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| FILE NO.  | SUBJECT                 |                   |               |
|           | Possible Security Leaks |                   |               |
| TO P/P    | FROM SEC                | DATE 30 June 1953 | COMMENT NO. 1 |
| THRU: C/S |                         |                   |               |

1. Attached file was handcarried to me on 29 June by Major Astor of P/P as per paragraph 2 of Colonel Gregory's memorandum dated 22 June 1953.

2. On 29 June I met with [redacted] of C.I.A. at two o'clock to discuss this matter. C.I.A. informed me that this particular piece of COMINT had never been published, as such, by them, although it corroborated other information available to them. They stated that they considered the Winchell and Pearson articles to be purely coincidental; that during the last two or three months there have been many studies made as to estimates of when the next Russian atomic explosion would occur — for example: the Lincoln project, the Green project and several others. Both Winchell and Pearson could have made "guesses" concerning any one of these reports without reference to the [redacted] Group's report.

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3. [redacted] who is the chairman of a particular committee in C.I.A. was called in and corroborated the above. He added that had the [redacted] simply stated their report on the flight plan without drawing conclusions, no possibility of a security violation could exist. He stated that the mission of the field stations was to report facts and not to draw conclusions. He also stated that they did not consider the contacts of either Winchell or Pearson to be of a high enough level to ever disclose information from our sources. He did indicate that Alsop and Lippman were newsmen of another caliber whose contacts were on a very high level and whose columns should be carefully checked.

4. It is recommended that this case be considered closed, that no "leak" occurred.

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SUBJECT: Possible Security Leaks

TO: S/ASST

FROM: P/P

DATE: 7 July 1953 COMMENT NO. 2  
Major Astor/60548

1. Your attention is invited to Comment 1.
2. This Division concurs in the recommendation contained therein.

*BK Buffin*  
for JESSE O. GREGORY  
Colonel, USAF  
Acting Chief

Incl:  
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