"FIST’s" TALK WITH "GRANDPAPA" AND HIS DESIRE TO MEET "STEPFATHER" (1943)

Item 2

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Reference your telegram No. 2662a.

FIST[KULAK][i] stated the following to GRANDPAPA[DEDUSHKA][ii]:

1. According to his data, the FELLOWCOUNTRYMEN[INTERNATIONAL][iii] international organisation has been formally dissolved. Actually the local FELLOWCOUNTRYMEN are continuing to work

[46 groups unrecoverable]

SMIRNO[SMIRNA][iv] took this into consideration and began to support him in good time? Judging from GRANDPAPA’s story FIST spoke partly in broad hints, partly with cynical frankness. O.[D.][v] and I consider that FIST’s desire to meet the head of the ORGAN [vi] (henceforth "STEPFATHER[OTCHEN][vii]" means that he is striving to obtain an answer to the second point.

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Note: [i] Not available. Presumably answered para. 1 of NEW YORK's No. 365 of 9th May 1944 (See Item 1).

Comments: [i] FIST : Thomas E. Dewey.

[ii] GRANDPAPA : Evgenij Dmitrievich Kiselev, Soviet Consul-General in NEW YORK.

[iii] FELLOW COUNTRYMEN: Communists.

[iv] SMIRNA : MOSCOW.

[v] G.[D.] : i.e. GRANDPAPA[DEDUSHKA].

[vi] EUST : The Soviet Embassy in WASHINGTON, D.C.

[vii] STEPFATHER : Andrei Andreevich Gromyko, Soviet Ambassador in WASHINGTON.

[viii] MAY : Stepan Zakharovich APREYAN, Soviet Vice-Consul in NEW YORK.