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Authority granted to recontact (Mr. Bunnion) to further consists his suitability, availability and potential for possible development as an informant or double agent against the Soviets (All pertinent developments resulting from your contact with (Mr. Runnion) should be promptly furnished to the Bureau, [and (X)] further handling of this matter should conform with instructions set out in Section 105H, pages 33-35, Manual of Instructions.

Your attention is directed to page 2 of relet wherein you reported that Mr. Runnion furnished information concerning (1) the attempted compromise of Aline Mosby, a United Dress International (UPI) correspondent in Moscov. A check of Bufiles indicates Aline Hosby is identical to the Aline Mosby who is considered a possible suspect in your case entitled "Unknown Subject; Soviet Agent, Source for Political Information, Who Hs a Correspondent in the Washington, B. C., Area, Repionage - R. Typour file 65-3659. An entra copy of this communication is being designated your office for filing in latter case.

Inasmuch as the Soviets, according to (Ar. Aunnion) attempted (Compromise Aline Mosby during her assignment in Moscov, you should give consideration to the possibility the Soviets actually succeeded in such compromise efforts and that Miss Mosby may be identical with the unknews correspondent who is allegedly a Soviet agent. You should discreetly ascertain the present assignment of Miss Mosby, and, if you determine she is lecated in the U.S., you should give consideration to conducting appropriate investigation of Miss Mosby to either identify her as the subject or to eliminate her as a suspect in your case (involving the unknown Soviet agent who is a correspondent in the Washington, D. C., area (S) (W)

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Letter to SAC, Washington Fieldere: (NORMAN RAY RUNNION)

NOTE: (Runnion is a journalist) employed by (UPI,) Washington, D.C., and is a member of the United Press Club. He has had contacts in the past with Soviet correspondents at the United Press Club, and during a sounding-out interview he was cooperative in furnishing WFO details regarding his knowledge of these Soviet officials During such interview, he also furnished information concerning Aline Mosby, indicating that when Miss Mosby was stationed in Moscow with UPI, she was found unconscious and partially disrobed in a gutter. He indicated she was jailed overnight at that time and the incident was mentioned in the Soviet newspaper, "Izvestia." Runnion added that it is his understanding that Miss Mosby was examined at the American Embassy and it was determined she had been drugged. Our informant in the TOPHAT case advised on 5-14-62 that Soviets have a source for political information who is a correspondent in the Washington, D.C., area. TOPHAT indicated this correspondent visited Russia during the same period that former Vice President Nixon was in Russia in 1959. WFO conducting investigation to identify this unknown correspondent and is giving consideration as suspects those correspondents who were actually assigned in Moscow during Nixon's visit there, in addition to those reporters who actually accompanied Nixon to Moscow.