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From: MOSCOW

To: HARBIN

No: 203

22 July 1945

To CheKIN.

Admit to the premises of the Top Secret and Cipher Section [OSSh0, OSOBO SEKRETN0-ShIFROVAD'NYJ OTDEL] [1 group unrecovered] GAJ Boris Grigor'evich for work in the line of the Nearer Neighbors [BLIZhNIE SOSEDI][i].

ZheREBTsOV

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Comment: [i] BLIZhNIE SOSEDI: the NKGB.

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1. ARREST OF SOVIET CITIZENS AND EMIGRÉS, SOME CONNECTED WITH NEAR NEIGHBOURS
2. RECOMMENDATION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF SOME NEAR NEIGHBOURS, STETsYuK AND  
ChE...KOV IN PARTICULAR  
(1943)

From: HARBIN

To: MOSCOW

No: 316

29th November 1943

To DEKANOZOV[i]

On 27th/28th November the local Soviet citizens Georgij YuShchENKO, Viktor ShIShOV and VERTKOV were arrested as well as several émigrés. Some of [1 group unrecovered] are connected with the NEAR NEIGHBOURS[BLIZhNIE SOSEDI][II]. According to [1 group unrecovered] information, [3 groups unrecovered] still some people who are connected with the NEAR NEIGHBOURS. I consider it desirable to withdraw some of the NEAR NEIGHBOURS' officials, particularly STETsYuK[iii] and ChE...KOV[iv]. I request your instructions.

PAVYChEV[v]

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Comments: [i] DEKANAZOV: Vladimir Georgievich DEKANAZOV; Deputy People's  
Commissar for Foreign Affairs.  
*YuShchENKO* *Not further identified*

[ii] NEAR NEIGHBOURS: MGB

[iii] STETsYuK: Not further identified.

[iv] ChE...KOV: Not further identified.

[v] PAVLYChEV: Senior Soviet consular official in HARBIN.

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RESHETKO TO DO WORK FOR JURIST (GRU RESIDENT) (1994)

From: MOSCOW

To: HARBIN

No: 72

16th March 1944

To PAVLYCHEV[i].

[1 group unrecovered] RESHETKO[ii] can be [D% admitted] to the OSShO[iii] to do work for [C% JURIST[YURIST][iv] only in the latter's room. [D% In other] rooms of the OSShO he should not be [1 group unrecovered].

RYZHIKH[v].

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Comments: [i] PAVLYCHEV: Senior Soviet consular official in HARBIN.

[ii] RESHETKO: Unidentified.

[iii] OSShO: A Secret Cipher Office ; full expansion not known.

[iv] JURIST: The GRU Resident.

[v] RYZHIKH: Head of the Cipher Department of the People's Commissariat of Foreign Affairs in MOSCOW.

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From: MOSCOW

To: HARBIN

No. 310

10 November 1944

To CheKIN[i].

Instead of CheBOTKOV[ii] admit ZININ[ii] to the rooms of the OSShO[iii] for cipher work on the JURIST's[iv] line.

RYZhIKh[v]

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- [i] Consular (NKID) code clerk at HARBIN.
  - [ii] CheBOTKOV and ZININ are otherwise unknown to us.
  - [iii] OSShO: Top secret cipher office
  - [iv] JURIST: The military GRU resident.
  - [v] Head of the code office of the NKID (People's Commissariat of Foreign Affairs) in MOSCOW

14 October 1977

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From: MOSCOW

To: HARBIN

No. 157

7 June 1945

The State Bank [GOSBANK] requests that 20,000 yuans be issued to the Near Neighbours on the account [1 group unrecovered][a] of the Centre [TsENTR].

[10 groups unrecovered]

Report compliance, [1 group unrecovered][i]

T.N. [a] This group should be the letters SUN. Possibly an abbreviation for a section of the Centre.

Comment: [a] A Moscow signatory.