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REFERENCES: Boston report of SA dated 12/22/71. Chicago teletype to Director, Boston and Minneapolis dated 1/13/72. (2)

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AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA. Will review indices on and report results to Bureau, Boston and Chicago.

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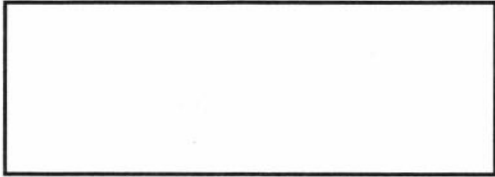
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AT NEW YORK, NEW YORK. Will, if such has not already been done, review indices and obtain background on [redacted] at Columbia University, New York, and [redacted] in New York. The latter individual should be investigated only after Bureau permission is obtained. Report results to Bureau, Boston and Chicago. (u)

CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue efforts to determine activities and members of captioned organization in the Chicago area. (u)

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Enclosed report is classified ~~confidential~~ in order to protect [redacted] sources of continuing value, whose exposure could be prejudicial to the defense interest of the nation. (u)

In regard to [redacted] and [redacted] mentioned in enclosed report, it is noted that the records of the Chicago Police Department both criminal and intelligence divisions checked on 2/14/72 failed to uncover any information on them. (u)

It is also noted that [redacted] who is familiar with certain areas of the University of Chicago campus advised SA [redacted] that he had no information on [redacted]. (u)

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Extreme care should be exercised in handling this information and it must be suitably paraphrased in any communication disseminated outside the Bureau. (at)

As no indication exists that scientific information being gathered by members of SESPA in the Chicago area or in other areas of the United States is of a classified nature, no effort is being made to determine what items are being shipped to North Vietnam and/or Cuba. For many years all scientific documents published by the United States Government private corporations, universities, etc., have been in the public domain and readily available to communist countries simply by writing either directly or indirectly to the outlets of such scientific information.

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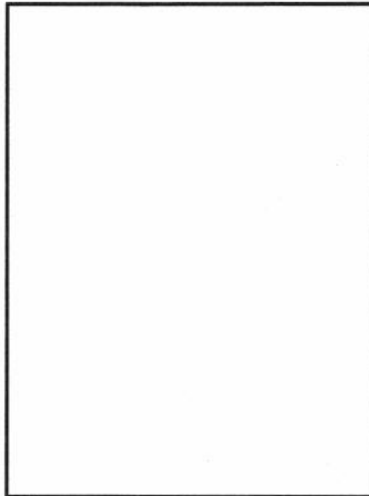
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Synopsis: In 12/70, members of SESPA disrupted proceedings at the Chicago Convention of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS). All members of SESPA in the Chicago area thus far identified are, with one exception, either faculty members or students at universities in the Chicago area. All addresses used by SESPA members for organization purposes in the Chicago area are located on university properties.

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DETAILS:Definition

[REDACTED] advised on November 30, 1971 that Scientists and Engineers for Social and Political Action (SESPA) is a national organization of persons involved in scientific or engineering fields. This organization was formerly known as Scientists for Social and Political Action and now is normally referred to as SESPA. SESPA is a loosely knit national group

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which organizes in chapters located in various cities in the United States. Each chapter has its own name and operates independently from other chapters. SESPA produces its own national magazine known as "Science for the People."
Activities

The December 28, 1970 issue of "Chicago Today", a daily newspaper published in Chicago, Illinois, in an article written by science writer, JAMES ~~PEARRE~~, captioned "Dissidents Plan New Protests of Scientists" set forth, in part, the following:

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A radical group of scientists and engineers said today there will be more demonstrations of the kind that interrupted a talk before a science seminar yesterday by nuclear physicist EDWARD ~~WELLER~~. ILL

BILL ZIMMERMAN, spokesman for the "Scientists and Engineers for Social and Political Action" said demonstrations by the women members of the group will occur tonight. The demonstrations are planned for the evening sessions of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

ZIMMERMAN, assistant professor of Social Science at the University of Chicago, would not specify exact locations inside the hotel but he did say his group would also stage improptu seminars on "radical ecology" and "development of a peoples science" which are the stated goals of the organization.

He said his group is "loosely defined" with a mailing list of 1,800 of which 50 to 100 are attending daily sessions at the Hilton (Hotel).

Members of the organization interrupted the association meetings in Boston last year...

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Meanwhile the radical organization circulated petitions among the 8,000 scientists, educators and students attending the six day meeting in the Hilton and other Loop hotels. The petition asked the association council, the governing body of the 130,000 member American Association for the Advancement of Science, to endorse these resolutions:

Immediate withdrawal of American forces from Southeast Asia;

A condemnation of political repression in the United States;

Equal opportunity for women in science.

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IL [redacted] advised on December 3, 1971 that [redacted]

[redacted] born [redacted] United States, was [redacted]

Science For the People

The December 28, 1970 issue of the "Chicago Daily News", a daily newspaper published in Chicago, Illinois, set forth, in part, the following:

A group called "Science for the People", several of the members being [redacted]

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[redacted] companion, who identified himself as [redacted] at Albert Einstein College of Medicine, New York, and a "revolutionary communist", engaged in demonstrations at the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) convention in Chicago. ILL

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member of "Science for the People"

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The December 31, 1970 issue of the "Chicago Tribune", a daily newspaper published in Chicago, Illinois, identified one FRANK ROSENTHAL, a physics student at Columbia University, New York, as a leader of a protest on December 31, 1970 at the AAAS convention in Chicago.

T The "NUC Newsletter" dated June 1, 1971, an official publication of the "New University Conference" (NUC) contained the following article authored by LEN RADINSKY and BILL ZIMMERMAN:

"Science for the People

T Len Radinsky
Bill Zimmerman

During the past years several of us have been organizing around the concept of "Science for the People". Projects have included agitation at professional society meetings (most prominently the AAAS in Chicago last Xmas), organizing technical support for North Vietnam and Cuba, writing radical syllabi for science courses, attempts to organize employed (and unemployed) industrial scientific workers, running a colloquium series that presented radical critiques of the social sciences with suggestions for how radicals in each discipline could use their skills to serve the people, organizing students into research collectives (as class projects) to gather material in tracking and education financing for OUTF, a women's high school group, a local anti-corporate action and a local health clinic struggle. Our purpose is to raise consciousness of how the sciences serve ruling class interests, to demystify science and technology, and to organize students and scientific workers to use their skills to support people's struggles.

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At present, organizationally, Science for the People consists of a small informal network of activists in several cities, many of whom are NUC members, most of whom work on local projects and cooperate nationally mainly for professional meetings. Most are in education, but some are in industry. A bi-monthly magazine, Science for the People carries news, ideas for projects, and analyses, and has been a valuable organizing tool. It has been put out by a group that is now seeking to rotate that responsibility. ILL

We have found organizing Science for the People projects a good way to involve people in Movement work, to help implement the OUT's program, and to bring students and faculty into contact with off-campus struggles. Such projects can provide NUC with good mass organization opportunities. Therefore we propose that NUC regional organizers carry with them Science for the People literature and make sure local chapters are aware of project possibilities. To implement this we propose that the EC set up a committee of NUCers who have been active in Science for the People, to serve as a liaison and see that information is exchanged between Science for the People and NUC."

A pamphlet described by the NUC in December, 1970 states that it is a national organization of graduate students, faculty and staff whose members are "radicals committed to the growth of a revolutionary socialist movement in the United States." The NUC maintains a National Office at 622 West Diversey, Chicago, Illinois.

ILL XOUTS (Open Up The Schools) is a program sponsored by the NUC for reform of education in the higher schools. "New University Conference"

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[] advised in September, 1969 that []
[] was one of 15 NUC members who spent four weeks
in Cuba during the period July 25 - August 21, 1969 as
guests of the Cuban Government at the invitation of the
University of Havana.

Records, Passport Office, United States
Department of State, Washington, D.C., reviewed by a
Special Agent (SA) of the Federal Bureau of Investigation
(FBI) in 1969 recorded that []
born [] New York, was issued a
United States passport number [] on March 17, 1965 at
New York.

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[] advised on December 1, 1971 that []
[] is currently employed as an associate professor
of []
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The January 10, 1971 issue of the "NUC Newsletter" contains
an article authored by **LEN RADINSKY** and **MEL ROTHENBERG** entitled,
"AAAS--1970" which reads, in part, as follows:

Under the banner of "Science for the People",
radical scientific workers opened up several sessions of
the American Association for the Advancement of Science
meeting in Chicago over Christmas, to destroy once and
for all the myth that American Science serves the people...

Beginning with the seizure of the mike at the
opening address of the convention when **BILL ZIMMERMAN** from
the New University Conference People's Science Collective
gave a militant anti-capitalist rap on people's science...

The "NUC Newsletter" of July 4, 1971 reported
that **MELVIN ROTHENBERG** was elected to membership on the
NUC Executive Committee during the June, 1971 NUC Convention
held at Ann Arbor, Michigan.

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[redacted] advised on September 25, 1970 that [redacted]
[redacted] reside at [redacted], Chicago, and
[redacted] is employed as [redacted]
[redacted] University of Chicago! He was born on
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The November, 1971 issue of "Science for the People", Volume 3, Number 5, reported the following addresses as local addresses for SESP/Science for the People:

Chicago: Box 89,
Ryerson Laboratory,
1100 East 58th Street,
Chicago, Illinois 60637

It is noted the 1972 University of Chicago Faculty Book records the Ryerson Physical Laboratory located at 1100-- 1114 East 58th Street, Chicago, Illinois, as affiliated with the university.

Evanston: c/o [redacted]
Department of Biological Sciences,
Northwestern University,
Evanston, Illinois 60201

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It is noted that the 1971-72 Northwestern Directory of Students and Faculty recorded the following:

[redacted] *Northwestern*
[redacted] *Evanston, IL*
Department, Hogan Bldg. Rm. 4-128, Phone Number [redacted]
Residence, [redacted], Chicago, 60637; Phone
Number [redacted] *ILL*

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[] advised on December 14, 1970 that at a meeting of the NUC held on December 3, 1970 in Chicago, Illinois, an announcement was made that if members present encounter any men who express an interest in joining a NUC men's group, they can contact, among others, [] phone number [].

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"Science For Vietnam"

[] advised on October 4, 1971 that in an article distributed at the "Science for the People Center", 9 Walden Street, Jamaica Plain, Massachusetts, the following explanation, in part, is set forth:

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~~The~~ "Science For Vietnam" project is one way in which scientists can give practical as well as symbolic meaning to a people-to-people peace with Vietnam. It is a start of reparations to a country that is being devastated in our name. By openly collaborating with those whom our government calls the enemy it disassociates us from the war and serves notice that we are looking for new ways of resisting. By placing our skills at the service of the Vietnamese people it helps many of us re-establish the link between scientific research and human welfare which was part of our reason for becoming scientists but which we found increasingly frustrated in our own society...

The "Science For Vietnam" project grew out of a visit in December, 1970 by RICHARD LEVINS as part of a delegation of western scientists sponsored by the World Federation of Scientific Workers. Contacts were established with the University of Hanoi, the State Committee on Science, the Association for the Dissemination of Science and Technology, and other scientific and educational groups. There was indirect contact with the South through the solidarity committee, the PRG delegates in Hanoi, and medical scientists...

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As soon as local, "Science For Vietnam" groups are organized, they can establish direct ties with colleagues of particular departments or fields in Vietnam. This will give us a clearer idea of their specific needs and get feedback on what we send. But it will also help us as scientists to deal with other scientists working in so different a setting. Out of these contacts more specific scientific collaborations may arise.

Any group wishing to seek such a direct pairing should write a letter through the Chicago group who will forward it.

At present the Chicago group is coordinating activity and acting as mail route (For the "Science For Vietnam" Projects)...

Meanwhile write to: "Science For Vietnam".
c/o RICHARD LEVINS, Department of Biology, University
of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois 60637.

The World Federation of Scientific Workers was cited as "another International Communist-Front Organization" which seeks to win scientists to the Communist cause. (Committee on Un-American Activities, House Report 378 on the Communist Peace Offensive, April 25, 1951, originally released on April 1, 1951, Page 83.)

The November, 1971 issue of "Science for the People" reported the following:

"During the summer the Chicago group published a 'Science For Vietnam' Newsletter and accepted the responsibility for coordinating information."

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The "Chicago Maroon" issue of April 9, 1971, page 3, column 3, printed an article entitled "Science For Vietnam" which read, in part, as follows:

The Science For Vietnam project is seeking volunteers to contribute research and collect literature and materials as part of its efforts to collaborate with Vietnamese in rebuilding their country.

The project grew out of a visit to Hanoi last December by biology professor RICHARD LEVINS. -----

Research is needed in fields such as mathematical biology, population biology, reforestation and cellular and molecular biology. Anyone interested in the project should contact "Science For Vietnam", c/o RICHARD LEVINS, Department of Biology.

The "Chicago Maroon" is a University of Chicago publication.

The "NUC Newsletter" issue of September 15, 1969 on page 4 contained an article captioned, "Radical Scientists Meet", authored by RICHARD LEVINS, Department of Biology, University of Chicago, which, in part, stated:

RICHARD LEVINS and JOHN BULTER, Department of Physics, University of California, at Davis, were coordinators for projects on new racism and ecology which was in connection with the Science Students Union at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin.

Records, Passport Division, Department of State, Washington, D.C., reviewed by a SA of the FBI on April 3, 1968 revealed that [redacted], born [redacted] New York, residence [redacted]

[redacted] was issued United States passport [redacted] on March 28, 1968 at Chicago, Illinois [redacted]

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[redacted] advised in August, 1968 that the [redacted]

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[redacted] United States passport [redacted]

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In connection with the above, it is noted that the 1971 University of Chicago Student Directory, [redacted]

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Directory Assistance, [redacted]

[redacted] Chicago, advised on February 2, 1972 that [redacted]

[redacted] subscribed to by the University of Chicago Admission and Fellowship Office, 1307 East 60th Street, Chicago, Illinois.

[redacted] advised on February 2, 1972 that an [redacted] has never been an employee of the University of Chicago.

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[redacted] advised on February 2, 1972 that an [redacted] has never been a student at the University of Chicago.

In connection with the above [redacted], the following is noted: [redacted] Chicago, ILL

Records, Passport Division, Department of State, Washington, D.C., reviewed by a SA of the FBI on January 19, 1968 disclosed that [redacted], born [redacted] was issued United States passport [redacted] on June 11, 1968 at Chicago for a proposed one month trip to Mexico. Her description was recorded as: height 5'5½"; hair brown; eyes brown; occupation student. Her birth certificate was seen by passport authorities.

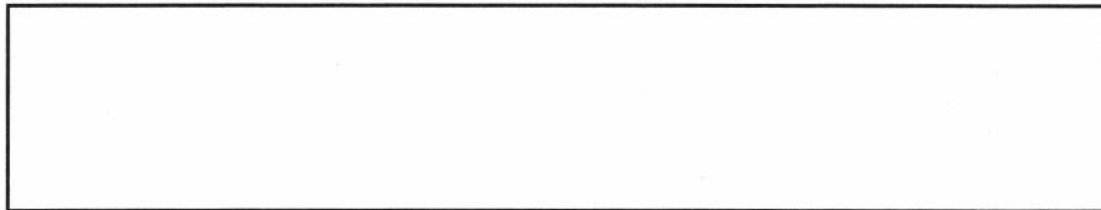
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As previously noted, [redacted] travelled from Mexico to Cuba with her family. (S) (u)

It has not been currently established if [redacted] is identical with the aforementioned [redacted].

The October, 1971 issue of "Science For Vietnam" Newsletter, Number 4, reported the following:



The October, 1971 issue of "Science For Vietnam" Newsletter lists its address as 1103 East 57th Street, Chicago, Illinois.

As previously noted, the address, 1103 East 57th Street, is part of the address 1100-1114 of the Ryerson Physical Laboratory at the University of Chicago.

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In connection with the [redacted]
[redacted], the 1971 - 72 Northwestern University Student
Directory records, in part, the following:

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Directory Assistance, [redacted]
[redacted] Chicago, advised on February 16, 1972 that number
[redacted] is subscribed to by [redacted]
at [redacted], Illinois.

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[redacted] advised on February 22, 1972 that [redacted]
[redacted], born [redacted],
[redacted], holds Social Security Number [redacted] and
has a permanent home address of [redacted]
[redacted], telephone number [redacted]
[redacted]

Her previous schooling was:

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Her father is [redacted], born in
[redacted], attended [redacted]
[redacted]

Her mother was [redacted], born Corpus
Christi, Texas, who died on October 30, 1961.

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Her stepmother is [redacted] who resides
[redacted], Los Angeles.

[redacted] has an older brother and an older sister.

[redacted], according to [redacted] believes that activities
or interest areas in which she made a major contribution are:

[redacted]

She is 5'4", weighs 120 and has no disabilities
as of October, 1969. She plays the piano.

Her prior employments were:

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Her major course of study is [redacted]

[redacted] furnished the following [redacted]

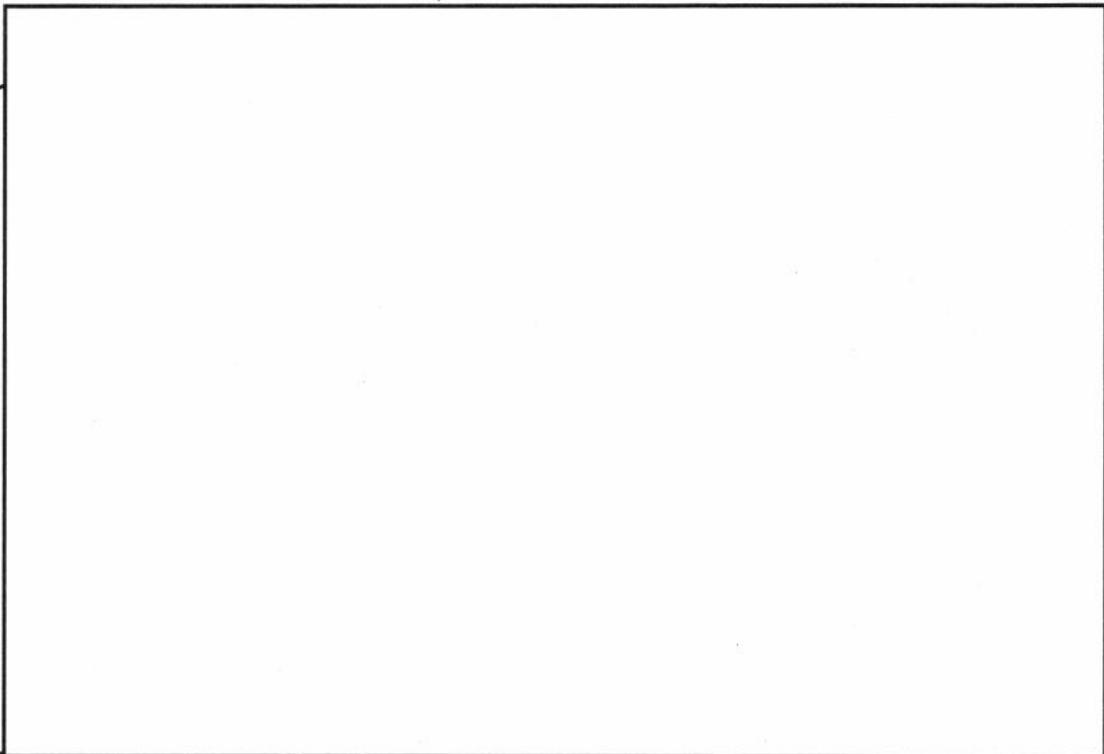
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[redacted] ^{Ill} on January 13, 1972 advised that a [redacted]
[redacted] of [redacted] Chicago, among others from
Chicago, planned to hold a "Science For Vietnam" meeting
in Minneapolis, Minnesota on January 15 - 16, 1972, exact
location and purpose unknown.

The "NUC Newsletter" issue of December 20, 1970
on page 12 contained the following item:

"American Association For The Advancement of
Science, 12/26 - 31, Place, Chicago, Ill. Pick
Congress Hotel, Conrad Hilton, Contacts (among others)
Dave Culver, Larry Lambert."

The 1970 - 71 University of Chicago Student
Directory records the following:

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[redacted], resided
at [redacted], Chicago, residence telephone
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Company, Chicago, advised on February 17, 1972 that number
[redacted] which had been subscribed to by [redacted]
[redacted], Chicago, is now disconnected.
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It is not currently known if the aforementioned
[redacted] is identical with [redacted].



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All sources (except any listed below) whose identities
are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable
information in the past.

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