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#### QUESTIONNAIRE

DELEGATE TO THE  $4^{TH}$  PROFINTERN CONGRESS [Red International of Labor Unions (RILU)]

NAME & SURNAME: MINK, GEORGE

**COUNTRY: USA** 

CITY: PHILADELPHIA

EDUCATION: SECONDARY [ACTUALLY SOMETHING LIKE "MID-LEVEL")

AGE: 29

WHAT LANGUAGES DO YOU SPEAK? ENGLISH, RUSSIAN, SPANISH

**PROFESSION: SEAMAN** 

TRADE UNION: SINCE 1917 IN THE INDUSTRIAL UNION OF WORKERS OF THE WORLD

FUNCTIONS IN THIS UNION: ORGANIZER OF [CAR & TRUCK] DRIVERS IN PHILADELPHIA.

WHAT POLITICAL PARTY ARE YOU: SINCE 1922 IN THE COMMUNIST PARTY.

WERE YOU PERSECUTED FOR YOUR REVOLUTIONARY WORK? YES, 2 YEARS IN PRISON.

WHO DELEGATED YOU? INTERNATIONAL SEAMAN'S UNION [ISU] OF NEW YORK.

UNDER WHAT CONDITIONS DO YOU WORK WITH THIS UNION (LEGALLY OR ILLEGALLY)

- SEMILEGAL.

22 MARCH 1928

/SIGNATURE/

TRUTHFULLY: (illegible)

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### HANDWRITTEN AUTOBIOGRAPHY

#### **Autobiography**

a) Social position and Origin.

My name is George Mink.

My real name is Godi Minkowsky.

Place of birth : Zhitomir Volyan.

My father died two years after I was born, I was born in the year of 1899.

My mother and father are of Jewish origin and I was left in care of my grandfather who was a chicken killer in Zhitomir.

My mother remarried and left, but I never met her. I'm not married.

Materially, I live very poor, and I only received an elementary education in Jewish language, a little Russian.

My father and mother something student and my mother family I don't know. At the at the age of 13 I was sent to the United States to some relation of My Father's Side, this was the year of 1911 at the age of 13 I was sent to the United States to some relation of My Father's Side, this was the year of 1911, I was smuggled on the Russian boat going to USA.

Arrived in Philadelphia I was sent to public school and after

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#### HANDWRITTEN AUTOBIOGRAPHY

That I used to sell newspapers because the relations I like the relations I like with the very poor, and have worked in the middle trade. There were union members and also members of that Socialist Party, but I never something, that time you anything about the movement.

I live with them two years and then decided to shift for myself so I left for Chicago well in Chicago I secured work as a messenger boy in a telegraph office. I also worked as a checker in the New York Central Railroad, as a driver helper for something company, my jobs never lasted very long. I always live with Native Americans, and I always live with Native Americans, and I adopted myself to the wife of the country, and picked up the language in a slang form.

My wages on all jobs were very small from \$8 a week to \$13 a week.

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I realized that to get along better than an immigrant. So I have decided to Americanize myself, and in the year of 1916 I joined the United States Navy, giving my name is George Martin, born in the USA after 6 months and training, I was transferred on the battleship Delaware in the bus the Navy Yard, well in Boston, the Russian Cruise sailed in sailed in damage and all of the Russian Sailors were transferred to the barracks so sure, the commander of the Navy Yard, ask for someone that could speak Russian, I then apply for the position, telling him that I can speak a little, giving reasons, but that my people were up Russian descent.

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# HANDWRITTEN AUTOBIOGRAPHY

While dealing with the crew of The Fairy hug babe but this was the first time I came into contact with the revolutionary movement.

the Russian seamen used to something me and only then I realized what was what in this world. I was transferred to another ship carrying soldiers to France as a member of the gun crew. Made a few trips overseas and then I was again transfer to a destroyer, and I kept on militating amongst the American semen against the war, in the year of 1919 I was discharged from the Navy with an ordinary discharge.

I then joined the international seamen's union, AF of L and became very active organizing. In 1921 I was elected to the

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# HANDWRITTEN AUTOBIOGRAPHY

Central labor Council of Philadelphia representing. In May 1921, a strike of this Union was called, I was elevated on the strike committee and soon realize that this sort of a union was not the Oregon and soon realize that this sort of a union was not the organization that serve the workers, and also remaining within the A.F. of L.

I also joined the I.W.W. and became interested very much in the IWW movement. These strikes was lost and sold out, and I organized a very strong group within the A.F.L. Seamen's Union and manage to take away other 500 seamen from the AFL to the I.W.W.

I was then expelled from the International Seamen's Union as a Communist, altho I did not belong to the party as yet. I made a trip to the West Coast the same year 1921.

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# M. LEVIN'S LETTER IN RUSSIAN

В первый встретился с Минк в 1928 году во время IV конгресса Профинтерна. Тов. Минк Мне говорил, что он приехал Новороссийск на пароходе матросам, оттуда приехал в Москву и получил мандат на IV конгресса делегатом от проф движения США.

После конгресса, на котором он не разу, не выступал, он участвовал на

конференции интеркома моряков.

Затем уехал в Америку и был назначен забег Интернационале клубом моряков в Нью Йорк.

First met with Mink in 1928 during the IV Congress of the Profintern. Tovarich Mink told me that he came to Novorossiysk by steamship as a sailor, from there he came to Moscow and received a mandate for the 4th congress as a delegate from the United States trade union movement.

After the congress, at which he did not speak even once, he participated in the conference of the Seamen's Intercom.

Then he left for America and was appointed to run the International Seaman's Club in New York.

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**COMRADE FIRIN** 

[WE ARE] SENDING YOU TRANSLATION QUESTIONNAIRE RE: MINK, GEORGE, COMPLETED AT THE 4TH AND SIXTH CONGRESS OF PROFINTERN, PLEASE CONTACT US REGARDING YOUR MATERIALS ABOUT THE CIRCUMSTANCES OF HIS VISIT TO THE USSR IN 1928. COMRADES REMEMBER THAT HE ARRIVED THEN IN NOVOROSSIYSK WITH SHEEP TRANSPORT, LEAVING A STEAMER AND COMING TO MOSCOW.

AT THE PRESENT TIME HE GOT INTO MOSCOW AND LIVES IN THE HOTEL "UNION" ROOM 119.

THE MANAGEMENT BELIEVES THAT IT IS NECESSARY TO COPY HIS CORRESPONDENCE AND SURVEIL HIM. ON OUR SIDE, WE TAKE SOME MEASURES AND WE WILL INFORM YOU.

PLEASE TELL US ABOUT THE RESULT OF THE SURVEILLANCE. WE ARE SENDING A PHOTO CARD OF MINK.

**SIROTINSKY** 

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3137 - - 5. V 193? [193?-05-05] SECRET COMRADE YURDIK

WE RETURN TO YOU TWO QUESTIONNAIRE FORMS ABOUT MINK, GEORG.

SEE: APPENDIX.

/SIROTINSKY/

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TOV. KRAEVSKY

No. 3126

PLEASE BE MORE DETERMINED TO PRODUCE INFORMATION ABOUT GEORGE (GEORG) MINK, DELEGATE TO THE 4TH AND 6TH PROFINTERN CONGRESS AVAILABLE AND WHY MANAGEMENT THINKS IT IS NECESSARY TO INSTALL SURVEILLANCE OF HIM.

AT THE SAME TIME COMMUNICATE ABOUT FROM WHENCE MINK NOW CAME, IN WHICH CIRCLE OF PEOPLE HE IS HANGING OUT, AND CHARACTERIZE THEM.

Signed illegibly

	Handwriting to be translated later
СООБЩЕНИЮ НАШЕМУ АМФ РОБОТЕТ ПО ПРОФССИЙ.	Раде <b>19</b> of <b>32</b> ИСТЕВИТЕЛНЯ ДЖОРДЖ МИНК В НАСТ ВРЕМЯ
СВЕДИМЕ А НЕМ НЕ	
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MOSTLY HIDDEN IN GUTTER OF PA	GE.

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[hidden gutter] XII 1933 [1933-12-??] SECRET SCHOOL (COVER) NAME AND SURNAME

Martin Standart (Standart)

[hidden gutter] REAL NAME AND SURNAME George Mink

Georg Mink

[hidden gutter] NICKNAMES AND PSEUDONYMS (WHEN, WHERE HE LIVED [hidden gutter] WORKED UNDER THESE NICKNAMES ------

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[hidden gutter] BIRTH DATE & BIRTHPLACE 1899 USA [hidden gutter] RELIGION & CITIZENSHIP Americ. Jew USA

[hidden gutter ???] KI [communist international???] USA ABOUT 1922?

PROFESSION Seaman

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?/XI – 1933 ??? US PASSPORT № 274033 [YOU COULD GET THE PICTURE HE USED FROM NA2, COLLEGE PARK]

RESIDENCE AND PLACE OF WORK OR STUDY International Lenin School

REMARKS: 1/1 ??? № 15 n №??? 144

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#### B. MH SOV. SECRET COMRADE KORNILEV

WE ARE AWARE OF THE STATEMENTS MADE BY K. MILLER THE AUTHOR OF THE JOURNAL "KI", ABOUT MINK GEORGE AS FOLLOWS:

ON AUGUST 17 THIS YEAR, WHEN MR. G. MINK MET MILLER ON A STREET IN MOSCOW, (MINK) TOLD THE LATTER THAT HE, HAD RECENTLY RETURNED FROM ABROAD, WHERE HE ALLEGEDLY WAS BEHIND SPIES IN FAVOR OF THE RED ARMY. AND MOREOVER, MINK SAID A LOT, ALLEGEDLY ABOUT THE GREAT WORK AHEAD AND SHOWED MILLER A LARGE BUNDLE OF MONEY. MILLER ALSO SAYS THAT FOR A FEW DAYS BEFORE HIS MEETING ABOUT THE MINK, A SIMILAR STORY ABOUT MINK'S ACTIVITIES WAS GIVEN TO HIM BY AN AMERICAN CITIZEN NAMED NEERING, WHO WORKS IN MAGNITOGORSK AND ALLEGEDLY IN MOSCOW'S SURVEILLANCE AFFAIRS.

IN MAKING YOU AWARE OF THIS, I NEED TO ADD THAT ACCORDING TO OUR INFORMATION, MINK IS LISTED AS AN ANTI-SOVIET AND ROTTEN ELEMENT. MILK WAS EXCLUDED FROM THE ILS (INTERNATIONAL LENIN SCHOOL) BECAUSE HE DISRUPTS THE WORK OF STUDENTS. HE MADE PROPAGANDA, MAKING FALSE STATEMENTS ABOUT THE USSR. HE SAID: "THERE IS NOTHING IN THE USSR. THE WORKERS AND EVEN THE UNEMPLOYED AMERICANS LIVE BETTER THAN THE WORKERS IN THE USSR," FEARED PEOPLE, SPREAD FALSE LIES ABOUT HIS CONNECTION AND TRUST IN HIM OF THE LEADING WORKERS OF THE COMINTERN, IN ADDITION, MINK BOASTS ABOUT THE AMOUNT OF MONEY AT HIS DISPOSAL, ETC. ETC.

THE ATTITUDE OF THE AMERICAN COMRADES WORKING IN THE APPARATUS TO THE MINK AND THEIR EVALUATION OF HIM IS SHARPLY NEGATIVE. MINK TOLD COMRADE MIDLER THAT HE RETURNED FROM ABROAD

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RECENTLY AND LIVES IN ONE OF THE MOSCOW HOTELS.

TODAY AT 3 PM OUR STAFF MEMBER COMRADE BLUMFELD RECEIVED INFORMATION THAT GEORGE MINK GEORG LIVES AND PARTIES IN THE HOTEL "MOSCOW," (???) COMING ON TO FOREIGN TOURISTS, WHO ARE PLIED WITH MONEY, ETC.

/CHERNOMORDIK /

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#### COMRADE KORNILIEV.

MINK, GEORGE,

AMERICA/

IN ADDITION TO THE COMMUNICATION MATERIAL SENT, ACCORDING TO THE INFORMATION WE RECEIVED FROM THE COMINTERN CO-WORKER COMRADE BLUMFELD, G MINK, CONTINUES TO BOOZE AT THE "METROPOL HOTEL" AND THE "NEW MOSCOW."

MINK STRIVES TO CONNECT AND TALK WITH ALL FOREIGN TOURISTS.

/CHERNOMORDIK /

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# COMRADE ALIXANOV

Please report biographical and characterizing information on Jerome Samuelovich Mink.

Please check whether MINK has worked in the line of the COMINTERN, what kind of work he did, the reasons for his departure, which of the employees of the ECCI he is connected with.

19<sup>th</sup> April, 1937