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REFERENCE TO THE RE-USE IN STOCKHOLM OF COVER-NAME "PETROV" (1945)

From: STOCKHOLM

To: MOSCOW

No: 2646

31 Dec. 45

The following is a cipher telegram of BELYAEV⁽¹⁾'s[sic][a] (henceforth PETROV) which we are passing on for FILIPPOV[11]:

"According to available information, on 4th January there is being given in 35 a congress of 53-54 of all 75 [6 groups unrecovered] - also 4. with [2 groups missing] to us

[19 groups unrecovered]

[G. PETROV]

No. 187

APRAKIN[111]

T.N.: [a] Presumably BELYAEV is intended here.

Comments: [i] The cover-name PETROV was also used by an unidentified MOSCOW signatory in MGB traffic on NEW YORK, MEXICO CITY, SAN FRANCISCO and LONDON lanes during the period 16th November 1943 - 10th April 1946.

[ii] On 3rd July 1945 two consecutive messages, passing on cipher messages for FILIPPOV were passed from APRAKSIN in STOCKHOLM to MGB MOSCOW. (S/NBP/09) The cipher system of these messages has not yet been identified.

[iii] APRAKSIN: 3rd ^{1st} Secretary at the Soviet ^{Legation} Embassy in STOCKHOLM.

Comments [i] BELKOV: Presumably Aleksandr B. BELKOV, member of the Soviet Legation in London, who is known to have been in STOCKHOLM in November 1945

[ii] FILIPPOV: Presumably Ivan Filippovich FILIPPOV who was in STOCKHOLM in late November 1943, and active in the MGB traffic in the period 1943-45