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1. REPORT FROM "EKHO" ON LENSON BEING IN "THE COUNTRYSIDE".
2. REQUEST FOR SANCTION OF EMPLOYMENT OF A NEW CLEANER. (1944)

From: NEW YORK

To: MOSCOW

No: 1029

22 July 44

To VIKTOR.

Your telegram no. 2641 [a]. ECHO [EKHO] [i] advises that LENSON [ii] is in the COUNTRYSIDE [DEREVNYA] [iii]. She was dismissed from her work on the Spanish Committee for slackness. Nothing more is known.

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In view of the departure of the former cleaner [b] [iv] will you allow the cleaning to be done by a new girl Anya [c] [O% D.] KORENKOVA who will only see BORIS [v] here in his capacity as a worker in the Secret Cipher Office [SShO]. Should you sanction this we will pay her 15 a month. If you object the cleaning will have to be entrusted to a permanent staff member [KADROVYJ RABOTNIK] of the OFFICE [KONTORA] [vi]. Telegraph your reply.

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MAY [MAJ] [vii]

[Notes and Comments overleaf]

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- Notes: [a] Not available.
- [b] The Russian makes it clear that the former cleaner was a woman.
- [c] Anya : Diminutive form of Anna.

- Comments: [i] ECHO : Bernard SCHUSTER.
- [ii] LENSON, Marianne (née Mary Ann DIEHL), alias Mary GROHOL. *
- [iii] COUNTRYSIDE: MEXICO
- [iv] May refer to ZARÉ (Elena Konstantinovna GORBUNOVA), who at her own request was sent home to the Soviet Union in mid-July 1944 (cf. S/NBF/T78 and T135) as she was suffering from tuberculosis. She appears to have been employed at the Soviet Consulate-General in NEW YORK, but her exact function is unknown.
- [v] BORIS : Aleksandr Pavlovich SAPRYGIN, cipher clerk in the Soviet Consulate-General in NEW YORK.
- [vi] KONTORA: The MGB office in the Consulate-General in NEW YORK.
- [vii] MAJ : Stepan Zakharovich APRESYAN, Soviet Vice-Consul in NEW YORK.

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