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SOLOV'EV the rest of the inspector jobs <sup>are</sup> and for the time being vacant. In SAN FRANCISCO the group for servicing sailing personnel [4 groups unrecovered] as senior inspector has been named "VOLKOV"[i] from SEATTLE and as inspector ShAKhOV[ii], we may remark that ShAKhOV is a good worker [and] there are grounds for assuming that [6 groups unrecovered] cases that have given rise to squabbles in PORTLAND[,] in particular the question of the gift to him by the Americans of a gold watch[,] [will?] not [1 group unrecovered]. In LOS ANGELES in the line of the servicing of sailing personnel the job of inspector has been introduced. To the job of port representative[UPOLNOMOCHENNYJ] there has been named the cadre worker "PETR"[iii]. All our cadre workers are already at their locations in accordance with the new deployment and have started work. "NIK"[iv] has arrived safely in PORTLAND [1 group garbled] I shall have a rendezvous with him. In SEATTLE [3 groups unrecovered] with the help of the agent "SUKhUMSKIJ"[v] we have succeeded in penetrating the organization of the priest DANIL'ChIK. By this manoeuvre we have pinpointed the existence of a widely-ramified White Guard organization in SEATTLE working on our seamen in [1 group unrecovered] with the police and intelligence [B's organs]. Our agentura has gotten the organization's password[s?] for meeting[,] and the agent "SUKhUMSKIJ" has succeeded in seeing, in the apartments of the organization, many of our traitors. All detailed information on this matter and our proposals have been sent you with MUKhIN. Telegraph your decision on them.

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Comments:

- [i] VOLKOV: Andrej Romanovich ORLOV.
- [ii] ShAKhOV: Aleksej Ivanovich ShAKhOV, inspector attached to the Department of Transportation, SGPC.
- [iii] PETR: Aleksandr Petrovich GRACHEV.
- [iv] NIK: Unidentified cover-name of a Fifth Line personality.
- [v] SUKhUMSKIJ: Boris Mikhaajlovich BOGUSLAVSKIJ.
- [vi] SERGEJ: Viktor Vasil'evich AFANAS'EV.

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