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I. AND HIS GROUP, INCLUDING KAMAREVSKIJ; TALANT, WOOD
(1944)

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To: MOSCOW

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To VIKTOR[i].

[73 groups unrecoverable]

last session of the [C% Chemical] Society[ii] had a conversation with KAMAREVSKIJ[iii] (an emigré [NEVOZVRASHCHENETS][iv] belonging to I.'s[v] group)[vi] about their views on the military events and, in connection with this, hinted: "Why should Russian scientists not help their native land?" KAMAREVSKIJ considered that the only possible way of giving help would be by starting a periodical and it was evident that he was not simply expressing his own opinion. TALANT[vii] failed to get in touch with I. directly. WOOD[VUD][viii] met this group at the end of last year at a meeting of oilmen. He talked with I.. His impression is that I. is at the present time of no value as a scientific worker, [1 group unrecovered] because of the young people who work with him. WOOD did not find out anything important. At the present time I. is loyal to the USSR and is helping with money through War Relief. Before the war he was described as a man without principles.

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- Footnotes: [i] VIKTOR: Lt. Gen. P.M. FITIN.
- [ii] The Chemical Society: Probably the American Chemical Society,
1155 16 St N W, WASHINGTON DC.
- [iii] KAMAREVSKIJ: Not traced.
- [iv] Literally "a non-returner".
- [v] I.: Not further identified.
- [vi] There is a full stop here which seems to have been inserted in error.
- [vii] TALANT: i.e. "TALENT"; William Marias MALISOFF.
- [viii] WOOD: Unidentified.
- [ix] ANTON: Leonid Romanovich KVASNIKOV.

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