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3RD REISSUE"GERTsOG" AND HIS CONTACTS: IVANOVA, VIKTORIYA (TOTO) POZNER-SPIRI,  
"PLATON", YurKEVICH AND HIS WIFE

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Your No. 2679[i].

At the regular meeting GERTsOG [ii] reported that he had made the acquaintance of IVANOVA [iii] [1 group unrecovered] while she was working [1 group unrecovered] in the Zhan KAHN [iv] factory the [1 group unrecovered] of which, together with a number of other firms, he used to represent in CZECHOSLOVAKIA. IVANOVA started work at the factory as a protégée of Viktoriya (TOTO) POZNER-SPIRI [v] who was working there - a sister of "PLATON" [vi] (see our No 630 [vii]), who was very close to IVANOVA [1 group unrecovered] - moreover it transpired that GERTsOG used to see IVANOVA at TOTO's.

[21 groups unrecovered]

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). G.[ji] knows IVANOVA to be a serious-minded person and devoted to the USSR.

[25 groups unrecovered]

here now. TOTO quite

[4 groups unrecovered]

to be the confidential [D% Secretaire]

*Soviet included.*  
~~TOTO, that~~

[13 groups unrecovered]

[18 groups unrecovered]

cannot.

G. arrived here

[15 groups unrecoverable]

in FRANCE because of

[8 groups unrecovered].

In 1943 he <sup>she</sup> took out his <sup>her</sup> first papers here. Started work <sup>in the</sup> French Section

[3 groups unrecovered]

the "RADIO STATION [RATsIYa]" [viii] as a protégé of the wife [ix] of the engineer YurKEVICH [ix]-designer of the "NORMANDIE", whose confidential [D% Secretaire] *he/she was*

[3 groups unrecovered]

he was

*D% also became acquainted with the same.*  
YurKEVICH.

[12 groups unrecovered]

[3<sup>2</sup> groups unrecovered]

*[Information D% Yurkevich's]*

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G.'s connections

[45 groups unrecoverable]

Footnotes: [i] Not available.

- [ii] GERTSOG/G. ie. 'DUKE'; unidentified covername. Also occurs in NEW YORK's Nos. 865-6 of 8th June 1943 [redacted], 1132-3 of 13th July 1943 [redacted] and 853 of 16th June 1944 [redacted] and possibly (as G.) in NEW YORK's No. 1930 of 21st November 1943 [redacted].
- [iii] IVANOVA : Unidentified. Also occurs in NEW YORK's Nos. 865 of 8th June 1943 [redacted] and 1930 of 21st November 1943 [redacted].
- [iv] Zhan KAHN: Not traced.
- [v] Victoriya # Victoria MERCANTON-SPIRI, née POZNER, (TOTO) sister of Vladimir Aleksandrovich POZNER. POZNER-SPIRI: [Footnote [vi]].
- [vi] PLATON : i.e. "PLATO"; Vladimir Aleksandrovich POZNER.
- [vii] NEW YORK's Nos. 1132, 1133 of 13 July 1943 [redacted].
- [viii] RADIO STATION : Office of War Information.
- [ix] YurKEVICH: Vladimir I. YurKEVICH, naval architect, NEW YORK city, formerly resident in FRANCE; wife: Olga YurKEVICH.

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