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USCIB: 13.5/50      Item A (Not on Agenda) for the Thirteenth Meeting of USCIBEC, held on 26 March 1954.

Subject:              The Anderson Case.

THE CHAIRMAN said that he understood the FBI has interesting information to report on subject case.

MR. KEAY reported that Anderson's mother had been interviewed on a pretext by the FBI and it had thus been learned that Anderson was due home on 25 or 26 March. Meanwhile it had been further learned that Anderson did in fact arrive home in Minneapolis as expected.

THE CHAIRMAN asked if the Committee would agree to having [redacted] interview Anderson to find out what happened to him, if anything, while in Yugoslavia.

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[redacted] Anderson might attach too much importance to such an interview and perhaps envisage himself as a distinguished world traveler.

THE CHAIRMAN expressed his opinion that it would be highly desirable to find out to what extent, if any, Anderson was molested by the police, if he were kicked out of Yugoslavia, what happened that might have brought on the message directing that he be placed under surveillance, etc.

CAPTAIN AGNEW suggested that as an ex-Army file the Army should interview him.

LT. COLONEL LONG did not welcome this suggestion pointing out that Anderson is not a reservist. [redacted]

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THE CHAIRMAN asked if the FBI would undertake the job.

MR. KEAY said he thought FBI might accept the task but that it would be simpler and more logical for the Army to do it since they discharged the man and warned him not to go to Yugoslavia.

There was some discussion as to the method of interview if it were agreed to be done.

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