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heard anything to indicate that either ST. CLAIR or GUMPERZ were engaged in espionage activity and stated that Mrs. ST. CLAIR told her on one occasion that she has a house located at East Hampton, Long Island. She advised that ST. CLAIR and Mr. GUMPERZ often go there to spend week-ends. Mr. MIGHTRATI was asked to maintain a watch on mail received by GUMPERZ and on a subsequent date he was contacted and advised that no mail of a suspicious nature was noted. He advised at this time that in his opinion the subject was Jewish and that he also thought Mrs. St. CLAIR appeared to be Jewish although he was not certain.

The following is a description of JULIAN GUMPERZ:

Born	May 12, 1898
Place of birth	New York, N.Y.
Race	White
Hair	Bald
Eyes	Brown
Complexion	Light
Height	5' 8 1/2"
Weight	146
Business	Economist, 610 Fifth Avenue

MARGIT LIDIA BUSCH

On September 11, 1943 Special Employee [redacted] checked the records at Immigration and Naturalization and advised that under the name LYDIA BUSCHOVA ST. CLAIR a record was located indicating that she had declared her intentions of becoming a citizen on September 10, 1941 in the U.S. District Court, Southern District of New York. This record revealed that she was born in Austria on February 19, 1898; and that she entered the United States from Rouse Point, New York on December 4, 1940 from Montreal, Canada; and that her last foreign address was Paris, France. She stated that she was married to ARNOST BUSCH on September 30, 1917 at Bratislava, Czechoslovakia; and that he was born in Prague, Czechoslovakia, on May 20, 1882 and at the time of the declaration he was residing at 474 West 238 Street, Bronx, New York. The subject's mother's name was stated to be CAROLINA DE POLLEHOOD while he father's name was BERTHOLD WERTHEIMER. It was also noted that the subject was employed as an actress by the Playwright Company, 630 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Miss LEINAN, Secretary, Playwright Company, 630 Fifth Avenue, advised that LYDIA ST. CLAIR was registered with that concern; and that she has taken several minor rolls as an actress in New York City. She advised that the main part which St. Clair had was that of "Marie" in the play "Flight to the West". From information contained in the files it was learned that the subject speaks German, French and English; that she attended school in

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Lussane, Paris and also in Switzerland and is the wife of a glass manufacturer, whose name was not given. It was further stated that in 1938 the subject was starring in the play "Nina" in Prague, Czechoslovakia and in May of 1939 while attempting to escape the Germans, had gone to Strassburg and then to France and that she finally escaped and was able to obtain passage with her mother on the SS "George Washington" and came to the United States. It was also stated that she has lectured to dramatic classes at Vassar College at Poughkeepsie, New York, and that during her career she acted in the following plays:

NINA
HEDDA GOBLER
MISS JULIE
PRIVATE LIVES
FLIGHT TO THE WEST

Miss LEIMAN was unable to furnish any information regarding the subject's patriotism because she was not personally acquainted with her. However, she referred the reporting agent to Mr. ELMER BROWN, 136 West 55th Street, New York City. She stated that BROWN was stage manager for the play Flight to the West and that probably he knew something about subject ST. CLAIR. Through contact at 136 West 55 Street, it was learned from Mr. FREEL that BROWN had left that place and could be reached through the Actors Equity Association, 45 West 47th Street.

Mr. FRANCIS CLARK, secretary, Actors Equity, 45 West 47th Street advised that ELMER BROWN could be reached at the Longacre Theater, 48th Street and Eighth Avenue. Upon being contacted, Mr. BROWN advised that in his discussions with St. Clair during the running of Flight to the West he had gathered that she was not engaged in any subversive activity. He stated that she had never indicated in her talk that she was pro-Nazi and stated as a matter of fact from her political discussions, he had observed that she was anti-Nazi. He suggested, however, that the reporting agent contact a woman by the name of LILY BRENTANO, 250 West 65th Street in view of the fact that Miss BRENTANO was also in the play Flight to the West and was better acquainted with the subject than he was. LILY BRENTANO was contacted and advised that she knew nothing about St. Clair's background except that she was a refugee and came to this country from Czechoslovakia. Miss BRENTANO knew nothing derogatory regarding St. Clair and advised that apparently St. Clair's people in Czechoslovakia were quite wealthy and that she probably brought some of the money with her. She advised that the part which subject St. Clair had in Flight to the West was extremely anti-Nazi and that St. Clair appeared to take the part well in view of the fact that it apparently agreed with her political convictions. LILY BRENTANO advised that the person she would probably know more about subject St. Clair than anyone else was Miss JANE BRODER who operates as an actress agent with offices in the Times Building, Times Square, New York. Upon contact JANE BRODER

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stated that she has known St. Clair since 1940; that she got a part for St. Clair in Flight to the West; and that she was a huge success. She advised that she has met St. Clair's husband; that he too is a Czechoslovakian; that both fled from Czechoslovakia when the war started. She advised that the subject's husband also goes under the name of St. Clair because that name is more Americanized and that he formerly was President of a large glass factory in Czechoslovakia; that when he escaped the Germans he went to Canada where he attempted to get in some type of glass work but that he was not able to make a go of it. Miss BRODER stated that she has often discussed world problems with both Mr. and Mrs. St. Clair and that she is positive that both possess an extreme hatred for the Nazis. She advised that subject St. Clair has two brothers presently in Czechoslovakia and that this was also one reason why she changed her name because she did not want any harm to come to these brothers because she had taken an anti-Nazi part in the play Flight to the West. Miss BRODER also stated that when St. Clair came to the United States she brought her mother with her and that her mother had cancer and had passed away sometime in July or August of 1943.

Miss BRODER advised that the subject has a home at East Hampton, Long Island; that she often invites her friend and her husband's friend JULIAN GUMPERZ on week-ends and that she also maintains a home at 247 Waverly Place. She advised that the subject's husband was engaged in a small business on the Bowery where he makes all types of pottery under the name OMEGA POTTERY Company, 112 Bowery, New York City. Mrs. DON GORHMAN, 247 Waverly Place, advised that she rents the third floor apartment to Mr. St. Clair. She stated that Mrs. St. Clair does not live at this address but spends most of her time at her home in East Hampton, Long Island. However, she does receive mail at 247 Waverly Place.

Mrs. GORHMAN advised that according to gossip around the house, Mr. and Mrs. St. Clair are not getting along too well in their marriage life and that is the reason they probably do not live together. She advised that she has never seen anything suspicious on the part of St. Clair or her husband and apparently both were legitimate refugees from Czechoslovakia.

Miss NEWROCK, Clerk of Local Board 208, 230 Street and Kingsbridge Road, Bronx, made available the file regarding the husband of St. Clair whose full name was stated to be ERNEST PETER BUSCHOVA. He was born on May 20, 1882 at Prague, Czechoslovakia, and his wife was stated to be LYDIA BUSCHOVA. He stated that he was employed by himself at the OMEGA POTTERY Company, 112 Bowery; his residence at the time of registration on April 27, 1942 was at 474 West 238th Street.

Mrs. I. B. FITCH, Manager at the above address, advised that Mr. and

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Mrs. St. Clair were there from January 22, 1941 until September, 1942. She advised that Mrs. St. Clair did not stay at home so very much and that she was under the impression that she had a home at another place in the city. She advised that Mr. St. Clair was a quiet person who went about his own business and who did not appear to be involved in any suspicious activity.

Mrs. DAHLGREN, superintendent of the building at 16 East 80th Street, which is the former address for Mrs. St. Clair, and advised that she had only recently taken over the operation of this house and that the former superintendent had gone into the army and was presently an ambulance driver in England, consequently not available for an interview.

Mr. EDWARD FONSELL, superintendent at the building 904 Park Avenue, former address of St. Clair, advised that he did not recall the subject St. Clair but that Mrs. WATTENBERG of 66 East 69th Street, was the agent for the apartment house and would probably be acquainted with St. Clair.

Upon contact Mrs. WATTENBERG advised that St. Clair was an actress that she gave lectures at Vassar College; and that her husband and mother lived at 474 West 238th Street, Bronx, N.Y. She stated that apparently St. Clair did not get along with her husband inasmuch as she had a frequent visitor to her apartment at 904 Park Avenue. She also stated that the subject's husband was much older; that he was a writer; and that she did not know of any subversive activities regarding subject St. Clair.

Under date of November 19, 1945 Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, advised that Mrs. BUSCH was in possession of Czechoslovakian Passport #169-37. It was further stated that her husband, Dr. ARNOST BUSCH, was a loyal citizen of Czechoslovakia of good moral character. The report from Confidential Informant [redacted] is being made part of the New York Field Division file for further reference. b2

b7C
A check at the Credit Bureau of Greater New York was made by Special Employee [redacted] with negative results. A check at the Bureau of Criminal Identification, New York City Police Department, reflected that LYDIA ST. CLAIR of 247 Waverly Place and 904 Park Avenue was given two traffic tickets under the respective dates September 25, 1942 and November 30, 1942.

The following is a description of MARGIT LIDIA BUSCH:

Born	February 19, 1898
Place of birth	Austria
Sex	Female
Color	White
Complexion	Light

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Eyes	Green-brown
Hair	Auburn
Height	5' 4"
Weight	120
Employment	actress
Citizen	Czechoslovakia

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

The identities of the confidential informants mentioned in the report of Special Agent [REDACTED] dated January 19, 1944 at New York, New York, are as follows: b7C

T-1

Office of Censorship, New York City

T-2

[REDACTED]
b7D
Bankers Trust Company,
43rd Street and Fifth Avenue
New York City

T-3

[REDACTED]
Rockefeller Center, Inc.
New York City

By request the above individuals are being carried as confidential informants.

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REPORT
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON D. C.

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Form 4-774

To:

July 27, 1948

SAC, Los Angeles

There follows the report of the FBI Laboratory on the examination of evidence received from your office on June 11, 1948.

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover, Dir.

Re:

MAX HORNHEIMER, with aliases
DR. FREDERICK POLLOCK
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

YOUR FILE NO.

FBI FILE NO.

LAB. NO. 100-6036

61-7421-14

CR-10295 BR

Examination requested by:

Reference: Los Angeles

Examination requested: Letter dated June 8, 1948

Specimens: Cryptanalysis

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Qc2 Copy of a telegram received by Dr. Pollock at the Uplifter Ranch, Santa Monica, California and beginning "Dangerous is riding" and signed "Alright".

Results of Examination

Specimen Qc2 exhibits characteristics indicating the possible presence of a concealed message. No specific decryption of Qc2 could be developed, and no concealment system could be identified. However, one possibility is that the cablegram might be a transposition type of cipher. No proof could be developed to support this, but three different transpositions of the cablegram are being furnished to illustrate the possibility.

- Mr. Tolson
- Mr. E. A. Tamm
- Mr. Clegg
- Mr. Glavin
- Mr. Ladd
- Mr. Nichols
- Mr. Rosen
- Mr. Tracy
- Mr. Egan
- Mr. Gurnea
- Mr. Harbo
- Mr. Mohr
- Mr. Pennington
- Mr. Quinn Tamm
- Tele. Room
- Mr. Nease
- Miss Gandy

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RIDING AMERICAN AUTOMOBILE WITH SWISS PLATE CORIDERS BEARING SUITCASES
IS NOT DANGEROUS NIGHT TRAINS OVERCROWDED

RIDING SWISS NIGHT TRAINS WITH AMERICAN CORIDERS BEARING SUITCASES PLATE
IS NOT DANGEROUS AUTOMOBILE OVERCROWDED

RIDING AUTOMOBILE WITH AMERICAN PLATE SWISS CORIDERS BEARING SUITCASES
IS NOT DANGEROUS NIGHT TRAINS OVERCROWDED.

Another possibility in connection with this specimen is the use of a
private word code not available to the Laboratory.

It is pointed out that the small amount of text constituting this
specimen makes a substantiation of any assumption as to concealed meaning
extremely difficult.

Specimen Qc2 is being returned herewith.

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Laboratory Work Sheet

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6/15/48 2:00 p.m.
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Re: MAX HORKHEIMER, was;
DR. FREDERICK POLLOCK
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

File # 61-7421 -14 ✓
Lab. # CR-10295 BR

No Lab File

Examination requested by: SAC, Los Angeles (100-6036)

Date of reference communication: June 8, 1948

Date received: June 14, 1948

Examination requested: Cryptanalysis

Result of Examination:

Examination by: [Redacted] *b7c*

*Characteristics of concealed
meaning may be transposition
type or private word code
No select antiations or proof that
this even legitims to assumptions.*

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Specimens submitted for examination

Copy of a telegram received by Dr. Pollock at the Uplifter Ranch, Santa Monica, California and beginning "Dangerous is riding" and signed "Alright".

1. Check Double Meaning index
2. Review main files + subversive *see references*
3. Check of DM file
U.S. Weather Code.

NO LABORATORY FILE

4. Line up left - Checked steps normal *addresses (1+2) progressive line*
5. Line up right - Checked steps normal *and reverse (1+2) progressive line*
6. Periodic (letters) 5-20
7. Periodic (words) 2-10
8. Transposition (attempts to analyze for keyword -> (words))
9. Checked 1st letters of words through Marconis Instructions (A Cipher)
10. Checked 1st letter of words through Permutation tables
11. Checked 2nd letters of " " " " " "
12. " Last " " " " " "
13. " Permit " " " " " "

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*advised
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etc
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14. Checked all code books in Crypt Library for
unusual codes - negative

15. Considered possibility of dictionary code:
1. With positive + negative (stationery) additions
 2. With each individual word a different addition

Note: To really check this would need -

1. More messages.
2. Name of dictionary

16. Checked Rail fence transposition words

17. Transposition (Route) alternate verticals (words)

18. Check of syllables (3) using normal Latin & Cyrillic alphabets

19. Is monoalphabetic substitution - can't solve - because of scarcity of letters - (meaning initial letters, 2nd, or penult. letters, etc.)

20. Transposition - Route, columns, anagram of initial letters of words

2. 2nd letter of words
3. Last letters of words
4. Penultimate letters of words

Dangerous in making overworked. Home leaving
outdoors might not automobile drive past with
American soldiers. Caught

NT Dr Piroch
Upstairs Ranch
(copy)

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI
FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES
SUBJECT: MAX HORKHEIMER was;
DR. FREDERICK POLLOCK
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

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ATTENTION: FBI LABORATORY

Enclosed herewith is a copy of a telegram received by DR. POLLOCK at the Uplifter Ranch starting "DANGEROUS IS" and signed "ALRIGHT". It is requested that the Laboratory examine this message for any hidden meaning or other secret message. The telegram should be returned.

For the information of the Bureau the two above captioned individuals were subjects of an investigation instituted by the El Paso office in 1941 in which this office was made origin. In the report of Special Agent (A) E. P. HAIR dated July 15, 1941 at Los Angeles, entitled MAC HORKHEIMER, was; DR. FREDERICK POLLOCK, it was reported that HORKHEIMER was in the habit of sending telegrams and sometimes signing them "ALRIGHT". For this reason it is believed that it was HORKHEIMER who sent the enclosed telegram. The indices of this office reflect that both subjects were connected with the New School for Social Research and that both were also connected with HANS WEISLER.

It is requested that the enclosed telegram be returned to the Los Angeles Office upon completion of the examination.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

October 7, 1948

The attached was sent to the
Director by Walter Winchell.

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- Mr. Tolson ✓
- Mr. Clegg ✓
- Mr. Glavin ✓
- Mr. Ladd ✓
- Mr. Nichols _____
- Mr. Rosen _____
- Mr. Tracy _____
- Mr. Egan _____
- Mr. Gurnea _____
- Mr. Harbo _____
- Mr. Jones _____
- Mr. Mohr _____
- Mr. Pennington _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Mr. Nease _____
- Miss Holmes _____
- Miss Gandy _____

Walter Winchell
W. H. Clegg
W. J. Glavin
W. Ladd
W. Nichols
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W. Gandy

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SEPT. 29th.1948.

WALTER WINCHELL, c/o DAILY MIRROR

SCOOP FOR YOUR PAPER AND RADIO BROADCAST.

DIVORCE CASE BEFORE JUDGE BAIRD, LOS ANGELES, CALIF., WILL EXPOSE
THE COMMUNIST CREW AT COLUMBIA COLLEGE. IT INVOLVES DR. FELIX WEIL)

DR. MAX HORKHEIMER, AND DR. FREDERICK POLLOCK, OF THE INSTITUTE OF
SOCIAL RESEARCH, 429 WEST 117th ST., NEW YORK CITY.

THIS INSTITUTE BESIDES HARBORING COMMUNISTS, IS A COVER-ALL FOR TAX
EVASION. INCOME TAX MEN SHOULD TAKE NOTE.

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SAC, New York

October 27, 1948

Director, FBI

FELIX LUCIO JOSE WEIL
INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR SOCIAL RESEARCH
SECURITY MATTER - C
New York File 100-26504
Copy for NY file 100-13299

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The Bureau has received information from an anonymous source who made same available to Walter Winchell to the effect that a divorce case before one Judge Baird in Los Angeles, California "will expose the Communist crew at Columbia College. It involves Dr. Felix Weil, Dr. Max Horkheimer, and Dr. Frederick Pollock of the Institute of Social Research, 429 West 117th St., New York City." The unknown source also alleged that this Institute "besides harboring Communists, is a cover-all for tax evasion. Income tax men should take note."

Bureau files reflect that Felix Weil and the International Institute for Social Research are subjects of a closed Internal Security - C case in the New York Office. (NY file 100-26504) Max Horkheimer and Frederick Pollock are subjects of a closed Internal Security - C case in which both the New York and Los Angeles offices have submitted reports. (NY file 100-13299; LA file 100-6036)

The Los Angeles office should be alert for any information concerning the divorce case mentioned above and should furnish any information received by that office to the New York office as well as the Bureau which it may receive regarding the allegations of Communist activity on the part of the above individuals.

The New York office should also be alert for information of this nature and if such information indicates same to be desirable, the New York office should institute investigation for the purpose of determining the extent of Communist activities on the part of the individuals and the organization mentioned herein.

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cc - Los Angeles (100-6036)
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- Mr. Tolson _____
- Mr. E. A. Tamm _____
- Mr. Clegg _____
- Mr. Glavin _____
- Mr. Ladd _____
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cc- Mr. Haack
Mr. Mansfield

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Date: December 7, 1954

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To: Legal Attache
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

From: Director, FBI (61-7421)

Subject: MAX HORCKHEIMER
SECURITY MATTER - C

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ON 10/13/99
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Dr. FREDERICK POLLOCK
SECURITY MATTER - C

Reurlet dated November 12, 1954, captioned
"Max Horckheimer; Fritz Pollock, Internal Security - C,"
copy of which is enclosed to the New York Office.

Legal Attache should recontact [redacted] b7c
[redacted] to obtain specific details concerning the Communist
activities or sympathies of the subjects available through this
source in Argentina. These details should reflect the dates
of pertinent activity on the part of the two subjects.

The New York Office should thoroughly review its
indices to determine if available information justifies
investigation of these subjects under the provisions of
Section 87-C of the Manual of Instructions.

These subjects appear identical with subjects of
New York file 100-13299. Pollock appears to be identical
with the subject of New York file 77-5121.

2cc- New York (100-13299) (w/Enclosure)

NOTE ON YELLOW: A review of the cited Bureau files relating
to subjects does not reflect current activity justifying the
security investigation of either subject in the absence of
additional information from the original informant or from a
review of indices in the New York Office. ~~George [redacted]~~
Subject's name appears as ~~MAX HORCKHEIMER~~.

- Tolson _____
- Boardman _____
- Nichols _____
- Belmont _____
- Harbo _____
- Mohr _____
- Parsons _____
- Rosen _____
- Tamm _____
- Sizoo _____
- Winterrowd _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Holloman _____
- Gandy _____

cc- Foreign Service Desk

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

FROM : *mc* Legal Attache
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

SUBJECT: MAX HORCKHEIMER;
FRITZ POILOCK
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

DATE: November 12, 1954

~~SECRET~~ - AIR COURIER

b7c [redacted] of the Joint Brazil-United States Military Commission, advised on November 4 that an Argentine contact of his had told him when he recently was in Argentina that the two subjects are Communists, and are presently engaged in research at Columbia University. (2)

b7c The [redacted] contact told him that both of them had lived in Germany and had left there before or during World War II and had come to Argentina. From Argentina, they had gone to the United States. He said that HORCKHEIMER had been Dean of Frankfort University while in Germany. Both were "of the Institute of Social Science."

b7c [redacted] said he expected that the Communist sympathies of the subjects were known in the United States, but if further information were desired he would contact his Argentine friend.

The above is for the completion of the Bureau's files, and no further action is being taken by this office unless instructions are received from the Bureau.

DECLASSIFIED BY *[signature]*
ON 10/13/89
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*let to Legate, Brazil
12-9-54
O.T.M.*

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI (61-7421)

DATE: January 10, 1955

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FROM : Legal Attache
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

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SUBJECT: MAX HORKHEIMER
SECURITY MATTER - C
Dr. FREDERICK POLLOCK
SECURITY MATTER - C

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Reference is made to Bulet dated 12-7-54 instructing this office to recontact [redacted] b7c

By letter dated December 20, 1954, the United States [redacted] at Buenos Aires, Argentina, was contacted by letter at the suggestion of [redacted] who is leaving South America and was not again visiting Buenos Aires. [redacted] said that his informant was a [redacted] who is known to [redacted] b7c

[redacted] response is contained in his letter of December 30, 1954, two copies of which are attached for the Bureau. The two copies of the transcript referred to in [redacted] letter are also attached (no copy being retained at Rio [redacted]) b7c

Also attached are the two volumes of "Sozialforschung," also referred to in [redacted] letter. As noted by [redacted] the books have been borrowed from the informant, [redacted] for a limited time and their early return is requested. b7c

It is suggested that appropriate review of these volumes be made by translators, after which they should be returned to Legat, Rio de Janeiro for forwarding to [redacted] b7c

It is noted that [redacted] is prepared to question the informant further after a review has been made of attached information. b7c

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cc. Mr. Haack
Mr. Mansfield

SAC, New York (100-13299)
(77-5727)

JANUARY 20, 1955

Director, FBI (61-7421)

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MAX HORKHEIMER
DR. FREDERICK POLLOCK
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Re Bulet to Legal Attache, Rio de Janeiro dated December 7, 1954, a copy of which was furnished to the New York Office. Attached are single copies of the following items:

- (1) Letter from Legal Attache, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, dated January 10, 1955.
- (2) Letter from [redacted] United States Embassy, Buenos Aires, Argentina, dated December 30, 1954.
- (3) Transcript of comments of [redacted] concerning Horkheimer and Pollock.
- (4) "Sozialforschung" 1933.
- (5) "Sozialforschung" 1934.

It is requested that you have Special Agent [redacted] review the attached copies of "Sozialforschung" and in particular the articles written by the subjects for information indicating that Horkheimer and Pollock were Communists or were sympathetic to Communism. Thereafter, as requested in re Bulet, you should determine if information available justifies investigation of either subject under existing instructions relating to the opening of security investigations. In the event an investigation is opened on either subject and you consider the reinterview of [redacted] desirable, you should submit a list of questions which you desire to be put to [redacted]

It is requested that the review of the attached copies of "Sozialforschung" be made as soon as reasonably possible and that they be returned to the Bureau immediately thereafter for forwarding to the Legal Attache in Rio de Janeiro.

- Tolson _____
- Boardman _____
- Nichols _____
- Belmont _____
- Harbo _____
- Mohr _____
- Parsons _____
- Rosen _____
- Tamm _____
- Sizoo _____
- Winterrowd _____
- Tele. Room _____
- Holloman _____
- Gandy _____

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200 Legal Attache (For Information)
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

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cc- Foreign Service Desk

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NOTE ON YELLOW:

b7c Letter from Legat Rio 11/12/54, stated unknown informant of [REDACTED] in Rio had said the subjects were Communists. Letter supplied no basis for such statement. Review of Bufiles did not reflect sufficient activity to justify opening of Security investigations. Re Bulet requested Legat Rio to obtain specific details concerning allegation that subjects were Communists and requested New York to review indices to determine if information available justified opening of security investigations on the subjects. [REDACTED] Translation Unit, Laboratory Division, has advised that SA [REDACTED] in New York City has excellent knowledge of German language and could quickly accomplish the review of the above-mentioned publications.

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cc - Mr. Haack
Mr. Mansfield

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Date: March 10, 1955
To: Legal Attache
Rio De Janeiro, Brazil
From: Director, FBI (61-7421)
Subject: MAX HORKHEIMER
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Reurlet dated January 10, 1955.

Enclosed herewith are single copies of the following items:

"Sozialforschung" 1933.

"Sozialforschung" 1934.

New York letter to the Director dated March 1, 1955.

The copies of "Sozialforschung" should be returned in accordance with the request of [redacted] as set out in relet. No further inquiry of [redacted] or [redacted] is desired at this time.

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aspects of religious belief are viewed as modern forms of superstition closely tied up, as to origin and their present day function, with the economic structure of capitalism.

It is to be noted that nowhere in these two issues examined have the authors mentioned communism or indicated their attitude towards communism. Furthermore, no explanation has been offered as to the reasons for this omission in spite of the fact that the ideas expounded in these publications appear to coincide in many respects with what is being practiced in Russia today.

A possible explanation may be that when these issues were published in 1933 and 1934 in Paris, it was during a time when the communist as well as the Socialists among the German refugee element were attempting to establish a united front and to play down the divergence of views existing between the two groups.

The translated excerpts are not being set out at this time.

A review of the NY files reflect that this office is in possession of information both favorable and unfavorable, concerning the two subjects. The files further reflect that Dr. MAX HORKHEIMER'S last known residence was and still may be 13524 D'este Drive, Santa Monica, Calif. Dr. POLLICK'S last address is reflected as 21 Latimer Road, Santa Monica, Calif.

67D For the information of the Los Angeles office, the Bureau has received information from the Legal Attache, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, that one [REDACTED] has stated that the two subjects are communists. He apparently based much or all of his allegation on the writings of the subjects which appeared in the two publications as set out above.

The Bureau has requested that information concerning these subjects in the files of the NY [REDACTED] be reviewed to determine whether a security investigation be conducted.

The Los Angeles office is requested to verify the residence of the subjects as set out above and advise the NYO. In the event the subject's maintain their residence there, the NYO will forward

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to Los Angeles any additional information contained in the NYO which is not possessed by LA, so that Los Angeles office might determine whether an investigation should be conducted.

67D It is not deemed necessary at this time to submit a list of questions to be asked [REDACTED] since no determination has yet been made as to whether an investigation is to be conducted or not.

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TO : Director, FBI (61-7421)

FROM : SAC, New York (100-13299)

SUBJECT: Dr. FREDERICK POLLOCK
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MAX HORKHEIMER
SM - C

DATE: 5/20/55

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Re Los Angeles let to NY, 4/20/55, and Bulet to NY, 1/20/55.

The following information is not being reported at this time but is being set out below in this letter. Since the subjects have resided in the Los Angeles Division for the past several years, the determination as to what information is pertinent is being left to the Los Angeles Office.

A review of the NYO references reflects that Los Angeles Office is in receipt of much of the information concerning the subjects, their associates, and the Institute of Social Research, including NY report, 1/13/43, by SA [redacted] entitled "FREDERICK POLLOCK; DEPARTMENTAL APPLICANT, EXPERT - ANTITRUST," NY 77-5727.

Investigations have been conducted in the past on various individuals, who have been affiliated with the Institute of Social Research. Characterizations of these individuals are not being set forth at this time, inasmuch as Los Angeles is in possession of much of this information concerning these individuals.

The Bureau, by letter dated 1/20/55 enclosed a letter from the Legal Attache, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 1/10/55, which is classified ~~Secret~~, which enclosed the results of an interview with a [redacted] by Colonel GEORGE R. HERRMAN, Air Attache, Buenos Aires, Argentina, South America, dated 12/30/54.

In Colonel HERRMAN's letter, 12/30/54, to the Legal Attache, American Embassy, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, is written that

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- 2-Los Angeles (MAX HORKHEIMER) (100-516539) (RM)
- 2-Los Angeles (100-51654) (FREDERICK POLLOCK) (RM)
- 1-NY 100-123311) (MAX HORKHEIMER)

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[redacted] was interviewed 12/20/54 and, due to the great lapse of time, [redacted] is very vague and in many instances could not supply detailed information and seems to support his allegations by two volumes of "Sozialforschung," which, according to [redacted] contain the names of many known Communists. [redacted] further states that a transcription of the articles contained in these two volumes will reveal the Communist pattern of Dr. POLLOCK and HORKHEIMER's works.

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In this interview, [redacted] gave background information concerning the Institute of Social Research and its origin, which included his statement that the Institute became affiliated with Columbia University and carried out Communist activities in the form of scientific research in Sociology, which, in effect was Communist indoctrination. [redacted] in this statement, which is included in [redacted] letter, also set forth that at about this same time in 1945 the Sires Group was endeavoring to help Mr. WITTFOGEL, who was in prison in London, England. Upon the release of Mr. WITTFOGEL, they hoped to send him to China "obviously to pursue Communist activities."

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[redacted] in this letter, advises that [redacted] can no doubt supply much additional data and recommends that, if additional data is required, this office be furnished a detailed list of questions.

For the information of the Los Angeles Office, the Bureau has advised that, in the event that investigation is opened on either subject, should consider the reinterview of [redacted] desirable and should submit a list of questions which you may desire to put to [redacted]

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Two issues of "Sozialforschung," dated 1931 and 1932, the other dated 1934, were reported to NYO and translated by SA [redacted] S [redacted] summary translation of pertinent articles which will be maintained in [redacted]

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NY file 100-13299. SA [REDACTED] has concluded that from a review of these two issues of the instant publication he believes that the contents of the various articles are scientific in nature rather than propagandistic. Although the articles deal with a variety of subjects of scientific theory in the social and economic field and represent the viewpoints of the various individual writers responsible for these articles, there appears to be a common ground permeating the entire contents of the publications. This common ground is characterized by:

(1) What appears to be a general consensus of opinion that each present economic system is undesirable, antiquated and doomed, and

(2) That it will sooner or later be replaced by a system wherein the affairs within the individual nations, and, eventually, in the world as a whole, will be governed by "planning" rather than by traditions and the desire to preserve "economic individualism," "property rights" and "free utilization" of the latter.

It is to be noted that nowhere in the issues submitted have the authors mentioned Communism or indicated their attitude toward Communism. Furthermore, no explanation was offered as to the reasons for this omission, in spite of the fact that the ideas expounded in these publications appear to coincide in many respects with what is being practiced in Russia today.

NY file 62-0-298 contains ^{b7c} a memo, 6/14/35, in which is reflected that SA [REDACTED] interviewed Mr. [REDACTED] b7D
US Internal Revenue Service, Customs House, NY, on that date, at which time Mr. MARTIN advised that a friend of his, one [REDACTED] b7D
[REDACTED] at the Waldorf-Astoria, NY, NY, had recently advised him that a Dr. FREDRICH POLLOCK was due to arrive in NY on the "SS Champlain"; that Dr. POLLOCK is a radical and has been engaged in disseminating radical and Communistic information in Germany, and that he, no doubt, was coming to America

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to continue in such radical activities; that Dr. POLLOCK is
is a member of the International Institute of Social Research,
NYC, and is very friendly with Dr. MAX HORKHEIMER, JULIAN
GUMPERZ and LOTTE SCHNEIDER, all of whom are engaged in
disseminating radical information. Argentina NY

It is not known by the NYO whether this [REDACTED] b7D
is identical with the above-mentioned [REDACTED]

NY file 100-26504-17 contains the information that
[REDACTED] b7D

[REDACTED] was interviewed in early 1943 by SA [REDACTED] b7C
She advised that she was acquainted with individuals
in the Institute of Social Research and stated that she had
to admit that all persons connected with this institute had
been her personal enemies in Germany inasmuch as their political
philosophy had been different from hers, but she would attempt
to be objective in her description of them. She stated that
the members appeared to be sympathetic to Stalinism as they
had never attacked Russia while intellectual liberals in
Germany had, at various times, been anti-STALIN. She named
the big four of the Institute as FELIX WEIL, MAX HORKHEIMER,
FREDERICK POLLOCK and LEO LOWENTHAL. She did not know of
any of these individuals as members of the CP in this country,
but it was very likely that they belonged to the CP in Germany
and certainly were in sympathy with it. She asked that her
name be concealed.

NY file 100-26603-944 contained a report of confidential
informant ROBERT M dated 1/29/43, in which he lists individuals
whom he alleges to be former German Communists, fellow travellers
or Communist stooges, as follows:

MAX HORKHEIMER Germany
F. R. POLLOCK N.Y.
FELIX WEIL
KARL AUGUST WITTVOGEL

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Concerning [redacted] who is [redacted] and temporarily residing in Los Angeles, the Los Angeles Office is referred to airtel dated 3/1/55, entitled [redacted] b7D
[redacted] FORMER CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT," and to airtel to Los Angeles, 5/9/55, entitled [redacted] was;
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In NY file 100-26504-27, there is contained a Bureau letter to NY dated 2/9/44 enclosing photostat of testimony of FREDERICK POLLOCK, Acting Director of the International Institute of Social Research, 429 West 117th Street, NYC, given before the Interdepartmental Visa Review Committee on 1/14/44, in connection with the visa application of one WOLF FRANCK. During this testimony, which consisted of questions and answers, FREDERICK POLLOCK stated that his political convictions are about the same as one who is a student of Social Science and interested in Communism, but not believing in it. In answer to a question whether he thinks Communism would work in the US and why, he answered, "No, because in the nearly 10 years of experience I have had with American people.. I have travelled quite a lot in this country and I met many Americans... I think Americans are so much opposed to regimentation that even if Communism could give them a sort of a Utopia, they would not accept it. They would just dislike it. If food stamps would give them 10 times more food, they would still want to buy their food without stamps."

In answering other questions, he stated that he would not say that there was any attempt on the part of Communists to infiltrate the Institute,.. there were students who were Communists,..there was no restriction as to political parties.

NY file 100-26504-25 contains the information that, in the latter part of 1943, Dr. FRIEDRICH BAERWALD of Fordham University related to SA HARVEY E. RATH that he had lived most of his life in Frankfort, Germany. He said that the Institute of Social Research was commonly known in Frankfort as "Cafe Marx," reflecting the popular opinion that it was a leftist or theoretically Marxist organization; that the group was a leftist organization on a scientific level and that its

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tendencies were definitely of an academic nature, rather than political. He said that members of the Institute are what he would term "theoretical Marxists"; that the Institute was composed of professional sociologists and economists, was interested in Marxism, was of an abstract nature; that the material published by the Institute has absolutely no mass appeal, and, therefore, could not possibly serve as a vehicle for Marxist propaganda; that the work of the Institute was esoteric in that through their writings the members of the Institute virtually talk among themselves. RUC.

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TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (61-7421)

DATE: June 28, 1955

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FROM : SAC, LOS ANGELES (100-51653) (100-51654)

CF

SUBJECT: Dr. FREDERICK POLLOCK
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MAX HORKHEIMER
SM - C

Re New York letters to Director, dated 3/1/55 and 5/20/55.

In referenced letter, dated March 1, 1955, the New York Office advised that the Bureau had received information from the Legal Attache, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, that one [redacted] had stated that Dr. FREDERICK POLLOCK and MAX HORKHEIMER were Communists. According to referenced letter, [redacted] based much or all of his allegation on the writings of these individuals which appear in the publication "Zeitschrift Fuer Sozialforschung". This letter also noted that a review of the translation of pertinent parts of "Sozialforschung" disclosed that the contents were scientific in nature, rather than propagandistic, and nowhere in the issues translated and examined had the authors mentioned Communism or indicated their attitude toward Communism.

b7D

On the basis of information set forth in referenced letter, dated May 20, 1955, Los Angeles was requested to determine whether or not an investigation should be conducted in this case. Information set out in this letter indicated the academic nature of POLLOCK and HORKHEIMER'S interest in Communism and lacked substantial factual information that these individuals were or have been Communists.

The indices of the Los Angeles Office reflected only that information regarding POLLOCK and HORKHEIMER submitted to the Bureau in the case entitled, "FELIX LUCIO JOSE WEIL, International Institute of Social Research, SM-C," Bureau file 100-106126, Los Angeles files 100-30307 and 100-6036.

In Los Angeles file 100-6036, it is noted that MAX HORKHEIMER forwarded a coded telegram from Carlsbad, New Mexico, to Dr. FREDERICK POLLOCK, New York City, on April 19, 1941, the telegram being signed "Alright" by the sender. A letter from the FBI Laboratory to Los Angeles, dated July 15, 1941, reflected that translation of aforementioned telegram was examined but no evidence of a cryptographic nature was found.

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Los Angeles file 100-6036 also reflected that another telegram was sent to Dr. POLLOCK, signed "Alright", presumed to be MAX HORKHEIMER on the basis of previous information that HORKHEIMER was in the habit of sending telegrams and statements, signing them "Alright". This telegram was submitted to the FBI Laboratory for examination of any hidden meaning. The FBI Laboratory by letter dated July 27, 1948, advised that the message "exhibits characteristics indicating the possible presence of a concealed message. No specific decryption of Qc2 (the telegram in question) could be developed, and no concealment system could be identified. However, one possibility is that the cablegram might be a word-transposition type of cipher. No proof could be developed to support this...

Another possibility in connection with this specimen is the use of a private word code not available to the Laboratory."

It is pointed out in the letter from the Laboratory that the "small amount of text constituting this specimen made a substantiation of any assumption as to concealed meaning extremely difficult."

Los Angeles file 100-30307 reflected the following pertinent information regarding Dr. FREDERICK POLLOCK and MAX HORKHEIMER:


The Bureau received information from an anonymous source that a deportation case before one Judge BAIRD in Los Angeles, California "will expose the Communist crew at Columbia College". It involves Dr. FELIX WEIL, Dr. MAX HORKHEIMER, and Dr. FREDERICK POLLOCK of the Institute of Social Research, 429 West 117th Street, New York City, New York.

On November 17, 1948, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] appeared at the Los Angeles Office to furnish information regarding the alleged Communist affiliations and activities of Dr. FELIX WEIL, Dr. MAX HORKHEIMER, and Dr. FREDERICK POLLOCK, and the instant International Institute of Social Research. Investigation disclosed that the original allegations made by [REDACTED] her part and not substantiated by any evidence other than that WEIL had associated with HANS EISLER and other individuals. There is no information in the file to substantiate [REDACTED] allegation concerning [REDACTED] Dr. POLLOCK, Dr. HORKHEIMER, or the International Institute of Social Research.

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A review of the information concerning POLLOCK and HORKHEIMER in the Los Angeles Office and information set out in referenced letters disclosed no basis for instigating an investigation at this time since all information on these individuals indicated an academic and theoretic interest in Communism and Marxism at the most, and no report of acts or statements on their part would indicate they are a threat to the United States. In addition, the following informants, who are familiar with Communist Party (CP) activity in the area of POLLOCK'S residence and HORKHEIMER'S former residence in the Santa Monica area, all advised SA ROBERT R. CARMICHAEL on June 21, 1955 that they know of no CP activity on the part of POLLOCK or HORKHEIMER.

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For the information of the Bureau, it is noted that Miss MARGOT VON MENDELSSOHN, 11931 San Vicente Boulevard, West Los Angeles, California, was contacted under pretext and advised she has been secretary for the above individuals for fifteen years; that Dr. POLLOCK is performing private study in connection with the International Institute of Social Research and resides at Muehlebach Strasse, Zuerich, Switzerland, temporarily; that Dr. HORKHEIMER is presently teaching at Frankfort University, Frankfort, Germany, and resides at Frankfort on Main, Westendstrass #79, Frankfort, Germany.

Miss MENDELSSOHN further advised that Dr. POLLOCK will, in the near future, return to his home, 21 Latimer Road, Santa Monica, California.

In view of the information set out above, these cases are being placed in a closed status.