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June 12, 2001

Freedom of Information/ Privacy Office

Mr. John Young CRYPTOME 251 West 89<sup>th</sup> Street Suite 6E New York, New York 10024

Dear Mr. Young:

References:

- a. Your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of March 29, 2001 for records concerning various dossiers. Your request was received in this office on April 18, 2001.
- b. Our letter of April 20, 2001, informing you that additional time was needed to review the records and we were unable to comply to the 20-day statutory time limit in processing your request.

We have conducted checks of the automated Defense Clearance and Investigations Index and a search of the Investigative Records Repository to determine the existence of Army intelligence investigative records responsive to your request. The records are enclosed for your use.

We have located the enclosed records pertaining to East German Intelligence Services Tradescraft, ZF400211W. We have completed a mandatory declassification review in accordance with Executive Order (EO) 12958. As a result of our review, information has been sanitized from the records and 38 pages have been withheld in their entirety as it is currently and properly classified SECRET and CONFIDENTIAL according to Sections 1.3(a)(2), 1.3(a)(3), 3.4(b)(1) and 3.4(b)(6) of EO 12958. This information is exempt from the public disclosure provisions of the FOIA pursuant to Title 5 U.S. Code 552(b)(1). It is not possible to reasonably segregate meaningful portions of the withheld pages for release. Fees for processing this request are waived. A brief explanation of the applicable sections follows:

Section 1.3(a)(2) of EO12958 provides that information shall be classified SECRET if its unauthorized disclosure reasonably could be expected to cause serious damage to the national security.

Section 1.3(a)(3) of EO 12958 provides that information shall be classified CONFIDENTIAL if its unauthorized disclosure reasonably could be expected to cause damage to the national security.

Section 3.4(b)(1) of EO 12958 provides that classified information more that 25 years old is exempt from automatic declassification if it would reveal the identity of a confidential human source, or reveal information about the application of an intelligence source or method, or reveal the identity of a human intelligence source when the unauthorized disclosure of that source would clearly and demonstrably damage the national security interests of the United States.

Section 3.4(b)(6) of EO 12958 provides that classified information more than 25 years old is exempt from automatic declassification if it would reveal information that would seriously and demonstrably impair relations between the United States and a foreign government, or seriously and demonstrably undermine ongoing diplomatic activities of the United States.

In addition, information has been sanitized from the records and the same seven pages withheld under the (b)(1) are also denied in their entirety as the release of the information would reveal the identity of confidential sources and sensitive intelligence methods. This information is exempt from public disclosure pursuant to Title 5 U.S. Code (b)(7)(D) and (b)(7)(E). The significant and legitimate governmental purpose to be served by withholding is that a viable and effective intelligence investigation capability is dependent upon protection of confidential sources and sensitive investigative methodologies.

The withholding of information by this office is a partial denial of your request. This denial is made on behalf of Brigadier General Keith B. Alexander, the Commanding General, U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command, who is the Initial Denial Authority for Army intelligence investigative and security records under the FOIA. You may appeal this decision to the Secretary of the Army. If you wish to file an appeal, you should forward it to this office. Your appeal must be postmarked no later than 60 calendar days from the date of this letter. After the 60 day period, the case may be considered closed; however, such closure does not preclude you filing litigation in the courts.

Coordination has been completed and we have been informed by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) that their review disclosed information that is exempt from public disclosure pursuant to Title 5 U.S. Code 552 (b)(1) and (b)(3) of the FOIA. To aid you in identifying the CIA exempted information; we have bracketed it in black.

The withholding of the information by the CIA constitutes a partial denial of your request and you have the right to appeal this decision to the Agency Release Panel within 45 days from the date of this letter. If you decide to file an appeal, it should be forwarded to the following: Ms. Kathryn I. Dyer, Information and Privacy Coordinator, Central Intelligence Agency, Washington, DC 20505. Please explain the basis of your appeal. Cite CIA F-1998-0764 assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

We have also been informed by the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) that two pages are denied in their entirety pursuant to Title 5 U.S. Code 552 (b)(1).

The withholding of the information by the FBI constitutes a denial of your request and you have the right to appeal this decision. If you decide to file an appeal, it should be sent to the Co-Director, Office of Information and Privacy, U.S. Department of Justice, Flag Building, Suite 570, Washington, DC 20530-0001. The envelope and the letter should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Appeal" or "Information Appeal". Please cite FBI/PA #424,892 assigned to your request so that it may be easily identified.

We are continuing to review records regarding other titles you have requested and will respond to you by separate correspondence when our review is complete.

If you have any questions concerning this action, feel free to contact Mrs. Reilly at (301) 677-4742. Please refer to case #802F-01.

Sincerely,

Russell A. Nichols Chief, Freedom of Information/ Privacy Office

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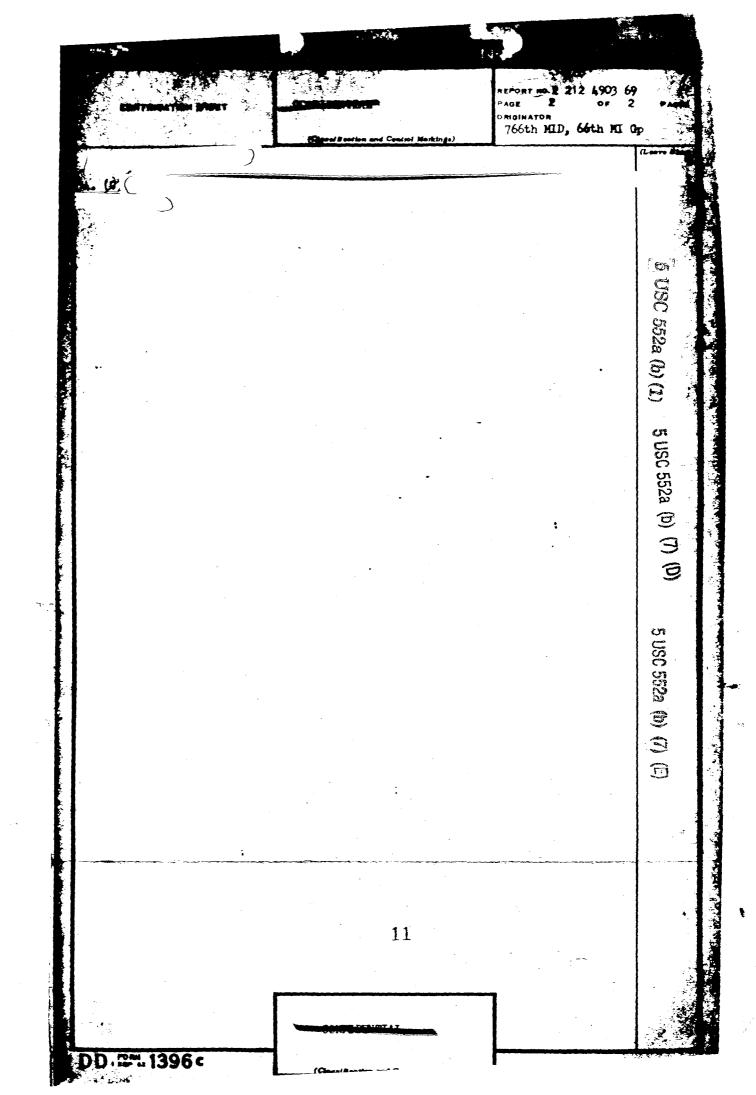
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SUBJECT: Espionage in USAREUR (U)

TO:

Director of Security

Headquarters

United States Army Communications Zone

Europe, APO 58, US Forces

1. (U) Reference Agent Report, subject and file as above, dated 6 January 1959.

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3. (1) The above sample was provided by Confidential Informant G-16 who had no additional information regarding this process at this time.

4. (U) Request that this detachment be provided with the results of any analysis carried out on this sample.

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- 2. An attempt was made to obtain additional information from No additional information could be
- 3. Request this office be informed if additional information is available or when it becomes available.

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P. N. DERZIS Colonel, GS Director of Security

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Sommanding Officer

66th CIC Group

APO 154, US Army

ATTN: OE Division - Offensive

1. REFERENCE: Headquarters Operational Memorandum 5/55, Revised,
31 October 1955, Subject: ( ) Procedures; Headquarters Operational Memorandum 15/55, 14 November 1955, Subject: (

- 2. FOHWARDED: One (1) Summary of Information, 5 April 1956, subject and file as above, two (2) Agent Reports, 5 April 1956 and 18 April 1956, subject and file as above, and one (1) Exhibit.
  - 3. CONTROL OF INFORMATION:
    - a. Source: Source
    - b. Evaluation of Source: Source "A" is evaluated "F".
    - c. Relationship of Source to Target: Personal contact.
    - d. How Information was Obtained: &
    - e. Bate Information was Obtained: As shown in reports.
    - f. Bate Information was Reported to Agent: 29 March 1956.
    - g. Other Data Affecting Accuracy of Information: Wone.
    - h. Status of Case :

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TO:

Commanding Officer 66th CIC Group APO 154, US Army ATTM: ROESSLER & MEYERS

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- 1. REFERENCE: Letter, your headquarters, Subject and file as above, dated 4 Juny 1954.
  - 2. PORWARDED: AR dated 24 June 1954, Subject and file as above.
  - 3. CONTROL OF IMPORMATION:
    - a. Source: "A" is X-106-VIII.

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- b. Evaluation of Source: C.
- c. Relationship of Source to Target: Source was dispatched to target.
- d. How Information was Obtained by Source: By personal observation.
  - e. Date Source Obtained Information: 19 May 1954.
  - f. Date agent Received Information: 20 May 1954.
  - g. Status of Case: Held pending in Region VIII.
  - 4. REMARKS:

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