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"NICK" UNDER SURVEILLANCE.

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DOUGLAS⁽ⁱ⁾ has returned to TYRE [TIR]⁽ⁱⁱ⁾ after having seen NICK [NICK]⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾. In October 1943 NICK observed that he was under constant surveillance. His telephone was being tapped. Therefore NICK ceased to come to his meetings and when our man^(iv) rang him up NICK tried to give him to understand that it was not a good thing to ring and then rang off. Two months ago
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surveillance ceased. DOUGLAS thinks that NICK, being experienced, is not mistaken about this.

NICK sees two possible explanations for his being under surveillance. Two weeks before discovering this, ENGINEER [INGENER], with whom he was in liaison, reported that they had assigned him an assistant, evidently for surveillance. It is possible that they got to NICK from ENGINEER. Second possibility: at the last meeting ENGINEER turned over a package to NICK, saying that it contained two reports. Our man told NICK that the package contained only one report. It is possible that the material was lost and found by a stranger who brought it to the notice of the authorities and an investigation revealed the source. Of course NICK does not know whether ENGINEER and our man were under surveillance.

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DOUGLAS arranged for a meeting of our man and NICK: on the eighth of each month at 2:00 hours NICK will be in front of the Warner Theatre at the corner of 7th and Hill streets. Dress: brown suit and shoes. In his left hand he will hold an unlighted cigarette. If NICK is under surveillance he will be smoking a cigar. Our man will ask: "Aren't you Mr. Wally [WALLI]? I am Mr. Gordon, a friend of JACK [DAMEK][v]." NICK will reply: "Henry Gordon [D?]. Our man: "Mr. Adam Gordon." Then they are to exchange cinema tickets, one of which D.[vi] has brought, the other is in NICK's possession. If there is no opportunity to deliver to our man the ticket which has been brought, numbers can be exchanged. D.'s ticket is 304716, NICK's 304717.

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Comments: [i]. DOUGLAS: Joseph KATZ.

[ii]. [REDACTED]

[iii]. NICK: [REDACTED]

[iv]. Here Grigori KNEFFTS.

[v]. Joseph KATZ was known to MARTINI at one time as "JACK".

[vi]. D.: i.e. DOUGLAS.

[vii]. MWJ: Pavel Ivanovich FEDOSIAEV.

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