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Washington 25, D. C.**

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO
FILE NO. 65-58190

June 29, 1954

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

(S) CONSULATE OF ISRAEL NEW YORK CITY, N.Y.
INTERNAL SECURITY - IS (S)

In several communications to you during the past year concerning Israeli intelligence operations in the United States, information has been forwarded regarding an espionage ring operated by the [Israeli Government] in New York City. This ring was headed by Youval Tal who until March 29, 1954, when he departed from the United States, was an adviser to the [Israeli Delegation] to the United Nations. Also included in this ring were [Yigal Gilaad] and [Efraim Pillersdorf], employees of the [Consulate of Israel], New York City. (S)

The Department of State has informed this Bureau that on April 14, 1954, Assistant Secretary of State Henry A. Byroade conferred with [Israeli Ambassador Abba Eban] and expressed to him the disquiet of our Government at the activities of [Tal, Gilaad, and Pillersdorf]. Mr. Byroade noted the fact that Tal had recently left the United States and told the [Israeli Ambassador] that our Government considered it desirable that [Gilaad and Pillersdorf] also be withdrawn. (S)

It is anticipated that the departure of these three men from the United States probably will not result in the discontinuance of [Israeli intelligence] activities in the New York area. Since the activities have centered about the [Israeli Consulate] there in the past it is possible that they will continue to be conducted from that establishment. Accordingly, it is recommended that you authorize technical coverage at (S)

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the [Consulate of Israel], New York City, to assist this Bureau in its future investigation of [Israeli] intelligence activities. The [Consulate] is located at 41 East 70th Street, New York City. The telephone numbers are [Trafalgar 9-7600 through 9-7618; Trafalgar 9-7880; Trafalgar 9-8270; Trafalgar 9-8580; Trafalgar 9-8550; and Trafalgar 9-8551.] (S)

The approval of the Department of State for this technical installation was received on June 21, 1954. It is recommended that you authorize this coverage at the present address of the consulate or at any address to which it may be moved in the future. (S)

Respectfully yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

Approved: 7/6/54

Date: 7-6-54

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

(S) [REDACTED] NEW YORK CITY, N.Y.
 [INTERNAL SECURITY - IS] (S)

In several communications to you during the past year concerning Israeli intelligence operations in the United States, information has been forwarded regarding an espionage ring operated by the [REDACTED] in New York City. This ring was headed by Youval Tal who until March 29, 1954, when he departed from the United States, was an adviser to the [REDACTED] to the United Nations. Also included in this ring were [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] employees of the [REDACTED] New York City. (S)

The Department of State has informed this Bureau that on April 14, 1954, Assistant Secretary of State Henry A. Byroade conferred with [REDACTED] and expressed to him the disquiet of our Government at the activities of [REDACTED]. Mr. Byroade noted the fact that Tal had recently left the United States and told the [REDACTED] that our Government considered it desirable that [REDACTED] also be withdrawn. (S)

It is anticipated that the departure of these three men from the United States probably will not result in the discontinuance of [REDACTED] activities in the New York area. Since the activities have centered about the [REDACTED] there in the past it is possible that they will continue to be conducted from that establishment.

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the ~~[redacted]~~ New York City, to assist this Bureau in its future investigation of ~~[redacted]~~ intelligence activities. The ~~[redacted]~~ is located at ~~[redacted]~~. The telephone numbers are ~~[redacted]~~. ~~[redacted]~~ (S)

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Respectfully yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

Approved: 7103
Date: 7-6-54

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