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Boris Caesar Wilhelm Hagelin was born in southern Russia

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in 1892. His father was employed by the Nobel brothers as

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Cyptograph was started in Stockholm for the purpose

of developing and marketing inventions and ciphering machines

made by the Swedish engineer A. G. Damm. It was expected

that this equipment would be used in military and diplomatic

applications. (2)

Boris Hagelin, who lived and obtained his higher education them, in Sweden joined A. B. Cryptograph in 1922. Hagelin held a degree in Mechanical Engineering from the Royal Institute of Technology in Stockholm. The practical experience Hagelin brought to A. B. Cryptograph included six years employment with ASEA (Sweden's General Electric) and one year with Standard Oil in the United States.

Through his work, Hagelin discovered that the Swedish military was considering the purchase of a German Enigma machine, Baris Hagelin modified one of the firm's equipments (probably the Bl, a problem-riddled cipher machine), thus putting it into competition with the Enigma. He offered this device, designated B-21, to the

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Swedish Army, which subsequently placed a sizeable order in 1926.

The U.S. Army was also becoming aware of Hagelin's machines. Their interest resulted from the development in Europe of more than one series of mechanical and electromechanical ciphering devices comparable to the Hebern machine. The rotor principle had been developed not only by Arthur Scherbius (Enigma), but also by Mr. Damm and Mr. Damm's rotors were in becaused commercially in a machine designed by Boris Hagelin, In 1922.

Mr. Damm's death in 1927 provided Hagelin with the opportunity to purchase A. B. Cryptograph. The firm was reorganized as Aktiebolaget Cryptoleknek. As technology advanced, Hagelin more accurate, recognized that printing cipher machines were faster, and more economical than indicating mechanism like the Enigma. The result of this recognition was the development of the 221.

In the following years revolutionary concepts, were achieved.

The breakthrough came in 1934 with the completely new machine, designated as the C-series. (2) In 1934 the French requested that a pocket sized cipher machine be developed that would print cipher text in five letter groups and the plain text in normal word lengths at a rate of 25 letters per minute. To fill this request, for cryptographic aid, Hagelin developed the C-36.

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Friedman and Hagelin had been in close contact regarding development of the B211 but it was only in 1937 that Hagelin visited Friedman in Washington and demonstrated it to him and his colleagues. The discussions were mostly exploratory but the meeting was the start of a friendship between Friedman and Hagelin which lasted until Friedman's death. (40)

In 1935, Hagelin began corresponding with American cryptologic authorities regarding the C-36. During the course of communication,

Friedman offered some suggestions to improve the C-36. Hagelin substitution friedman without the changes, calling it the

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Early in 1940 when Germany invaded Norway, Hagelin decided that it would be in his best interest to come to the U.S. At the time hostilities broke out, Hagelin had been designing the finishing touches into the M-209. He had a couple of dismantled machines and a set of manufacturer's blueprints. In his determination that the machines be delivered to America, Hagelin, and his wife, Anne, embarked on a risky trip across Germany carrying his machine and blueprints in a diplomatic courier bag. They reached New York on the last ship to leave Genoa, Italy. In the meantime, the U.S. Army insisted on having more machines for testing so Hagelin arranged to have fifty of the ciphering devices smuggled out of Sweden and into the U.S. (17)

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Before the M-209 was accepted for use in the U.S. military, Friedman, Technical Director of the Signal Intelligence Service, turned in an unfavorable report on the machine, as he believed that although its cryptosecurity was theoretically quite good, it had a low degree of security if improperly used. However, he was overruled because, "... neither the Signal Intelligence Service nor the Signal Corps Laboratories at Ft. Monmouth had developed anything that was better than the Hagelin machine or even as good." (12)

The Army adopted the M-209 as its medium level cryptographic system. More than 140,000 were purchased and employed in military units from division to battalions. (14)

The M-209 was practically identical to the C-28 (improved C-36) manufactured and sold on the open market by Hagelin in various parts of the world. In its operations in the COMINT world-AFSA had knowledge of the extensive use of the C-38 by the foreign governments. (15)

In 1944 Hagelin and his wife returned to Sweden since their operations were concentrated in Stockholm. Unfortunately for Hagelin, Swedish law enabled the government to appropriate inventions that it needed for national defense. Because of this, Hagelin moved his operation to Zug, Switzerland in 1948. In moved the net of his firm there, 1959 Hagelin incorporated his firm as Crypto Akitengellschaft, Crypto A. G.

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In October 1946 Friedman visited Hagelin at his home in Zug Switzerland and toured Hagelin's office where they talked over business matters. Their personal relationship was such that exchange of small gifts was commonplace. 1/1/1 During Friedman's trip to Crypto A. G., Friedman examined old models of machines and while at the plant Friedman observed that there were good feelings between Boris and his employees. On Friedman's departure he recalls that "I had almost tearful farewell with the Hagelins. They are such charming people and I hope they will come to Washington this spring as Boris and Anne promise."(17)

After close of hostilities, Mr. Hagelin researched improving the C-38 (or M-209) and to produce the new cipher machines Through informal contact between for commercial exploitation. a member of AFSA) and Hagelin, some of Hagelin's new ideas for

devices came to the attention of AFSA and were studied to ascertain their security. The results of such studies were not communicated to Hagelin.

In 1971 a modified M-209 incorporating a new keying mechanism was received and studied by AFSA. In addition to the modified M-209, Carpto A. G. had plans to produce several new cipher machines of considerable security employing the new keying mechanism. Hagelin filed patent applications in the U.S., Switzerland, France, and Italy. and more complex cipher machines could have the profound effect

became the subject of discussion within AFSA soon after U.S.

receipt of the modified M-209.

Friedman, because of his long acquaintance with Hagelin,

informed the Director, AFSA. Friedman, on behalf of the Director, Ormula Council Council AFSA, presented the matter at an (AFSAC) meeting. AFSAC authorized the chairman to contact the Director, Central Intelligence Agency

After a number of meetings among Mr. Hagelin and his U.S. Stuart commsel, [Mr., Hedden], CIA representatives and the Director, AFSA, Mr. Hedden submitted a draft agreement on behalf of his client, Mr. Hagelin. AFSAC decided that they could not endorse

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cryptographic machines, Hagelin had no competition. (18)

France had requested that Hagelin refrain fr	com selling his
C-52 to Egypt. Hagelin gently complained to	Friedman that,
although the French imposed restrictions, he	was glad to conform
with their wishes because they gave him subs	stantial orders;
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In late 1957 Friedman again visited Hagelin in Zurich and Hagelin insisted that Friedman be a houseguest. Hagelin

In January 1958, Friedman again visited Boris Hagelin and his family in Zurich. In their professional discussions, ris and Friedman discussed Hagelins U.S. patent on the "Electric switching Device for Ciphering Apparatus," Friedman was surprised at this because this patent covered the re-entry principle in electric rotor machines, a principle which-was first the bught in the 21.5. **1940.** in 1940. This concept had been documented and application for patent, filed. for. All papers connected with the application had been placed in secrecy. The patent office should never have issued any patent on the re-entry principle, a matter Friedman planned to investigate. Boris was not informed of the similar any of the patent-matter or its-irregularity. Hagelin told Friedman that while the U.S. granted him the patent, the Japanese government declined to do so.

While in Switzerland, Friedman took advantage of the opportunity to visit Hagelin's plant and see new equipment models and developments. During the visit Friedman became aware of Hagelins knowledge regarding equipment radiation threat. (25)

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Friedman was worried because (Bo) was putting out instructional literature about cryptographic communications, insecure cryptoequipment and the falulty of good equipmen. Boris Hagelin, who was having some problems with his willful son, told Friedman that U.S. authorties were in a better position to control this sort of thing than he was.

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Not only was Friedman concerned about Bots lack of discretion, he was also aware of new problems coming over the horizon. Hagelin had recently developed a cipher machine the size of a pack of cigarettes. Friedman saw another potential threat to U.S. SIGINT production. (2/1)

During this trip Friedman found out quite by accident that Hagelin had plans to put out three versions of several Hagelin machines either in production or if development. Hagelin himself never discussed it with Friedman. Instead, it was mentioned to him by an employee of Mr. Hagelin. The three versions of the machines would be designated as "best," "second best," and "third best The quality rating reflected the amount of security afforded by or built into the machine concerned. Radiation from equipments had been discovered by Siemens and the information passed along to Hagelin.

The T-55 cryptoprinter had three versions ready for sale in 1958. Version 1 was for the West, NATO and countries friendly to

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them. It had the best features that Crypto A.G. Crypto A.G. could produce, fully protected against radiation, and had total usage flexibility.

Version 2 was for friendly neutral countries like Finland. It was neither fully protected against radiation nor flexible. Version 3 was for countries of doubtful orientation or countries leaning toward the USSR. (28) were characteristics?

In the summer of 1958, Hagelin confides in Friedman that he is concerned about his sons relationship with Mr. Barlow (not further identified). The worry was that Barlow was influencing by with regard to Hagelins projects business interests. Friedman requested both the Director and Deputy Director, NSA to determine the nature of their relationship. Friedman confided to Hagelin

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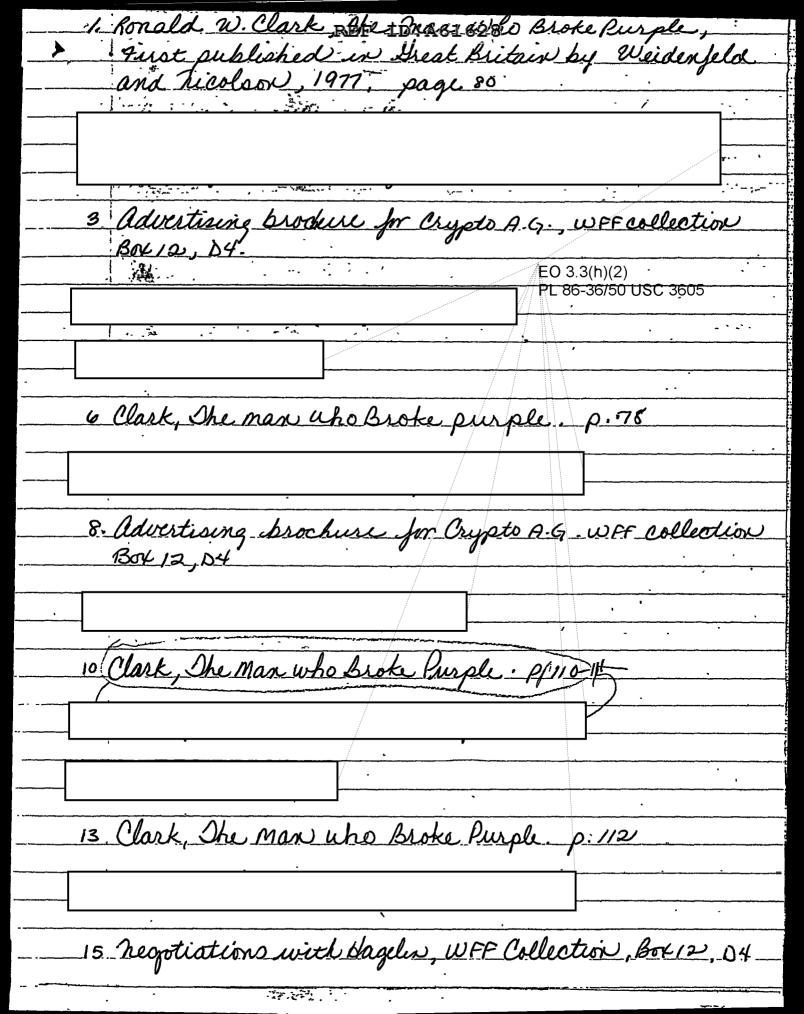
felt be had something against him and future correspondence between Friedman and boris had to be purely personal greetings. Hagelin mentioned to Friedman that Barlow, during his last visit to Zug, did not show any interest in Hagelins work. Boris felt that Barlow had been taken in by Bors tales of woe.

In August 1958 Friedman informed Hagelin that the relationship the state of the second second in nature. However, Friedman

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A few years prior to Friedman's death he confided in Boris
some details regarding his relationship with NSA. They shared
many problems with each other, often personal and private in
nature. As evidence of Friedman's regard for his old friend
Boris Friedman sent to Hagelin a letter of introduction for
president of the Friedman
requested that Hagelin provide with unclassified
material to aid him in his research which eventually resulted

William F. Friedman and Boris Hagelin continued to correspond until Friedman's death in 1969.



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