

18 January 1952

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Washington

R. S. Travis 2268

New York

~~SENSITIVE  
Secret Security Information~~

TO LEA FROM ASHCRAFT BY SPECIAL SERVICES (TRAVIS) WA 8622  
 THIS IS SENSITIVE  
 THIS IS NEW CASE 9145. REFERENCE MADE TO ~~LEA~~ LEA'S CONVERSATION YESTERDAY  
 WITH TRAVIS AND ROSE REGARDING THE OPC REQUEST FOR CONTACT WITH THE RESEARCH  
 INSTITUTE OF AMERICA. AS ROSE INDICATED, HE WILL BE IN NEW YORK ON WEDNESDAY,  
 23 JANUARY, AND WOULD LIKE TO HAVE YOU MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO MEET WITH THE  
 APPROPRIATE PERSON OR PERSONS IN RIA TO DISCUSS A COVER CASE. ROSE HAS ADVISED  
 THAT BOTH LEO CHERNE AND CARL HOUFGARD HAVE BEEN GIVEN COVERT OPERATIONAL  
 CLEARANCES. FOLLOWING IS THE BACKGROUND OF THIS CASE. THERE IS A MAN BY THE  
 NAME OF [ ] PRESENTLY WORKING FOR ECA IN WASHINGTON WHO IS GOING  
 TO RESIGN FROM ECA AND COME WITH CIA, AND WILL GO OVERSEAS FOR OPC. HE IS  
 GOING TO LEAVE ECA SOMETIME AROUND THE END OF THIS MONTH, AND MUST HAVE SOME  
 EXPLANATION AS TO THE REASON FOR HIS RESIGNATION. THEREFORE, OPC WISHES  
 TO ~~SEEK~~ LOCATE SOME FIRM WHICH WILL BE WILLING TO BACKSTOP ~~EXX~~ [ ]  
 RESIGNATION, IN THE FORM OF [ ]. [ ] HAS BEEN A RESEARCH  
 ANALYST ON ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL PROBLEMS IN ITALY, AND IT IS FELT THAT  
 PERHAPS, EMPLOYMENT WITH RIA WOULD BE A LOGICAL ~~REASON~~ REASON TO  
 GIVE FOR RESIGNING FROM ECA. THE RIA COVER WILL NOT BE UTILIZED FOR [ ]  
 COVER OVERSEAS. ABOUT ALL THAT WOULD BE REQUIRED OF RIA WOULD BE TO ACKNOWLEDGE,

~~SENSITIVE SECRET SECURITY INFORMATION~~

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VSECRET TO WASHINGTON FROM NEW YORK

TO ASHCRAFT FOR TRAVIS FROM LEA -- SECURITY INFORMATION -- CITE NY 8392

CASE 9145.

THIS IS SENSITIVE. RE W-3622 RPT W-3622. LEO CHERNE RPT LEO CHERNE  
IS THE MAN. WE HAVE SET UP AN APPOINTMENT FOR NEXT WEDNESDAY AT 3:30  
RPT 3:30 PM SO ROSE RPR ROSE BETTER BE HERE IN THIS OFFICE BY 2:30 RPT  
2:30 PM.  
PLEASE CONFIRM.

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*Handwritten note:*  
Rose advised. He  
will be there at 2:30  
on 23 Jan.

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21 January 1952

Washington

R. S. Travis 2268

New York

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TO LEA FROM AIRCRAFT BY SPECIAL SERVICES (TRAVIS) WA 8651

THIS IS SENSITIVE. RE CASE 9145 AND UR NY 0392. (ROSE) ADVISES THAT HE WILL  
BE IN YOUR OFFICE BY 2:30 PM on WEDNESDAY, 23~~xx~~ 23 JANUARY. THANKS VERY  
MUCH.

SECRET-SECURITY INFORMATION-SENSITIVE

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**Background Information:**

Born [redacted] Netherlands  
Single  
American citizen

Education: [redacted] - Amsterdam, Netherlands  
St. Louis University, St. Louis, Missouri - [redacted]  
Georgetown Foreign Service School - 2 yrs. [redacted]  
University of Chicago - M.A. in International Economic  
Relations in [redacted]

Languages: German, Dutch, French and Italian

M.A. Thesis: [redacted]  
[redacted] (received honors)

**Employment Record:**

June 1950 - present International Economist, [redacted]  
[redacted] Mainly concerned  
with Italian and Trieste economic affairs. Analyzed  
economic and financial position of Italy in light of  
ECA aid program, and [redacted]  
[redacted] Also prepared two, three and  
four year forecasts designed to show expected  
economic trends and developments in Italy. These  
were included in the ECA congressional presentations.

Oct. 47 - June '48 Research analyst I [redacted]  
[redacted] Engaged in selection  
of and formulation of reports on [redacted]  
which shed light on the West Europe campaign.

Oct. 46 - Feb. 47 Archivist in [redacted]  
[redacted], Department of the Army. Served as  
chief of the [redacted] collected reports,  
dispatches, cables, etc and developed an index system.

Jan. 45 - Aug 45 Assistant to [redacted]  
with [redacted] of Hq. Twelfth Army  
Group. Duties consisted mainly of availability and  
requirements studies connected with food needs of the  
German population

Address  
[redacted]  
[redacted]

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SECRET TO WASHINGTON FROM NEW YORK

TO ASHCRAFT FOR TRAVIS FROM LEA -- SECURITY INFORMATION -- CITE NY 0470

THIS IS SENSITIVE.

CASE 9145.

THE MEETING TODAY WITH CHERNE RPT CHERNE WAS COMPLETELY SUCCESSFUL.

WHEN HE GETS BACK TO WASHINGTON, ROSE IS GOING TO SUBMIT TO US THROUGH YOU ADDITIONAL BACKGROUND INFORMATION ON [ ] RPT [ ] WHICH WE WILL TURN OVER TO CHERNE.

WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT WHEN [ ] MAKES HIS PITCH AT ECA RPT ICA AND TELLS THEM THAT HE IS BEING OFFERED A JOB WITH THE RESEARCH INSTITUTE OF AMERICA THAT HE STRESS THE NAME OF LEO CHERNE WHO ACTUALLY WILL BE THE ONLY PERSON WHO WILL BE ABLE TO BACK UP THIS STORY.

*Discussed with Rose. He will furnish data to us. Copy sent to Rose.*

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**SECURITY INFORMATION**

25 January 1952

**MEMORANDUM FOR: THE RECORD**

**SUBJECT: Backstopping of Cover by the Research Institute of America**

1. Pursuant to conversations between Mr. Rose and Mr. Engels of CIA/opc and Mr. Travis of OO/Contacts, an appointment was made for Mr. Rose to see Mr. Leo Cherne, Executive Secretary of the Research Institute of America, 292 Madison Avenue, New York City, to explore the willingness of Mr. Cherne to backstop the cover story of a proposed [redacted]. The appointment was made, and kept, for Wednesday morning, 23 January 1952 in New York City in the presence of Mr. Clark of the New York branch of the Contacts Division.

2. The proposed story of the [redacted] in question, who had been employed on the economic research side of ECA specializing in Italy, was that he wished to resign from ECA and take up an offer to be extended to him in civilian employment. Since the Research Institute of America seemed to fit in naturally with his background and activities in ECA, Mr. Cherne was asked:

a. If he would backstop the [redacted] story that he was quitting ECA to take employment with the Research Institute of America during his three months period of [redacted] and

b. Whether he would in fact [redacted] and send him as a representative of the Institute to [redacted] at the conclusion of his period of training.

Mr. Cherne replied that unfortunately the latter was impossible inasmuch as his company did not send personnel overseas in any capacity. As regards the immediate backstopping of the [redacted] story, however, Mr. Cherne said that he would be happy to oblige for a period of training only, to wit, three months, after which other cover would have to be sought. Mr. Cherne requested that he be furnished at an early date with more complete information as to what was to be expected of him in his role as a backstop and further stated that he would like to meet the [redacted] personally as soon as could be arranged. This has been communicated to Mr. Engels, the case officer, who will oblige at the earliest opportunity.

3. This case

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**SECURITY INFORMATION**

3. This case may be referred to for further discussion and/or information as Case Number C/101.

**EDWARD A. ROSE**  
OD/OP

OD/OP/EAR/rs  
25 Jan 52

**Distribution:**  
OD/OP (Rose): orig  
Contacts  
Division/OO : 1  
WE-lj (Engels): 1  
OD/OP : 2  
SD/RE : 2

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Security Information

7 February 1952

**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Mr. Edward A. Ross

**SUBJECT:** Cover Story for Research Institute of America

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1. Mr. [ ] who has his MA in International Economic Relations from the University of Chicago, has been working for ECA. He has been hired by the Research Institute of America to do economic research and writing for their weekly newsletter on economic subjects having to do with Western Europe. (Mr. [ ] knows Dutch, German, French and Italian.) It could be admitted that he would like eventually to do such writing abroad, but has not yet found a way.

2. His hiring may be delayed for some time. Mr. Leo Cherne will be informed when the story is to be used. By that time, Mr. [ ] will have called on Mr. Cherne.

(DANIEL J. WHEALTON)  
WE-4

DJW/atp

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ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

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Security Information

FROM:

WE-4  
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NO.

DATE

7 Feb 52

TO	ROOM NO	DATE		OFFICER'S INITIALS	COMMENTS
		REC'D	FWD'D		
1. OD/OP Mr. Rose	1704 4	Feb 7 1952	Feb 8 1952	ER	<p>Bob - Would you please see that the New York Office gets this to pass on to LC as verbally arranged.</p> <p>ER</p> <p>C/107</p> <p>Case 9145</p>
2. OO/CO Mr. Travis.					
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**SENSITIVE**

13 February 1952

Chief, New York Office

Chief, Contact Division

Case 9149

1. When Rose of OPC was in New York on 23 January 1952 to discuss cover with Mr. Leo Cherne, Executive Secy. of the Research Institute of America, Mr. Cherne requested additional information as to what was to be expected of him in his role as a backstop to the [redacted]. The following information has been forwarded by OPC, and is quoted below. Mr. Rose requests that you pass this information on to Mr. Cherne.

a. "Mr. [redacted] who has his MA in International Economic Relations from the University of Chicago, has been working for ECA. He has been hired by the Research Institute of America to do economic research and writing for their weekly newsletter on economic subjects having to do with Western Europe. (Mr. [redacted] knows Dutch, German, French and Italian.) It could be admitted that he would like eventually to do such writing abroad, but has not yet found a way.

b. "His hiring may be delayed for some time. Mr. Leo Cherne will be informed when the story is to be used. By that time, Mr. [redacted] will have called on Mr. Cherne."

2. We are closing this case. Should further action be required, we will reopen.

E. M. ASHCRAFT

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SECRET OO WASHINGTON FROM NEW YORK

TO ASHCRAFT FOR SPECIAL SERVICES (TRAVIS) FROM LEA -- SECURITY  
INFORMATION -- CITE NY 2315

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CASE 9145.

- 1. WILL YOU TELL ROSE RPT ROSE THAT THE APPOINTMENT WITH LEO CHERNE  
RPT LEO CHERNE HAS BEEN SET UP FOR WEDNESDAY, 4 RPT 4 JUNE AT 11:30  
RPT 11.30 A.M.
- 2. PLEASE CONFIRM ✓

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3 June  
 Rose advised - he will  
 make appointment  
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3 June 1952

Washington

New York

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R. S. Travis 2268

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TO LEA FROM ASHCRAFT BY SPECIAL SERVICES (TRAVIS)W 1301  
CASE 9145 AND UR NY 2315. (ROSE) ADVISES THAT HE WILL KEEP APPOINTMENT WITH CHERNE  
AS SET-UP IN YOUR TELETYPE MESSAGE.

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Security Information

Chief, Contact Division, OO

19 May 1952

Chief, Cover Division, PLANS/OSO

Appointment with William A. BARRON, John E. TOULMIN  
and Leo CHERNE

Reference: CS-1512 and CS-1337

1. This will confirm Mr. Rose's verbal request that the Contact Division/OO ask its Boston field office to arrange appointments for Mr. Edward Rose of Cover Division, PLANS/OSO, to see Mr. William A. Barron, Chairman of the Board, [redacted] Company, and Mr. John E. Toulmin, Senior Vice President of the [redacted] at their convenience on Wednesday May 21, 1952. The purpose of the visit is to explore the willingness of these gentlemen to act as ostensible donors of funds to support a current operation.

2. This will also confirm Mr. Rose's request that the New York City field office of the Contact Division/OO arrange an appointment for Mr. Rose to see Mr. Leo Cherne, President of the Research Institute of America at Mr. Cherne's convenience on Thursday May 22, 1952. Mr. Cherne, who has for some time been backstopping the activities of an [redacted] in this country, has apparently expressed willingness to provide [redacted] for this [redacted] abroad. The purpose of the interview is to discuss more fully Mr. Cherne's proposal. Cover Division would be happy to have an OO field office representative present to insure continuity.

3. As a result of the above requests, Mr. Barron found to his regret that he was unable to cooperate with the Agency at the present time. Mr. Toulmin, on the other hand, was most cooperative. Mr. Cherne, unfortunately, was out of town. The New York field office has been asked to try to arrange a meeting with Mr. Cherne, as outlined above, for Wednesday afternoon, June 4, 1952.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

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**Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT**

CS-1337 (Rose)

TO : Chief, Contact Division, OO  
FROM : Chief, Cover Division, PLANS/OSO  
SUBJECT: Field Trip to Interview Leo CHERNE  
Reference: CS-1337

DATE: 6 June 1952

*Clark  
9145*

1. On Wednesday, June 4, 1952, an interview was arranged by the Contact Division, OO, for Mr. (Rose) of the Cover Division, PLANS/OSO with Mr. Leo Cherne, President of the Research Institute of America. The meeting was held at 11:30 a.m. in Mr. Cherne's office at 292 Madison Avenue, New York City, and Mr. (Rose) was accompanied by Mr. Clark of the New York field office of Contact Division, OO.

2. Mr. Cherne, who is currently [redacted] within the United States, had expressed the wish to be provided with some form of letter indicating that the Agency was requesting his cooperation, and the purpose of the interview was to inform Mr. Cherne that this was against Agency policy.

3. This information was accordingly conveyed by Mr. Clark and Mr. (Rose) to Mr. Cherne who accepted it with good grace. In reply to a question by Mr. (Rose) he indicated that this refusal would in no way mitigate his desire to be of service to the Agency.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

**Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT****TO :** Files**DATE:** 4 MARCH 1954**FROM :** Coleman**SUBJECT:** Case ~~1944~~ 9145

On 3 March Ormond requested that a meeting be set up for him with Leo Cherne, President of the Research Institute of America. Ormond said that he would not need more than a half an hour. Galled Connor who had Bob McCann set up meeting with Cherne for Monday (8th March) at 3:00 p.m. Ormond will go to the New York Office at 2:15 on Monday to meet McCann and take off for the meeting. This meeting was requested as a Cat III, and McCann will have to bow out after introduction. Ormond is happy, New York is happy.

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SUPPORT  
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4 MARCH 1954

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NEW YORK

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ROUTINE

TO LEA FOR CONNOR FROM ASHCRAFT BY SUPPORT (COLEMAN)

CASE ~~9145~~ 9145. RE CONNOR/COLEMAN TELECONS OF 3 MARCH. <sup>de</sup> CONNOR WILL BE IN  
YOUR OFFICE AT 2:15, MONDAY THE 8TH OF MARCH PRIOR TO THE CAT III APPOINTMENT  
YOU HAVE ARRANGED FOR HIM W/ LEO CHERNS. THANKS.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

**SECRET****Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT****TO** : Chief, Contact Division, OOCS-1337 (Ormond)  
DATE: 4 March 1954**FROM** : Chief, FI/Plans/Cover Division *ll***SUBJECT**: Requested meeting with Leo Cherne  
OO/C Case 9145

1. On 3 March 1954, Mr. Coleman of your office was requested by Mr. (Ormond) to arrange a Category III meeting for him with Leo Cherne of Research Institute of America, 292 Madison Avenue, New York City. The identity of an [redacted] and the area in which he will be [redacted] will be discussed. On the same date Mr. Coleman informed that the appointment had been made for 3:00 PM on 8 March 1954. (Ormond) was requested to arrive at the New York OO/C office between 2:00 - 2:15 PM to meet Bob McCann who will accompany him to Cherne's office and make the introduction.

2. Cover Division appreciates the assistance rendered by your office. Mr. (Ormond) will follow the above instructions.

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17 March 1954<sup>06</sup>  
CS-1337 (Ormond)

MEMORANDUM FOR : Chief, Contact Division, OO  
FROM : Chief, FI/Plans/Cover Division *pk*  
SUBJECT : OO/C case 9145

1. On 8 March 1954, pursuant to arrangements that had been made by your office, Bob McCann of your New York office introduced Mr. Ormond to Mr. Leo Cherne of the Research Institute of America, 292 Madison Avenue, New York City. As a Category III interview had been requested, Mr. McCann departed soon after the introduction was made.
2. We would like to inform you that Mr. Cherne was cordial and agreed to cooperate with the Agency as requested.
3. On 15 March 1954, Mr. Ormond<sup>06</sup> again met with Mr. Cherne in his office at New York City to discuss further the operational matter. You were previously informed of Ormond's appointment on 15 March 1954 and while in New York on that day, he visited your New York office.
4. Your assistance in this matter is indeed appreciated by Cover Division.

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COLEMAN  
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2268  
23 March 1954

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NEW YORK

ROUTINE

FOR CORROB  
TO LEA/FROH AIRCRAFT BY SUPPORT(COLEMAN) <sup>ob</sup> 2499  
CASE 9145. FOR YOUR INFORMATION, OLIVER ORMOND WILL BE IN NEW YORK ON 23 MARCH FOR  
A 10:30 A.M. MEETING WITH KER LEO CHEVRE. HE WILL COME TO THE NEW YORK OFFICE ABOUT  
1 P.M. FOR THE PURPOSE OF DELIVERING A CHECK TO AMOS BELDEN INRE CASE 8417. <sup>24</sup> <sup>ob</sup>

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CORNER FROM SUPPORT (TRAVIS) WA 8244

CASE 9145 REOPENED. RAY MILLARD HAS REQUESTED THAT YOU TRY TO GET SET UP APPOINTMENT FOR HIM WITH LEO CHERNE IN CONNECTION WITH THIS CASE ~~FOR~~ FOR SOMETIME NEXT WEEK. PURPOSE OF THE MEETING WILL BE TO SEE CHERNE ABOUT ~~THE~~ EXTENDING COVER ARRANGEMENT FOR ADDITIONAL PERIOD OF TIME. REQUEST THAT THIS APPOINTMENT BE COORDINATED WITH ONE REQUESTED FOR MILLARD UNDER CASE 18945 (COLEMAN). THANKS VERY MUCH.

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SUPPORT (TRAVIS) FROM MCCANN

CASE 9145 X 9145

JAN 19 3 11 PM '51

RAY MILLARD X RAY MILLARD HAS APPOINTMENT WITH LEO CHERNE X LEO CHERNE ON THURSDAY 26 X 26 JANUARY AT 2 PM X 2 PM. CHERNE'S ADDRESS IS 292 X 292 MADISON AVE.

APPOINTMENT UNDER CASE 18945 X 18945 IS FOR SAME DAY AT 3 PM X 3 PM.

SUGGEST RAY MILLARD DROP BY THIS OFFICE AT 1:30 PM ON 26 X 26 JANUARY X AT 1:30 PM ON 26 JANUARY, BEFORE HIS MEETING WITH CHERNE.

PLEASE CONFIRM.



*20 Jan  
Millard advised  
and I will make appt  
& contact office  
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Washington

R. S. Travis 2268

New York

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ECCANN FROM SUPPORT (TRAVIS) WA 8456

CASES 9145 AND 18945. REUR ED NYOR 1191. MILLARD WILL MAKE APPOINTMENTS AS SET UP BY YOU. HE WILL CHECK INDO THE OFFICE BY 1:00 PM ON THE 26TH. THANKS VERY MUCH.

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SUPPORT (TRAVIS) FROM MCCANN

CASE 9145 X 9145

MILLARD HAD SUCCESSFUL MEETING WITH LEO CHERNE WHO AGREED TO PROPOSITION

MILLARD WILL DRAFT A LETTER FOR CHERNE WHICH WILL BE FORWARDED TO

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CS-1337 (Millard)  
2 February 1956

9745-RST

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Contact Division, OO  
SUBJECT : Research Institute of America

1. On 26 January 1956, Mr. Millard of this office, together with Mr. Robert McCann, New York OO/C Office, interviewed Mr. Leo Cherne of the above captioned organization.
2. The results of this meeting were extremely satisfactory for our purposes and we are deeply appreciative of Mr. McCann's assistance in this matter.
3. Your cooperation is appreciated.

*John J. Southard*  
for John J. Southard  
Chief, CCR/CC

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DRAFT

Dear \_\_\_\_\_:

I am happy to know that you are agreeable to assisting on a continuing basis as set out in your recent communication. However, this letter is being prepared to formalize our understanding and to make it a matter of record.

Effective April 1, 1956, you are appointed a Research Consultant for a period of two years with an annual salary of \$5,000.00.

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**SECRET**CS-1337 (Millard)  
2 February 1956**SUGGEST****MEMORANDUM FOR:** Mr. Robert McCann  
New York OO/C Office**SUBJECT:** Research Institute of America

1. Attached is a suggested draft of the proposed Letter of Understanding between Mr. Cherne and his special<sup>08</sup> employee.
2. In addition to the two paragraphs set out in the draft, it is suggested that Mr. Cherne also include either: (a) a brief general statement of the duties and responsibilities or (b) a statement indicating that the employee will continue the agreed-upon functions.
3. Another paragraph might be inserted with reference to the employee's past satisfactory performance.
4. For Mr. Cherne's information, the employee has had another article published in the [redacted] which was issued on 23 January 1956, under the title [redacted].  
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5. We appreciate your and Mr. Cherne's courtesy and cooperation in this matter.

Raymond A. Millard  
Central Cover Branch  
Non-Official CoverAttachment  
As stated aboveRFM:dmw  
cc: CS-1337**SECRET**

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**SECRET**CS-1337 (Millard)  
2 February 1956

9145-RST

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Contact Division, OO  
SUBJECT : Research Institute of America

This is confirm the verbal concurrence given to Mr. Millard on 2 February 1956 by Mr. Travis for the hand-carry of the original of the attached memorandum to Mr. Robert McCann, New York OO/C Office.

*Frank R. Southard*  
for John G. Southard  
Chief, ECB/NC

Attachment  
As stated above

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15 Feb 56

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New York

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CASE 9145. MILLARE WONDERS IF YOU HAVE HAD ANY SUCCESS IN OBTAIN CHERNE'S SIGNATURE ON THE LETTER FORWARDED TO YOU IN DRAFT FORM ON 2 FEB? WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR COMMENTS. THANKS.

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SUPPORT (TRAVIS) FROM MCCANN

CASE 9145 X 9145.

CHERNE HAS WRITTEN AND DISPATCHED THE LETTER.

WE HAVE COPY OF THE LETTER HERE, WHICH APPROXIMATES PROPOSED DRAFT BY MILLARD.

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17 Feb 56  
Millard advised  
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2 March 56

Washington

New York

MCCANN FROM SUPPORT (TRAVIS) WA 0350  
 CASE 9145. MR. MILLANE ADVISES THAT COPY OF LETTER WRITTEN BY CHERNE WAS  
 SENT TO HEADQUARTERS ABOUT TWO WEEKS AGO. LETTER WAS NOT RECEIVED. YOUR NYOR  
 1685 INDICATED THAT YOU HAD COPY, BUT NO RECORD HERE OF ~~ENTERED~~  
 A COPY EVER COMING TO HEADQUARTERS. WILL YOU PLEASE FORWARD COPY. THANKS VERY  
 MUCH.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

**TO :** Chief, Contact Division  
**Attn :** Support (Travis)  
**FROM :** Chief, New York Office

**DATE:** 5 March 1956

**SUBJECT:** Case 9145 *pst*  
WA 0350

1. We mistakenly advised Mr. Raymond Millard, last week, that we had forwarded to your division a copy of the letter which Leo Cherne had dispatched to Mr. . . . . As you pointed out in your WA 0350 we merely advised you that we had a copy and did not forward it to Headquarters.
2. Attached you will find a replica of the letter written by Mr. Cherne.

APR 5 15 05 PM '56

*R.W.*  
R.W. McCannister  
Attachment

*Cher*  
Charles A. Lea

*7 Mar 56  
letter fwd to Millard.  
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P. T. Amico  
Research Institute

CS-1337. Case 9145

- Mr. Carn

Cherone is aware that our boy  
is writing for a magazine  
named [redacted]. However the  
editor of this magazine is going  
to the area where our man is  
located, but is not writing.  
✓ She may know editor and boy is  
going to tell editor that he <sup>does not</sup> works

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for Leo and other. O  
 In the event that the Editor knows Leo, and should see Leo and mention this agent and the writing relationship, Chern is not to identify the  7

Boy will send in report of his conversation with Editor so that if necessary, Leo Chern can be advised of it

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Washington

R. S. Travis 2268

New York

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MCCANN FROM SUPPORT (TRAVIS)WA 8598

CASE 9145. RAY MILLARD HAS REQUESTED THAT YOU ~~SEE~~ PASS SOME INFORMATION ON TO LEO CHERNE. ~~EXPLAIN~~ YOU KNOW, AS DOES CHERNE, THAT ~~THEY~~ OUR MAN WHO IS DOING WORK FOR LEO, HAS ALSO BEEN WRITING FOR [REDACTED] AS WELL AS ~~OTHER~~ DOING OTHER JOBS. IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT THE EDITOR OF THE [REDACTED] IS GOING TO TAKE A TRIP TO THE AREA WHERE OUR BOY IS LOCATED, AND WILL SEE HIM. WHEN OUR BOY SEES [REDACTED] HE IS GOING TO TELL HIM THAT HE DOES SOME WORK FOR LEO CHERNE, AND OTHERS, BESIDES SUBMITTING ARTICLES FOR THE [REDACTED] HE WILL NOT OF COURSE, IDENTIFY HIMSELF WITH THE AGENCY. [REDACTED] IS UNWITTING OF ANY AGENCY RELATIONSHIP, AND IT IS DESIRED THAT IT BE KEPT THIS WAY. ON THE OFF CHANCE THAT CHERNE MAY KNOW [REDACTED] AND IF ON THE FURTHER CHANCE THAT UPON HIS RETURN TO THE US [REDACTED] MAY SEE CHERNE AND TELL HIM THAT HE RAN INTO OUR BOY WHO INDICATED THAT HE WAS DOING SOME WORK FOR CHERNE, WILL YOU TELL CHERNE, ~~THAT~~ <sup>AS SOON AS POSSIBLE,</sup> [REDACTED] IS NOT WITTING OF THE FACT THAT THE ~~MAN~~ [REDACTED] AND THAT HE SHOULD NOT INDICATE TO <sup>NO</sup> [REDACTED] THAT OR ASSUME THAT <sup>ALSO</sup> [REDACTED] KNOWS, <sup>955111</sup> [REDACTED] 24

[REDACTED] THANKS VERY MUCH.

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WA CITE NYOR 4854

SUPPORT FROM MCCANN

CASE 9145 X 9145

SEP 20 1 26 PM '50

SEP 19 11 11 AM '50

1. ON 19 X 19 SEPTEMBER WE ADVISED LEO CHERNE X LEO CHERNE OF THE CONTENTS OF YOUR WA-8598 X 8598. CHERNE, AS IT TURNED OUT, KNOWS [REDACTED] AND CONSIDERS HIM TO BE A VERY HIGH-TYPE, PATRIOTIC INDIVIDUAL.

2. WE EXPLAINED TO CHERNE THAT [REDACTED] WOULD NO X NO DOUBT SEE OUR MAN ABROAD AND CAUTIONED CHERNE THAT HE SHOULD NOT X NOT ASSUME THAT [REDACTED] KNEW OF ANY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE MAN INVOLVED AND THE AGENCY. CHERNE REPLIED THAT HE WOULD IN NO X NO WAY INDICATE THAT SUCH A RELATIONSHIP EXISTED.

3. RAY MILLARD X RAY MILLARD WAS INFORMED DURING HIS VISIT TO NEW YORK THAT CHERNE HAD BEEN SO ADVISED.

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*File in [unclear] by [unclear]*

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CASE 9145 X 9145

FEB 15 9 56 AM '57

THIS IS IN REFERENCE TO A REQUEST MILLARD X MILLARD OF COVER DIV. MADE TO LEA X LEA IN WRITING CONCERNING THE FEAR OF OUR AGENT IN PARIS THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OF THE RESEARCH INSTITUTE AND TELLING HIM THAT HER [REDACTED] WAS IN PARIS WORKING FOR SAID INSTITUTE.

CHERNE X CHERNE WAS APPRAISED OF THE SITUATION ON 14 X 14 FEBRUARY AND HE REQUESTS THE FOLLOWING:

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1. PLEASE ADVISE HIM OF THE NAME OF THE <sup>08</sup> [ ] WHO MET MR. <sup>01</sup> [ ]  
(WE ASSUME FROM THE GIST OF HIS QUESTION THAT HE WANTS TO BE  
ABSOLUTELY SURE [ ] WE ARE TALKING ABOUT)

2. HE REQUESTS THAT <sup>06</sup> [ ] BE MADE WITTING OF THE OPERATION  
FOR OBVIOUS REASONS.

WE WILL SEND BIO X BIO DATA ON [ ] AS SOON AS CHERNE MAKES  
IT AVAILABLE TO US.

PLEASE SEND US THE NAME OF THE <sup>68</sup> [ ] SO THAT WE CAN MAKE IT AVAILABLE  
TO CHERNE.

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*15 Feb  
Copy sent to  
Mulland ✓*

*Mulland advised and will  
get sister's name. He also wants  
copy data on [ ]*

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BY [ ]

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WA CITE NYOR 6870

SUPPORT FROM MAJOR

REF. NYOR 6845 X 6845

FEB 18 11 18 AM '57

THE FOLLOWING IS THE BIO. X BIO INFORMATION ON [redacted] X

[redacted] EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT, [redacted]

INC., [redacted], NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

HE WAS BORN [redacted] X [redacted] AT [redacted] PENN.

HIS PRESENT HOME ADDRESS IS [redacted] CONN.

HE WAS PREVIOUSLY CONNECTED WITH THE LAW FIRM OF [redacted]

[redacted] OF NEW YORK, THE [redacted] COMPANY OF [redacted] OHIO, HAD HIS

OWN BUSINESS WHICH WAS KNOWN AS [redacted] ROCKEFELLER PLAZA,  
NEW YORK.

HE JOINED [redacted] 1939 X 1939.

PLEASE ASSIGN CASE NUMBER TO THESE EFFORTS.

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20 Feb 57

Washington

R. S. Travis 2268

New York 14330

Secret

FROM SUPPORT (TRAVIS)WA

CASE 9145. REUR NYOR 6845. MILLARD ADVISES THAT THE NAME OF THE <sup>db</sup> [ ] WHO MET

MR. <sup>do</sup> [ ] IS MRS. <sup>do</sup> [ ] (MRS. [ ] BIOGRAPHIC DATA ON [ ]

RECEIVED AND MILLARD IS INITIATING SECURITY CLEARANCE ON HIM. WE WILL ADVISE YOU AS SOON AS IT IS RECEIVED

FEB 20 3 55 PM '57

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7 August 1957

Washington

R. S. Travis 2268

New York

Secret

CONFER FROM SUPPORT (TRAVIS)WA 21187

RE CLOSED CASE 9145. MILLARD OF COVER HAS REQUESTED THAT WE TRY TO DETERMINE WHEN LEO CHERNE WILL RETURN TO NYC. IT APPEARS THAT OUR BOY, [REDACTED] IS BACK IN THE STATES ON LEAVE, AND WHEN HE TRIES TO CONTACT CHERNE, FOUND THAT HE WAS OUT OF TOWN. WILL YOU PLEASE SEE IF YOU CAN FIND OUT DESIRED INFORMATION. THANKS.

AUG 8 10 19 AM '57

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WA CITE NYOR 9236

SUPPORT (TRAVIS) FROM DAME

CLOSED CASE 9145 X 9145

REUR WA 21187 X 21187

AUG 13 10 29 AM '57

1. MISS KREUGER X KREUGER, LEO CHERNE'S X LEO CHERNE'S SECRETARY,  
ADVISES HE IS EXPECTED BACK IN NYC 19 X 19 AUGUST, EXACT HOUR UNKNOWN  
X UNKNOWN.

2. ANYTHING FURTHER?

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*13 Aug 57  
Millard advised. He  
will advise if action*

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19 August 1957

Washington

R. S. Travis 2268

New York

Secret

DAME FROM SUPPORT (TRAVIS) WA 21593  
CASE 9145 (CLOSED). REUR NYOR 9236 AND LEO CHERNE. ~~REUR~~ AT THE PRESENT TIME  
THERE IS NOTHING FURTHER TO BE DONE. THANKS FOR YOUR ANSWER.

Aug 19 11 44 AM '57

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MEMORANDUM TO FILE

INDIVIDUAL	DATE	ACTION
Fred Engel <sup>02</sup>	26 Dec.	<p>Engel<sup>03</sup> came up at Rose's<sup>051</sup> suggestions to discuss a need for cover. Engel has a man now working for ECA<sup>03</sup> who is coming with O.P.C. at the end of January. Engel desires an interim back-stop which the ECA man can give to ECA<sup>03</sup> as a reason for his leaving ECA. Engel desires some organization which will be used as the new employer of the ECA man, and which will be willing to acknowledge, if necessary, that they have hired the man. O.P.C. is working on a permanent cover to send the man to [redacted] on a research program, but must await clearance on the outfit. The latter is believed to be the National Planning Association. Engel is submitting biographic data on the ECA man so that the organization who will backstop the man will have full knowledge of the man. Rose has assigned case # C-101 to this case.</p>
Rose <sup>02</sup>	10 Jan	<p>Rose<sup>02</sup> brought biographic on Engel's man. Rose<sup>03</sup> indicated he may want to go to NY to contact a firm re the cover. Travis raised the question as to whether or not the NY field office could make preliminary inquiry. Rose will advise. He wants to see Bureau Inst. by Amer.</p>
	11 Feb	Close case
Halley <sup>02</sup>	17 Mar	<p>Halley<sup>02</sup> requests that we make an appointment for a date with Cherna for 18 or 19 March. [redacted] will approve Cherna without CIA representatives.</p>
Clarke (NY)	17 Mar	<p>Clarke advises that [redacted] should call direct to Cherna as the latter is expecting the call to come through that way. [redacted] can use Clarke's name if necessary. Halley<sup>02</sup> is not present but she doesn't like it. She will call back. Clarke will call Cherna and tell her to expect call. Clarke advises [redacted] to expect call. Clarke advises [redacted] to expect call.</p>

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Office Memorandum

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TO : Chief, Contact Division, OO

FROM : Chief, Cover Division, PLANS/OSO *Handwritten initials*

SUBJECT: Appointment with William A. BARRON,  
and Leo CHERNE *Handwritten initials*

References: CS-1512 and CS-1337 *Handwritten notes*

*Case 4145*

1. This will confirm Mr. <sup>03</sup>Rose's verbal request that Contact Division/OO ask its Boston field office to arrange appointments for Mr. <sup>03</sup>Edward Rose of Cover Division, PLANS to see Mr. <sup>03</sup>William A. Barron, Chairman of the Board, [redacted] and Mr. <sup>03</sup>John S. Toulmin, Senior Vice President of the [redacted], at their convenience on Wednesday May 21, 1952. The purpose of the visit is to explore the willingness of these gentlemen to act as ostensible donors of funds to support a current operation.

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2. This will also confirm Mr. <sup>03</sup>Rose's request that the New York City field office of the Contact Division/OO arrange an appointment for Mr. <sup>03</sup>Rose to see Mr. Leo Cherne, President of the Research Institute of America at Mr. Cherne's convenience on Thursday May 22, 1952. Mr. Cherne, who has for some time been backstopping the activities of [redacted] in this country, has apparently expressed willingness to [redacted] for this [redacted]. The purpose of the interview is to discuss more fully Mr. Cherne's proposal. Cover Division would be happy to have an OO field office representative present to insure continuity.

3. As a result of the above requests, Mr. <sup>06</sup>Barron found to his regret that he was unable to cooperate with the Agency at the present time. Mr. <sup>06</sup>Toulmin, on the other hand, was most cooperative. Mr. Cherne, unfortunately, was out of town. The New York field office has been asked to try to arrange a meeting with Mr. Cherne, as outlined above, for Wednesday afternoon, June 4, 1952.

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