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*RE: ABRAHAM FEINBERG, aka
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The New York telephone directory for Westchester County, New York, 1952-1953 edition, reflects that Abraham Feinberg resides at 35 Elmsmere Road, Mount Vernon, New York. His business address is 350 Fifth Avenue, New York City, which is the Empire State Building.

A source of known reliability advised that in 1940 Feinberg was the Executive Director of Jac Feinberg and Sons, Incorporated, 385 Fifth Avenue, New York City. He had complete charge of buying, selling and otherwise managing the business. This company was engaged primarily in the manufacture and selling of ladies' hosiery.

This source further revealed that Feinberg was born March 7, 1908, in New York City, and was married on September 3, 1929, at Hoboken, New Jersey, and that he had a wife, Lillian Marion Feinberg, born October 1, 1908, and two children, a son, [redacted], and a daughter, [redacted]. Other members of his family are Jacob Feinberg, father; Eva Wollin Feinberg, mother; Belle Feinberg, sister, and Wilfred Feinberg, brother.

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According to the same source, Feinberg attended the City College of New York for two years, Fordham University for three years, and he took a masters course at New York University Law School for one year in 1936.

The source stated that Feinberg was employed by the Grove Nylon Company, 1950 East Grove Street, Dunmore, Pennsylvania, in 1943 and 1944, as a production expert.

A source of known reliability advised that Feinberg has been connected with a number of hosiery companies, all of which have had offices at 350 Fifth Avenue, New York City. As of March 14, 1952, he was Vice President of the Hamilton Hosiery Mills, Incorporated, at that address. He has previously served as Secretary for Wollin-Feinberg, as Secretary and Treasurer of Judith Hosiery Company, and as President of Nocturne Hosiery Company. The latter company was chartered under the laws of South Carolina and discontinued operations in 1944.

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The "New York Times" for July 22, 1948, indicated that a new Jewish group was being formed known as Americans United for Israel. One of the members of the Committee forming the group was Abraham Feinberg.

A source of known reliability advised in April, 1950, that Israel Speaks, Incorporated, was founded as a membership organization chartered under the New York State Membership Laws in February, 1949. The officers of this corporation were listed as follows:

Abraham Feinberg, President
Max Swiren, Vice President
Nahum A. Bernstein, Secretary
David R. Wahl, Executive Director
Leon Mohill, Treasurer

According to the source, the officers of the corporation were all well-known businessmen in the New York metropolitan area and are serving as officers in the corporation on a voluntary basis.

During 1947, it was publicly announced in the press that Abraham Feinberg was active in the organization Americans for Haganah and served as its president. Americans for Haganah, Inc., was the predecessor to Israel Speaks, Inc., of which Feinberg is the current president. Both organizations have a record of being strongly pro-Zionist and have worked actively in support of the State of Israel.

Sources of known reliability have advised that Abraham Feinberg has been in close business and social contact with David R. Wahl for many years. Wahl is Executive Director of Israel Speaks, Inc., of which organization Feinberg is President.

According to reliable sources, David Wahl is known to have been in contact in the past with Nathan Gregory Silvermaster, Robert Talbot Miller, III, Maurice Halperin, and Ludwig Ullman. These persons, according to Elizabeth Terrill Bentley, (confessed Soviet espionage courier), were employees of the United States Government in Washington, D. C., who were engaged in Soviet espionage activities during the early 1940's.

The "New York Times" reported on April 24, 1949, that a dinner was held at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel in New York on April 23, 1949, for Dr. Chaim Weizman, First President of Israel. Among speakers listed as Abraham Feinberg, Chairman of the New York Committee/Institute of Science.

In July, 1949, and April, 1950, a reliable source advised that Owen Lattimore was corresponding with someone at 35 Elmsmere Road, Mount Vernon, New York. This was the address of Abraham Feinberg. Another reliable source advised he learned in August, 1949, that Feinberg was acquainted with Lattimore and apparently considered him friendly toward Israel.

A reliable source has advised instances have come to his attention indicating that Abraham Feinberg has attempted to influence United States Government officials in connection with various Israeli matters. He has also collaborated closely with Israeli officials. The source reported he learned that shortly after the middle of August, 1949, Feinberg was asked by the White House to recommend a man for the position of chairman of a particular government commission. Feinberg promptly consulted the Israeli Ambassador, Eliahu Elath, on this matter.

Sources of known reliability have advised that since the creation of the Republic of Israel in 1948, Feinberg has been in frequent contact with officials of the Israeli Government including:

David Ben-Gurion, Israeli Prime Minister
Eliahu Elath, Israeli Ambassador to the U. S.,
Washington, D. C.
Colonel Efram Ben-Arzi, Israeli Military
Attache, Washington, D. C.
Theodor Kollek, Israeli Minister to the U. S.,
Washington, D. C.
Reuben Shiloah, Personal Advisor to the Israeli
Foreign Minister, Washington, D. C.
Abraham Harman, Consular, Israeli Embassy,
Washington, D. C.
Harry Zinder, Director, Israeli Office of
Information, Washington, D. C.
Harry Beilin, Israeli Consul, Los Angeles,
California

Feinberg, according to a source of known reliability, has been in touch with Nahum A. Bernstein, who is Secretary of Israel Speaks, Inc.

As noted above, Feinberg has been in contact with Colonel Efriam Ben-Arzi, Theodor H. Kollek, Reuben Shiloah, and Nahum Bernstein. A source of known reliability has stated that all of these individuals are known to have been active in the Israeli Intelligence Service in the United States.

A source of known reliability advised that Lillian Feinberg, wife of Abraham Feinberg, invited Edith and David Wahl to come to her home on December 14, 1949.

A source of known reliability advised that Lillian Feinberg invited Philip and Mary Jane Keeney to her home on the evening that the Wahls were to be present which was December 14, 1949.

The publication of the House Committee on Un-American Activities, United States House of Representatives, dated December 30, 1951, entitled "The Shameful Years, Thirty Years of Soviet Espionage in the United States," reflects that both Philip and Mary Jane Keeney have a record of association with known Communists and with individuals identified as having been engaged in Soviet espionage activity. Among those persons are Nathan Gregory Silvermaster and William Ludwig Ullman, as well as Gerhart Eisler.

In March, 1951, a reliable source advised the Israelis were most interested in certain pending legislation in Congress, believed to be the Taft-Douglas Bill which proposed granting Israel \$150,000,000. Another reliable source advised Abraham Feinberg was prepared to seek assistance in promoting this bill from highly-placed persons in the government service, including William Pawley and David K. Niles.