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Re Bureau airtel to WFO, 11/30/71, directing WFO to reinterview [redacted]

Enclosed for the Bureau are ten copies of an LHM captioned [redacted] ESPIONAGE - X," three copies enclosed for Los Angeles, one copy each for Boston and New York.

The enclosed LHM contains results of a reinterview of [redacted] conducted 12/3/71.

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3-Los Angeles [redacted] (Enc. 3) (Info)

[redacted] ANTHONY RUSSO

1-New York [redacted] (Enc. 1) (Info)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
 FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION  
 Washington, D.C. 20535  
 December 8, 1971

In Reply, Please Refer to  
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[Redacted]

ESPIONAGE - X

[Redacted] previously furnished information regarding her association with Anthony J. Russo, Jr. [Redacted]

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[Redacted] United States Information Agency, subsequently advised [Redacted] was also acquainted with Ben Bagdikian of "The Washington Post" newspaper. [Redacted] was reinterviewed concerning her knowledge of Bagdikian and the results are enclosed herewith.

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## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

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[redacted]  
[redacted] furnished the following information during interview:

[redacted] became acquainted with Ben Bagdikian of "The Washington Post" newspaper during the time he was employed in the Social Science Department of the Rand Corporation at Santa Monica, California. Bagdikian was at Rand for two years and his office was in fairly close proximity to hers. At Rand, Bagdikian wrote an article critical of the newspapers which came to the attention of [redacted] of "The Washington Post." Bagdikian left the Rand Corporation and went to work for "The Washington Post" after [redacted] extended him an invitation to join that newspaper "and straighten it out."

[redacted] had no further association with Bagdikian until she quit her job with the United States Information Agency in the Winter of 1970. She called Bagdikian and asked about a job. She also submitted a resume to "Newsweek" magazine in her search for employment. In the course of a subsequent interview at the "Newsweek" Office she was advised that magazine did not have a job opening for her at that time, but her employment application was referred by "Newsweek" to "The Washington Post." She was subsequently employed in the Personnel Department of that newspaper and terminated employment there on March 12, 1971. She assumes Bagdikian may have been of some assistance in getting her the job but she had no knowledge that he actually intervened on her behalf.

[redacted] met Bagdikian only once while she was working for the newspaper. She recalled she purchased a copy of Bagdikian's book "The Information Machine" for [redacted] who wanted it. She had Bagdikian autograph the book for her.

[redacted] had no further contact with Bagdikian until after her return to California in July, 1971. She wrote a letter

Interviewed on 12/3/71 at Washington, D.C. File # [redacted]  
by SA's CHARLES A. REGAN and [redacted]  
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to him and asked about employment in a "news room type job," telling Bagdikian she did not like working in the Personnel Department and was not interested in that kind of employment. Bagdikian wrote to her and advised there was nothing available.

Sometime during the period she was staying with [redacted] following her return to California, she received a call from a Los Angeles representative of "The Washington Post" asking for interview which she subsequently granted. A reporter, whose name she could not recall, told her he was doing a story on the Rand Corporation. He wanted to know "what Rand was really like" and was interested in talking with Rand employees who had been in Vietnam. During the interview he asked her questions about her work at Rand, what it was like to work "in a think tank," and her opinion on the situation in Vietnam. She recalled one specific question, "Do you think Rand was responsible for what went wrong in Vietnam?" The reporter showed no interest in the Pentagon Papers and asked no questions about them.

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[redacted] said the reporter seemed uninformed and his questions were naive. She told him he should be asking his questions at the Rand Corporation and he told her he had spent the whole day there talking to people. He mentioned some former Rand employees he had talked with and included Tony Russo's name among these.

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[redacted] next contact with Bagdikian followed her return to Washington, D.C., in November, 1971. She called Bagdikian and told him she was again interested in working for the newspaper. He said there was nothing available, but he would call her back. She has had no further contact with him.

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[redacted] recalled when she spoke with Bagdikian in November, he said he was no longer the national news editor of the newspaper and was now an ombudsman with a couple of people helping him. Bagdikian did not elaborate. [redacted] assumed that as an ombudsman Bagdikian would be handling complaints and matters of that sort for the newspaper.

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Regarding information [redacted] previously furnished on November 17, 1971, concerning her association with Anthony Russo,

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