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JOHN DENJANJUK  
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ReCVairtels 9/4/84 and 12/12/84 concerning captioned individual.

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Matters related to efforts by the U.S. Government to have captioned subject denaturalized and deported because of alleged activities as a Nazi prison guard, and information coming to the attention of the FBI bearing upon such efforts, should be submitted, under the appropriate caption, to the attention of the Executive Agencies Unit (EAU), Records Management Division, FBI Headquarters. The EAU has responsibility for liaison with the Office of Special Investigations (OSI), U.S. Department of Justice, which is the Office charged with responsibility for locating and prosecuting Nazi war criminals in the United States.

The material furnished by Mr. JEROME A BRENTAR concerning the DENJANJUK case, and the Cleveland Plain Dealer newspaper article of November 29, 1984, have been provided to EAU Chief Storm Watkins, who will, if deemed appropriate, furnish those items to OSI. Further information regarding alleged manipulation of the events surrounding the proceedings involving subject by the KGB or any other organization should be furnished to EAU Chief Storm Watkins for a determination as to its suitability for transmission to OSI.

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FBIHQ indices checks revealed numerous references to JEROME BRENTAR, EUROPA TRAVEL SERVICE, in various FBIHQ files concerning Yugoslavian, East German and other East European immigrant matters. Review of several FBIHQ files, including

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Re: JOHN DEMJANJUK

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revealed that in the 1960s BRENTAR was a source of information for the Cleveland Office concerning Yugoslav and Slovenian matters, and prominent in efforts to find homes for displaced East European refugees and immigrants. A Cleveland letter to the Director located in the latter file and dated 3/21/63, states that BRENTAR was born in Cleveland on 7/17/21, received a BA in sociology from Western Reserve University and attended a graduate school in Munich, Germany, from 1949 until 1951. Thereafter, he was employed by the National Catholic Welfare Conference in Munich, and worked with the International Refugee Organization, screening displaced persons seeking to enter the United States. He opened his travel service business in 1954. Cleveland should contact EAU for guidance as to whether Mr. BRENTAR should be re-interviewed concerning the deportation hearings regarding JOHN DEMJANJUK.

Cleveland should close captioned [105-file] (S)(u) and submit future communications concerning the deportation proceedings involving JOHN DEMJANJUK under the appropriate caption, to the attention of EAU Chief Storm Watkins, RMD.

NOTE:

Subject is a Ukrainian emigre recently deprived of his naturalized U.S. citizenship, and undergoing deportation hearings as a result of allegations he is a Nazi war criminal who made false statements on documents requesting entry into the United States. He has alleged that the OSI prosecution of him is unfounded and malicious, predicated upon a desire to please the State of Israel, and based upon KGB fabricated documents. Subject insists that the KGB is out to destroy him because he is a prominent anti-communist and anti-Soviet Ukrainian emigre community in Cleveland and that, if returned to the USSR, he will surely be murdered by the Soviets. JEROME BRENTAR is a longtime activist in the East European emigre community in Cleveland, who has taken up DEMJANJUK's cause, pursuing the theme that DEMJANJUK is being victimized by a persecutorial DOJ, KGB inspired documents falsely indicating he was a guard at the Treblinka concentration camp, and a corrupt Judge. (Cleveland has advised that Judge Frank J. Battisti has been the subject of a Grand Jury investigation concerning corruption and judicial misconduct.) (S)(u)

Cleveland submitted the referenced airtels under an [FCI-R] (S)(u) caption and requested guidance as to how to proceed. This matter was coordinated with EAU Chief Storm Watkins, who advised that the matter is one that should be more appropriately handled by his unit, which has liaison with the DOJ's OSI regarding alleged Nazi war criminals. (S)(u)

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