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Cooperative Statistics Concerning Blue and U.S. Defectors

As I suggested this evening, the following figures indicate the number of defectors from the Blue to Western countries within the last eighteen months, together with comparable statistics for American defectors to the right.

From April 1, 1969
To Sept. 25, 1970

Blue defectors to the U.S. 41
Blue defectors to other Western countries 12

Total 73

American defectors to Blue countries 16 (est.)

The number of U.S. defectors includes Berman and Mitchell but not the two cases of which has re-emerged and the other in applying for return to the U.S.

GCT requests that these statistics not be published or given to congressional inquiries until after the agency has been informed of the source of any inquiries and has agreed to the release of the figures.

For your information, there is attached an excerpt from the relevant HSC paper defining its terms and purposes.

Attachment: 4/24. At Macombs's request, I asked O'Leary (SF) to inquire if he will consult the FBI. 36

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