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DON AND SECRETARY GORBACHEV (1941)

From: MOSCOW

10th August 1941

To : SOFIA

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To DON[1].

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[16 groups unrecovered]
[52 groups unrecoverable]

secretary GORBACHEV[11]

[16 groups unrecovered]

No. 8354

[Signature not recovered]

Comments: [i] DON: Unidentified covername. Occurs as an addressee in SOFIA between 19th April 1941 and 30th March 1942. "DON" also occurs in ISTANBUL's No. 141 of 11th September 1944 (3/NBF/T1174) and MOSCOW to ISTANBUL No. 154 of 14th September 1944 (3/NBF/T1175) and MOSCOW to SOFIA message of 16th September 1945 (3/NBF/T1224) and SOFIA's message of 13th October 1945 (3/NBF/T1225).

[ii] GORBACHEV: Possibly Georgij GORBATSHEV, who crossed from BULGARIA to TURKEY on 8th September 1944 (described in his service passport as Military Attaché's Secretary). May also be identical with Lt. Col. Georgij Yakovlevich GORBACHEV, Member of Military Section, Soviet Element, A.C.C. BULGARIA in December 1944 and Assistant Military Attaché at BELGRADE in 1946/47.

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