD AVERY, Assistant Director, Security Division, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge, Tennessee, advised SA that on 2/13/56, a request was received by the Security Division at Oak Ridge from the Oak Ridge National Laboratory, requesting authorization for a proposed visit on the afternoon of 2/14/56 for IAN ROBERT MAXWELL to enter the limited area of the Oak Ridge National Laboratory at about 3:30 P.M., in order to see Dr. ALVIN M. WEINBERG, Director, ORNL. According to the request, the nature of the proposed visit was "discussions on new nuclear series," and Mr. AVERY stated that he was of the feeling that the nature of the discussions was to relate to unclassified papers presented during 1955 at the Atoms for Peace Conference in Geneva, Switzerland. Mr. AVERY pointed out that inasmuch as MAXWELL was an alien and because a substantial amount of information is on file with the Security Division of the AEC, Washington, D.C., he was concerned over the proposed visit of MAXWELL to Dr. WEINBERG. He advised that according to information received from his inquiries at AEC, Washington, D.C., MAXWELL represented the Fermason Press of London, England, adding that in informal discussions with Dr. DAVID COPE, Research and Medicine, AEC, Oak Ridge, recently Dr. COPE had mentioned that Dr. WEINBERG, previously mentioned, had mentioned to him that about a month ago, MAXWELL had contacted him (WEINBERG) by telephone from London, England, requesting Dr. WEINBERG to fly to London to sit in on a technical conference for him. Dr. COPE stated that according to WEINBERG, the offer was declined; however, the reason for the declining of the offer was not made clear. According to Mr. AVERY, Dr. COPE also failed to indicate the significance of the proposed trip to London on the part of Dr. WEINBERG at the request of MAXWELL.

In connection with the proposed visit of MAXWELL at ORNL on 2/14/56, Mr. AVERY stated that the Security Division felt reluctant to refuse to permit the meeting and, in fact, was reluctant to prohibit the meeting in the limited area of ORNL and, in fact, in Dr. WEINBERG's office and, therefore, proposed to authorize this visit and to later request Dr. WEINBERG to advise the Security Division concerning the nature of MAXWELL's visit.

Above information is being submitted for the information of the Bureau as well as New York, in view of the previous interest in MAXWELL.
FBI

Date: 4/12/56

Transmit the following message via AIRTR

(Priority or Method of Mailing)

From SAC, NEW YORK (105-7654)

To: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-25063)

IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, was IS - R and GE

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Previous investigation has disclosed that 122 East 55th Street and PL 3-8580 are the address and telephone number of the British Book Center, with whom subject is connected.

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Previous investigation has revealed subject, a publisher, in 1954, contacted many AEC officials in regard to submitting unclassified technical articles in Atomic Energy field to newly created American version of "Journal of Nuclear Science," published in England by subject's company, the Pergamon Press. AEC was alerted by the Bureau of the subject's background and interests. Numerous interviews of AEC officials contacted by MAXWELL disclosed he made no extraordinary or suspicious requests for information.

In view of the above, no investigation of the subject's activities is believed warranted by the NYC, at this time, and this case will be maintained in a closed status. CLOSED.

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Special Agent in Charge
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FROM NEW YORK 17 4-6-56

TO DIRECTOR REQUEST URGENT

IAN ROBERT MAXWELL WAS 1S-R AND GE. BUF 105-25063.

POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH CAPTIONED SUBJECT.

MAXWELL

If the intelligence contained in the above message is to be disseminated outside the Bureau, it is suggested that it be suitably encoded in order to protect the Bureau's cryptographic systems.

8 APR 24 1956
Date: April 20, 1956

To: Mr. Dennis A. Flinn (Orig. & 1)
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: IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, with aliases
INTERNAL SECURITY - R - GERMANY

Reference is made to investigative reports
concerning subject which have previously been furnished

An informant, who has furnished reliable
information in the past, has furnished the following
information which is possibly identical with the
subject and which names some of his contacts in the
United States. The names of persons have been spelled
phonetically since the true spellings are unknown to
the informant.
The above information is furnished for your confidential use and not for further dissemination. In order to protect our informant, it is requested that none of the individuals named, if identified, should become aware of this information.

Additional information received concerning this matter will be furnished you.

cc - 1 - Captain John A. Waters
Director of Security
Atomic Energy Commission
Room 926
1717 H Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

NOTE: Subject is a native of Czechoslovakia who was in the English Armed Services during World War II and became an English citizen. He is engaged in publishing for firms which have come in a number of countries, including Iron Curtain countries where subject travels quite extensively. An investigation was conducted by the Bu which was closed in January, 1955. The investigation did not reflect that subject was engaged in espionage activities and did indicate that he was interested in publishing magazines and articles having to do with atomic energy and that he was an unscrupulous businessman. Interested agencies are being kept advised of info received by Bu concerning subject.
Regarding the reference Build, orders or instructions by the Building representative was made at no time has been ordered. If any information on the Building representative was made at any time has been ordered.

With respect to the Building, the documents are useful to official use.

On May 1, 1956, furnished a report on his

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with the Building, D.C., on April 26 and 27, 1956. This report is contained in the attached memorandum in form suitable for dissemination.
On May 1, 1956, [redacted] furnished the following information pursuant to his meetings with Captain IAN R. MAXWELL on April 26, 27, 1956:

MAXWELL had sent a cable announcing his arrival from England. He called on him, MAXWELL, at the latter's hotel suite at the Hay-Adams Hotel, Washington, D.C., on said date, April 26, 1956. MAXWELL advised that his discussions with Russian physicists during a recent trip to Russia were all arranged through KORNEEV, (fnu) who has charge of all communications with the West. All invitations and all correspondence is channeled through him. After some difficulties, MAXWELL finally succeeded in talking to LANDAU and E. M. LIFSHITZ alone. (It is not clear to whether individually or together). MAXWELL was told that they never received the invitations to attend meetings in the West. (LANDAU was invited to the Rochester meeting, April 3-7, 1956, and the University of Maryland meeting, April 24, 25, 1956). [redacted] could not recall a United States invitation for LIFSHITZ. Like KAPITZA, LANDAU had been in trouble for a couple of years, but is now restored in his function. Nevertheless, MAXWELL reported that he felt both LANDAU and LIFSHITZ to be about ripe for defection. [redacted] emphasized that it is especially important that they continue to receive invitations to come here. MAXWELL has set up some arrangements by which they will know that such an invitation has been extended, provided MAXWELL is so informed. [redacted] promised to keep him informed. He, MAXWELL, has the assurance of NIELS BOHR'S son, AAGE BOHR, that LANDAU will be invited to Copenhagen in the fall.
MAXWELL'S channel is a renegade Britisher who has lived for many years in Moscow. With the knowledge and consent of the USSR Academy, he, MAXWELL, is appointing this man as a representative of Pergamon Press (MAXWELL'S publishing enterprise). Since there seems to be no internal censorship he will use this man as a drop for communications with scientists. He has some code arranged to advise them about forthcoming invitations. He fears, however, that his British official contacts will not approve the appointment of this man as his business agent. He pays him a few hundred dollars a month.

MAXWELL'S primary interest seems to be to get USSR cooperation for his publishing ventures. Besides several good books he now publishes about thirty technical magazines, each with an international board of editors. He has succeeded in getting USSR editors for some of them. He has, moreover, made agreements to publish translations of Russian articles in his existing journals or in special supplements. For this purpose he will receive Russian proof sheets so that he can publish the English version simultaneously with the Russian. He shall only do this in full with a selected number of articles and may print abstracts of all of them, but this is not sure yet. However, the new Journal on Nuclear Physics will be translated in full. He already has its table of contents. The first Russian number was supposed to come out in March, but there is some delay.

MAXWELL'S visit to Washington has two purposes. First, he wished to advise those dealing with Russian translations (National Science Foundation, Dr. SUnderlin, Dr. Alberto Thompson; The American Institute of Physics, New York, New York; Dr. H. A. Barton) about his plans in order to avoid duplication or unnecessary competition. Secondly, "in his typical manner," he had thought up a grand enterprise of translating all Russian science, about 400,000 pages a year for which he wished to get a government contract. This, too, he wanted to make international by having the United States of America pay about two thirds and Great Britain about one third. He had the cost worked out in detail.
said that he had lunch with MAXWELL on April 26, and 27, 1956, and dinner with him on April 27, 1956. He said that he let MAXWELL use his room at the Sheraton Park Hotel where the American Physical Society held its meetings. He, MAXWELL, held conferences there about two new journals (one on chemical physics, Editor Prof. J. MAYER, Chicago; and other one unknown to which were "born" in this, , room. At all times there were other people present so that could not converse with him effectively. 

MAXWELL showed a very long typescript of notes on his Russian trip. These contained, as far as he could see, only matters concerning publications and the persons involved, but no significant intelligence. 

 told MAXWELL that he was confused about the various Russian laboratories and their staffs, that he did not know their organizations, their relation to the Academy etc. MAXWELL promised a list and also a copy of his report to the British authorities. However, when he expressed him about the laboratories, it seemed that he was probably even more misinformed than he was. 

MAXWELL mentioned that the Institute in Sverdlovsk used to be very secret, but they are now having a meeting on magnetism there to which various Americans have been invited. He said that the Director of that Institute was named VOZNOSKY. In Kharkov there is an institute which specializes in solid state physics. A brother of LIFSCHITZ, supra, is working there, his initials, believes are I. E. is of the understanding that several of the physicists divide their time between various institutes. While MAXWELL was in Russia a new policy was established regarding the Academy of Sciences of the various republics such as Ukraine, Armenia, Azerbaijan, etc. They are supposed to have gotten much more autonomy and they are no longer under the Moscow Academy. He, MAXWELL, believed that KHARKOV was expanding very much and that many new institutes were planned there.
said that he hoped to see MAXWELL during this week (week of April 29) to clear up some remarks he, MAXWELL, made and to get some more information about the following points. 

expressed his regrets to MAXWELL that our authorities did not permit him, (to go to Russia with him. He answered that he had thought that the Russians might not give him, a visa, but that this was not so. (wants to ask him just why he thought so and how he checked up. He, MAXWELL, stated that the Russian physicists he met seemed to know and had enjoyed it very much. He believed it had been translated into the Russian. observed that this may be MAXWELL's usual flattery or may be connected with the visa question. 

said that MAXWELL still wants him to accept his offer as refused the latter offer. said that his services to MAXWELL consists of advice about contents and size of some of his magazines, making contact for him with prospective editors, sources of articles etcetera. also told him that our people are not favorably inclined towards his grand 4,000,000 page translation plan and advised him to drop it. opined that it would have been a "flop." 

said that he also must ask MAXWELL whether the USSR gives him financial support and he wonders if MAXWELL will tell the truth. 

states that in his conversation MAXWELL gives the impression that he is working for the British authorities and is supposed to report to them officially. He did not mention the intelligence agencies but he did mention DSIR. He also acts as if he knows that he, is reporting to Intelligence. said that he tries
to play innocent in the following way: When he, MAXWELL, volunteers some information he claims that it is of no interest to him, that he only wants to know that which may be of value to him. In this way he hopes that he will be slowly convinced that he is not interested in everything and that he is not interested for reasons of intelligence. states that in this way we may lose some information but until we know more about him, MAXWELL, and can trust him it would be unwise to officially admit any intelligence connections. When MAXWELL promised to give him information about chemists, for example, he told him that it would be of no interest to him. MAXWELL countered that he will give him a copy of report anyway since there may be other persons in this country who could use it. feels that this "poker game" will produce similar results and at the same time serve to dissuade MAXWELL of any connections with Intelligence.

expressed the personal conviction that scientific work can only benefit by as wide cooperation as is possible. This, at the same time, can be used as a motive for his connections with the Russian scientists to open up useful intelligence channels.
Office Memorandum - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-25063)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (105-7654)
SUBJECT: CAPTAIN IAN R. MAXWELL

Rebuttal, 4/30/56, captioned IS-R, (Duplicate and NY letter 5/3/56, re-captioned matter.)

Was interviewed by SA on 5/1/56. He had another meeting with captioned subject on 5/1/56, and he furnished the results of this meeting in said interview.

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1-New York (105-7654)

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18 MAY 1956

SECRET
United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  

New York, New York  
May 15, 1956  

Captain Ian R. Maxwell  
DECORLASSIFIED BY SPINS-DECOM  
ON 9-21-55  

SEE REVERSE SIDE FOR ADD. DISSEMINATION.  

Furnished the following report of his meeting with Captain Ian R. Maxwell which meeting took place on May 1, 1956:

Maxwell received [redacted] in his new apartment which is located over the British Book Center, 122 East 55th Street, New York City. [redacted] was with Maxwell from 6:00 PM to 7:15 PM, when he walked with [redacted] to the Waldorf Astoria Hotel where [redacted] had another engagement.

[redacted] related that he believes that he can now explain Maxwell's actions. They are all inspired by a pathological amount of ambition. They had a couple of drinks and he confronted Maxwell with some of the criticism and hostility expressed by fellow scientists against his, Maxwell's, activities. [redacted] especially pointed out the fear that Pergamon Press, whose books and magazines command the admiration of all physicists, might go bankrupt because of too rapid growth and Maxwell's other fantastic enterprises. [redacted] repeated again the opinion that there could not be so much profit in this business and that his colleagues were at a loss to understand his tactics of competing with established firms and even with non-profit scientific societies.

These remarks made him talk freely and confidentially.

He told [redacted] that all his wealth was due to his hold of the complete stock of the prewar German technical publishing house of Springer, now worth perhaps two million dollars.

He had, for example, just received an order from General Dynamics (Convair Division - [redacted]) to equip the library, an order of some $70,000. And this, he claims, goes on and on. However, he said, his business was just a means to his aims. He has two ambitions. One is to...
become Prime Minister of England. He was going to be put up for the House of Commons when last year's illness interfered. "Burke's Peerage," according to the most prominent book in his apartment, and other books are just copies of Pergamon Press publications.

His other ambition, which he has started already, is to write a monumental work on economic philosophy. It is anti-Marx, but will have the same lasting influence as the works of Marx. He states that the world needs a new philosophy now that Marxism and other isms have proved a failure. The book is written, he claims, so that it can be appreciated by all from the most erudite statesman to the man in the street.

Pergamon Press is to be one of his crown jewels. Before his illness he had already started to turn it over to a board of top scientists of the Royal Society, taking all profit motive out of it. His illness delayed the fulfillment of these plans.

remarked that he, is not a psychiatrist, but to him it seems that Maxwell is "sincere and nuts."

relates that Maxwell came to England in 1940 as a Czech soldier not speaking a word of English. Now he has not a trace of an accent. commented that to many Continentals, especially those who lived under dire conditions, the life of an English nobleman is a dream, an ideal which they regret is out of reach, but which they long for nevertheless. Maxwell has had his chance in this direction and he has nothing to lose.

entered Maxwell's apartment he was on a long distance phone call. He told his sister is living near Los Angeles and married to a "madman." She is getting a divorce. The call was to a lawyer. He mentioned no names.

asked him again about his Russian trip and about the cryptic remarks he made when he saw him in Washington. Maxwell said that definitely had been translated into Russian and that Landau and Lifschitz talked to him about it at length. Maxwell thought might have made it difficult for him, to get a Russian visa. He was surprised, however, to find that this was not so and said "you have a visa now."
commented that he probably means that he is on some kind of a priority list. Maxwell did not tell his source of knowledge regarding the visa situation.

On the evening of their meeting Maxwell had a dinner engagement with Paul Aversold, Director of the Isotopes Division, Atomic Energy Commission, Oak Ridge National Laboratory.
Office Memorandum - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR FBI (105-25063)
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (105-7654)
SUBJECT: CAPTAIN IAN R. MAXWELL
INTERNAL SECURITY - RAGE

was interviewed on 7/12/56, by SA . He furnished information regarding the

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Re: Captain Ian R. Maxwell

has furnished information in the past regarding Maxwell to which he adds the following:

A source whom prefers not to identify but whom he claims is reliable advised him that on the advice of Dr. Gunnar Randers, she accepted an invitation from Maxwell to have dinner with him on May 4, 1956. Randers asked her to find out as much as she could about Maxwell since even Sir John Cockcroft had told him that he knew too little about Maxwell.

Gunnar Randers' name appears as one of several associate editors on one of Maxwell's journals. He is a well known Norwegian astrophysicist. He is the adviser of U.N. Secretary General Hammerskjold on atomic matters. He is director of the Norwegian-Dutch Atomic Reactor Laboratory (JENER) at Kjeller, near Oslo. He is an officer in the Norwegian Army. He has worldwide scientific contacts.

Sir John Cockcroft is the highest ranking scientist in British Atomic Energy and director of the laboratories at Harwell. He is a Nobel prize winner.

According to his informant met Maxwell at the Geneva meetings, August 1955. The informant stated that Maxwell tried to impress her with his importance and his wealth. He mentioned the servants he had and how much he pays them. He talked in detail about the movie, "Don Giovanni" he had produced. Maxwell told the informant that he spoke French, German, Polish, Russian and some Italian. He definitely omitted Czech.

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The informant asked Maxwell where he originated and he replied that he was born in Waverly, near Edinburgh, Scotland. She countered that she believed him to be German. He claimed that he was not and volunteered the information that the manager of his New York office (Pergamon Press) was German.

[Redacted] interposed that he knew the manager of this office to be a certain [Redacted] whom he thought to be pure British. The informant had noted a slight accent in the speech of this person and [Redacted] advises that he has since learned that the German in the Pergamon Press office in New York City is not [Redacted] but a new man named [Redacted] (first name unknown). Maxwell had never told [Redacted] was German.

[Redacted] interpreted Maxwell's behavior on this occasion as belittling his psychological behavior pattern. He wishes to give the impression of an important and powerful man. At the same time he hoped to make an ally of the informant since she could be of use to him in his scientific connections because of her key position in the United Nations atomic organization.

[Redacted] commented again that he does not believe that Maxwell is subversive. He adds that his operations, however, may have significant consequences in East-West scientific relations. He believes that Maxwell can be a valuable source of information.
United States Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation
201 East 69th Street
New York 21, New York
July 23, 1956

Re: Captain Ian R. Maxwell

[Redacted] has furnished information in the past regarding Ian R. Maxwell. He has furnished the following:

Prior to Maxwell's leaving for England on May 9, 1956, he received a call from Maxwell who urged him to visit Europe more often and renew his acquaintances with the world of physics over there. He said again that he would be willing to pay for travel if necessary. Again pressed Maxwell regarding the matter of his, [Redacted] visa. Maxwell informed him at this time that when he was talking to Korneyev, who is in charge of foreign relations of the Academy of Sciences (Russian), the Russian boasted about the liberal way in which they had granted visas to foreign visitors as compared with other countries. Maxwell commented that it was unlikely that he, Korneyev, had approved visa because he is an American. Maxwell had submitted [Redacted] name after he, Maxwell, had invited [Redacted] to accompany him for Pergamon Press, the publishing venture of Maxwell's. It was related that Korneyev got "mad" and showed him Maxwell, the documents in which his, [Redacted] visa had been approved. Maxwell claimed that he checked up later in London and found this to be true. Maxwell asserted that he did not discuss old time intelligence connections. [Redacted] commented that if Maxwell did check in London it shows that he must have good connections with the Russian Embassy.
Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : [Handwritten name]

DATE: 8/15/56

SUBJECT: IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, was.
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Reference is made to Xx let 2/17/56.

On 8/15/56, [Handwritten name] of the AEC Security Division, Oak Ridge, telephonically advised that MAXWELL was expected to arrive at Oak Ridge within the next day or so to consult Dr. ROBERT CHARPIE, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, for the stated purpose of obtaining some assistance from Dr. CHARPIE in connection with publications to be put out by the Pentagon Press. [Handwritten name] stated that this visit was unclassified, both as to area and material to be discussed.

The above is submitted for the information of the Bureau and the New York Office. No action contemplated this Division.

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By letter dated 7/30/56, furnished a report on his meetings with Captain IAN R. Maxwell and ______ in June, 1956. This information furnished to SA ______ is contained in attached memorandum suitable for dissemination.

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United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
New York, New York  
August 15, 1956

Captain Ian R. Maxwell  

On July 30, 1956, I furnished the following information pursuant to his meetings with Captain Ian R. Maxwell and ____________________ in June, 1956:

I spent almost 3 days prying into the affairs of Pergamon Press. I talked at length with Maxwell, looked into some of the business books, discussed the principal characters with some of the personnel, with a top British physicist, with a competitor, and with the banker who finances the business. These conversations confirmed the opinion which I have expressed in previous reports. I have not been able to find anything subversive in the operations of either Maxwell or ____________________, is a shrewd and probably crooked businessman, is an expert in the scientific publishing field with world wide connections. The main result of my investigation is an insight in the business deals and operations of Pergamon Press which, in my opinion, are of little or no interest to intelligence or counter-espionage.

met me at the airport in London on Tuesday evening, June 26 and took me to my quarters. Even on that first night he complained bitterly about his relations with Maxwell. It seems that Maxwell was taking more and more a hand in the actual publishing problems of Pergamon Press without discussing matters with ____________________. He was very upset about this because apparently Maxwell creates new scientific journals, selects editors, contracts for new books on a basis which considers out of proportion to the capacity of the firm. The disagreement had come to a real clash when had advised one of their contacts in an official letter that promises made by Maxwell about certain publications could not be taken seriously. was suspended for one month with pay. His contract with Pergamon Press was rescinded as a result of the suspension and a new contract was being negotiated. When I arrived the suspension had just ended but the new contract was not yet agreed upon.
I. R. Maxwell Ltd., and Pergamon Press are now located in a house at 4 Fitzroy Square, London, W1. The top floor is made over into an apartment where Maxwell lives when he stays in town or it is available for some of his friends. I had lunch up there with him in the presence of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. The discussion centered around business and printing problems.

The third day I had breakfast with him and we discussed the role of [REDACTED] in the operation of Pergamon Press. I pointed out that [REDACTED] has wide support among scientists all over Europe whereas Maxwell himself does not have a very good reputation. I warned him that a break with [REDACTED] may greatly harm his business.

In typical Maxwell fashion he thanked me for my frank advice. He moreover stated that there were only three persons whose advice he would take seriously. The first one is his banker, and financial backer, Sir Charles Hambro, the second one is this writer, and after a long hesitation he blurted out that the third person was Maxwell himself.

The situation with [REDACTED] was awkward. [REDACTED] is one of Maxwell's secretaries. It is not always clear whether she is mainly loyal to him or to [REDACTED], but at times she has made copies of letters received by Maxwell which commented favorably on activities and which Maxwell never conveyed to [REDACTED].

It is my impression that Maxwell guesses that she does this or at least tells [REDACTED] about it.

Maxwell himself always inspects the early morning mail, which is quite voluminous. He stands at the mail box and picks out the letters which he expects to be interesting. This he seems to do with a disregard for the addressee. He has opened regularly letters addressed to [REDACTED]. He has also done so with letters addressed to Dr. Donald J. Hughes of Brookhaven National Laboratory, who is one of the many editors of Pergamon Press and has used the address and apartment when visiting in London.
It is thus clear that the relations between Maxwell and his personnel are not healthy. He works long and unusual hours and expects his staff to work overtime whenever he feels like it. And others frequently work evenings or nights until 2 a.m., apparently without extra pay. There is some suspicion that he may have the girls working late for other purposes, it is likely that they have a crush on him. However, I believe that he actually misuses their affection to get more work out of them and not for other reasons. The output of a night's work I saw seems to confirm this.

The amount with which Sir Charles Hambro (of Hambro's Bank, 41 Bishops Gate, London, 2) backs him seems to vary between £ 300,000 and £ 500,000 - anyway it is about one million dollars.

...told me that at one time Hambro wanted to get some of his money back. Maxwell was at first unable to do so. However, he found a certain in Luxemburg who was holding a surplus of powdered eggs. Apparently Maxwell found an outlet for this product, which netted so much that he backed Maxwell to the amount demanded by Hambro. Another venture of Maxwell and was even more successful. A large amount of unsold pork was spoiling in Holland or Belgium and declared unfit for human consumption. Two businessmen were able to get it canned and sold it at a great profit to the East German police.

According to... Maxwell's name was at one time Ludwig Hoch and he was born near Jablunka or Jablunka Pass in Galicia. This does not agree with the birthplace he entered on his visitors pass at Brookhaven. He listed Slatina, Czechoslovakia. I have not been able to find a Slatina in that country or any of the altases available here.

Maxwell showed me at a glance a book in which his accounting department keeps track of the costs and income of the individual books he publishes. Though I did not have an opportunity to study it, it seemed clear that the publishing business itself was not a great source of income. Maxwell himself admits that, as I reported before, his scientific antiquariat brings in the real profit. A blot on his career is the bankruptcy of the firm of Simpkin and Marshall. Both competitors and British physicists...
claim that this was a rather dishonest affair, many book dealers and publishers holding the bag and Maxwell coming out unscathed or even with a profit, since it did not put a crimp in his style of living and extensive travel.

Maxwell is still trying to monopolize the great demand for translations of the Russian scientific papers. He is paying royalties to the Russians, probably via the Academy. In this way he hopes to get their cooperation, probably by receiving advance copies or even translations before his competitors do.

At my request Maxwell arranged an interview for me alone with Sir Charles Hambro. Sir Charles had a high position in British Intelligence during the war. He accompanied our Alsos Mission shortly before VE Day when we found the principal laboratory in Southern Germany and he also took part in the removal of uranium ore from Germany. I met him in Washington from time to time shortly after the war, but had not seen him for several years when I visited him at his bank. According to British custom it is not likely that he has completely severed his connections with Intelligence.

The fact that there is this relation between Maxwell and Hambro and the few items dropped for my benefit by Maxwell on earlier occasions (such as letter drops for communications with scientists, defection possibility of Landau, Sverdlovsk being classified, see my former reports) makes me believe that Maxwell is being used cleverly by British Intelligence.

I had of course no opportunity to discuss the Maxwell security aspects with Hambro. We talked about old friends and about the business problem of Pergamon Press. Hambro volunteered that Maxwell was a very shrewd businessman and that was an outstanding scientific editor. He was pleased to hear from me that indeed the books and magazines published by them in my field are considered by all competent colleagues as first class products. Sir Charles promised to keep in touch with me and see me on his yearly visits to the USA.

About himself, my observations confirm that his main interest is his publishing activity. He
has autographed pictures of Europe's leading scientists around his office and his correspondence shows that they have real confidence in him. Conversation with a few British colleagues gave the same impression. A European competitor said to me that he was willing to employ whenever he wanted, but he thought that had too lucrative a contract with the crooked Maxwell, thus couldn't afford to leave him.

consulted with his lawyer about the relations with Maxwell while I was in London. I tried to patch up the breach for the sake of scientific publication and hoped to be allowed to take part in the consultation, but I was not. 

While in London I lived in a flat of a London, SWI. There was no hotel space available (Wimbledon week!) and was a former editorial coworker of He still discusses problems with her. When they drove me to the London airport I thought that I had convinced to stay with Pergamon Press.

Shortly after my return, I received the following cable:

London

(1eceived at 7/16/55)

has decided to accept another post stop I
have regretfully agreed his decision stop

Please treat this as confidential.

Best regards signed Maxwell

I have not answered. This cable was composed while
Dr. Donald Hughes was with Maxwell. Maxwell cabled his New York Office (122 East 55 St) to find
out from Hughes what my reaction was to the cable. He has been correctly informed that it was definitely negative.

As a physicist I worry about what is going to happen to the magazines and the excellent serial books of Pergamon Press. And I also worry about the fate of
He will find another job no doubt.

Maxwell's health is not so good since his serious lung operation last year. He feels it himself and said to me that he has so little time to get wealthy and to climb the social ladder. He could never get there, he believes, if he worked at the conservative slow pace of a

Incidental Information

1. In a previous report I had stated that according to Maxwell Russian physicists had
I could not make out whether that was true or whether Maxwell had initiated the subject with the Russians.

The other day I received a letter from [redacted], one of the three Americans attending the conference on magnetism in Moscow in May. He writes:

"E. Lifshitz, who is a completely charming as well as able person, spoke to me concerning [redacted]. He recalled, if I phrase it correctly, the personality that radiated through the pages."

This independently confirms Maxwell's report.

2. I visited the German Minister for Atomic Energy, Franz-Joseph Strauss, for an hour on Thursday, July 5 in Bonn. German physicists (O. Haxel and W. Riezler) which I met at the meeting in Geneva in June had intimated that Strauss was eager to see me since he had read [redacted] and on his recent trip to the US was unable to stop [redacted]. Strauss indeed had a copy of the book on his desk which he read recently. Someone had sent it to him anonymously. (The sickening fact is that my German colleagues and even former prisoners now lick my boots and go out of their way to tell me how they agree with that book.) Strauss agreed with some of the principles expressed in the book. He stated that Heisenberg was giving him serious trouble. His explanation was that Heisenberg, the foremost German theorist, insisted on taking an active part in the practical Atomic Energy program. This was a psychological reaction, because he had failed during the war and he wants to show the world that he too can build a reactor. In fact, according to Strauss, Heisenberg should instead train theorists, he thinks Germany to be far behind France in theoretical physics and blames Heisenberg for neglecting his duty. He thinks Heisenberg should leave reactors to more practical men. I also noticed among the German physicists I met at the Geneva and Amsterdam meetings a growing dislike for Heisenberg.
In his conversation Minister Strauss mentioned one detail that disturbed me greatly. On his recent visit to California he had met Edward Teller. Later Teller had written him a letter, which pleased Strauss very much, and in which Teller had expressed his friendship and loyalty to Germany, that his real roots and cultural contacts were in Germany. I did not see the letter and Strauss' enthusiasm probably made him exaggerate its meaning, but it didn't sound right. It called to my attention Teller's close friendship with the absolutely unreliable and smooth German physicist, C.F. von Weizsacker, the son of Hitler's foreign secretary.
Information regarding captioned subject was furnished to SAC by [redacted] on 8/22/56.

This information is incorporated in attached memorandum suitable for dissemination.
On August 22, 1956, advised that Captain Maxwell had been back in the United States for a period of one week to ten days looking after his publishing business. He advised [redacted] that with respect to [redacted] he hoped that he would be able to keep him as a consultant so that he can continue to claim that [redacted] is connected with Pergamon Press.

Maxwell advised [redacted] that an official of Communist China had contacted his business in London and placed a standing order for eighty copies of all the scientific material put out by Pergamon Press.

[redacted] asked him again about his contacts with Russians and he, Maxwell, confirmed that by paying them some royalties he has been successful in getting Russian editors on his editorial boards for his various international journals. He showed [redacted] the first copy of one of his journals of which V.N. Kondratiev is an editor. Its articles are mostly in English but they have abstracts in three languages, including Russian.

Maxwell expressed the belief that the friendly attitude in scientific matters is genuine and that they (the Russians) want to belong to the international scientific community again.

[redacted] advised that he has learned that Maxwell is trying to expand the Russian translation business and it will include the fields of biology and medicine. He is recruiting translators from all over the world.
Re: Captain Ian R. Maxwell

[Redacted] said that he has arranged for [redacted] to take a job in Maxwell's New York Office. The [redacted] residence of Maxwell. He resides at [redacted] according to [redacted] knows nothing about the nature of his interest (intelligence) in Maxwell.

[Redacted] further advised that he has learned that [redacted] (first name unknown) of German origin, whose presence he reported previously, is not connected with Pergamon Press but seems to be an agent for the "Don Giovanni" movie. [Redacted]
Re Knoxville letter to the Bureau dated 7/21/56, no copy to Chicago, and Chicago letter to the Bureau dated 6/15/56.

The files of the Knoxville Office indicate that one IAN ROBERT MAXWELL with aliases which include Captain MAXWELL, an official of the Pergamon Press and who has visited in Oak Ridge, is the subject of investigation entitled "IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, was., ESPIONAGE - R and GS."
On 10/2/56, the subject was interviewed at his request by SA and stated that his firm was engaged in scientific research and conducted spectrophotographic analysis work for numerous large corporations, including domestic and foreign. In connection with his firm’s activities, it publishes [redacted] and publishes a monthly supplement to this item. The original purchase price for [redacted] is [redacted]. No information of a classified nature appears in the atlas, but sale of it has heretofore been confined to United States industrial concerns and industrial concerns located in nations friendly to the United States. He stated that included among his clients were such concerns as Standard Oil of New Jersey, the General Motors Corporation, U.S. Rubber, etc.

He related that in approximately January 1955, he was contacted by a representative of a firm owned by the subject. He identified this firm as the I. R. Maxwell Company, Ltd. (formerly Lange, Maxwell and Springer, Ltd.), 45 Fitzroy Square, London W1, England. The I. R. Maxwell Company letterhead indicates that I. R. MAXWELL, M.C., is Managing Director, and P. K. ORTON and C. T. CLARK are Associates. The firm specializes in medical, scientific, and technical publications. The initial contact by representatives of the I. R. Maxwell Company was followed by telephonic conversations with the subject in London, England, and later by personal contacts of the subject with the complainant in Philadelphia and by the complainant with the subject in London.
It developed that the purpose of the original contact and later conversations with the subject were for the purpose of securing a subscription to 
A subscription was sold to the I. R. Maxwell Company and as a result of later negotiations, the firm was designated by 
as its agent in Great Britain to handle sales of the publication.
A number of subscriptions were sold by the I. R. Maxwell Company to legitimate industrial organizations in Europe.

then related that during May 1956, while attending a conference in Amsterdam, The Netherlands, held on the topic of Infrared Spectroscopy, he had met and spoken to a 
Gerateraw d. Duetsche, Akad d. Wissenschaiten, Wilhelminenbofstrasse, Berlin, Soviet Zone, Germany. According to the Institute is a government-operated enterprise under the control of East Germany. During his conversations with reference was made to work and commented on the fine nature of stated he received the publication and displayed a copy of it to stated that each subscription is assigned a code number and based on this number he knew that this subscription was identical with the subscription which had been sold initially to the I. R. Maxwell Company, London. He stated that it was only through Maxwell that the Communists could have secured this publication.

He related that the above conference was also attended by a representative from the USSR by the name of Professor G. LANDSBERG, B. Kalushskaja, 13 Kn 25, Moscow, B-71, USSR. He stated that LANDSBERG appeared to be the chief representative of the Soviet nations at the conference and that it was not until LANDSBERG made public pronouncements at the conference and made known his thinking that either or any other representative of the Soviet countries entered into the discussions. He advised that the subject had been present at this conference and had spoken to various Soviet representatives.

According to the I. R. Maxwell Company maintains branches known as the Anglo-American Book Center at 24, Rue des Ecoles, Paris Ve, France, and branch known as the I. R. Maxwell Company at 122 East 55th Street, New York, N.Y. Two other companies known as the British Book Center and the Pergamon Press, both owned by Maxwell, also have quarters at 122 East 55th Street, New York City.
went on to state that approximately a year ago, Maxwell purchased a small printing company in London, England, known as the Pergamon Press. Pergamon Press publishes an item entitled, "Spectrochimica Acta." The publication contains numerous scientific articles secured by Maxwell's representatives throughout the world. These representatives attend conferences and secure various research papers. The representative working in this country and securing such articles for the "Spectrochimica Acta" is a woman by the name of [REDACTED] and she resides in New York City. He stated the publication is not a good publication but does contain at times valuable articles on scientific research. Maxwell's publication is available to anyone for payment of the $24.00 a year subscription price, and [REDACTED] believed that subscriptions were being sold to Communist nations.

[REDACTED] stated he was bringing the above information to the attention of the FBI, although Maxwell was actually a representative of his company in England. He said he considered MAXWELL unscrupulous and as a person interested in a "fast buck." He advised he did not believe that MAXWELL would hesitate to pass on information to the Communists, and this belief was verified during his conversations with [REDACTED] during the May 1956 conference. He stated that the subject during conversations with him had indicated he had visited our atomic installations at Oak Ridge, Tenn., probably during April or May, 1956. On other occasions subject stated he was well acquainted with a Dr. JOHN HERBERT KALLOMON, head of the Metal Research Laboratory, General Electric Company, Schenectady, N.Y., and had visited with him on occasions. In addition, MAXWELL has stated that he made numerous trips to Moscow, USSR, and had said he had talked to various Russians. Other individuals have advised [REDACTED] that subject and his associates made an extended trip to Communist China and other Far East countries during 1955.

In regard to background on the subject, [REDACTED] stated he had been told that subject fled from Czechoslovakia before HITLER invaded that country and that ultimately subject ended up in England. MAXWELL served in the British armed forces during World War II, achieved the rank of Captain, and was awarded the Military Cross. During the early years of the occupation of Germany, subject served in a Military Post with the British Army and as a result of certain maneuvering, made considerable financial gains. The subject is married to a French woman with seven children and resides at Broomfield, Esher Park Avenue, Esher, Surrey, England. MAXWELL is approximately 32 years old, was born in Czechoslovakia but carries a British passport. Complainant described MAXWELL as 5' 11" or 6' tall, 180-190 pounds, black hair, black mustache, and ruddy complexion. While in New York City, subject normally resides at the Westbury Hotel, 71st and Madison Avenue.
advised that the above formed the basis for his belief that the subject constituted a threat to the United States and should be investigated by the FBI.

indicated that his firm in the past has done classified work for the United States Government, but that nothing of a classified nature has ever been made available to the subject during any of his contacts with him. He emphasized the fact that although contained valuable information, its contents are not classified by the Government and there are no restrictions on its distribution except as imposed by himself.

furnished two brochures dealing with his company and its activities which are being furnished to the Bureau for information.

The Bureau and New York are requested to check indices regarding the subject, the J. R. Maxwell Company, Pergamon Press, British Book Center, and , and furnish Philadelphia with results of such check.

Indices of the Philadelphia Office are negative regarding subject and above identified persons. No additional investigation is contemplated by Philadelphia at this time UACB. Philadelphia will await results of indices check by Bureau and New York and if negative will close case.
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FBI/DOJ
SAC, Philadelphia (105-2754) (Orig. & 1) October 18, 1956

Director, FBI (105-25063)

RECORDED: 10/5-25063-126

IAN ROBERT MAXWELL
INTERNAL SECURITY - R - GERMANY

RePHlet captioned Icron Robert Maxwell, was, IB-R, dated 10/4/56.


Bufiles contain no previous references to [redacted], or [redacted].

New York closed the case after intensive investigation did not disclose that Maxwell was involved in Soviet intelligence work.

cc - 2 - New York (105-7654)

CFG: cvg

NOTE: Maxwell is an international businessman who has reportedly engaged in many "sharp" deals. Although intensive investigation has not disclosed that he is involved in Soviet intelligence work,

Philadelphia requested check of Bufile re I. R. Maxwell Co., Pergamon Press, British Book Center, [redacted], and [redacted].

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-25063)
FROM: SAC, WFO (105-6340)
IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, was.
ESPIONAGE - R & GE
(CO: NEW YORK)

Enclosed for the Bureau are an original and
four copies of a "confidential" blank memorandum concerning
the subject.

The investigation set out in blank memorandum was
conducted by SA [redacted] on 10/3/56 with the above
exception.

The Bureau's attention is directed to New York let
dated 2/15/55 in subject's case in which they indicated that
this case was closed after extensive investigation regarding
MAXWELL's activities, interests and contacts in the U. S. during
1954.

The Bureau is also referred to New York let dated
11/5/54, captioned "IS-R & GE,"
Bureau file 105-26164, New York file 65-16557 and WFO file
65-6698. This letter indicates that the investigation on
was initiated from information received by

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publishing world-wide journals on atomic sciences, is a bit surprised to find himself in the movie business." The article continues that after the death of Sir GEORGE FRANCKENSTEIN, former Austrian Ambassador, it was revealed he had promised to film the "Salzburg Festival" production of Mozart's, "Don Giovanni" with PAUL CZINNER, ELIZABETH BERGNER's husband. MAXWELL decided to go ahead with the plan in his friend's memory.

According to the article, the film was finally completed and then MAXWELL learned about the problems of film distribution. "A trim searchingly blue-eyed 33 and politically ambitious, MAXWELL decided to take on distribution himself . . .," "Don Giovanni is set for a trial run here at the Ontario, opening Thursday."

The article concludes that, "Between appointments with scientific associates and political forecasting" MAXWELL is, "elegantly ensconced at the Jefferson."

Without caller having to identify himself, a telephone operator at the United States Department of Commerce was telephonically contacted on October 3, 1956, at STerling 3-9200. She advised that there are numerous GREENs employed by the Department of Commerce, however, one JOHN C. GREEN is the Director, Office of Technical Services, United States Department of Commerce.

The 1956 issue of Polk's Washington City Directory fails to reflect a JOHN C. GREEN connected with the United States Government.

The July, 1956, issue of the Washington Metropolitan Area Telephone Directory lists only one JOHN C. GREEN. This GREEN resides at [REDACTED] telephone

Without caller having to identify himself, an unidentified female at [REDACTED] was telephonically contacted on October 3, 1956. She advised that this JOHN C. GREEN is not employed at the United States Department of Commerce.
The July, 1956 Washington Metropolitan Area Telephone Directory reflects the Jefferson Hotel is located at 1200 16th Street, N. W., telephone DIstrict 7-4704.

Without caller having to identify himself, an unidentified switchboard operator at the Jefferson Hotel was telephonically contacted on October 3, 1956, and he advised that "Captain I. R. MAXWELL" is residing at the Jefferson Hotel in Room 110, and that MAXWELL is the same individual referred to in today's "Washington Post" and who is going to show a movie at the Ontario Theatre this coming Thursday.

The July, 1956 edition of the Washington Metropolitan Area Telephone Directory reflects the National Science Foundation is located at 1520 H Street, N. W., telephone STerling 3-2140.

On October 3, 1956, the National Science Foundation, advised that on September 24, 1956, when Dr. PANOV was preparing to depart Washington, D. C. for New York City, he realized that PANOV had received little in the way of pamphlets and information in comparison to what he had furnished various government agencies. He stated that he immediately phoned Mr. JOHN GREEN, Office of Technical Service, United States Department of Commerce, and Mr. FOSTER MOHRHARDT, Librarian, United States Department of Agriculture, and requested that they furnish him any available unclassified public source information which he could make available to PANOV, in reciprocation for the information he had provided the United States Government. He continued that as a result, MOHRHARDT made available the current "Yearbook on Animal Diseases" of the United States Department of Agriculture and GREEN made available several pamphlets pertaining to the application of mechanical and electronic commutors to information searching problems and the like.
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Office Memorandum - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-25063)  DATE: 10/30/56
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (105-7654)
SUBJECT: IAN ROBERT MAXWELL
          IS-R & GERMANY

Re WFO let to Director 10/4/56; Philadelphia lett to Director 10/4/56; Bulet to WFO 10/12/56, and Bulet to Philadelphia 10/18/56.

As stated in Bulet to WFO of 10/12/56, the Bureau does not desire that this case be reopened at the present time.

Philadelphia is requested to recontact to enlist his cooperation in furnishing information which may arise out of future contacts by the subject with

Philadelphia is requested to advise how the subject came to be known under his aliases and what, if any, explanatory comments MAXWELL made in furnishing these names to

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-25063)  DATE: 11/5/56

FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (105-2754)

SUBJECT: IAN ROBERT MAXWELL
IS - R & GERMANY

Remylet 10/4/56, captioned "IANON ROBERT MAXWELL, was;" Bulet
10/18/56; and New York letter 10/30/56.

The following is being set forth for the additional information
of the Bureau, New York and AWO:

telephonically contacted SA [redacted] on 10/8/56, and advised that he
had spoken to a representative of the subject by telephone in New York City.
This individual advised [redacted] that MAXWELL had been in Washington, D.C.,
for the preceding week.

On 10/16/56, [redacted] again telephonically contacted SA [redacted]
and advised that on 10/13,14/56, he had been to New York City and was
in contact with the subject. He stated the subject was scheduled to depart
from New York City on that date via a BOAC Airline plane for London, England.
He stated that during conversations with MAXWELL on 10/13,14/56, subject
had stated that while in Washington, D.C., he had met with a Mr. BRONCK, the
head of the National Research Council, and had also contacted the Director and
Associate Director, Bureau of Standards, Washington, D.C.

He then went on to state that while in New York on 10/14/56, MAXWELL
had visited Drs. HUGHES and DODSON (phonetic) who are employed at the Brookhaven
Atomic Energy Commission Facility on Long Island. [redacted] stated he did not
know the purpose of the subject's contacts with these individuals.

[redacted] related that during conversations with subject on 10/14/56,
subject made reference to a "Fergamon Institute for Soviet Knowledge" which
headquarters in London, England, and owned by subject. According to the subject,
the Institute has a $400,000 contract with the U.S. Government. [redacted] did
not know the nature of the institute's work or of the alleged U.S. Government
contract.

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then went on to relate that subject had showed him a new publication which was being put out by his organization known as "Atomica." This publication on its title page bore a notation that it had been combined with a publication known as "Soviet Journal of Atomic Energy."

Inasmuch as the Bureau has advised that intensive investigation failed to reflect subject's involvement in Soviet intelligence operations and case currently carried in closed status by New York, no additional investigation beyond that specifically requested in referenced New York letter will be conducted. [REDACTED] will be recontacted and specifically interrogated for information requested in New York letter.
Information concerning captioned subject was furnished to SA [REDACTED] by [REDACTED] on 10/22/56. This information is incorporated in the attached memorandum suitable for dissemination.
On October 22, 1956, [redacted], advised that regarding previous reports of his concerning of Pergamon Press (I. R. Maxwell), he now finds it necessary for him to correct a former contradiction of his. [Redacted] stated that Maxwell is German, and that he knows this to be so inasmuch as Maxwell told him of this. He advised that Maxwell's first name is Detlev which, according to sounds Baltic but that Maxwell claims to be from Berlin, Germany. He advised that Maxwell does speak German fluently and it is reported that he also knows some Russian language.

[Redacted] further advised that Maxwell had told him that his former names were Hoch, DuMaurier, Lester Jones, and now Ian Robert Maxwell. According to [redacted], Maxwell had informed him that last two names were more or less chosen for him and forced upon him by the British Army officials.

[Redacted] continued that Maxwell had advised him that he had been in contact with a staff member of the National Academy of Sciences, in connection with editing one of the Pergamon books. [Redacted] stated that he had known inasmuch as he was with the Atomic Energy Group.
This information is loaned to you by the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and neither it nor its contents are to be distributed outside the agency to which loaned.
Legat, London (105-210) (Orig. & 1)  December 10, 1956
Director, FBI (105-25069)  
IAN ROBERT MAXWELL  
REGISTRATION ACT  

Enclosed for each recipient of this communication is a Photostat of a report which was furnished to a Bureau Official on 11/27/56 by the law firm of [redacted], a client of the [redacted] firm. The source of this report should be protected.

Although we were aware of Maxwell's military service for the Czechs and the British, [redacted] report indicates that Maxwell served in Military Intelligence. As of 11/30/56, Maxwell was not registered with the Registration Section of the Department of Justice.

Verify Maxwell's service in British Intelligence, in order that it may be determined whether or not Maxwell is amenable to the provisions of the Registration Act which requires registration by every person who has knowledge of, instruction or assignment in, the espionage, counter-espionage, or sabotage service or tactics of a government of a foreign country.

One copy of this letter is being sent to the Washington Field Office for information.

New York origin.

Enclosure

cc - 1 - WFO (105-2540)(ABC)(BCS)  
cc - 1 - New York (105-7651)(ABC)  
cc - 1 - Foreign Liaison Unit (Route through [redacted] for review)  

* Asst. Dir. A.H. Belmont
Legat, London
Re: IAN ROBERT MAXWELL
105-25063

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: MR. BOARDMAN

FROM: A. H. Belmont

DATE: November 28, 1956

SUBJECT: IAN ROBERT MAXWELL

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DATE 8:35 AM BY 5:5

I, called on 11/27/56, to advise that he had been retained by the law firm of [blacked out] to conduct an investigation in London, of the above individual.

[blacked out] said that Maxwell is a British citizen and that he approached this law firm in Washington, D.C. to have them set up a corporation which Maxwell would use to peddle Russian books in the U.S. These books would be translated from the Russian into the English.

[blacked out] said that he did conduct an investigation in London, and there is some indication that Maxwell is "to the left." [blacked out] said that he had advised McLeod of the State Department and CIA concerning this, and he thought the Bureau would be interested in any plan to set up a corporation to peddle Russian books in the U.S. [blacked out] said he would forward to my attention a copy of the report of the investigation conducted concerning Maxwell, which the Bureau could use for its assistance in the event we had an interest in Maxwell.

I inquired as to [blacked out] relationship with his client, the law firm, in furnishing this information to us. [blacked out] said he made it a matter of policy to advise all of his clients that if, during investigations, he comes across information which would be of interest to the government from a subversive standpoint, he will furnish that information to the appropriate agency.

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We will look over this report and check our files on Maxwell to see whether further action is warranted in this matter.

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cc Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont

1956 DEC 21 Fri 11:28 a.m. [blacked out] called to see Maxwell is in town

1956 DEC 21 Fri 11:59 a.m. [blacked out] registration 1979, not registered
Subject was born in Czechoslovakia, June 10, 1923, served in the Czechoslovakian and British armed services during World War II and became a British subject. He is associated with publishing firms, which include Pergamon Press, publisher of "Journal of Nuclear Science," which have contacts in a number of countries, including Iron Curtain countries, where he has traveled quite extensively. The Bureau conducted an investigation of Maxwell which was closed in February, 1955. Intensive investigation did not disclose that Maxwell was involved in Soviet intelligence work.

Maxwell is interested in publishing magazines and articles relating to atomic energy. Our investigation indicates he is an unscrupulous businessman.

[Blacked out text]

who maintains contact with Maxwell; furnishes information to the New York Office from time to time. The information which furnishes is disseminated by the Bureau to the [Blacked out text] and the Atomic Energy Commission. It

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[Redacted]
Memo to Mr. Boardman from Mr. Belmont  
Re: IAN ROBERT MAXWELL  
105-25063  

ON 11-27-56

I furnished a copy of a report which his firm made of its investigation in London of Maxwell for the local law firm of [redacted]. A review of this material discloses that Maxwell acquired his British nationality by virtue of his rank and duties in the Intelligence Corps. We were aware of his military service for the Czechs and British, but not that he was in intelligence. Subject was not registered with the Department as of 11/30/56. His service in intelligence would make him amenable to the Registration Act.

The report is being reproduced, and photostats of it will be sent to New York and London to verify Maxwell's service in intelligence and determine whether he is amenable to the Registration Act. As of 11/30/56, Maxwell was not registered with the Registration Section of the Department of Justice.

ACTION:

None. For your information.

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11/27/56  

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On December 6, 1956, furnished information to SA regarding captioned subject and the "Fergamon Institute", which he, subject, is in the process of setting up. This information is incorporated in blank memorandum attached for dissemination to and AEC in accordance with Bureau's arrangements as to the handling of

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This memorandum, for the most part, reviews the contents of a letter sent by subject under date of September 26, 1956, to Mr. SCOTT ADAMS, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda 14, Maryland. A photostat of this letter was furnished to SA on the above date. The photostat will be retained in the files of the New York Office.
On December 6, 1956, furnished information regarding the "Pergamon Institute" which is being set into operation by Ian R. Maxwell. Said that Maxwell had originally intended to call this organization the "Russian Institute", but decided against this title because he had noticed that such a title would cause much concern and unfavorable reaction in the United States.

Observed that "the high blown way" in which this so-called "Pergamon Institute" is set up is, again, a typically Maxwell prestige movement. The real motive is just to monopolize the Russian translations business for profit, and in the second place, to keep a channel open with Russian science and scientists. Evidence has shown that he has better access to Russian material than most of the other translating organizations. For example, he submitted to Donald J. Hughes, Brookhaven National Laboratory, Upton, New York, a list of book titles which he claims he had and of which the existence was not known to the other translating organizations or interested parties.

Commented further that Maxwell had learned that the United States Department of Health, Education and Welfare had received an appropriation of considerable money to be used to the end of effecting translations of Russian books and materials, and he, Maxwell, was exerting considerable pressure to have some of that money channeled in his direction.

In the latter connection had observed a copy of a letter from Maxwell dated September 26, 1956, to Mr. Scott Adams, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda II, Maryland. This letter confirmed a telephone conversation Maxwell had that day with Adams to inform Adams that "the Institute" is now operational in London and in the process of being set up in New York.

Maxwell in his letter went on to outline the aims of "the Institute" as follows:
"I. A. To translate and disseminate such of the Russian scientific, technical, and medical literature which, in the opinion of competent scientific advisors, will be of definite benefit and value to English-speaking scientists.

B. To compile and publish Russian-English and English-Russian specialized dictionaries on subjects where such dictionaries are lacking.

"II. A. To encourage, co-ordinate, and foster (by holding of Seminars, for instance) the teaching of Russian at higher seats of learning in the English-speaking world; to provide the teaching institutions with the necessary textbooks and tools of learning which will enable English-speaking scientists to acquire quickly a working knowledge of Russian sufficient for them to read Russian Scientific literature.

"III. A. To establish a Translation Panel of competent and highly qualified translators from Russian into English; to make available the services of the Institute and its Translation Panel to scientists, learned societies, government agencies, and industry throughout the English-speaking world on a non-profit making basis. The Institute shall charge its customers for these services on a cooperative cost-sharing plan as practiced at present by the D.S.I.R. in London.

"IV. A. To publish a journal devoted to reporting translation work done anywhere in the world from Russian into English in the fields of science, technology, and medicine in order to prevent duplication which would inevitably lead to wasted effort.

B. To serve as a forum in which Soviet and English-speaking scientists will be able to discuss problems of common concern — both scientific and administrative.

C. To be a place where people engaged in the teaching of Russian to English-speaking scientists can report their experiences and exchange information which will be of assistance to persons working in this field.

Maxwell went on to state that he was then establishing the Institute in the United States as a separate and independent entity. The Scientific Secretary was to be Dr. D. J. Hughes, of the Brookhaven National Laboratory. The Administrative Secretary will be Mr. H. L. Woudhuysen. A "Control Council" of ten eminent scientists, five of whom will be from the United States and five from the British Commonwealth, will be nominated. This Council will control the policy of both the Institutes in London and New York.
Maxwell related that he would be very glad to cooperate with the National Institute of Health in their program of translation and publication of Russian literature. He requested that some of the work of the National Institute of Health be entrusted to Pergamon, New York or "the Institute".

In closing his letter he transmitted his "very best regards" to Mr. Smardell.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-25063)  DATE: 12/31/56
FROM: SAC, NEW YORK (105-7654)

SUBJECT: IAN ROBERT MAXWELL IS - R & GE

ReBulet to Legat, London, 12/10/56.

Relot requested Legat, London, verify MAXWELL's service in British Intelligence.

Inasmuch as there is no investigation to be conducted by the NYO at this time, instant case will be maintained in a pending inactive status awaiting the receipt of information from Legat, London. Upon receipt of that information, the NYO will consider the advisability of preparing a report which would incorporate the information forwarded by the Legat, London; that furnished by the Bureau in relet; as well as information collected since the completion of active investigation of the subject in 1955.

Available information will be studied to determine if additional investigation of the subject is warranted.

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Office Memorandum

TO: Director, FBI (105-25063)  
DATE: 12/31/56

FROM: SAC, Philadelphia (105-2754)  

SUBJECT: IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, was. IS - R & GERMANY  
(Origin: New York)

ReNYlet 10/30/56 and Philadelphia letter 11/5/56.

On 12/17 and 10/56, was re-contacted by SA.  

According to , he received a telephone call from the subject's representative in London and was told that subject was then either in Washington, D. C., or New York City. On 12/10/56, advised that he had spoken to a of the subject's company's branch in New York City. According to subject on 12/7/56 had been in New York City and as of 12/10/56 was in Washington, D. C. further advised that subject was scheduled to return to London on 12/13/56, probably via British Overseas Air Line Corporation. Further advised that subject was scheduled to return to the United States between Christmas and New Year and would attend an American Association for Advancement of Science conference scheduled to be held in New York City during that period.

then related that during late 10/56, he had occasion to contact a Dr. WALLACE BRODE, Assistant Director,

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National Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C. During conversations with BRODE, BRODE made reference to the subject and stated he had had a recent contact with him. BRODE stated that the purpose of MAXWELL's contact was to secure assistance in getting someone who might be able to translate Russian. BRODE reportedly stated he had no information concerning such persons and the matter was not pursued further by the subject. BRODE advised that he had no developed acquaintance with subject and that this was the only occasion he had met him.

In regard to knowledge concerning use of aliases by subject, advised as follows:

Subject had never utilized any alias in dealing with him, nor had he made any reference to the fact that he may have utilized aliases in the past. However, knowledge of the use of aliases by subject has come through discussions with various employees of the London home office for the subject's firm. Specifically, a PNU of the London office and a daughter of a who was to MAXWELL in London, had furnished him information concerning use of aliases. These people have stated that subject used the name of ROBERT HACK and ROBERT HAUk while attempting to escape from Czechoslovakia in the 1930's. stated that he, himself, often referred to the subject as "Captain" because of the subject's military service and because of his official rank as Captain in British Military Service and because he is holder of the Military Cross.

advised that he would continue to furnish any information he felt pertinent regarding subject, and this information, as received, will be furnished to the New York Office in accordance with their request.

The above is being furnished for the information of the New York Office and the Bureau.

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On 3/27/57, [redacted] that he met the subject on 3/16 & 17/57. The subject told [redacted] that he had learned from a friend that the FBI is investigating the Pergamon Institute. The subject did not state who the informant was nor did he give any further information regarding this matter. The subject asked if he could learn through his connections why the FBI would be conducting such an inquiry.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (105-25063)
FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (105-2754)

IAN ROBERT MAXWELL
IS- R & GERMANY
OO - New York

Re Philadelphia letters 10/4, 11/5 and 12/31/56 reflecting interviews 10/2, 10/16, 12/7 and 10/56 by SA with [redacted]

On 2/4/57, an airmail letter, postmarked Zurich, Switzerland, was received by SA [redacted] from [redacted]. Complete text of letter is set forth as follows:

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Sent: [Signature]

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"THE CHEMISTS' CLUB
Fifty Two East Forty-First Street
New York 17, N. Y.

"Zurich
2-1-57
ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
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DATE 9-21-45 BY

"Mr. [redacted]

"There is little time to write. MAXWELL
involved with selling chemicals, books, data,
equipment behind the iron curtin.

"Connected with English - Waterford Chem Co.
& a [redacted] with various names like [redacted].
[redacted] has American connections. He buys in US &
trans ships at sea.

"H Lewis Lending Library is a front for orders
for China.

"I shall try to get more.

/s/ [redacted]

Philadelphia indices reviewed and found negative
re persons referred to in [redacted] letter, other than MAXWELL.
Basis of [redacted] allegations and information unknown to
Philadelphia.

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Bureau and New York requested to furnish Philadelphia any pertinent information concerning persons referred to in relet.

UACB and New York, Philadelphia will interview on return to U. S. for full details re information in relet. Results of interview of [redacted] will be furnished Bureau and New York.

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Subject: Lewis A. Landis
Birthdate & Place: 5/1/19xx
Address: 

Localities:

Re: Date 2/7/57 Initials 8-199
FILE NUMBER SERIAL: 

ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE: 2/17/57 BY: 

NR
RE: Philadelphia airtel 2/14/57, requesting information regarding persons referred to in letter 2/1/57.

Enclosed to Philadelphia is our copy of the report of SA. Dated 12/13/54, at Washington, DC, which contains pertinent information regarding and the WATFORD CHEMICAL CO. LTD. NYO indices negative regarding H. LEWIS Lending Library.
Office Memorandum - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: Director, FBI (105-25063)                   DATE: February 25, 1957
FROM: Legal Attache, London (105-210)

SUBJECT: IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, was.
REGISTRATION ACT 9-24-45
Classified by: 521 LITUM
Declassified: CAPR


This is to advise that [redacted] appeared at the Embassy on 2/12/57. He advised he is the publisher of a scientific magazine which also has circulation in the United Kingdom. He stated that he has had dealings with subject MAXWELL and on 1/10/57 employed one [redacted] as his sales manager in the United Kingdom. He states that [redacted] was previously employed by MAXWELL but before entering into any definite commitments with him inquired whether he [redacted] had any security record in the United Kingdom. He was diplomatically informed that this information could not be obtained nor made available to him.

[redacted] also informed that [redacted], an employee of subject MAXWELL, has made several trips to the United States on company business for MAXWELL. He states that [redacted] is a sexy type of individual and he believes she uses her sex for the purpose of obtaining scientific data for publication in MAXWELL's scientific journal. He states that it was quite obvious she was peddling her sex for this reason as during the occasion of a recent trip she made to Chicago, she only mingled with individuals in the scientific field and who could be of some assistance to her.

The above is being furnished the Bureau merely for its information.
On February 25, 1957, furnished a verbal report regarding the captioned individual. The telephone conversation with respect to the Russian inquiry regarding the subject was overheard by [redacted] who is in the employ of Maxwell. It was through influence that he was placed in this position. Advised that this individual is not aware of his cooperation with the Bureau. He requested that the identity of this individual be protected and that no Bureau contact be made of him. For this reason and also to protect from the source relationship with the Bureau this source was not named.

Furnished additional information regarding the subject’s activities on 2/13/57.

Both of these reports are contained in attached memorandum in form suitable for dissemination.
Turned the following information on February 25, 1957, regarding captioned individual:

Besides the publishing of scientific books and journals, I.R. Maxwell promotes a certain type of cultural film. His first film was a color movie of Mozart's opera "Don Giovanni", as performed at the Salzburg Festival. After a bad start last year at Carnegie Hall, it recently had more success at the Barone Theater on Third Avenue, New York City.

A Mr. (fn) is in charge of this side of Maxwell's interests in England. (fn) apparently was originally an Austrian and was an interpreter for the British Army during the war (World War II). Until recently the man in charge of this phase of Maxwell's operations in New York was a certain (fn). The latter resided in the Riverdale section of New York City. This phase is now, for the past few weeks, being handled by a man named (fn), (fn) apparently an American. commented that "the change over in personnel and their extensive travels is unique in the Maxwell organization (or disorganization).

The next film to be promoted is a movie of the Russian Bolshoi Ballet, filmed when this troupe performed in London, England.

On Monday, February 18, 1957, at about 5:15 pm, a source of (fn), who is employed by Maxwell, would prefer that his source not be disclosed) picked up the phone to call home. He overheard part of a phone conversation. One party was Mr. (fn) who at the time was occupying the upstairs apartment. The other party was known to the source. There are two phone numbers Plaza 9-5236 and Plaza 3-8580, with various extensions. The conversation was on the Plaza 3-8580.
number. The second party's voice was unknown to the source. The conversation was in English and the unknown party had an accent which the source could not identify though he, the source, knows several languages. It was mainly characterized by a strong rolling "r". His English was excellent. The source guesses that the caller might have been the manager or the owner of the Baronet Theater.

The unknown caller told that two Russians had visited him and quizzed him about Maxwell. One looked like a gangster, the other a well-dressed politician. The bit of conversation implied that the caller did not know who these Russians were. They wondered how it was possible that Maxwell had played such a prominent role in the Hungarian Relief program and how much money they had collected. They thought that this did not jibe with the promotion of the Russian Ballet movie. They also questioned why Maxwell wasted his time on technical publications. They wanted to understand better Maxwell's aims and future plans.

produced a program for the affair "Salute to Hungarians Under the Auspices of First Aid for Hungary, Inc., Sunday, December 30, 1956, Constitution Hall, Washington, D.C." In this program Maxwell is listed as Captain I.R. Maxwell, M.C., Assistant Chairman of the Advisory Committee.

On February 13, 1907, furnished the following information:

Maxwell is making headway with the "Pergamon Institute", formerly called the "Pergamon Russian Institute". He dropped the word "Russian" because it might keep people from joining.

Maxwell is collecting an imposing list of names for board members with Sir Robert Robinson as the chairman in England. He hopes to get Detlev Bronk (president of the National Academy of Sciences and director of the Rockefeller Institute, etc.) as the American chairman.
The initial work of this non-profit institute will be the translation of Russian scientific books and articles whenever there is a demand. Maxwell has been bidding on various translation jobs requested by Washington. The whole thing is supposed to be non-profit. Maxwell will be its director, probably without pay, and the only paid official may be the executive secretary.

The principal aim of the Institute, however, is to produce a many volumed summary of Russian science. Maxwell thinks it will be similar but better than the post-war Fiat review of German science. He envisages about Russian advances in various fields. According to Maxwell, the Russians are favorably inclined toward this project. Commented that "if that is so, it is really an excellent source of information. Even though the Russians may attempt to keep back a lot, whatever they write can be a valuable basis for further intelligence investigation and certainly avoid a lot of duplication. It will avoid concentrating our efforts on the unimportant, unclassified topics."

Maxwell is still in communication with the Russians, although, the channels are not as wide open as before. He still can outbid other translating services because he gets original illustrations directly from Russia and does not have to reproduce them from journal prints. In many sciences the clarity of the figures produced is more important than the translation itself.

Advised on February 25, 1957, that Maxwell plans to go to Moscow very soon again in order to negotiate further with the Academy about this project. He was advised by the Academy that this time he should not come as an official visitor but should enter Russia as a tourist - because of political reasons.

Submitted that he is at a loss to understand Maxwell's above mentioned connection with First Aid to Hungary Inc. in view of his previous and continued efforts to do business with the Russians.

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To: [Blank]
From: John Edgar Hoover, Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: FERGAMON INSTITUTE OF LONDON AND NEW YORK
INTERNAL SECURITY - R - GERMANY
(Your Reference Division File Number 62-1,270)

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Your request for any information this Bureau might be able to provide with regard to the Fergamon Institute.

This is to advise that we have no additional information concerning the Fergamon Institute of London and New York.

SAC - New-York:

Enclosure(s)

NOTE: NY received same information which was disseminated to SAC on 1-10-57.

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Office Memorandum - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 3/28/57

FROM: SAC, PHILADELPHIA (105-2754)

SUBJECT: IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, was.

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(00 - New York)

Remylet 2/4/57; relet to Director 2/25/57 from Legal Attache, London.

On February 25, 1957, [redacted] was recontacted by [redacted]. According to [redacted], he had just concluded an extended business trip through various European countries during the period January 22, 1957 through February 23, 1957. During this period of time, he contacted numerous firms which are subscribers of and interested in subscribing to his scientific research services.


[redacted] then advised that he had recently read stories in the U. S. press relating to criminal action in this country against the Watford Chemical Corporation and a [redacted]. He stated that during conversations with his new employee, discussions regarding MAXWELL and the Watford Chemical Corporation came up. [redacted] stated he did not feel he could question [redacted] in detail regarding these individuals and, therefore, did not secure much detail. Items of interest related by [redacted] are set forth below.

According to [redacted], MAXWELL was at one time closely associated with [redacted], a brilliant chemist. During the period of association with [redacted], MAXWELL operated a company known as the SIMKIN-MAXWELL Company (ph), which was engaged in the business of selling scientific books to clients in both western and eastern European countries. [redacted] was indebted to MAXWELL and,

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in payment of this debt, put over $300,000 into the SIMKIN-MAXWELL Company, which was in bad financial straits.

In conversation with [redacted] and a [redacted] of the L. Light Company, a London, England chemical company, heard reference being made to a small bag of chemicals having been secured in the United States and transshipped by the Watford Chemical Corporation to a point behind the Iron Curtain. According to [redacted], the chemicals in this bag were referred to by [redacted] and [redacted] as having been valued at many thousands of dollars or pounds.

In a conversation with [redacted] and other employees of MAXWELL, [redacted] stated he heard rumors that [redacted], formerly employed in MAXWELL's London office as secretary to MAXWELL, was now living in Mexico. [redacted] reported came to the United States from London and is now in Mexico recuperating from an operation. She is no longer employed by MAXWELL and it was alleged that she had certain information regarding MAXWELL which she was now utilizing to blackmail him.

[redacted] then related that according to [redacted], MAXWELL had recently set up a new organization known as the Lewis Lending Library or the 'H. Lewis Lending Library'. This organization is engaged in the securing of subscriptions to various scientific publications printed in western European countries and the U.S. and transmitting them to Communist China. [redacted] stated that H.-Lewis was the name of a former London employee of MAXWELL, but that LEWIS had no connection with the new firm and, in fact, had already quit MAXWELL's employment when MAXWELL began utilizing this name.

[redacted] further advised [redacted] that MAXWELL's financial position in the last twelve months has deteriorated very badly. MAXWELL has lost many of his old employees and is badly in need of money.

[redacted] then related that he had no first-hand information regarding the Watford Chemical Corporation, [redacted], or MAXWELL's dealings with either of them. He feels, however, that has much pertinent information in his possession and could be interviewed if the Bureau so desired. He advised that he had
contacted the Bureau representative with the Department of State, American Embassy, London, England, regarding [redacted] and furnished him much of the same information set forth above. He stated he spoke with Legat regarding [redacted] possible use as a source of information regarding MAXWELL and Watford Chemical Corporation. [redacted] stated it was his belief that [redacted] would undoubtedly be willing to talk to a Bureau representative, particularly if some introductory message were supplied by himself.

The above is being submitted for the information of the Bureau.

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SUBJECT: IAN ROBERT MAXWELL, was IS - R & GE

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Re closing rep of SAC dated 4/29/57, at NYC, five copies of which are enclosed to the Bureau.

A review of information developed in this case up to February, 1955, reflected the following pertinent points:

3. A lengthy, extensive investigation regarding the subject’s activities and contacts in the US and Canada has not revealed any espionage activities on the subject’s part.

4. The AEC has been alerted by the Bureau of the subject’s background and his interest in publishing an American “Journal of Nuclear Energy”.

It is noted that interviews of numerous AEC officials contacted by the subject disclosed that he made no “out of the ordinary” or suspicious requests for information.

Commencing in April, 1956, continuing currently,

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[Redacted] has furnished first-hand information regarding the subject's multifarious activities and contacts in the US and abroad. Information obtained from [Redacted] has been and will continue to be, furnished to the Bureau in memorandum form suitable for dissemination to UACB.

In view of the above, this case will be maintained in a closed status pending receipt of information which would warrant that the investigation of MAXWELL be reinstituted. C.
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On April 19, 1957, the Incorporation Records of the County Clerk's Office, New York County Court House, 60 Foley Square, New York City, were caused to be reviewed by SA [redacted]. The records reflected no information regarding the Pergamon Institute of London and New York.
On April 1, 1957, a verbal report regarding the subject, This information is contained in attached memorandum in form suitable for dissemination.
New York, New York
April 29, 1957

Re: Ian R. Maxwell

The following information on April 1, 1957, regarding captioned subject:

Maxwell has gone back to England, but will return to the United States on April 24, or 25, 1957. In a recent meeting with Maxwell, the latter questioned him as to what he knew about the welding secret of the Coldenhill reactor (the power reactor of the British). He wanted to know what alloy the British used in the "canning" of the Uranium rod. This is a British secret that has been kept from American scientists and I could not understand why Maxwell questioned him about it. I did not know anything about it. I observed that possibly Maxwell was commissioned by British intelligence to ascertain if American scientists had learned the secret.

Maxwell advised him that he had hired a person by name of (fml) Sokoloff, to be the so-called scientific boss of translation for the Pergamon Institute. He indicated that Sokoloff had been connected with the United States Geological Survey and had been born in Russia.

According to "Men of Science" carries the following regarding Vladimir Sokoloff. He was born in Siberia, in 1904; received a BA at University of Arizona in 1929; a PhD at University of California in 1932; is a geo-chemist - a soil chemist and was connected with the United States Geological Survey from 1943 to 1950. I does not know if the latter is identical with the new employee. He has no further information regarding Sokoloff. He has not met him.

This memorandum is loaned to you by the FBI, and neither it nor its contents are to be distributed outside the agency to which loaned.
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VT Vladimir Sokoloff (Va)
Office Memorandum
United States Government

TO: Mr. Nichols

FROM: M. A. Jones

DATE: May 23, 1957

SUBJECT: DR. RICHARD A. KERN

President

The American College of Physicians

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION


File 105-25063 reflects an extensive investigation concerning Ian Robert Maxwell, was., Internal Security - R and GE. Maxwell is associated with the Pergamon Institute and is a British subject.

A lengthy and extensive investigation regarding the subject’s activities and contacts in the United States and Canada has not revealed any espionage activities on his part. The Atomic Energy Commission has been alerted by the Bureau of the subject’s background and his interest in publishing an American "Journal of Nuclear Energy." Numerous Atomic Energy Commission officials contacted by the subject have disclosed that he made no "out of the ordinary" or suspicious requests for information.

A potential security informant of the New York Office, has furnished firsthand information regarding the subject’s activities and contacts in the United States and abroad. The case is in a closed status per report dated 4/29/57.

The American College of Physicians is a reputable organization, and we have had limited miscellaneous correspondence with Dr. Kern. A request such as his would normally be acknowledged by advising the correspondent of the confidential nature of Bureau files. In this instance, however, it is believed the Bureau would possibly perform a disservice to many respected physicians if we did not alert Dr. Kern regarding Maxwell’s "unscrupulous businessman" type activities. It is believed Dr. Kern could be confidentially advised of this information by SAC, Philadelphia.

Enclosure

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Jones to Nichols memo

RECOMMENDATION:

That the attached letter to SAC, Philadelphia be approved and forwarded.
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SUBJECT: PERGAMON INSTITUTE
INTERNAL SECURITY - MISC. (105-25063)

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: 6/12/57

Attention: Central Research Desk

Enclosed are three letters prepared under the letterhead "Pergamon Institute London and New York" and a list of "Members of the Honorary Advisory Council" of this organization.

This material was received (unsolicited) via air mail 4/29/57, by [redacted], and furnished by [redacted] on 6/3/57.

The ink and pencil markings on the list of "Members of the Honorary Advisory Council" are those of [redacted].

Enclosed material is furnished for Bureau's information. It need not be returned to Buffalo.
The President,
American Association of Industrial Dentists.

Dear Sir:

It gives me great pleasure to send you information on the Pergamon Institute, a non-profit making foundation recently formed in New York, and now in course of formation in London for the purpose of making available in English the results of research and development in the fields of science, medicine and technology in the U.S.S.R. and other Soviet orbit countries.

I enclose the Aims and Purpose of the Institute for your information. I also enclose a list of those scientists, doctors and engineers from many countries who have given their support, and who will supervise the affairs of the Institute. I further enclose a copy of an announcement which will give you some details of the activities, plans and services available.

My purpose in writing to you in this matter is as follows:

i) I believe that you and members of your Society will be interested to receive this information, and I hope that you will be good enough to arrange to bring such parts of our announcement to their notice as your Council may deem of value to them.

ii) The Institute would be glad to receive from your Society support in the work that we are undertaking in any form that your Council may consider appropriate. For example, your Society may agree to be available to the Institute for advice by correspondence from time to time on matters of mutual interest. The Society could also assist by advising us of such members whose knowledge of Russian is sufficient to qualify them to become members of the Institute's panel of paid translators. With the Society's co-operation the Institute will be able to disseminate information from time to time for the benefit of your members.
iii) The Institute will be pleased to receive suggestions and recommendations of additional work which, in the opinion of your Council, should be undertaken for the assistance of your members in keeping them informed of what is being done in their field of interest in the countries concerned.

It is the hope of the officers of the Institute that learned societies will make full use of its facilities and support its work in every way they can, so that we may be able to make a satisfactory contribution in overcoming the barriers which have for so long prevented non-Russian speaking scientists, medical workers and technologists from obtaining information on scientific research and development in the U.S.S.R. and the other Soviet orbit countries.

I look forward to hearing from you, and should you deem it advisable to meet and discuss further ways in which we can be of assistance, I am entirely at your disposal.

Yours sincerely,

J.R. Maxwell

I.R. MAXWELL

Copy to the Secretary.