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VISIT TO SOFIA BY
D. MATsANKIEV, POPOVSKI, ANTONOV, STAJNOV,
(1945)

, "I.S."

From: MOSCOW

To: SOFIA

No.: 45

16 September 1945

To ZENIT[i].

[7 groups unrecovered]
a special mission.

[ii] who has

[14 groups unrecovered]

[28 groups unrecoverable]

former Deputy D. MATsANKIEV[iii] and his desire to meet POPOVSKI[iv]
[C% in the near future]. At the same time asked POPOVSKI to
get her an entry visa for SOFIA. She put the same request to
ANTONOV[v] as well. Both took a great deal of notice of and
immediately telegraphed to STAJNOV[vi] in SOFIA. Without waiting

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for a visa , on the advice of ANTONOV, left for SOFIA on
6 September,

[10 groups unrecovered]

from STAJNOV on the spot. On leaving for SOFIA, stated
that she was going to [1 group unrecovered] and BELGRADE to check
the work of and would replace

who is [1 group unrecovered] and loyal to the British, by an
Englishman. According to [vii], a Bulgarian
being a Bulgarian, is
afraid and cannot report

[13 groups unrecovered]

replacement of ,

[25 groups unrecovered]

expressed the hope of visiting STAJNOV. According to our
information "I.S.[viii]

[16 groups unrecovered]

[ix] "I.S.

[20 groups unrecovered]

[37 groups unrecovered]

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VIKTOR[x]

Footnotes: [i] ZENIT: ie "ZENITH"; unidentified covername.
SOFIA addressee and signatory between
16 September 1945 and 12 December 1945.

 [ii]VENONA
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Footnotes
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- ✓ [iii] D. MATSANKIEV: Probably Dimit'r MATSANKIEV, formerly a Deputy, member of the Central Committee of the Bulgarian Agrarian Union. In the UK from August 1941.
- ✓ [iv] POPOVSKI: Lazar T. POPOVSKI, Bulgarian Consul-General in ISTANBUL.
- ✓ [v] ANTONOV: Nikola ANTONOV, Bulgarian Minister to TURKEY.
- ✓ [vi] STAJNOV: Probably Petko STAJNOV, Bulgarian Minister of Foreign Affairs from 9 September 1944.
- ✓ [vii]
- [viii] I.S.: Unidentified.
- [ix]
- [x] VIKTOR: Lt. Gen. P. M. FITIN.

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