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MEMORANDUM

To : CI/Liaison
From : SR/CI/RED
Subject : Vladimir O. SLOBODA

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1. An official [British liaison service] has advised that Mrs. Lilian SLOBODA, wife of Vladimir O. SLOBODA, Specialist 5th Class, who defected to the Soviets in August 1960, has returned to London and she intends to live with her mother Mrs. SUTCLIFFE in Halifax, England. Mrs. SLOBODA is travelling with her daughter, age three, and her other two children are still in Moscow. [The British service] is attempting to determine whether she has left Russia permanently or whether she is in England on a temporary visit.

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2. [The British service] intends to interview her after she settles down and has requested any questions which the U.S. may wish to put to her. The local FBI representative in England has been advised of the above.

3. According to our records, SLOBODA, at the time of his defection, was attached to the 13th MIG in West Germany. You may wish to notify the appropriate office of Mrs. SLOBODA's arrival in the West in order that they may submit any questions they may have to us for passage to [the British service.]

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