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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

Dr. Hans Soni located and interviewed 11/17/37 by American Consulate General at Calcutta, India, where he is presently employed as Professor of Economics of the Benares Hindu University, admits meeting Anna Kupryanova in London, England 1926 and cohabitating with her until 1928. Soni denies having ever been married to Anna and if she possesses a marriage certificate the same is a forgery. Soni also denies the paternity of Roy, alleging Anna was in liaison with a number of people in England. Soni denies ever having gone to the U.S. and passport records do not indicate any visas for the U.S. Miss Bess Williams contemplates foreclosure of Stony Brook L.I. property. Letter signed "Jefferts" 9/8/37 setting forth Informant City Island #6111316 found to be non-existent. List of correspondence reflected by mail covers set forth.

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Report of Special Agent G. H. Meyer, New York City 1/15/38. Bureau letter 1/27/38.
Summary Report of Special Agent G. H. Meyer, New York City, 2/12/38; Letter from San Francisco Division, 3/15/38.

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DETAILS:

On February 4, 1938 the New York Bureau Office was in receipt of a Bureau letter containing enclosures transmitting information obtained by the State Department regarding Anna Kupryanova, Dr. HANS SONI and Roy Chandra, from the American Consulate General at Calcutta, India. One of these enclosures reflected a communication from the Home Department, Government of India, from D. S. BAKHLE, Esquire, I.C.S., to the American Consul General at Calcutta, dated December 14, 1937, New Delhi, advising that Dr. Hans Raj Soni was a native of Punjab and not of Bombay; that he is a resident of the United Provinces and presently holds the position of Professor of Economics in the Hindu University in Benares. This communication reflected that there was enclosed therewith a copy of a statement of Hans Soni in respect to Anna Kupryanova. The following is a copy of the statement.

"Copy of Report of S. I. T. P. Deb, D. I. S.
Benares dated 18.11.37.

I have the honour to report that Dr. Hans Soni is Dr. Hans, Raj Soni, s/o Rai Saheb Lala Ram Ditta Mal of Jhong, Punjab. He is at present a professor of Economics of the Benares Hindu University. He was interviewed yesterday and gave the following statement:-

'I went to England in 1918 and graduated from the Edinburgh (Scotland) University in 1920 and returned to India in 1922. Again left for England in 1923. In early 1926 I came across with Anna Kupryanova in London. She used to meet me at my place at West Kensington where I cohabited with her. Just before two weeks or so before the birth of a child we shifted to Kew Garden where she gave birth of a male child. I do not know who is responsible for this as she was a Russian Refugee and had been in Liason with a number of people. I lived with her till 1928 with a short break of about 6-7 months owing to some misunderstanding which arose between us. I returned to India in 1928 and joined the territorial staff of Hindu College at Delhi. I again left for England in 1930 and returned to India in 1931.

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I cannot say how she was informed by the High Commissioner of India in London that I was killed in a motor accident in France. It may refer to any other Soni.

It is absolutely untrue that I had married the lady and if she possesses a marriage certificate in Brahmin Language that must be a bogus one.

I do not know if the boy born to her at Kew Gardens in 1926 how christened in Greek Catholic faith and given the name of Dionitry or Rah/Chandra.

My thesis entitled "Indian Industry and its Problems" was published by Longmans Green and Co., London. I am a Doctor of Science in Economics of London University.

I had never attempted to go to United States. I have not any passport for that country. I have got no connection with her at present. In 1930, on her request I had sent her some money as she begged for it as she desired to go to United States.'

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for Distt. Magistrate"

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