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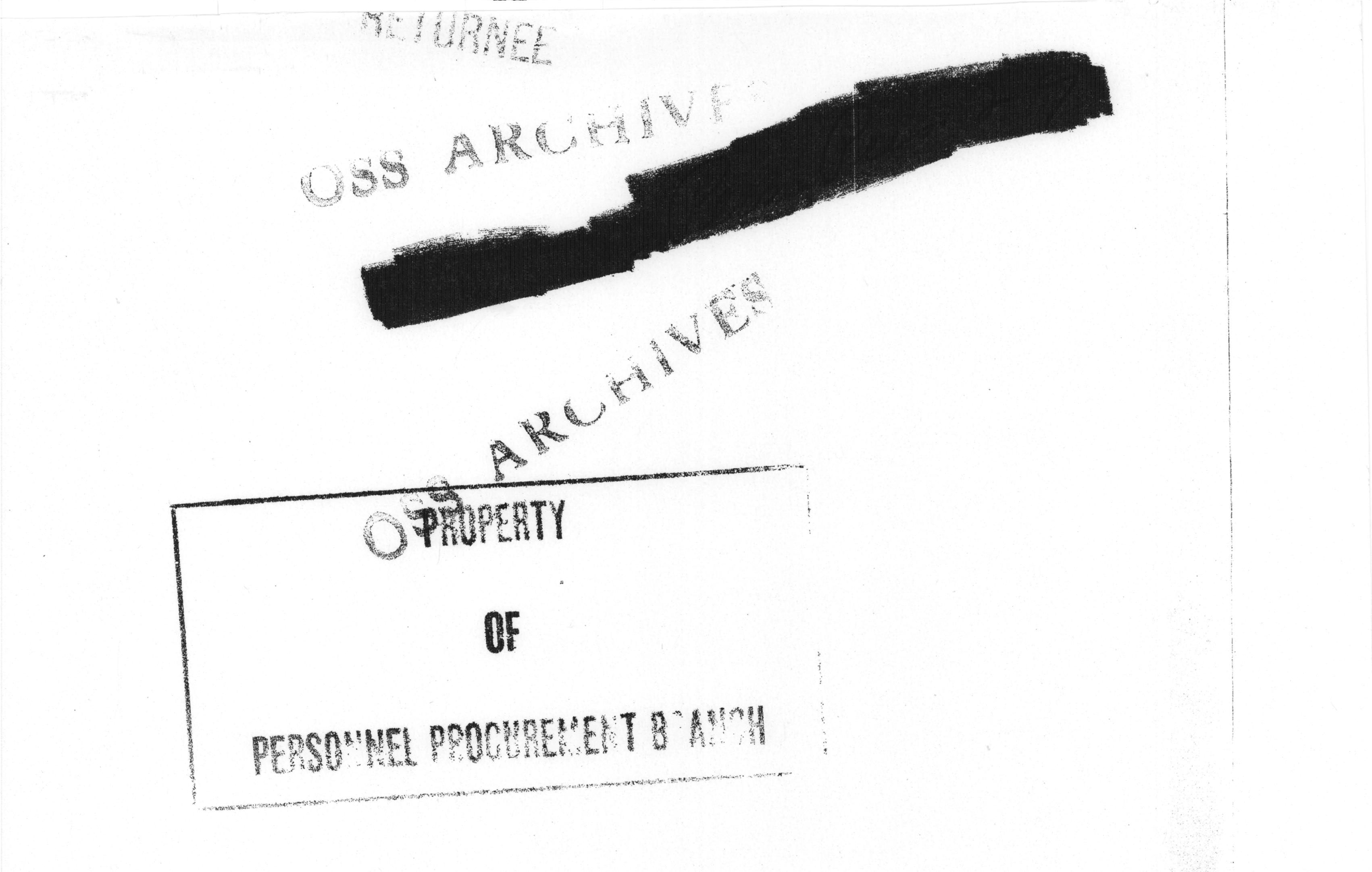
- 1. Name: William J. CASEY [extract from file]
- 2. Comment on contents of file:
 - 1. Includes a Personal History Statement
 - 2. Joined OSS in 1943 [age 30]; came from BEW
 - 3. File includes interesting discussion of Casey as SI in Germany
 - 4. Recommended for Legion of Merit by USFET
 - 5. Received Bronze Star award from Navy in 1945
 - 6. Resigned form OSS at end of August 1945

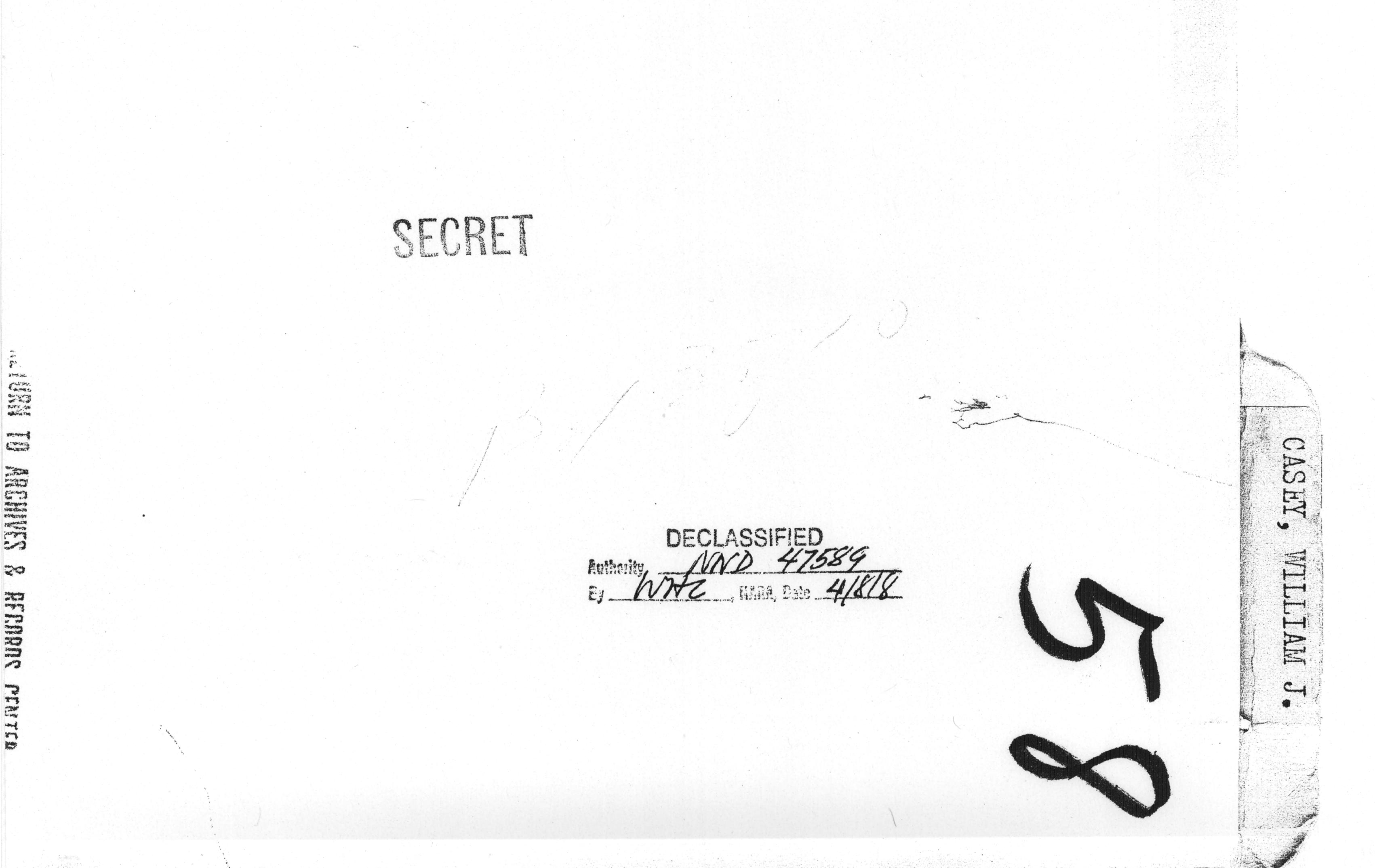
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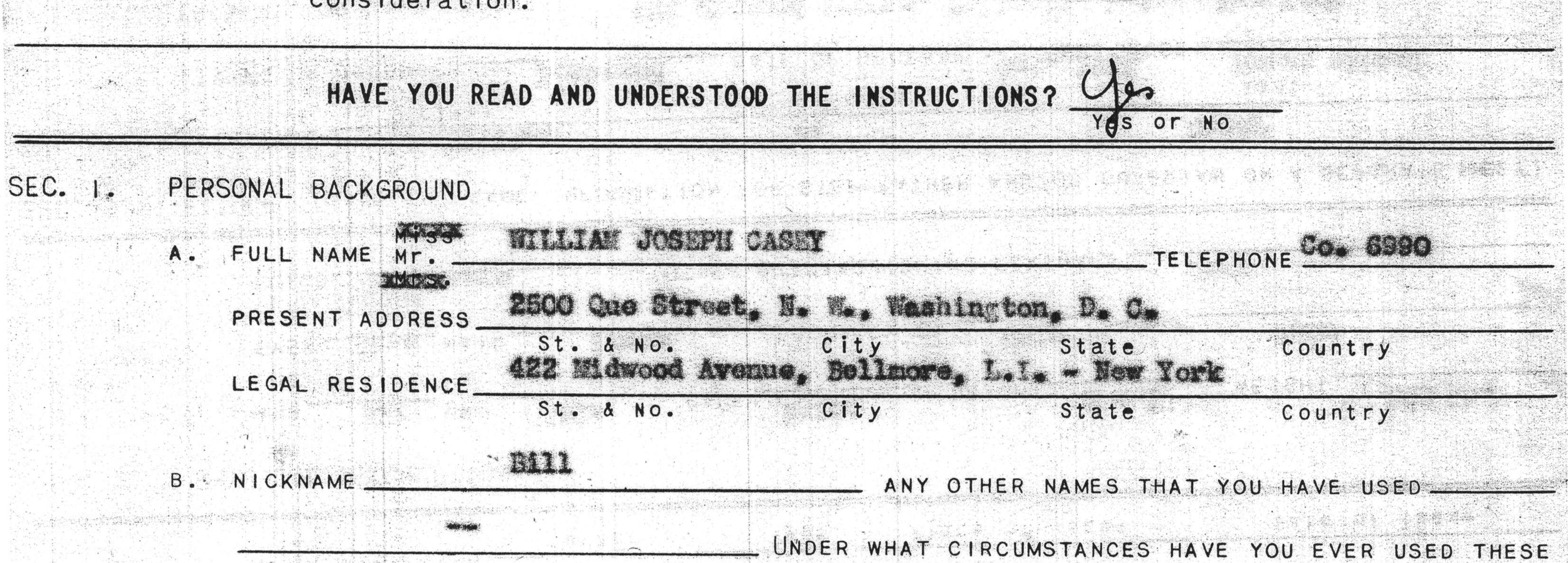
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APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT AND PERSONAL HISTORY STATEMENT

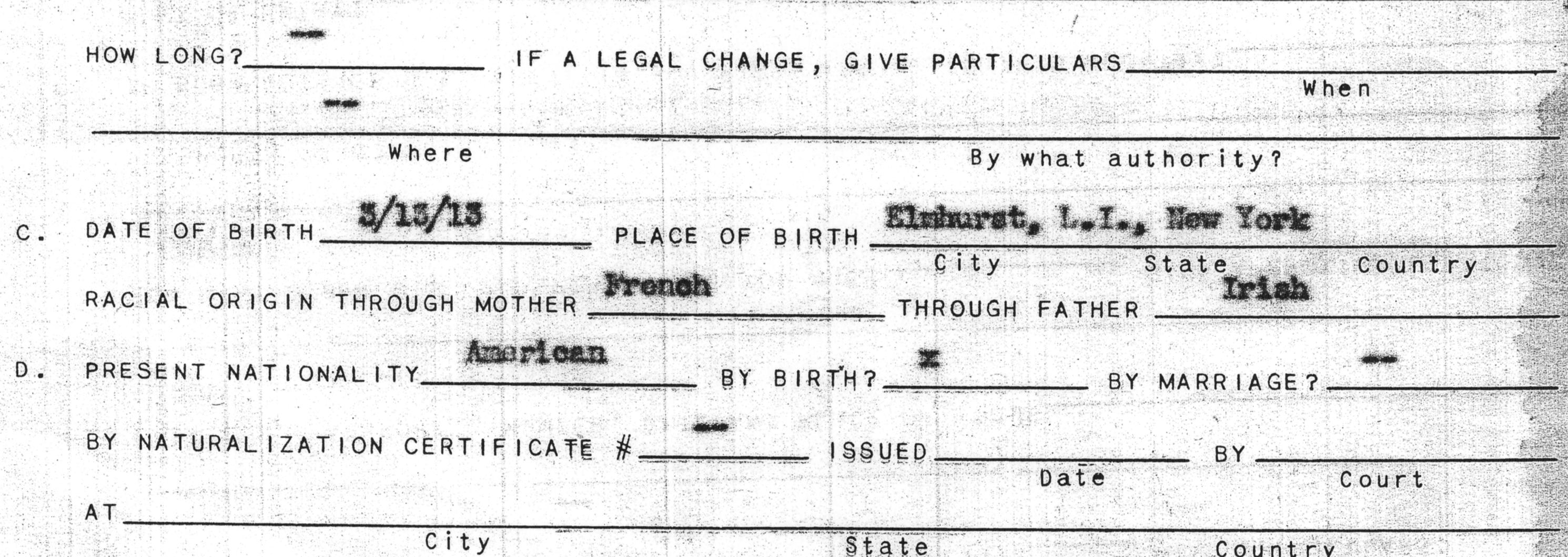
Instructions: 1. Answer all questions completely. If question does not apply write "not applicable." Write "unknown" only if you do not know the answer and cannot obtain the answer from personal records. Use a separate sheet for extra details on any question or questions for which you do not have sufficient room.

> 2. Attach 2 recent passport size pictures to this form, date taken written on the back of each.

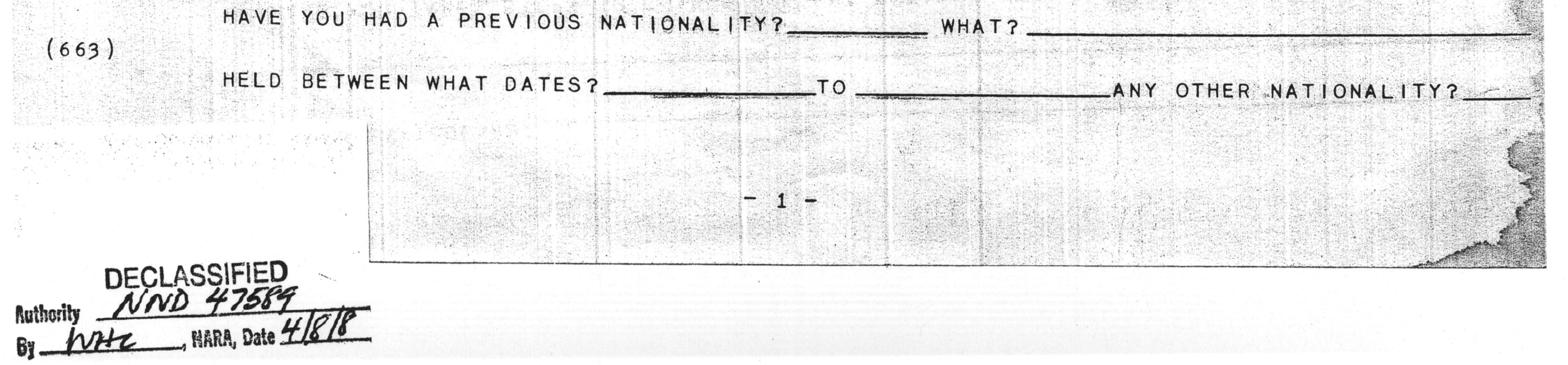
> 3. Type, print or write carefully; illegible or incomplete forms will not receive consideration.







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E. LAST U.S. PASSPORT: NUMBER, DATE AND PLACE OF ISSUE

HOW MANY OTHER U.S. PASSPORTS HAVE YOU HAD?_____ GIVE APPROXIMATE DATES:

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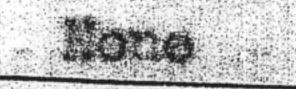
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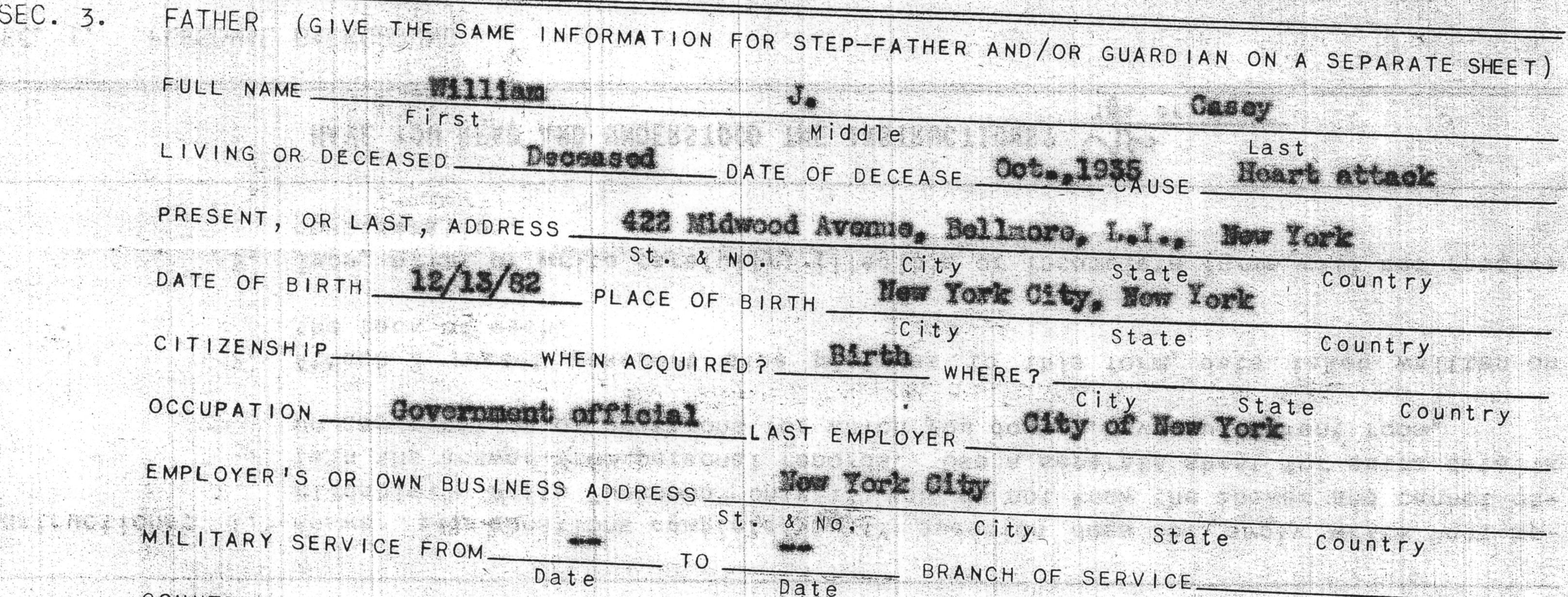
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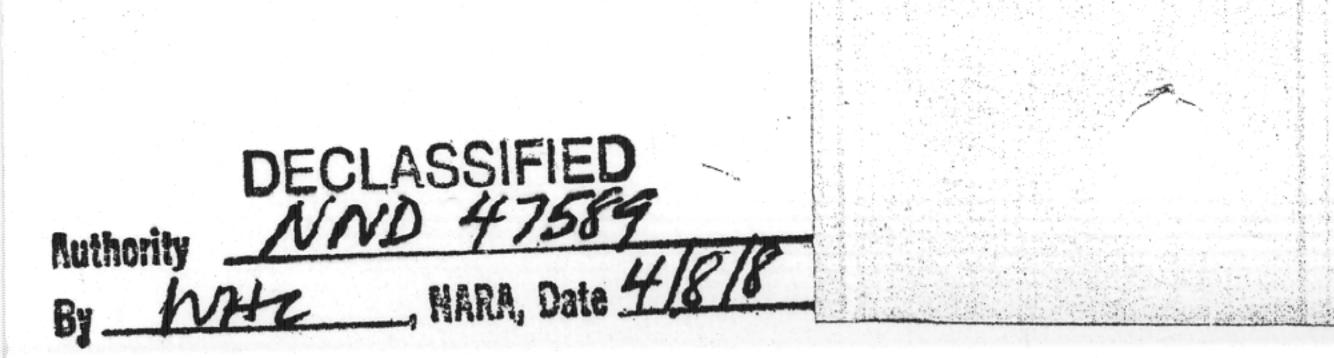
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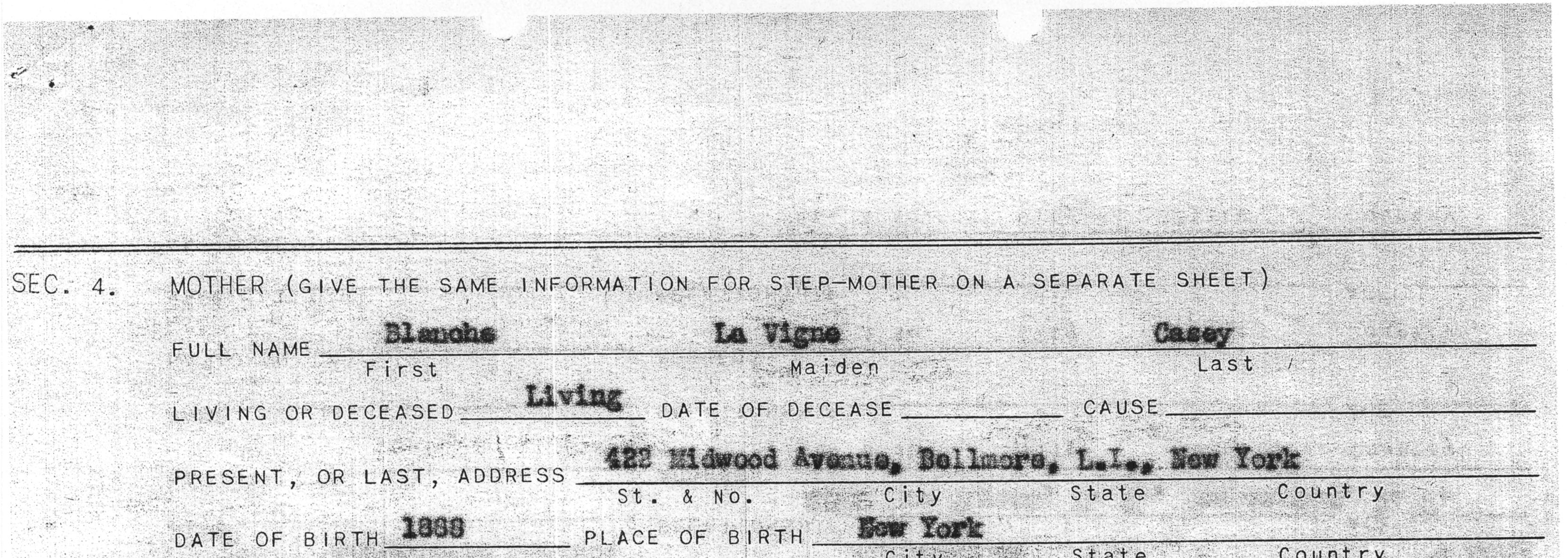




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OF OTHER GOV'T SERVICE, U.S. OR FOREIGN





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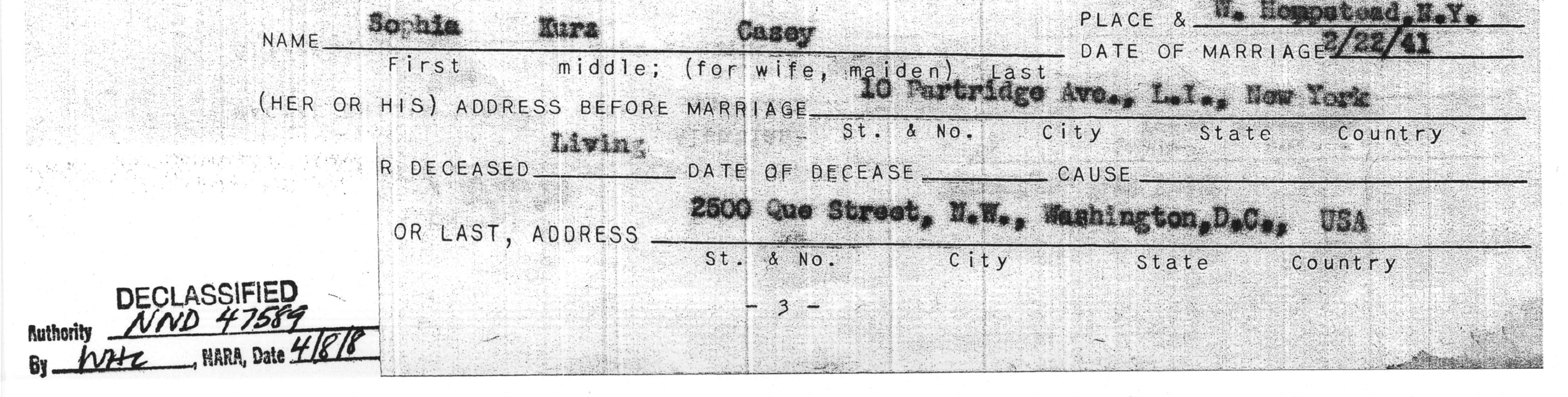
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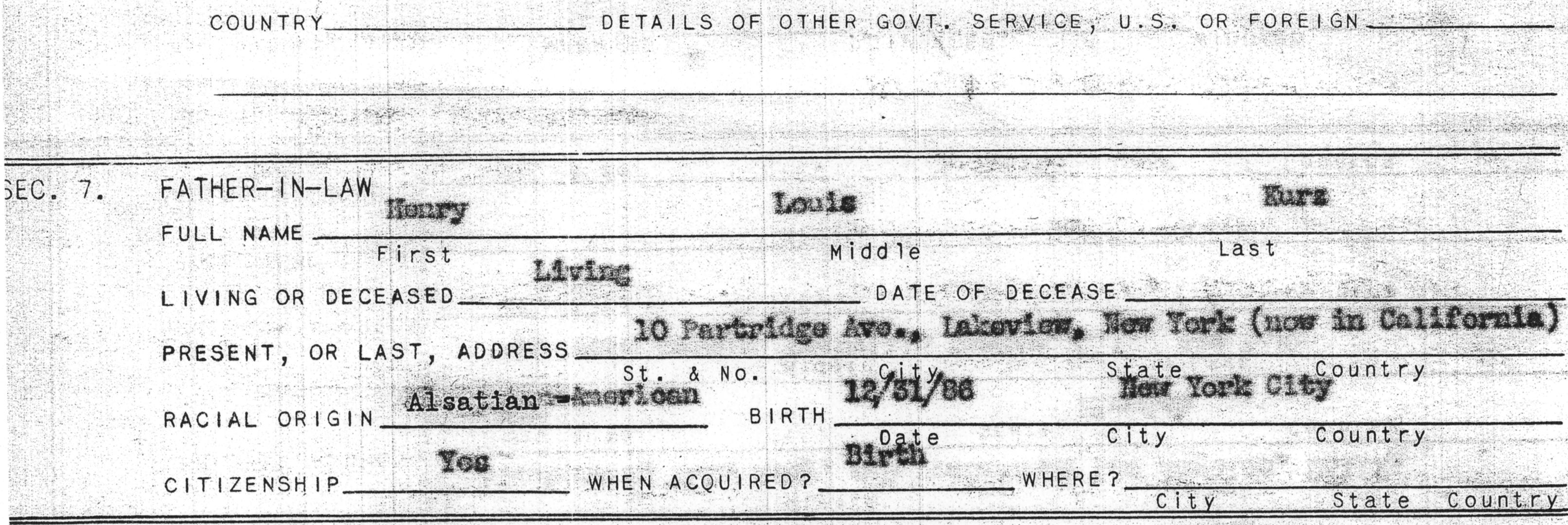
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STATE DATE, PLACE AND REASON FOR SEPARATION OR DIVORCE

B. WIFE OR HUSBAND (IF YOU HAVE BEEN MARRIED MORE THAN ONCE USE A SEPARATE SHEET FOR FORMER WIFE OR HUSBAND AND GIVE REQUIRED DATA FOR ALL PREVIOUS MARRIAGES)



- -4-SEC. 6. MARITAL STATUS (CONT'D) DATE OF BIRTH ______PLACE OF BIRTH ______ City _____ State _____ Country Alsatian-______ City _____ State _____ Country Inich American RACIAL ORIGIN THROUGH FATHER <u>American</u> THROUGH MOTHER _______ CITIZENSHIP ______ WHEN ACQUIRED? ______ WHERE? _______ CITIZENSHIP ______ WHEN ACQUIRED? ______ WHERE? _______ CITY ______ State ______ Country OCCUPATION _______ LAST EMPLOYER _______ EMPLOYER'S OR OWN BUSINESS ADDRESS ________ St. & No. ______ State ______ Country
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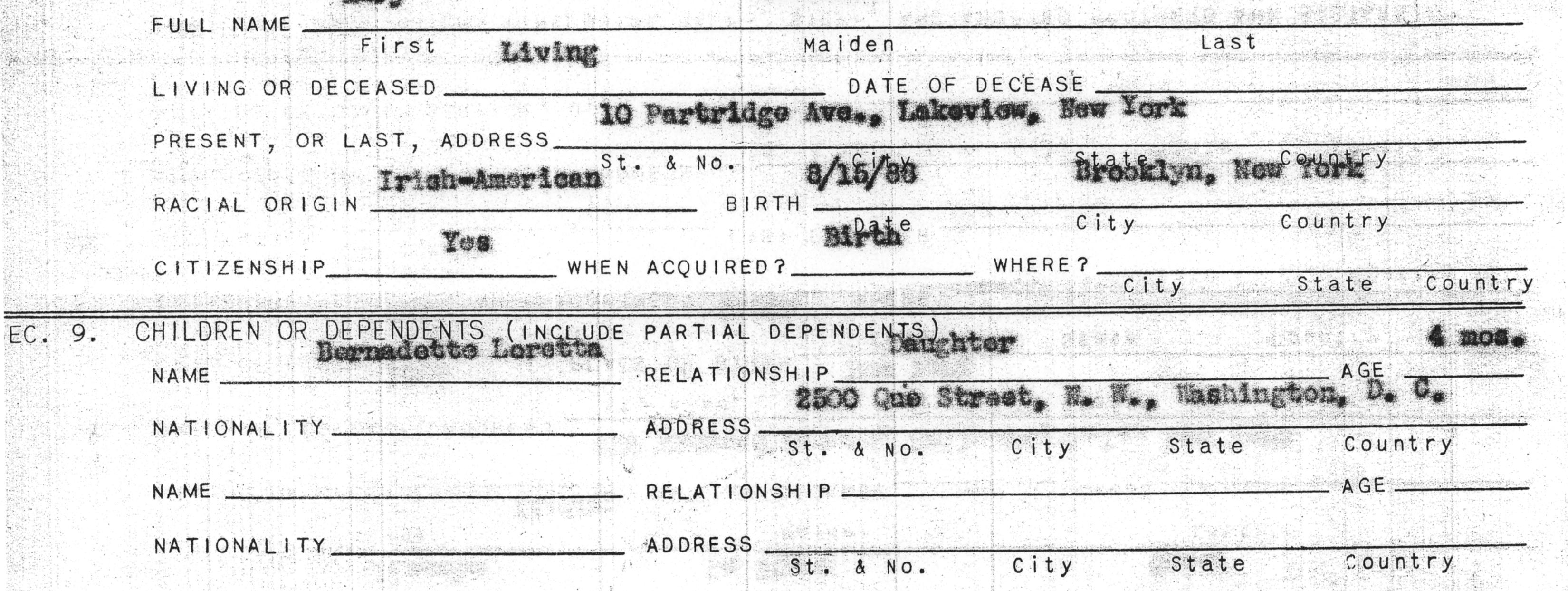


SEC. 8. MOTHER-IN-LAW

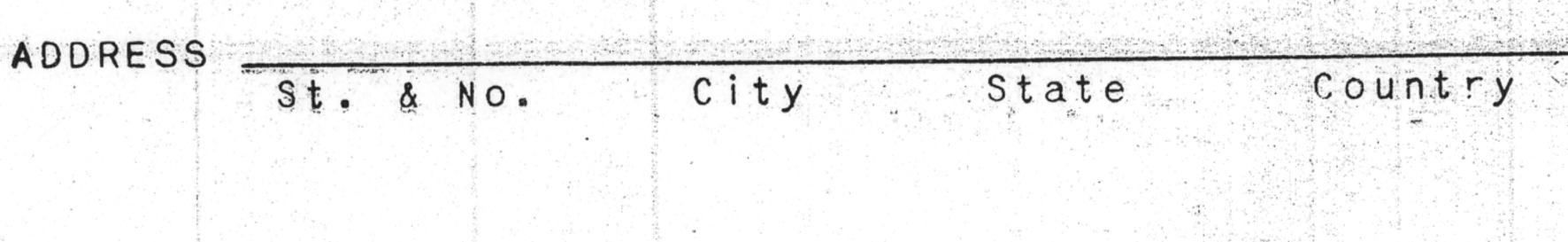


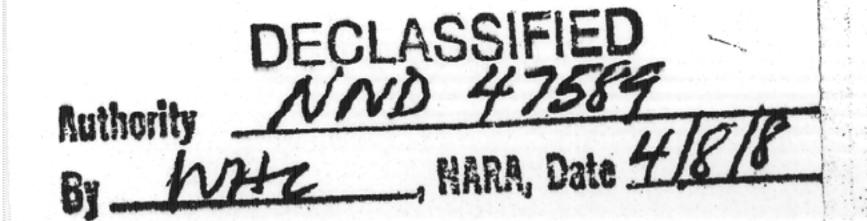


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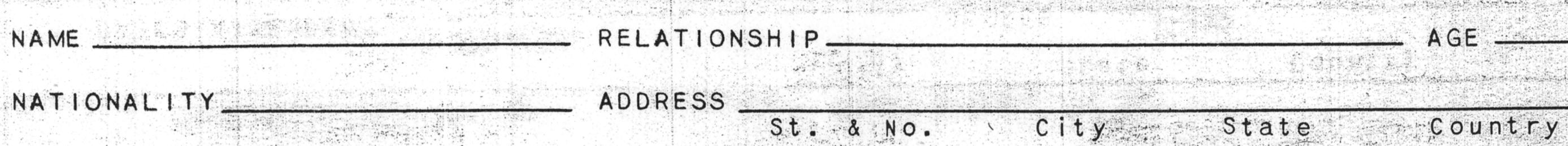






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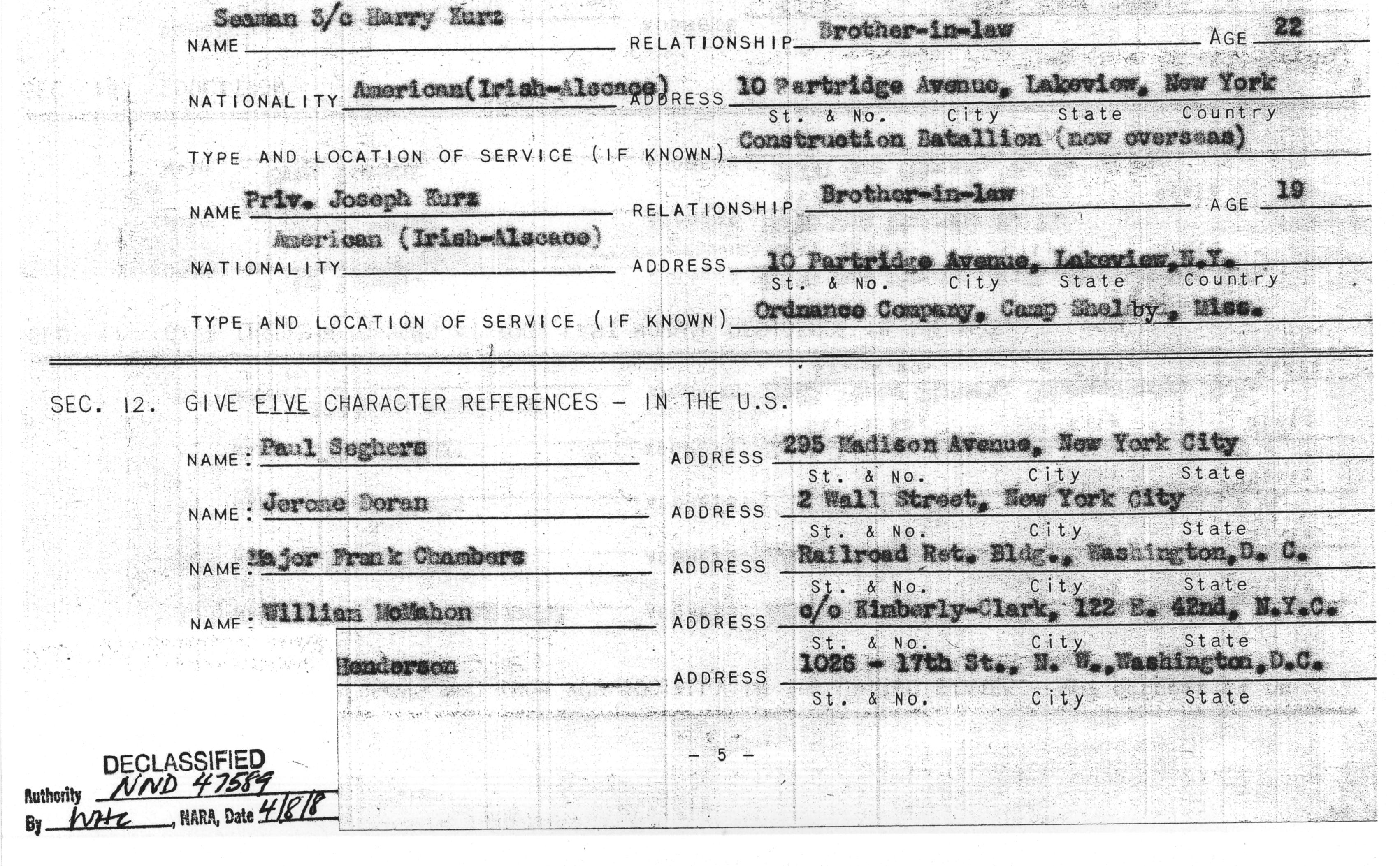


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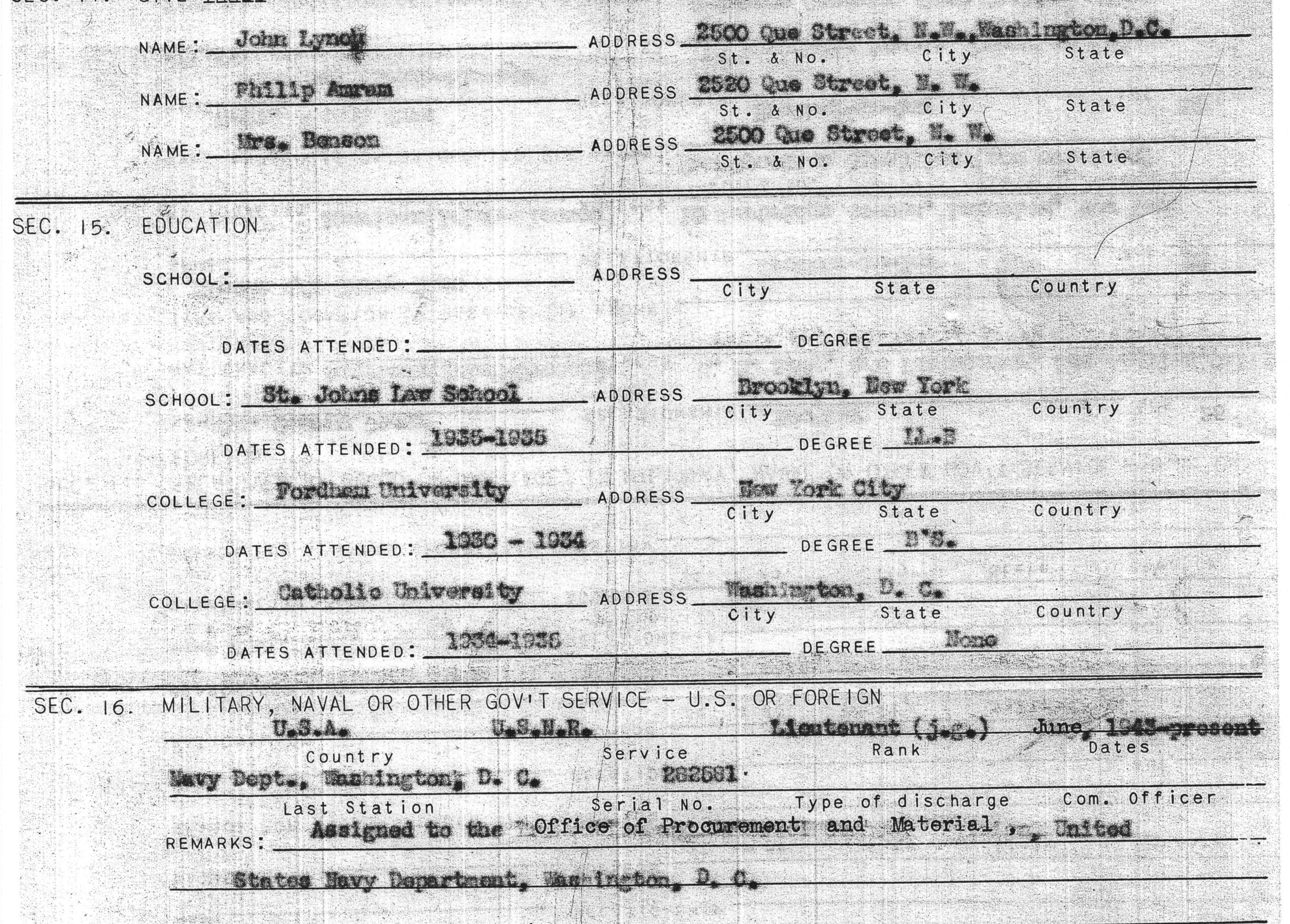
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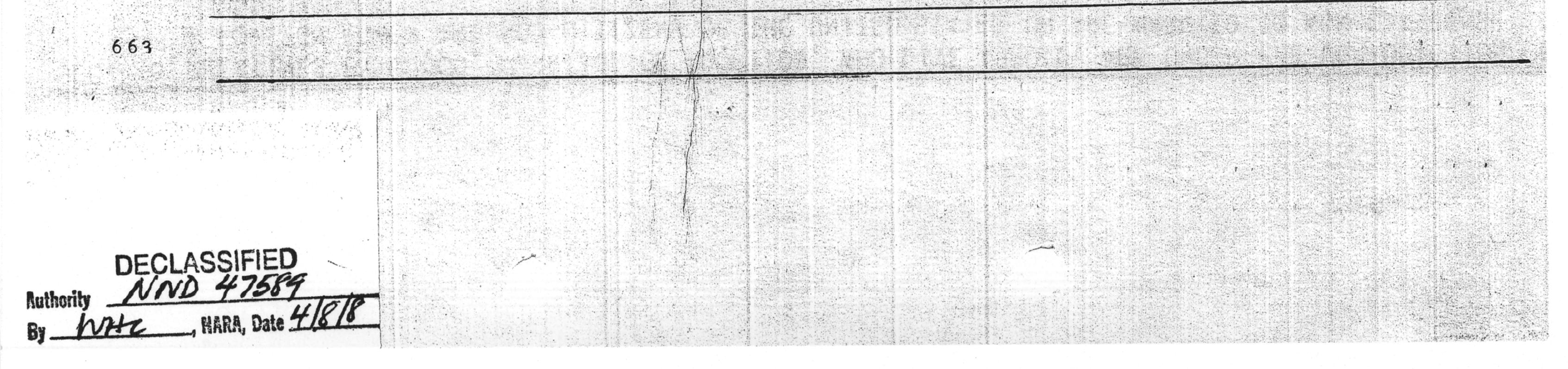


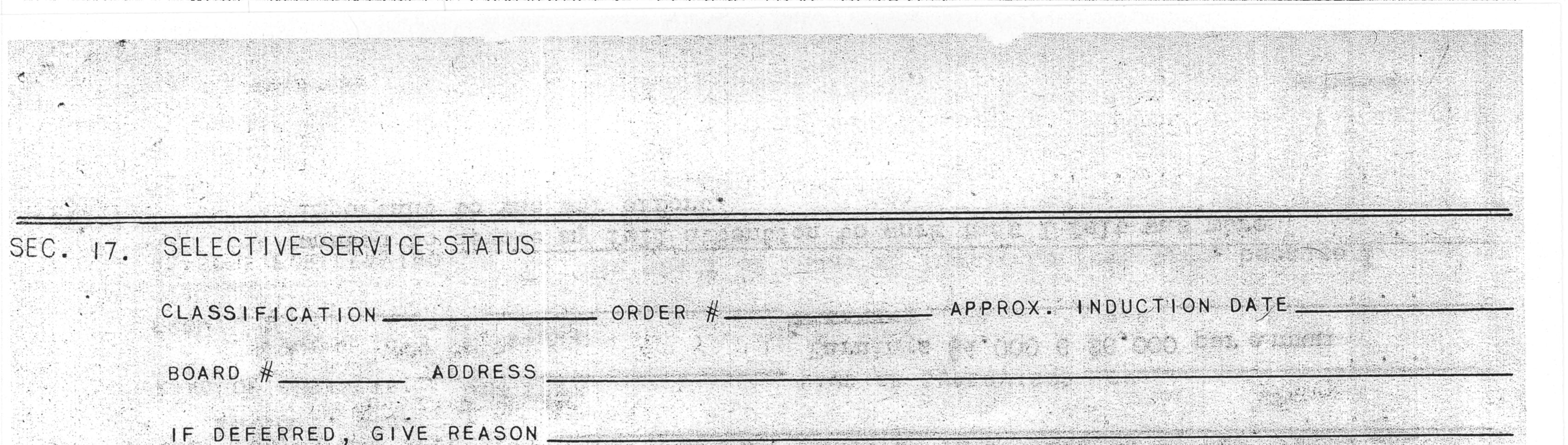
SEC. 13. NAMES OF 5 PERSONS WHO KNOW YOU SOCIALLY IN THE UNITED STATES. NOT REFERENCES OR EMPLOYERS

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|---------|--------------------|----------------------|------|-------|
| 2. NAME | John Martin | ADDRESS: | City | State |
| 3. NAME | dutes abele | ADDRESS: St. & No. | City | State |
| | John Inder | AD, DRESS: St. & No. | City | State |
| 5. NAME | milian gradotta | ADDRESS: St. & No. | City | State |

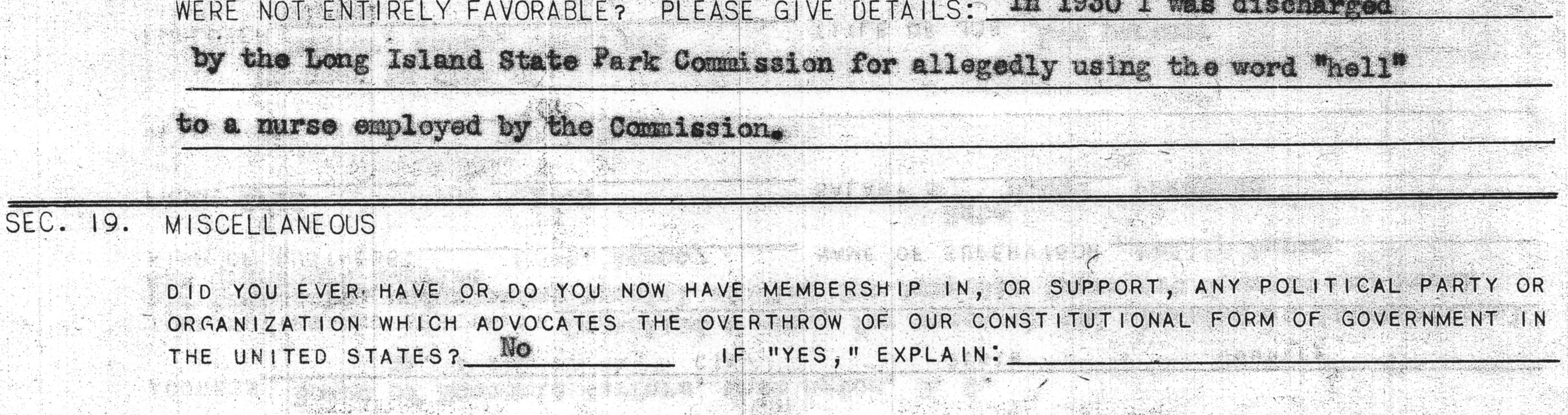
SEC. 14. GIVE IHREE NEIGHBORS AT YOUR LAST NORMAL RESIDENCE IN THE U.S.







SEC. 18.. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED FROM ANY POSITION, OR LEFT UNDER CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH WERE NOT ENTIRELY FAVORABLE? PLEASE GIVE DETAILS: In 1930 I was discharged



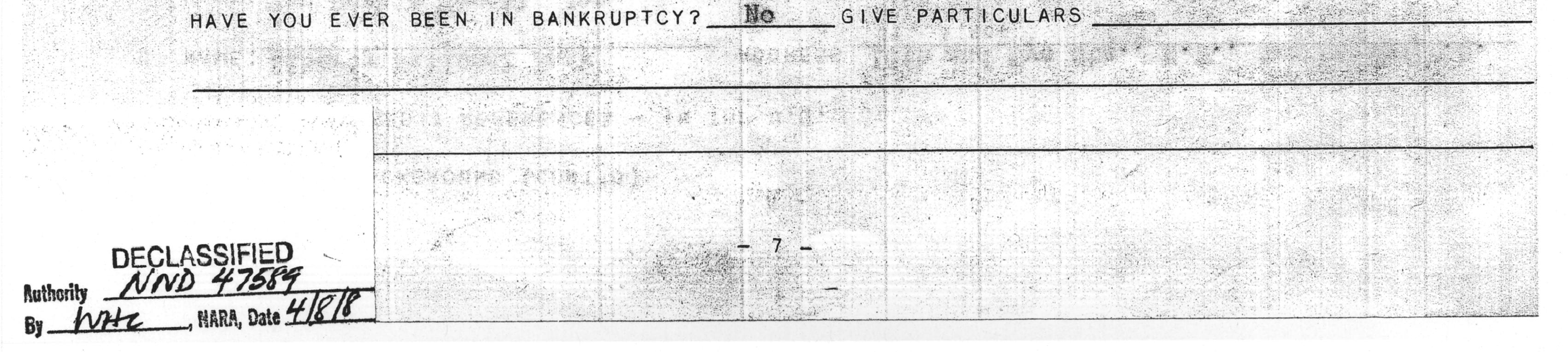
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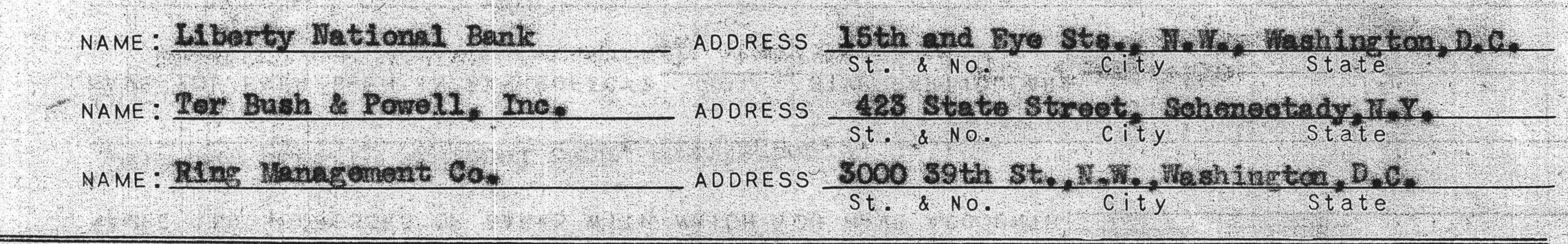
INCOME _

- HAVE YOU EVER BEEN ARRESTED, INDICTED OR CONVICTED FOR ANY VICLATION OF LAW OTHER THAN A MINOR TRAFFIC VIOLATION? IF SO, STATE NAME OF COURT, CITY, STATE, COUNTRY, NATURE OF OFFENSE AND DISPOSITION OF CASE.
- SEC. 20. FINANCIAL-BACKGROUND
 - ARE YOU ENTIRELY DEPENDENT ON YOUR SALARY? ______ IF NOT, STATE SOURCES OF OTHER The Research Institute of America continues to pay me 20% of my salary.
 - NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF BANKS WITH WHICH YOU HAVE ACCOUNTS Lincoln Mational

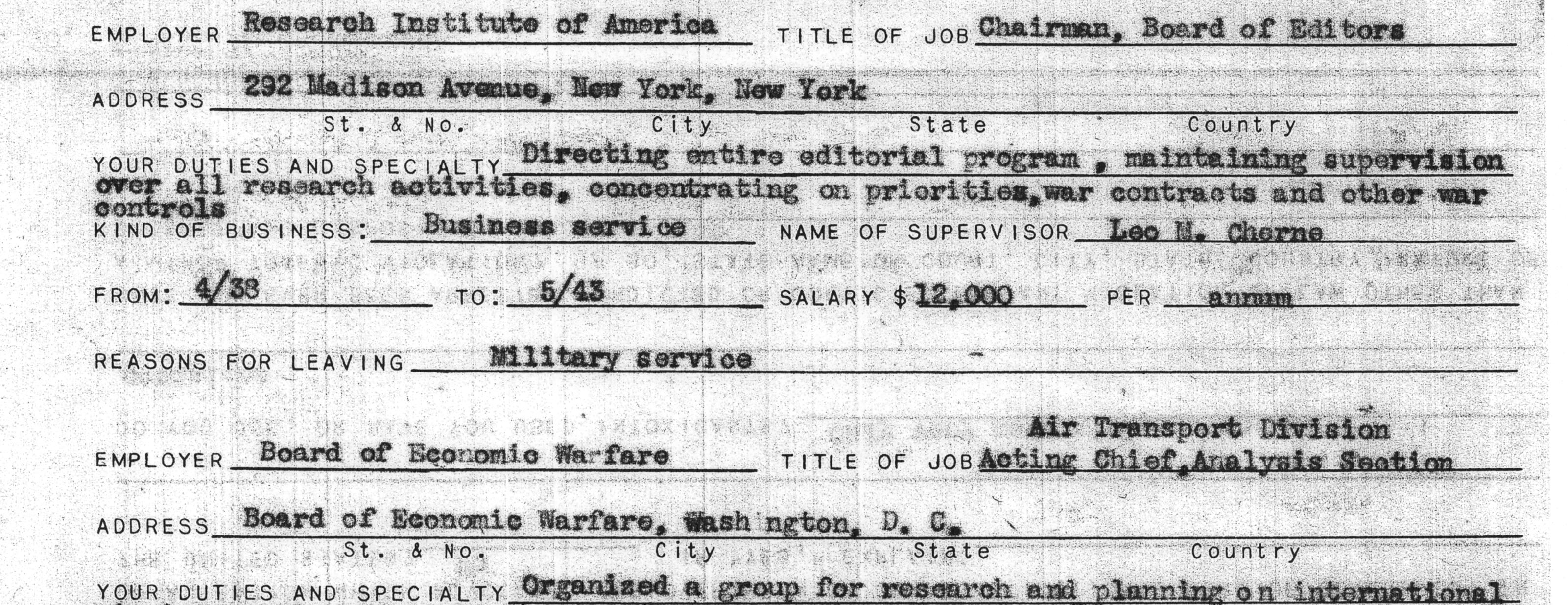
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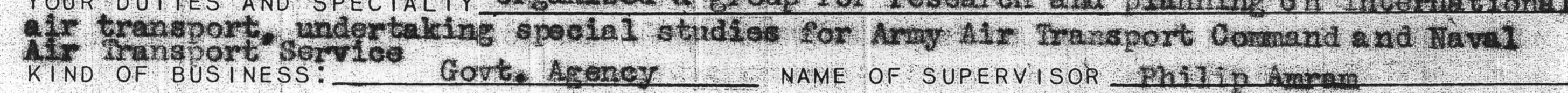


- SEC. 20. FINANCIAL BACKGROUND (CONT'D)
 - GIVE three CREDIT REFERENCES IN THE U.S.



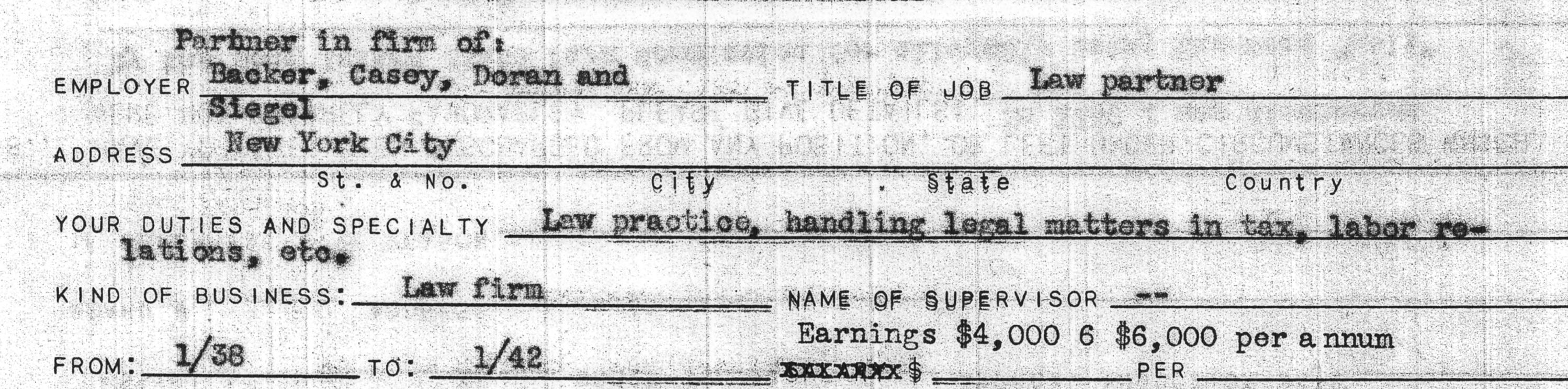
SEC. 21. CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY OF EMPLOYMENT FOR PAST 10 YEARS. INCLUDE CASUAL EMPLOYMENT. INCLUDE ALSO PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT. GIVE ADDRESS AND STATE WHAT YOU DID DURING PERIODS OF UNEMPLOYMENT. INCLUDE LAST 5 POSITIONS AND COVER AT LEAST 10 YEARS.

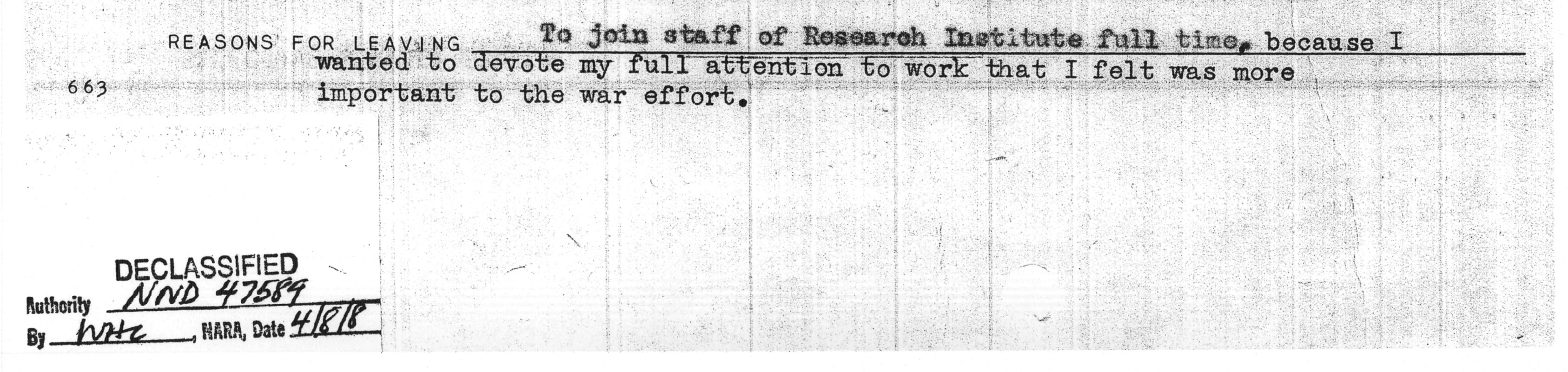




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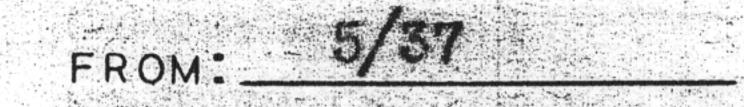
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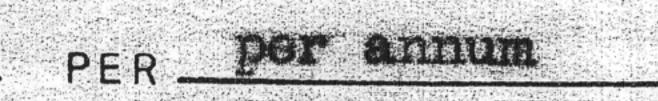




SEC. 21. CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY (CONT'D) 方案的 EMPLOYER Patriok Zagarino TITLE OF JOB Low Clerk ADDRESS 70 Pine Street, New York City, N.Y. St. & NO. City State Country YOUR DUTIES AND SPECIALTY General legal research KIND OF BUSINESS: Law Firm Patrick Zagarina NAME OF SUPERVISOR.

SALARY \$ 1,000





REASONS FOR LEAVING to onter law firm as partner

TO: 4/38

EMPLOYER New York City Dept, of ______ TITLE OF JOB ______ Investigator

ADDRESS New York City

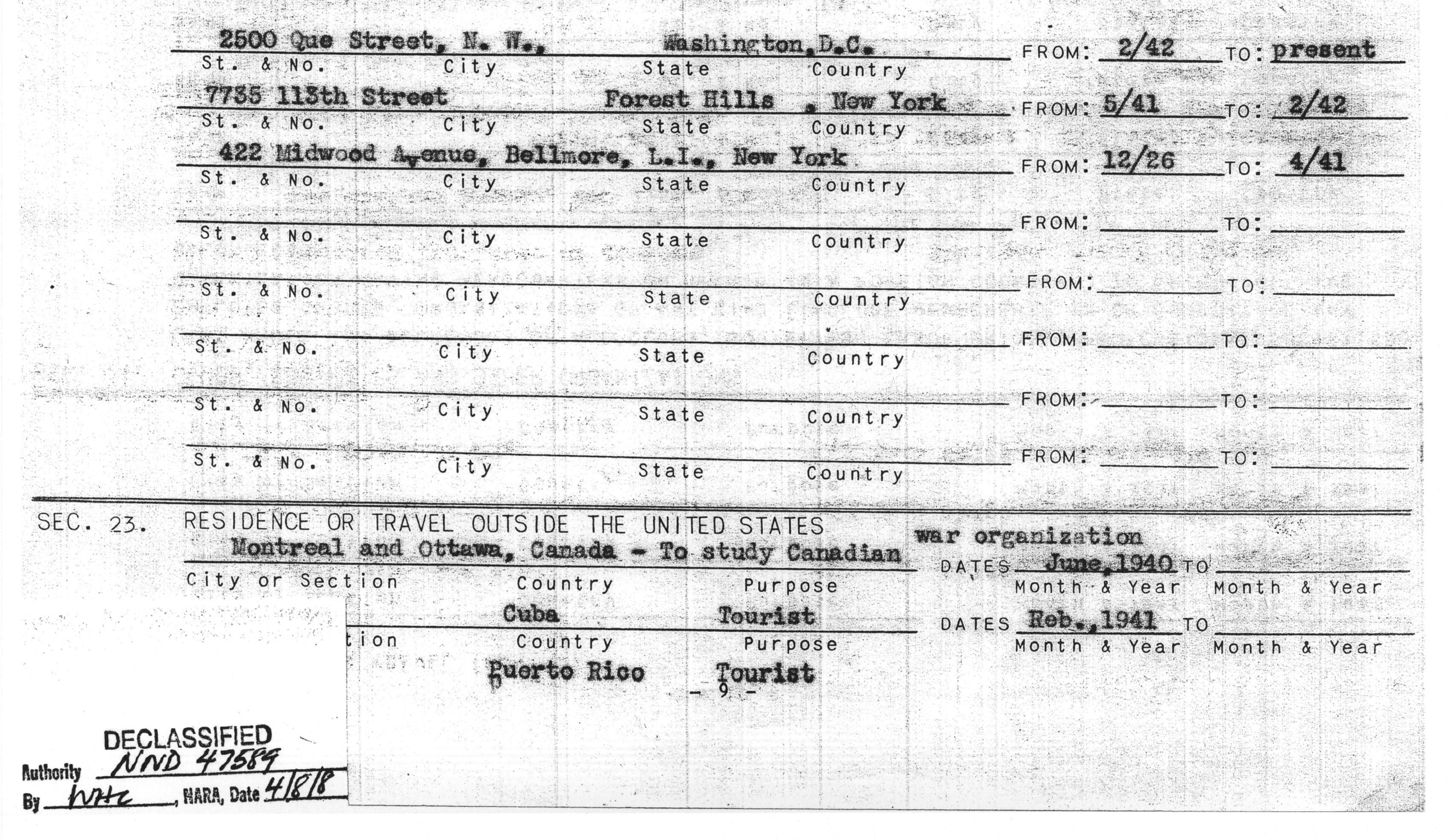
St. & NO. City State Country YOUR DUTIES AND SPECIALTY _____ Investigating case histories of persons and cases coming to attention of City Melfare Department

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REASONS FOR LEAVING To take position in law office

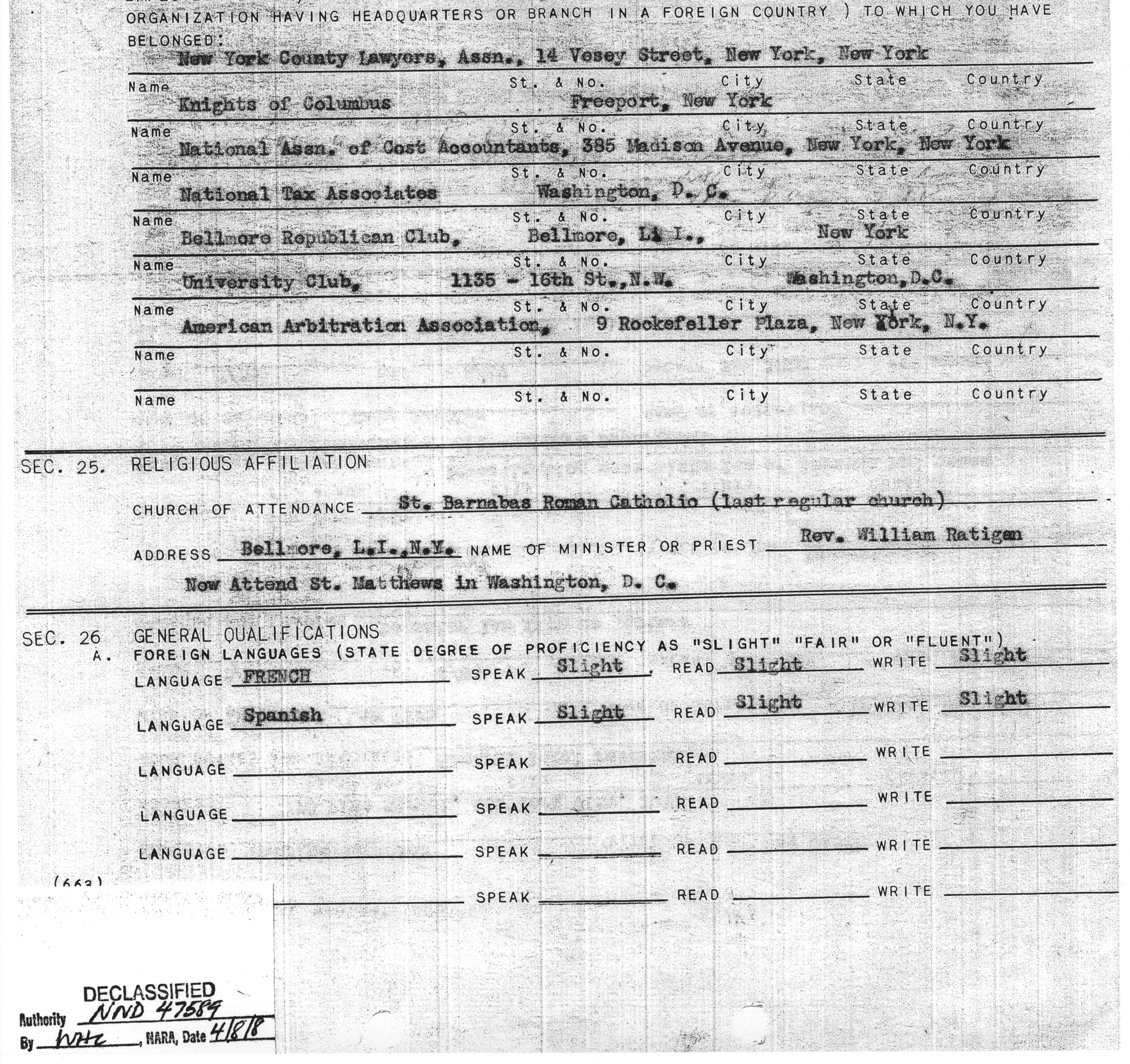
RESIDENCES FOR THE PAST TEN YEARS SEC. 22.





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LIST NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF ALL CLUBS, SOCIETIES, LABOR UNIONS, PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES, EMPLOYEE GROUPS, ORGANIZATIONS OF ANY KIND (INCLUDE MEMBERSHIP IN OR SUPPORT OF ANY



SEC. 26. GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS (CONT'D)

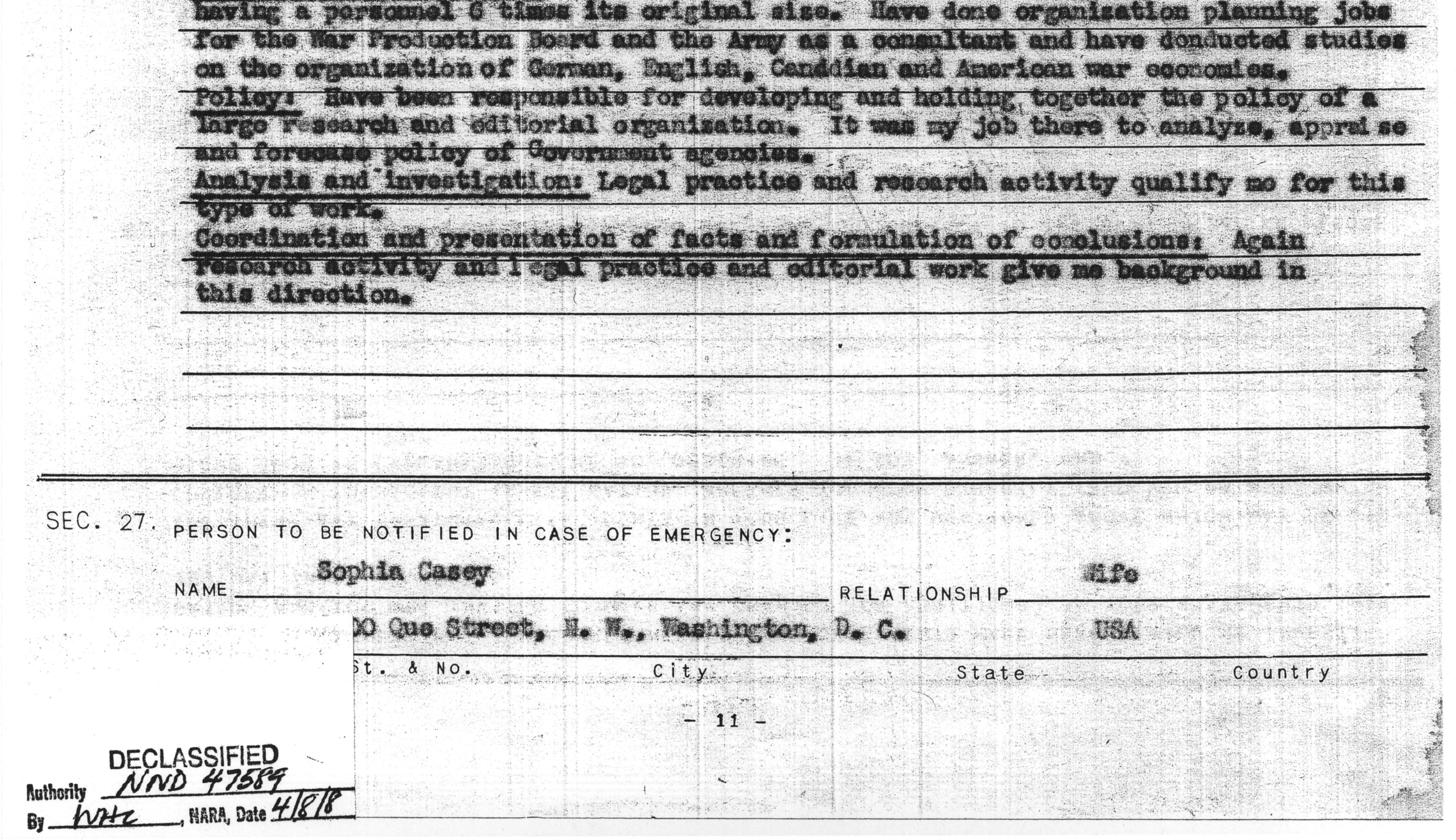
B. HAVE YOU ANY SPECIAL KNOWLEDGE OR TRAINING WITH RESPECT TO:

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GIVE PARTICULARS

- C. LIST all SPORTS AND HOBBIES WHICH INTEREST YOU; INDICATE DEGREE OF PROFICIENCY IN EACH.
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- D. HAVE YOU ANY QUALIFICATIONS, AS A RESULT OF TRAINING OR EXPERIENCE, WHICH MIGHT FIT YOU FOR A PARTICULAR POSITION? Applications line line broad experience in directing and administering the
 - oversteller al a restaurdt staff ranging from 40 to 60 persons.
 - Organizational Planning. Developed and organized this research staff into one



SEC. 28. YOU ARE INFORMED THAT THE CORRECTNESS OF ALL STATEMENTS MADE HEREIN WILL BE INVESTI-GATED, AND YOU ARE INVITED TO MAKE ANY CHANGES (OR ADDITIONS) IN YOUR STATEMENTS THAT YOU MAY THINK ADVISABLE.

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A. ARE THERE ANY UNFAVORABLE INCIDENTS IN YOUR LIFE NOT MENTIONED ABOVE WHICH MAY BE DIS-COVERED IN SUBSEQUENT INVESTIGATION, WHETHER YOU WERE DIRECTLY INVOLVED OR NOT, WHICH MIGHT REQUIRE EXPLANATION? IF SO, DESCRIBE. IF NOT, ANSWER, "NO."

- B. I CERTIFY THAT THE FOREGOING ANSWERS ARE TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE AND BELIEF, AND I AGREE THAT ANY MISSTATEMENT OR OMISSION AS TO A MATERIAL FACT WILL CONSTITUTE GROUNDS FOR IMMEDIATE DISMISSAL.
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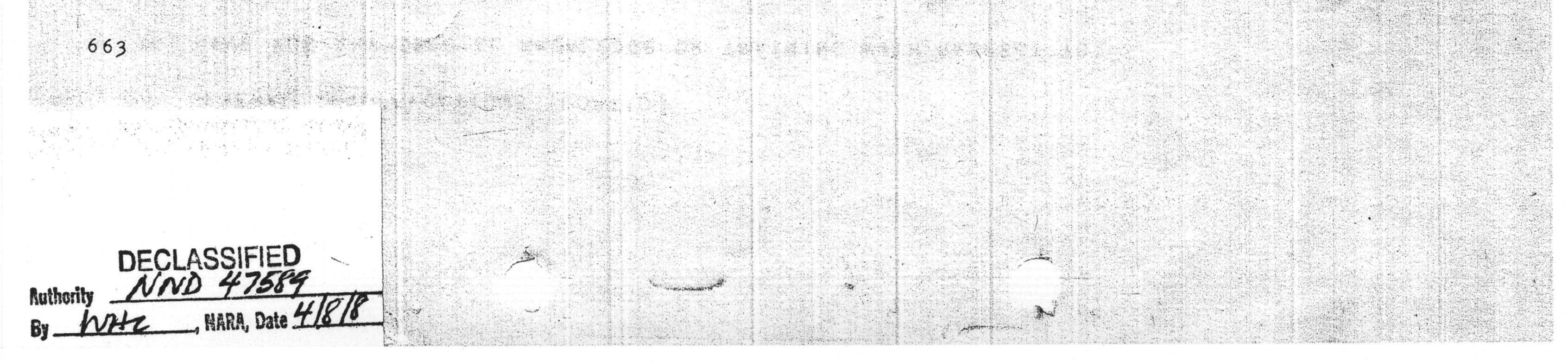
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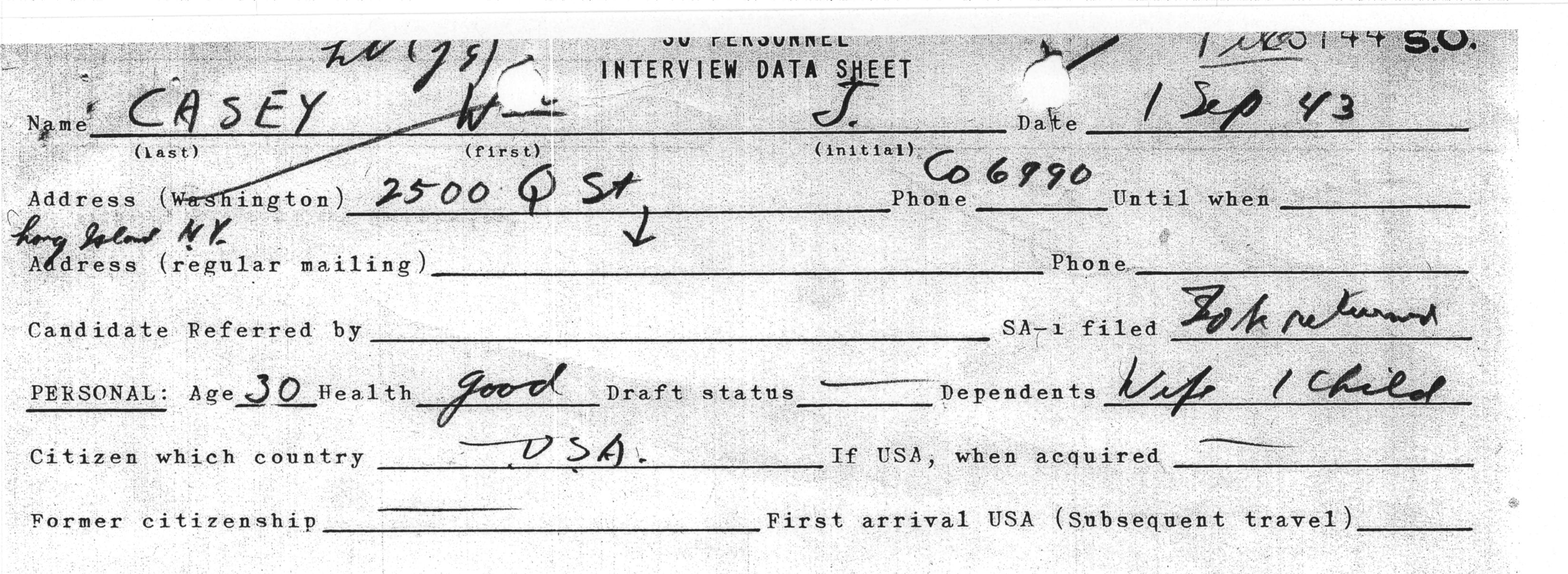
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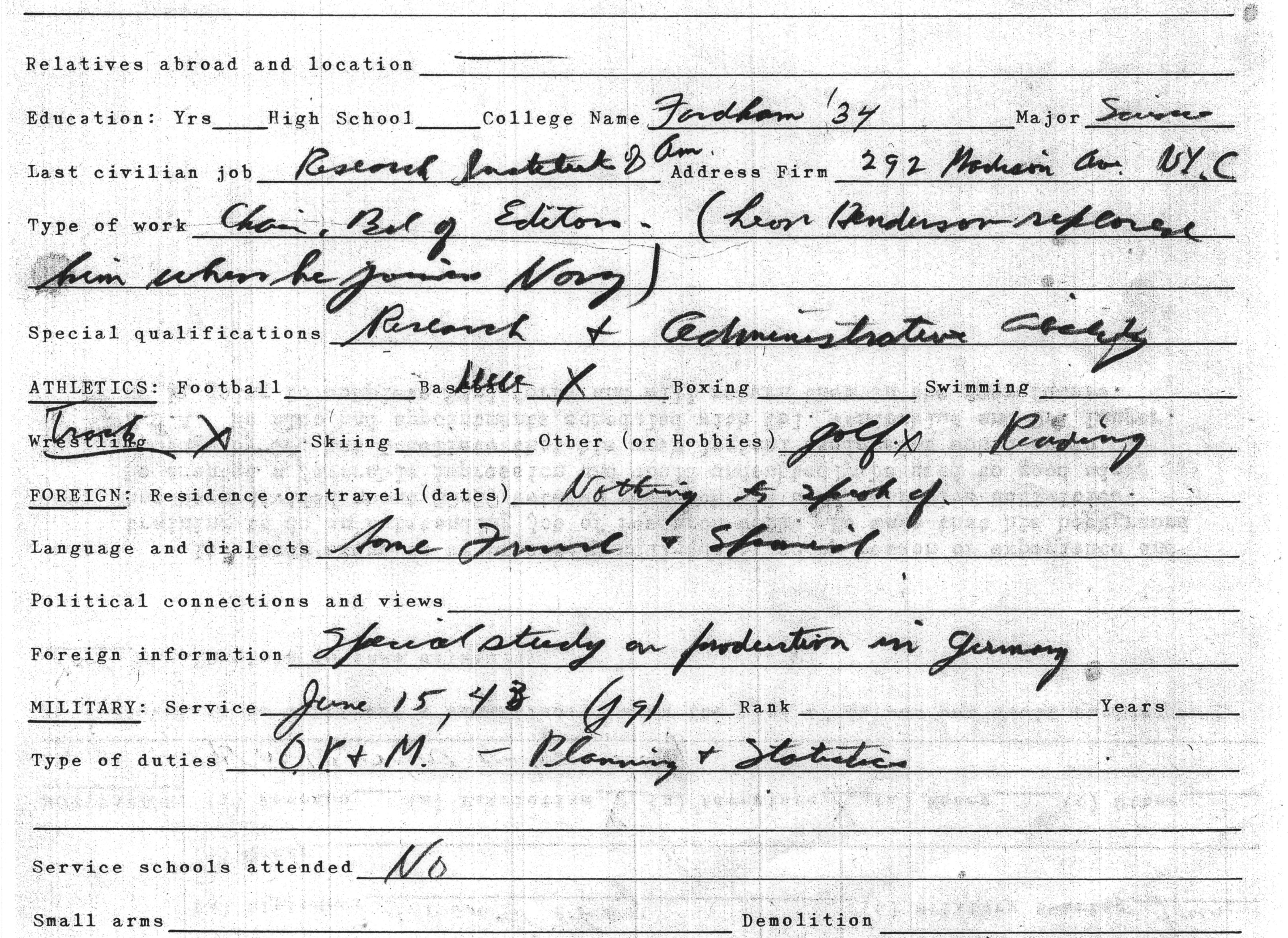
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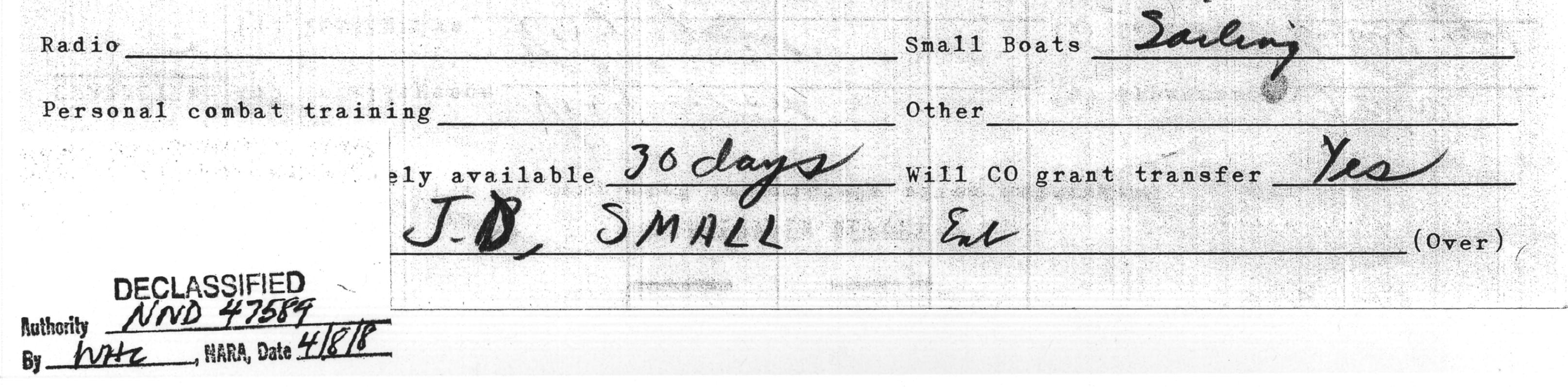
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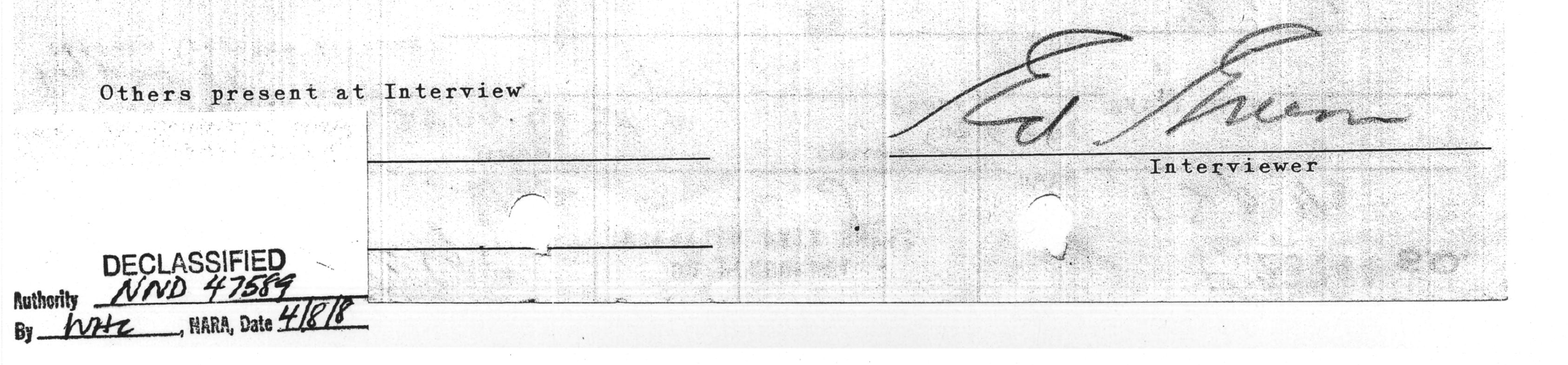
INTERVIEW REPORT (To be completed immediately after interview) <u>CHARACTER:</u> (1) Intelligence <u>Very good</u> (2) Appearance <u>Fair</u> (3) Initiative <u>Very good</u> (4) Leadership <u>Merned youd</u> (5) Diplomacy <u>Stended obery</u> (6) Military Bearing <u>Fair</u> (7) Other______ <u>MOTIVATION:</u> (1) Revenge (2) Patriotism (3) Adventure (4) Money (5) Other_____

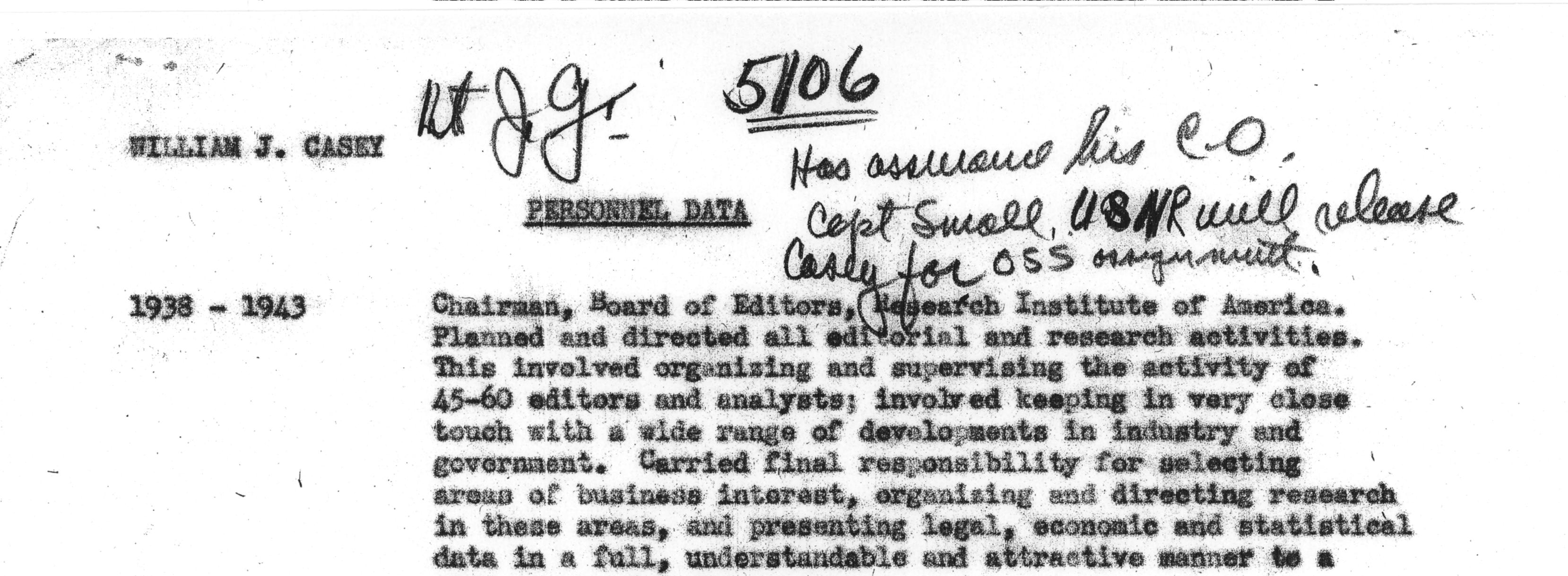
If you were to be applicant's supervisor, is he the type of person you would employ?

Why (Explain in some detail):

It. Casey seems to be unusually well-qualified by reason of experience and training to do an outstanding job of research work. He says that his background has been divided about 50-50 between research and administrative activities. He created a favorable impression and could undoubtedly be used to good advantage by SO, but I believe that his most logical assignment would be to R.M.A. He also had appointments scheduled with Col. Vanderblue and Dr. Langer. He is going to complete SA-1 forms and will return them in the near future.

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Leon Henderson succeeded me in this job when I was commissioned in the Navy.

Board of Economic Warfare, Chief of Analysis Section, International Air Transport Division. On temporary basis organized group for research and planning in international air transport. This involved the following activities:

(a) Organizing and directing special studies for the Army Air Transport Command.
(b) Planning an air route in South America with representatives of the State Department and the Co-ordinator of Inter-American Affairs.
(c) Study of transport problems in reoccupying certain areas.
(d) Study of interchange of critical commodities

between Japan and Germany.
(e) Study of energy potential in aircraft production and qualities of their planes.
(f) Working up agenda for State Department Committee on Post-War Analysis.
(g) Planning movement of critical commodities to this country on return flights of military cargo planes.

1/1938 to 1/1942

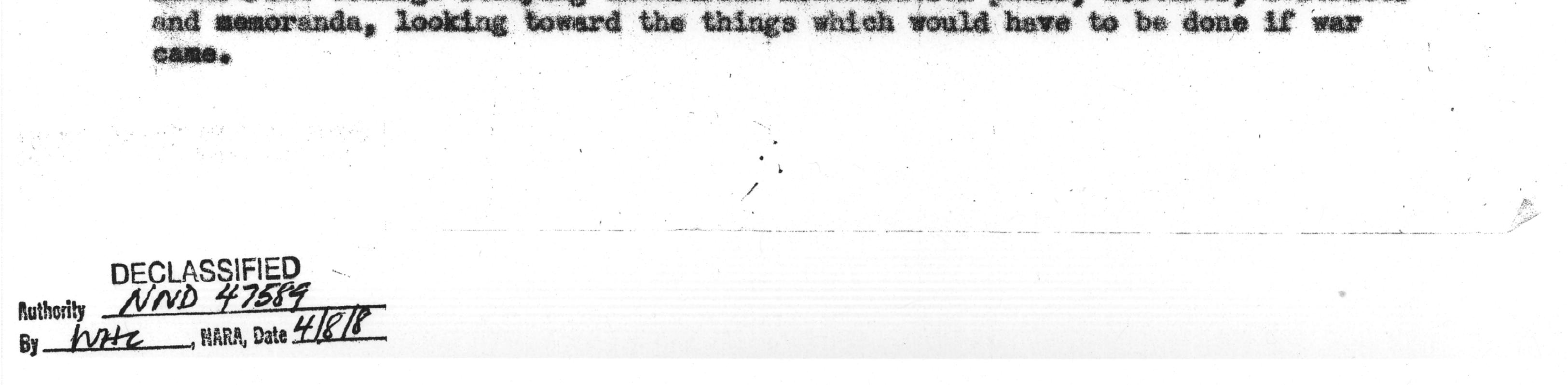
8/1942 to

1/1943

Backer, Casey, Doran and Slegel, Law Firm (Freviously Casey and Doran) Partner handling logal matters in tax, labor relations and other fields of administrative law.

Macollenceus Assocrience

1. In 1939 and 1940, spont considerable time in the Army Industrial College studying industrial mobilization plans, lectures, abstracts



2. Collaborated with Leo M. Cherne in writing his book. "Adjusting Your Business to War."

3. Organized and directed and edited the Mar Coordinator. published in 1939 in an attempt to aid industry to anticipate the controls and operating conditions which industry would have to meet if we waged war.

4. Organized, directed and edited the Business and Defease Coordinator which was designed to give industry required information on the operating conditions and controls imposed by the defense program and the war.

5. Spent several weeks in Canada in 1940 studying their war controls and administrative organization.

6. Prepared memoranda for the National Defense Advisory Comission on the problems arising out of plant expansion. Flant expansion experience in connection with financing and amortization of cost.

7. Served on several industrial and technical committees on tax legislation.

3. Conducted for the Senate Finance Committee a survey of business attitudes and the untaxed legislation and the impact of certain phases of taxation.

9. Testified on several occasions before Senate and House Committees.

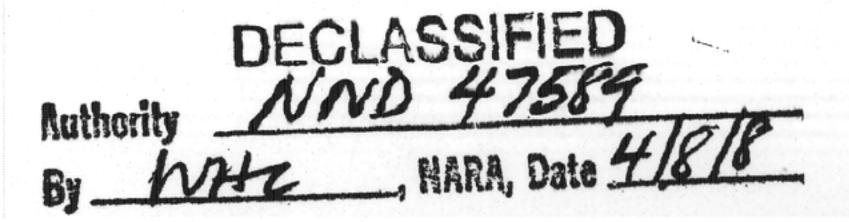
10. During 1939 and 1940 I spoke to desens of business and industrial meetings on industrial mobilization. Later I addressed another hundred or so business meetings on how business could best work with defense

and war controls.

11. Took part in a study of German and English industrial mobilization methods, using data made available by military intelligence; the experience of American firms doing business abroad; and reports of persons in this country who were familiar with English and German war controls.

12. Took an active part in the educational program of the National Association of Cost Accountants on preparing for war contracts. amortization of plant expansion costs, material controls, contract renogotiation as well as contract negotiation, etc.

13. Directed the preparation of the textbook on War Contract Problems used by universities and colleges in training personnel for the war program. The same thing applies on industrial purchasing.



14. Wrote a large number of articles in accounting and law journals and trade magazines on problems related to war production.

15. Collaborated with Leo M. Cherne in the proparation of a book, "Tour Business Gees to Ear," published shortly after Pearl Harbor.

16. Organized, directed and substantially wrote studies ranging from 100 to 150 pages on the following phases of the war programt

> Priorities and Allocations (a)Producing for Mar (b) Production Requirements Plan (a)

Controlled Materials Plan (d)Price Control and Rationing (@) Mage Stabilization Renegotiztion of Contracts (g)(h) Manpower Control

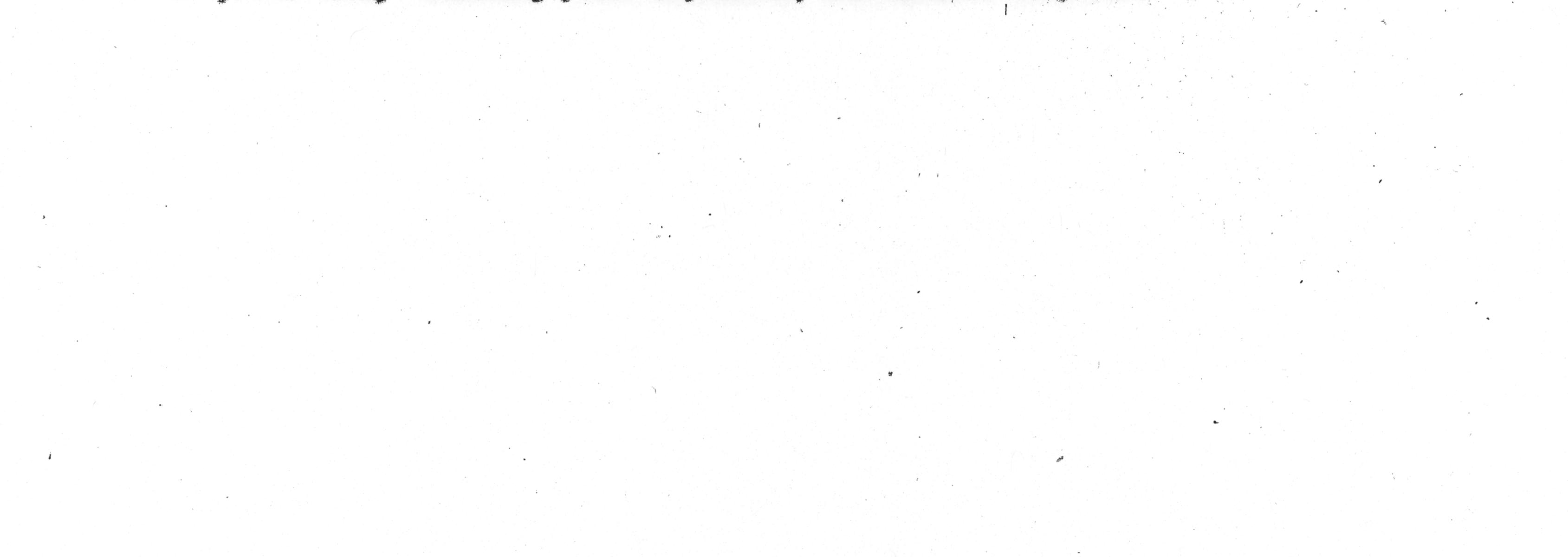
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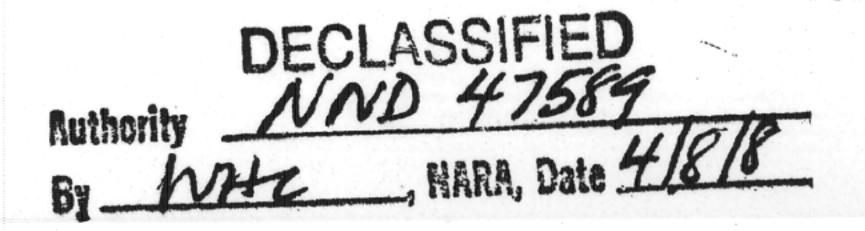
17. Made a study of War Production Board relations with the Army-Navy Munitions Board for War Production Board officials.

18. Advised the War Production Beard's Vice Chairman on the elimination of forms and questionnaires required of business.

Advised War Department officials on their price control 19. program.

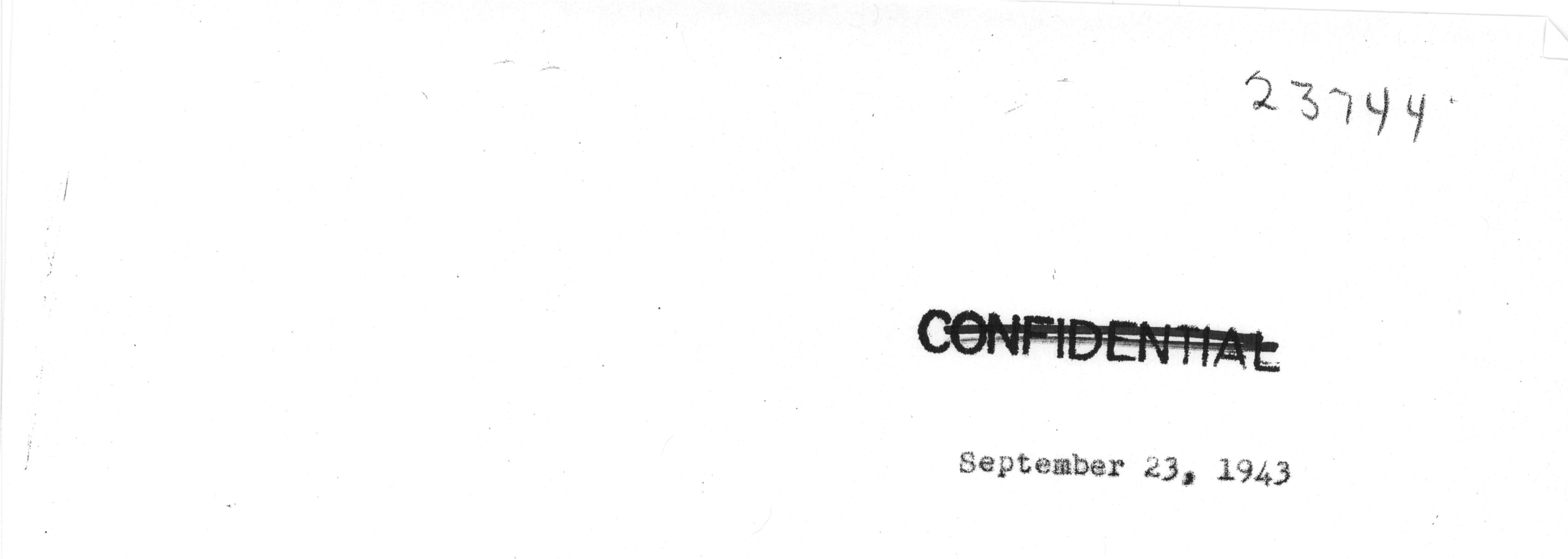
20. Advised several important industrial corporations and a for trade associations on matters involving material control, conversion to war production, financing plant expansion, and similar subjects.





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MEMORANDUM

TO: Security office

FROM: Gerald E. Miller

SUBJECT: Lt. William J. Casey, U.S.H.R.

1. I am enclosing two letters from members of the 088 Staff, concerning the above individual.

2. Will it be possible to give him provisional security approval on the basis of these letters so that he may enter on temporary detail pending transfer?

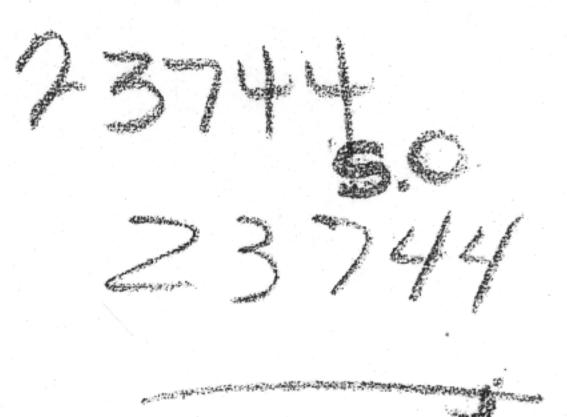
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24 September 1943

TO: Mr. Gerald E. Miller

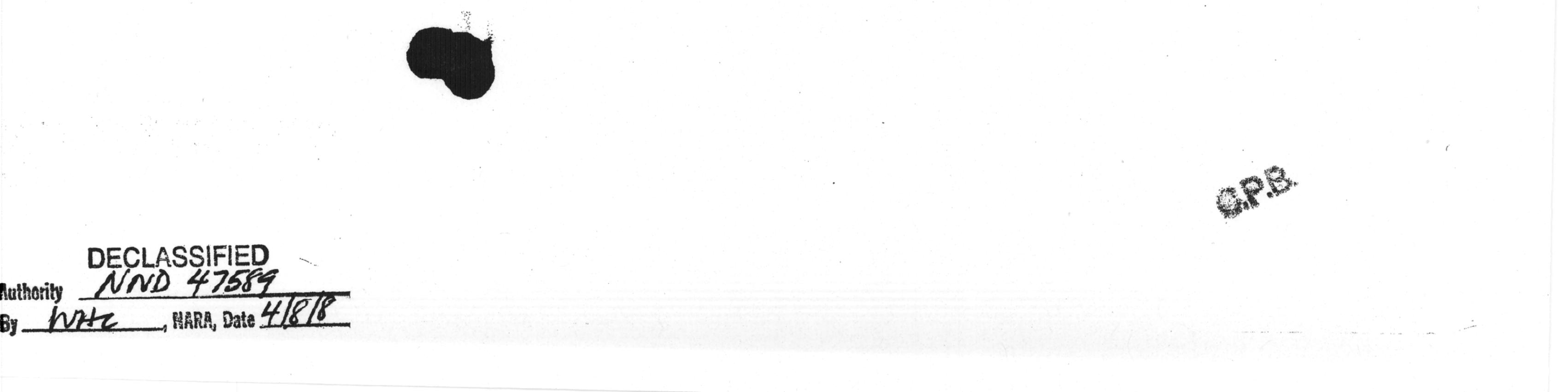
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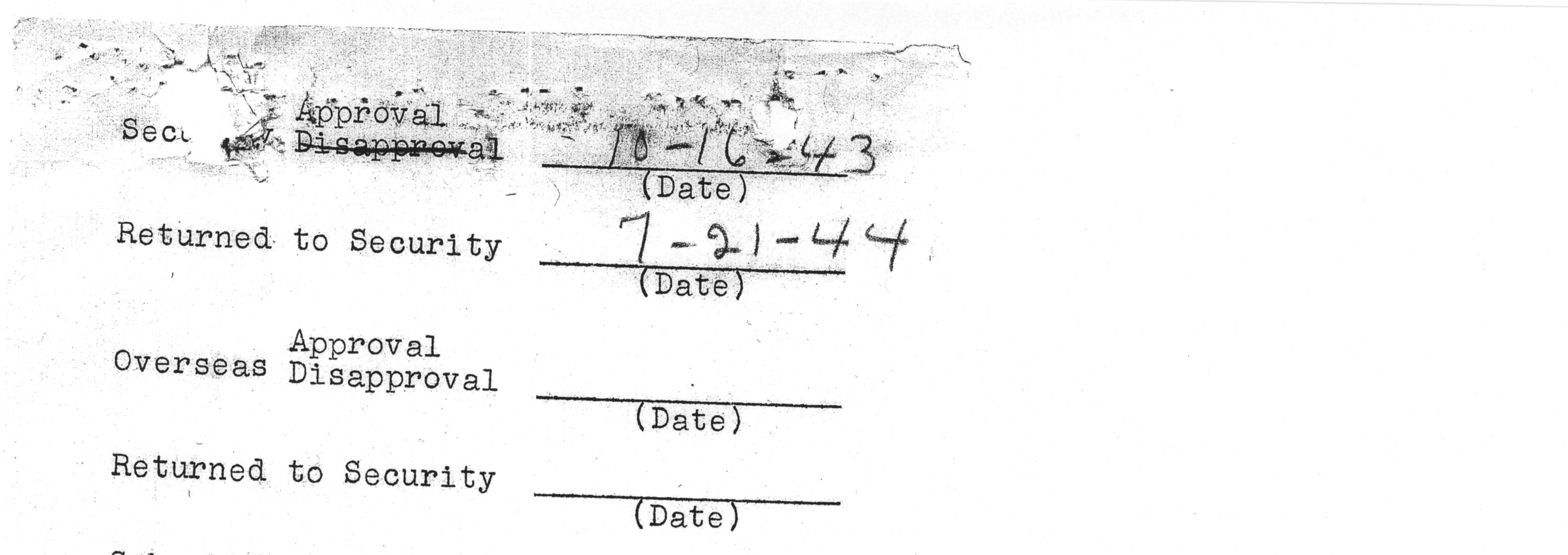
SUBJECT: Lt. William J. Casey AA 8074-W

On the basis of confidential information received thus far at this office, we are pleased to grant provisional security approval to the Subject.

This recommendation is subject to the receipt of any further derogatory information in the future although nothing adverse is anticipated.

H. S. Prescott





School Evaluation

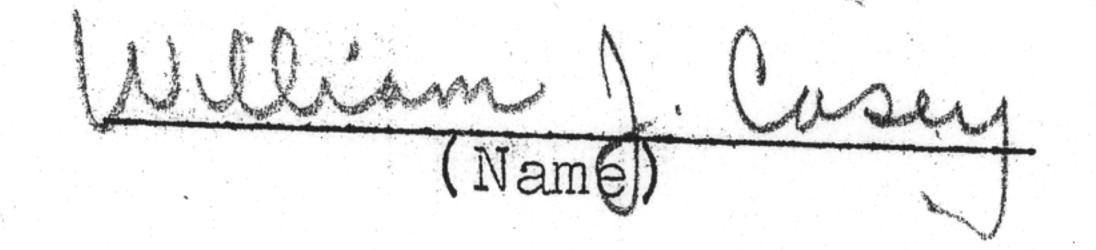
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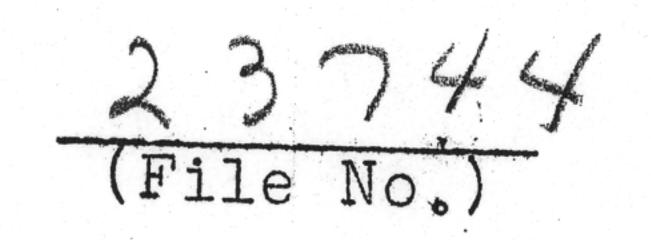
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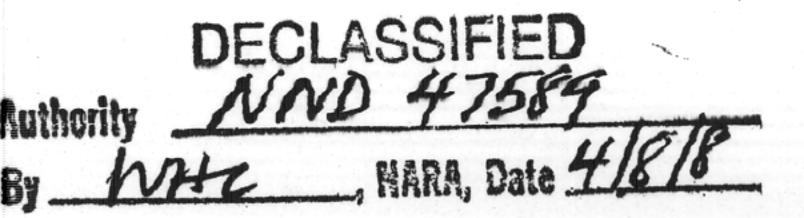
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SUBJECT: Report of Decoration

TO: Colonel J. Russell Forgan c/o Commanding General European Theater #1 APO 413

Attention: Personnel Officer

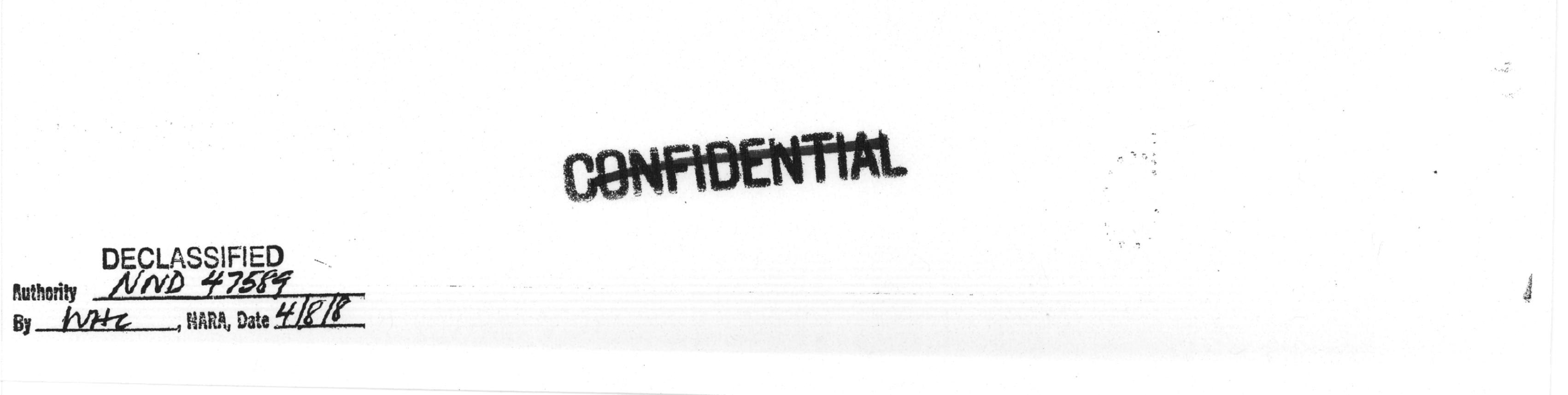
1. A periodic field report received by the OSS Field Service Unit includes a statement that Lt. William J. Casey (USNR) has been awarded the Bronze Star Medal.

2. This office has received no report of such award.

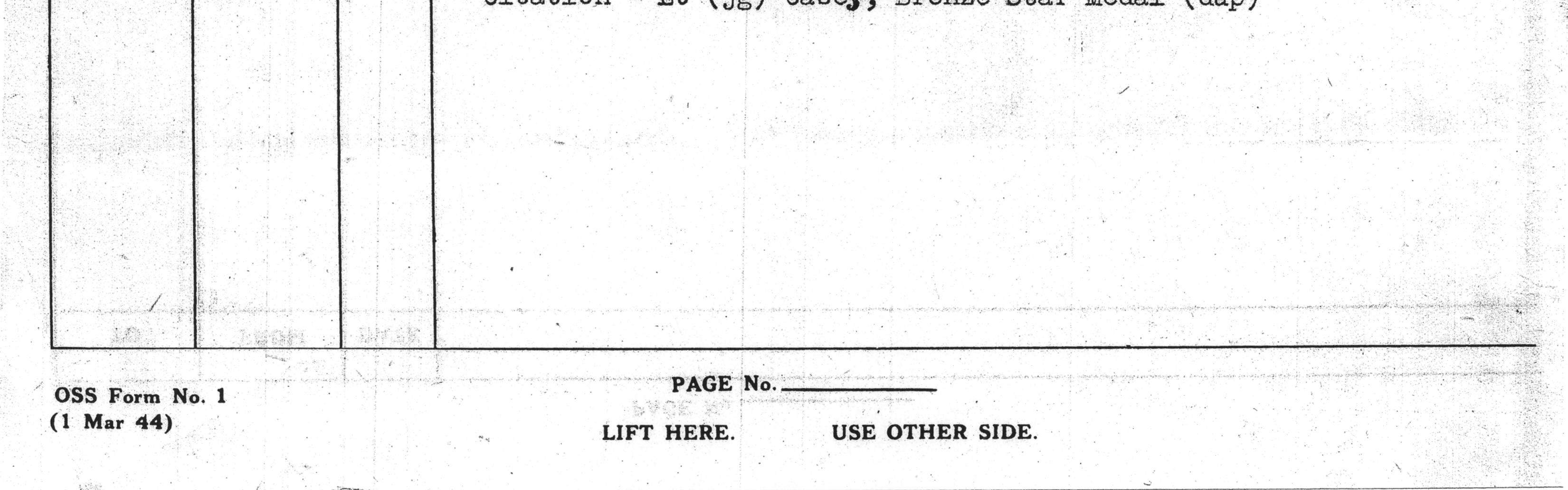
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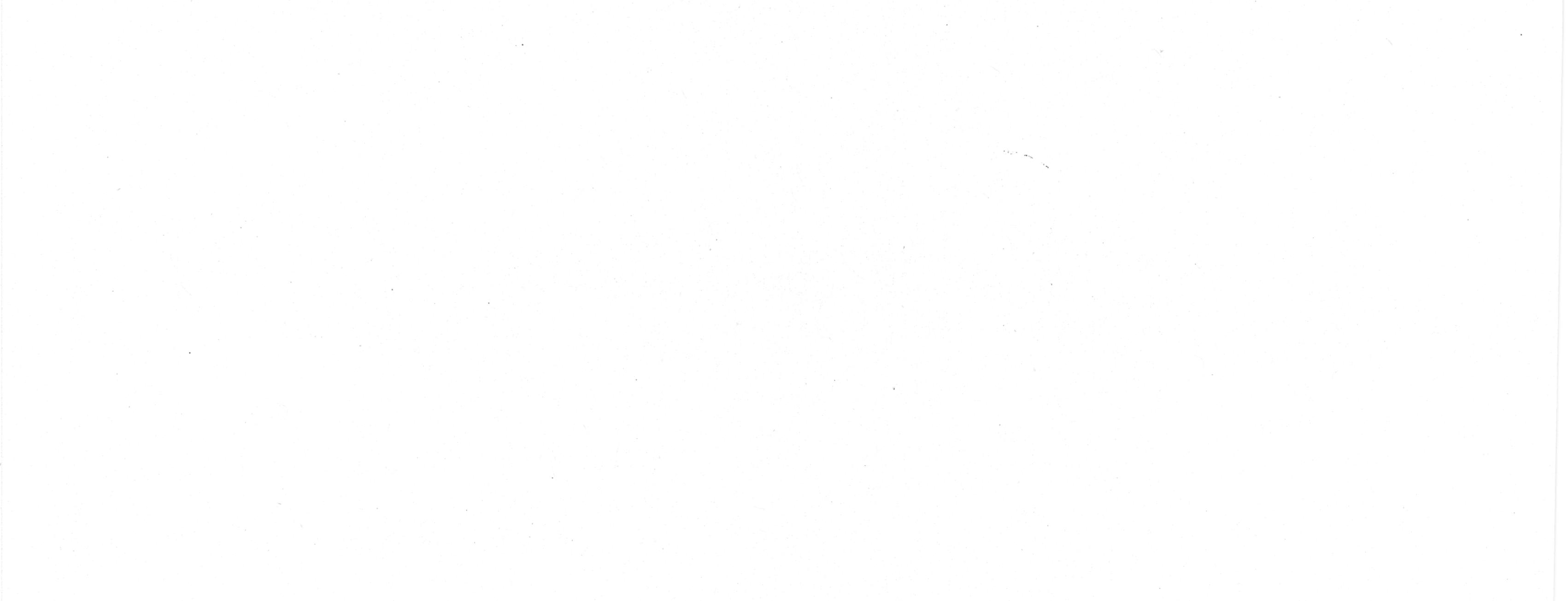
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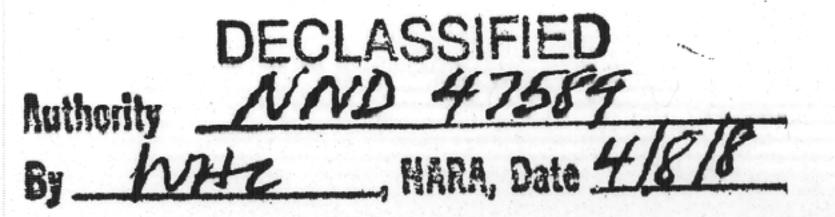
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In the name of the President of the United States, it gives me great pleasure to award this Bronze Star Medal to:

> Lieutenant (junior grade) William Joseph Casey United States Naval Reserve

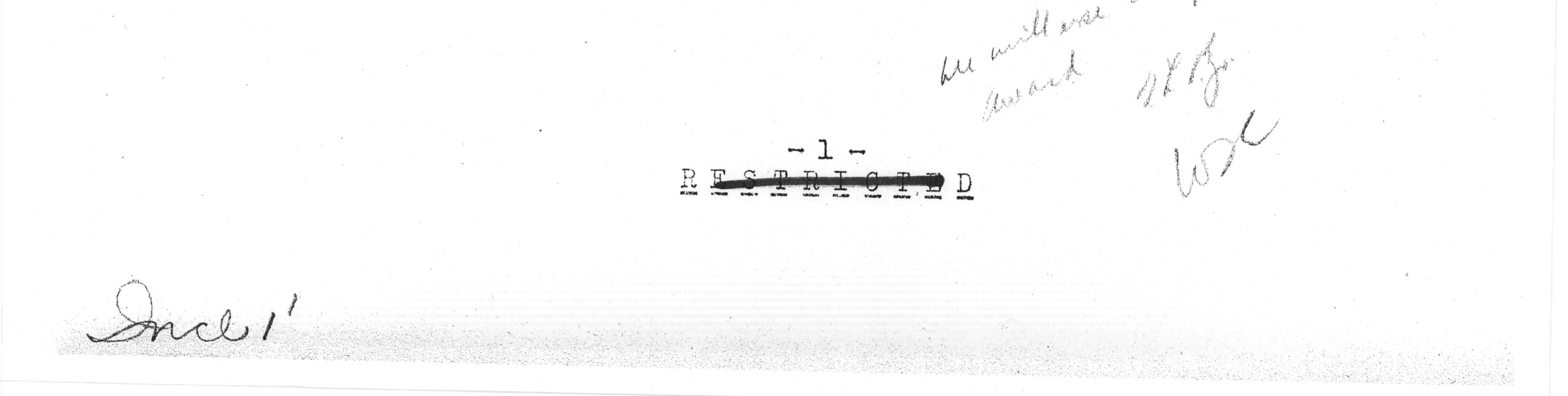
"For meritorious conduct in the performance of duty as Chief of the Secretariat and as a staff officer to the Director of the Office of Strategic Services.

Lieutenant (junior grade) Casey demonstrated outstanding qualities of leadership, imagination, industry and vision in the development of a type of activitiy unique in American military history and made a substantial contribution in making this activity yield important support to Allied military operations. He worked effectively and untiringly in the coordination of widely diversified operations of the Office of Strategic Services. This special work resulted in the procurement of much valuable intelligence and important interference with German troop movements at a critical time. Lieutenant (junior grade) Casey's staff work in planning and organizing intelligence, resistance and psychological warfare activitiy constituted a highly valuable contribution in support of the Allied landing in Normandy and liberation of France.

The unusual executive ability and untiring devotion to duty displayed by Lieutenant (junior grade) Casey on this occasion was in keeping with the best tradidions of the United States naval service."

/s/ Harold R. Stark, HAROLD R. STARK, Admiral, U.S. Navy, Commander, US Naval Forces in Europe.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

General Donovan TO

FROM : W. H. Shepardson

Casey - Washington SUBJECT:



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1. I had several talks with Casey in London during my

last trip and discussed with him, as you know, whether he would

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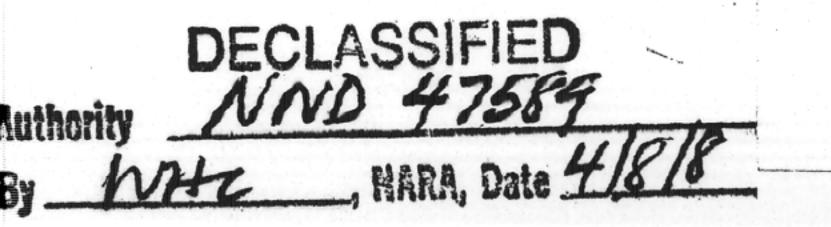
be interested to go to Germany as Chief of SI. He stated very emphatically that he would not be interested in such a post, mainly because he had no special knowledge either of Germany or of the German language. He stated, on the other hand, that he would much prefer, at the conclusion of his ETO duties, to return to the United States.

2. If you agree I hope that you will try to persuade him to return here to SI headquarters and become chief of the Division of Intelligence Direction or (as it is called in the

German mission) the Steering Division, which will be composed at the outset of a scientific unit headed by Dix, a labor unit headed by Shaw (alternatively Blankenhorn), a unit dealing with safe haven matters so far as the responsibilities of the Branch are concerned, and a unit dealing with religiousmatters insofar as they affect world affairs. Included also is the new MO unit under SI administration headed by Stacy Lloyd with the assistance of Miss Halle.

The purpose of this unit is to try to achieve within

the Branch something that you and I have discussed many times,



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the direction of intelligence according to subject matter

irrespective of geographic lines.

I do not need to restate the great importance of this

part of our work. I believe that it is practically indispensable

to our best work and that the time has come to set it up.

3. Casey would work directly with me and be responsible

only to me within the Branch. I would myself give the best of

my time and thought to assist him. I further feel that this

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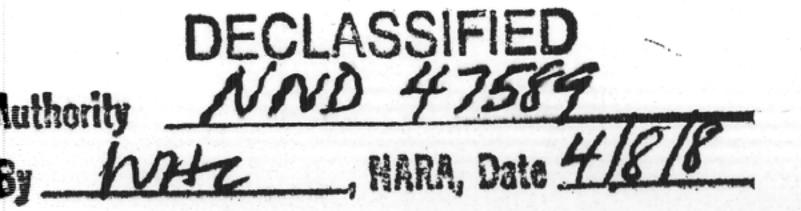
respects represents, in its field, exactly the type of enterprise which I have in mind for OSS through this Branch.

4. If Bill does not want to commit himself to this

for the indefinite future, I would sincerely hope that he would be willing to undertake it from the time of his return until the end of this calendar year, during which time he can establish it along right lines and then in case of need leave it to a second best man.

5. This particular assignment would also make the best of Casey's exceptional gifts along the lines of planning and we also need his great imagination and great industry in that field too.





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6. Even at the risk of waiting a little longer for Casey's return I hope that you will approve the idea which we discussed on Sunday, namely that as soon as his ETO responsibilities are finished he should go straight to

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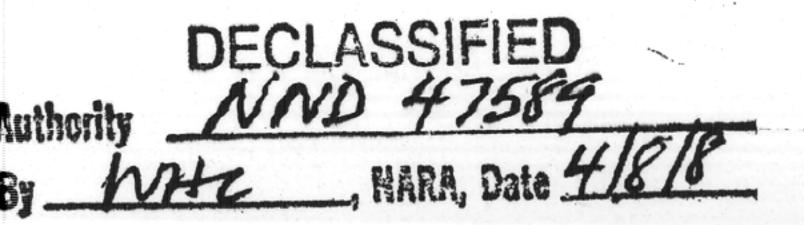
survey the situation on the premises (not in an ETO capacity) but as representing you and me and then come straight back to Washington with a concrete plan for future operations in Scandinavia, using either Sweden or Norway as a base. I think the short trip and survey might attract him and I also think that Bill has a special genius for this type of assignment.

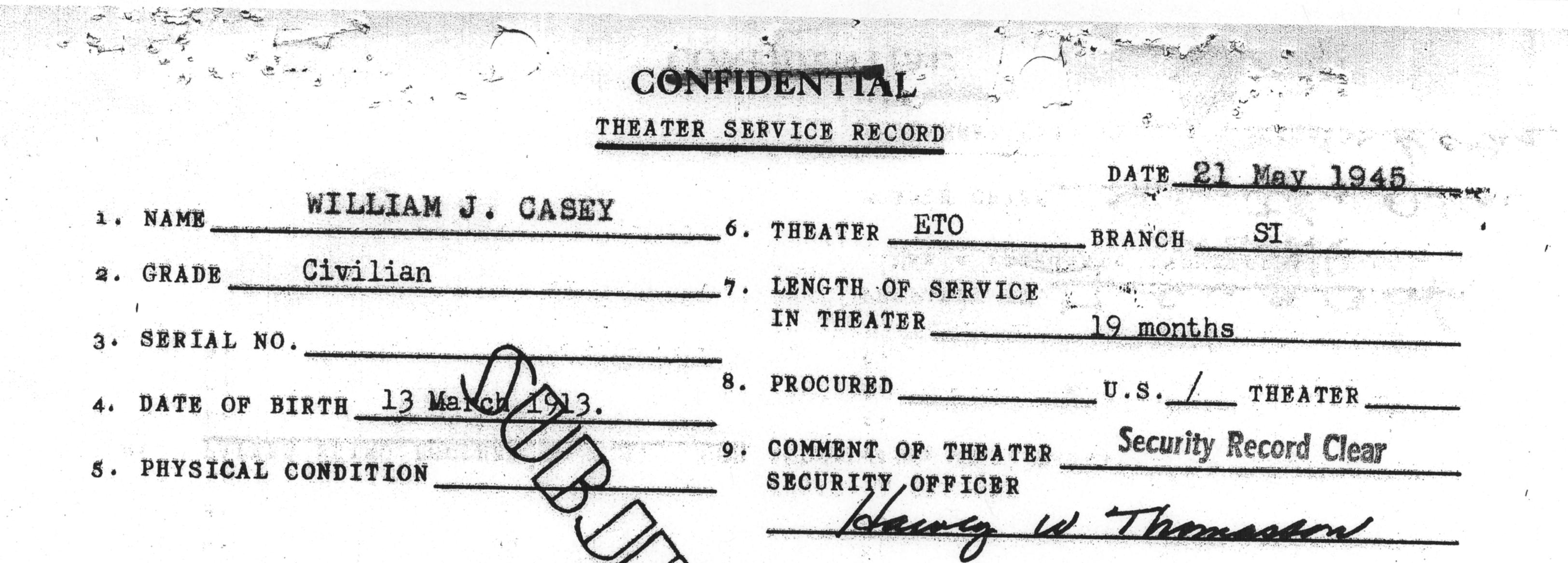
More than all else I am concerned that in Washington we need to have very specific recommendations from a man who has had

almost unique training to make them.









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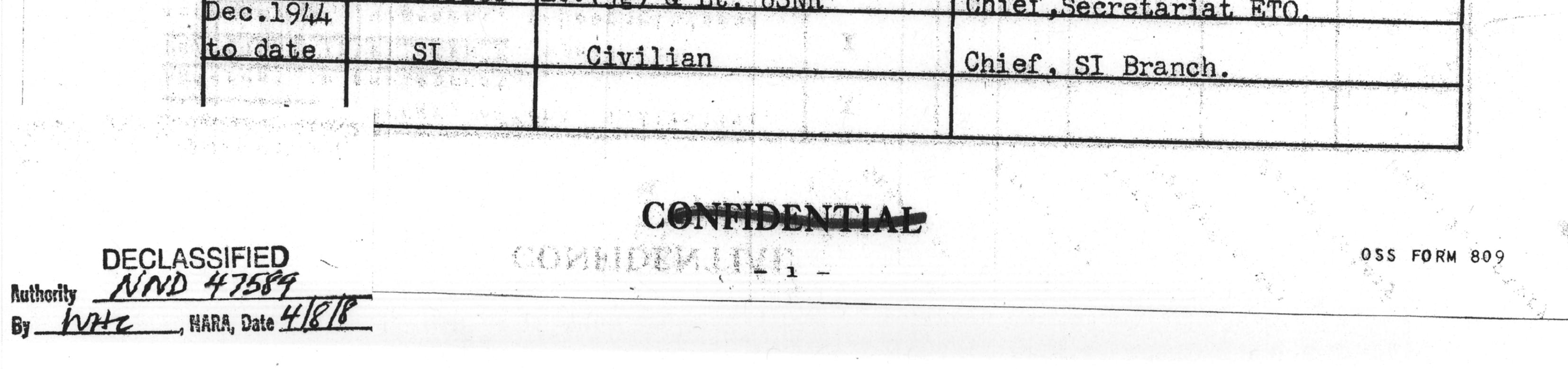
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| STABILITY, emotional control and maturity, absence of nervous symptoms | X | | | | |
| ABILITY TO WORK WITH OTHERS, teamwork, tact, absence of annoying traits. | X | | | | |
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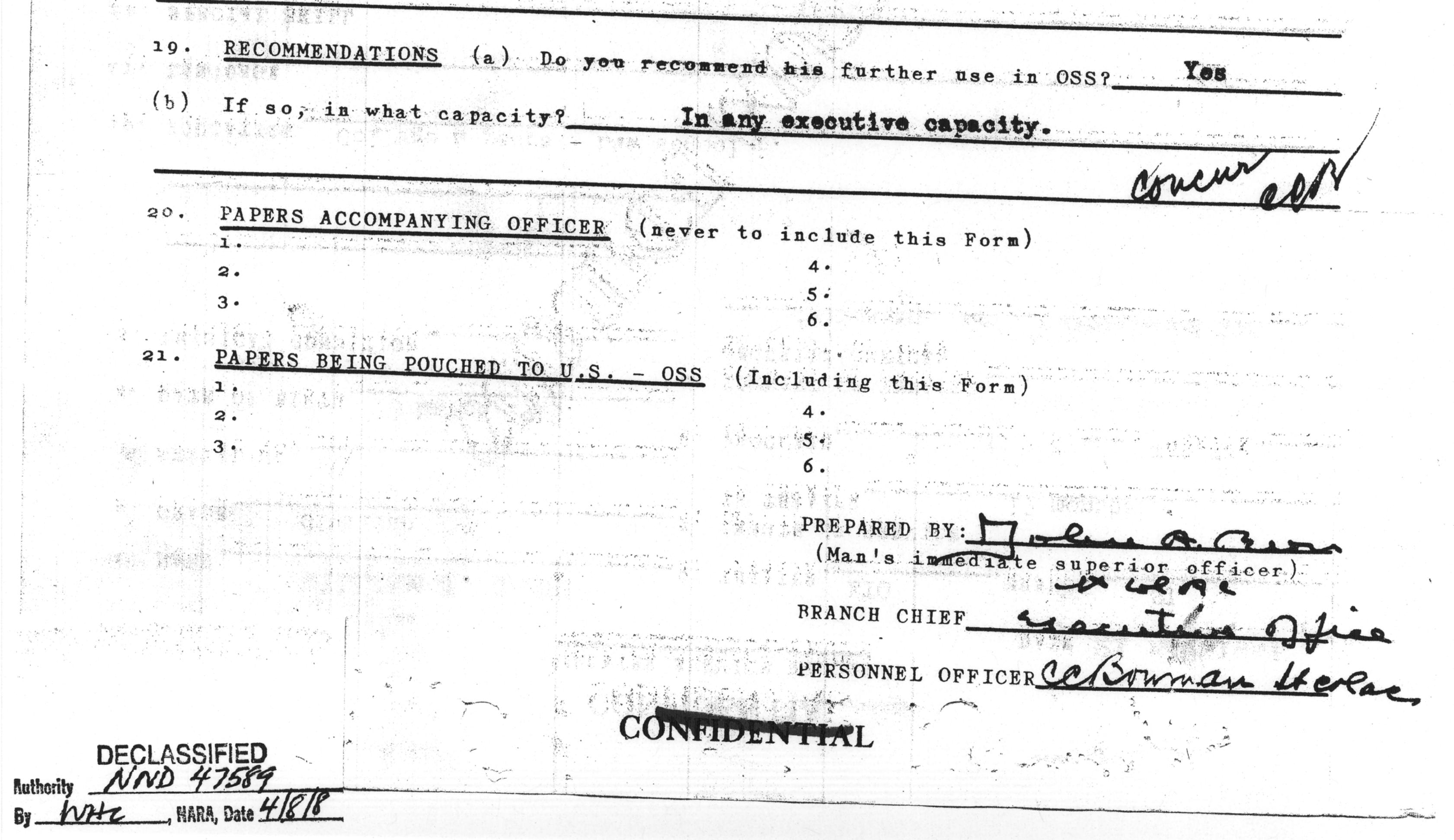
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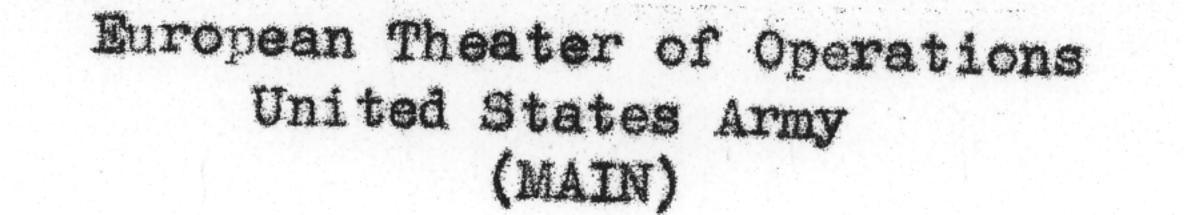
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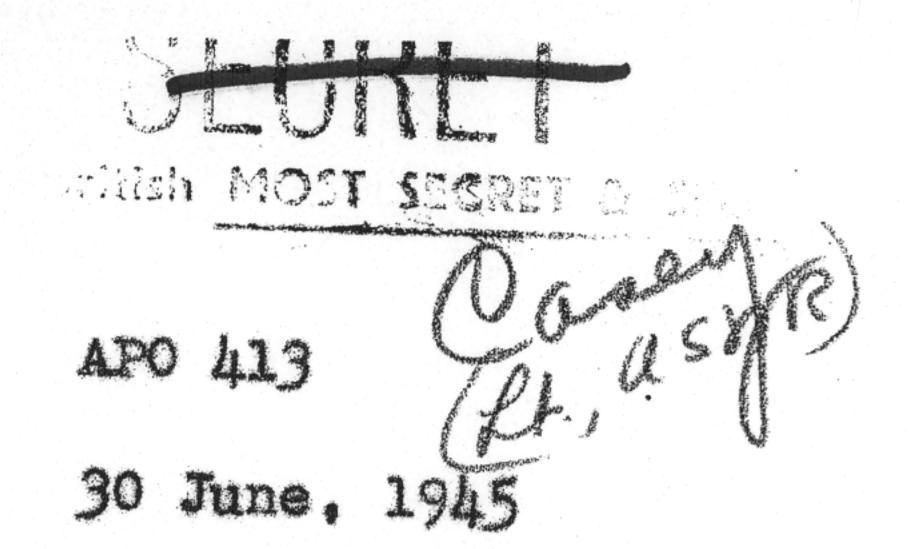
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SUBJECT: Recommendation for the Award of the LEGION OF MERIT

: Commanding General, United States Forces, European Theater, AFO 887, U.S. Army.

1. a. It is recommended that Lt. WILLIAM J. CASEY, USNR (inactive), 282581, Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, Office of Strategic Services (Main), APO 413, U.S. Army be awarded the LEGION OF MERIT.

b. Lt. CASEY served as Chief, Secret Intelligence Branch, Office of Strategic Services (Main), European Theater of Operations, at the time of the acts or services for which this award is recommended.

c. Name and address of nearest relative:

Mrs. Sophia Casey (Wife) 422 Midwood Avenue, Bellmore, New York.

d. Entered military service from:

New York

e. Decorations previously awarded:

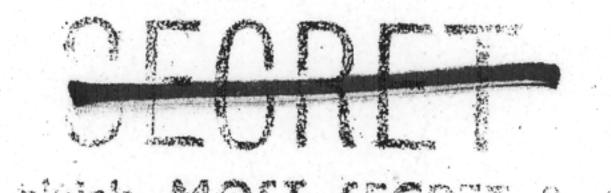
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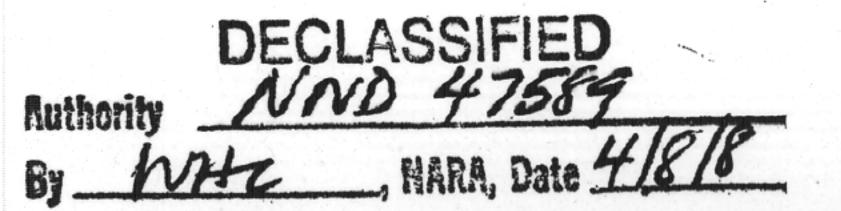
f. The entire service of Lt. CASEY has been honorable since the rendition by him of the acts or services upon which this recommendation is based.

S. A similar recommendation for this individual has not been submitted.

2. a. The officer recommending this award has personal knowledge of the acts or services upon which this recommendation is based.

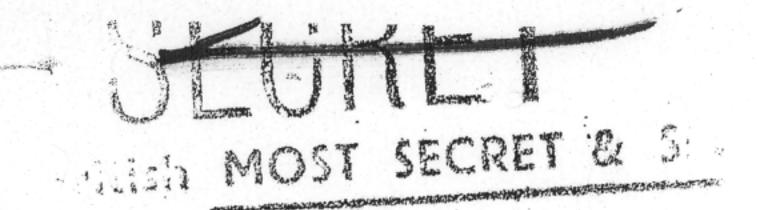
3. a. Lt. WILLIAM J. CASEY, USNR, while a member of the Armed Forces of the United States, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious conduct in the performance of outstanding services. United States





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b. Detailed narrative of the services for which this award is recommended:

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The Office of Strategic Services in the European Theater of Operations, was ordered to secure by clandestine means military, naval, political and economic intelligence concerning the enemy. In order to accomplish this mission a Secret Intelligence Branch was set up within the Office of Strategic Services, ETO, whose duty it was to infiltrate specially trained agents into neutral countries and enemy-controlled territory, and thereby to secure reports on the enemy's strategic plans, tactical movements, and war potential.

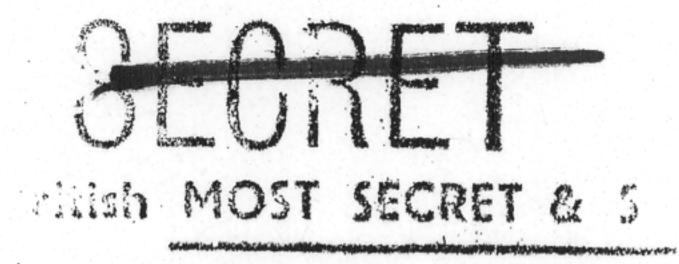
Lt. CASEY was appointed Chief of the Secret Intelligence

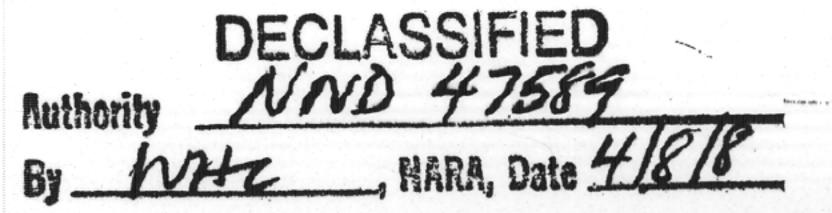
Branch on 1 December 1944. It was a crucial point in the development of espionage against the enemy. Throughout the previous summer and autumn the limited resources and personnel of the Branch had been directed towards operations against the enemy in France. Now it was apparent that the war would be carried into the heart of the German homeland, and that the Branch would be called upon to provide a far more detailed coverage of Germany itself than had originally been contemplated. Moreover, the requirements of the armies for strategic and detailed tactical military intelligence had to be coordinated with the needs of other intelligence consumers for information on political and economic matters, and it was necessary that all the resources at the disposal of the Branch be mobilized and redirected toward the new target.

With unsurpassed energy, imagination, and skill Lt. CASEY set about the complex task which conffonted him. New personnel were obtained, special training courses were organized for agents who had previously been earmarked for other duties, and techniques mever before believed practical were tested and successfully put into operation.

With characteristic foresight. Lt. CASEY realized from the start that the methods used to infiltrate agents into France and the Low Countries could not be employed against Germany, a country in which there was neither an organized underground nor a friendly popu-In operations against Germany it was vital that agent teams be parachuted exactly on their pinpoints, and it was desirable that these drops be effected during the moonless period of the month. order to realize this objective Lt. CASEY organized within the Branch an Air Operations Section which, after much experimentation with different types of aeroplanes and locator devices, finally succeeded in perfecting a method by which a successful drop could be made even under the most adverse conditions.

Lt. CASEY was well aware, however, that there was far more to an intelligence operation than mere mechanical perfection and ingenuity in parachuting an agent. The agent had to be armed with a United States





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knowledge and information of conditions in Germany so detailed that he could merge himself into the population and escape detection while he went about the completion of his mission. Lt. CASEY accordingly developed a special reserach staff which was responsible first to provide agents with a "cover" story i.e. an ostensible explanation of his identity and occupation that would stand up under the closest Gestape scrutiny, and secondly to provide the agents with complete data on such details as travel restrictions, ration regulations, and other living conditions that would enable a stranger to exist in Germany without suspicion.

Realizing that the usefulness of any agent, however carefully trained, briefed, and dropped depended on the value of the intelligence he produced. Lt. CASEY turned his attention with equal foresight to the problem of providing his operatives with proper intelligence targets and objectives. With a mounting demand for all types of intelligence from a great variety of consumers it became apparent that the machinery then in use for briefing agents was unsuited to the requirements of the new situation. With tireless devotion to duty Lt. CASEY assembled and soon had at work a staff of expert analysts whose duty it was to analyse and coordinate the requirements of the numerous agencies serviced by the Office of Strategic Services, and to pass on to staff members charged with the handling of agents information as to exactly what was needed and in what priority.

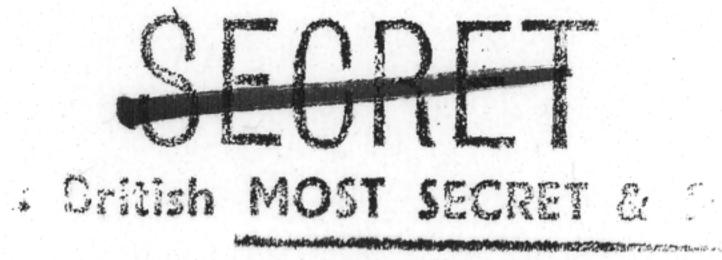
Lt. CASEY's work was not confined purely to the active supervision of the operational side of the Branch's activities but also encompassed the broad and fruitful field of liaison with the British, French and other Allied intelligence services. With rare tact and understanding, close and happy relations were maintained by him with these services. Joint operations were mounted, and there was a mutual exchange of valuable information, all of which redounded greatly to the benefit of the American Armed Forces.

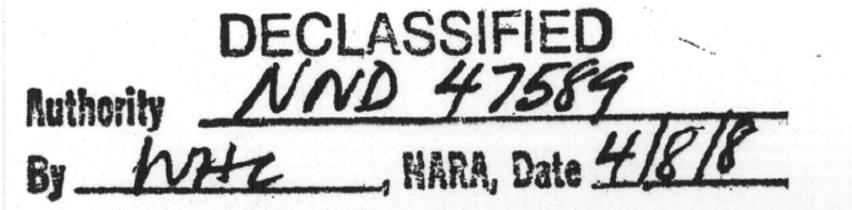
So successful was Lt. CASEY in these many and varied activities that from 1 December 1944 until the cessation of hostilities, more than a hundred agent teams were successfully infiltrated into such areas as Berlin, Hamburg, Kiel, Frankfurt, Stuttgart, Regensburg, Munich and Slovakia. The intelligence produced by these teams was of a high order and of invaluable aid to the commanders of the Allied Military Forces.

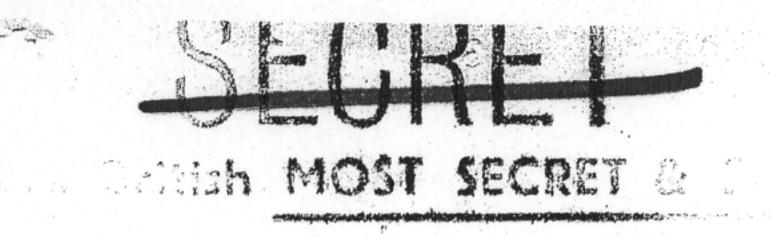
The substantial successes achieved by these secret missions can be directly attributed to the high quality of leadership and executive ability shown by Lt. CASEY. The accomplishment of his duties was far above that normally expected, and his perseverance in the face of apparently insurmountable obstacles, and untiring

devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Government.

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While rendering the services for which this award is recommended, Lt. CASEY was not wounded.

c. The accomplishment of the service for which the award is recommended extended from 1 December 1944 to 8 May 1945 and has been completed. On 5 January 1945 Lt. CASEY was placed on inactive status. The service was performed at Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, Office of Strategic Services, London, England.

Proposed Citation: For the LECION OF MERIT

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Lt. WILLIAM J. CASEY, USNR (inactive), for especially meritorious achievement and devotion to duty.

During the period 1 December 1944 and 8 May 1945 while serving with the Office of Strategic Services, European Theater of Operations, Lt. CASEY rendered extremely valuable services which contributed greatly to the success of special activities carried on by the Office of Strategic Services in direct support of the Allied Armed Forces in the European Theater of Operations. Lt. CASEY's complete devotion to duty, his remarkable skill and foresight, and the great executive ability he displayed in the fulfillment of the duties assigned to him were in every way outstanding. The actions of Lt. CASEY reflect great credit upon himself and the United States Government.

5. In order to support this recommendation it has been necessary to divulge in the preceding paragraphs information classified as SECRET. However, the proposed citation has been made sufficiently general to permit publication of it separately with the classification RESTRICTED.

> JAMES R. FORGAN, Colonel, GSC. Commanding.

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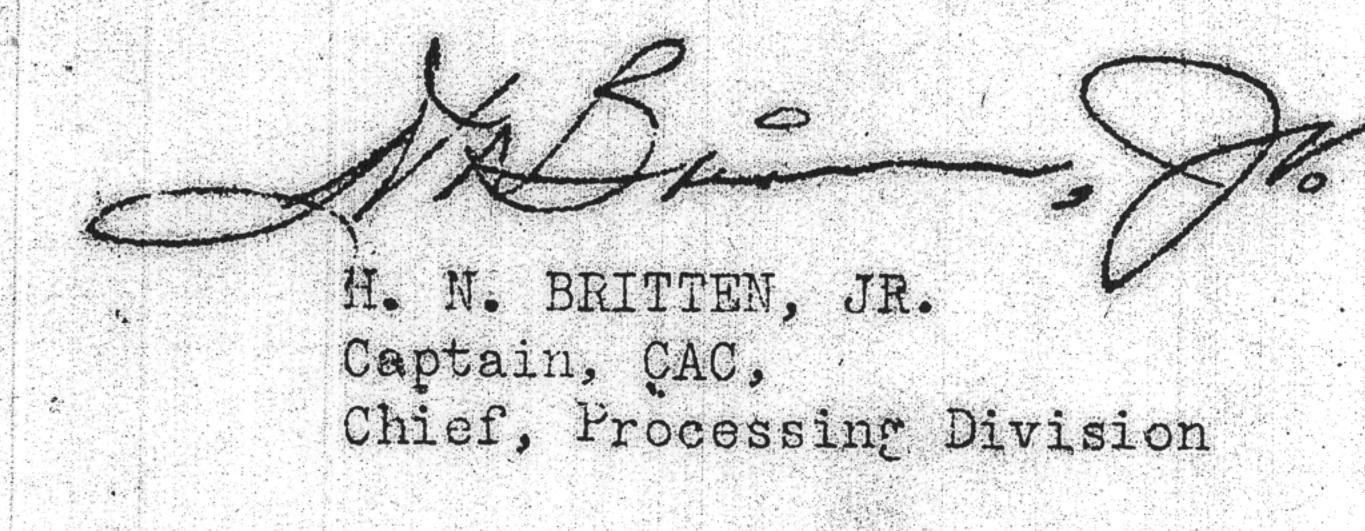
TO: OSS Security Office; Attention: Mr. Gilmore DATE: 23 July 1945

FROM: Personnel Procurement Branch

SUBJECT: Casey, William J. Civilian SI

1. This Branch has information that subject is scheduled for return from overseas to this country.

2. Request that this office be informed by indorsement hereon as to status of individual.



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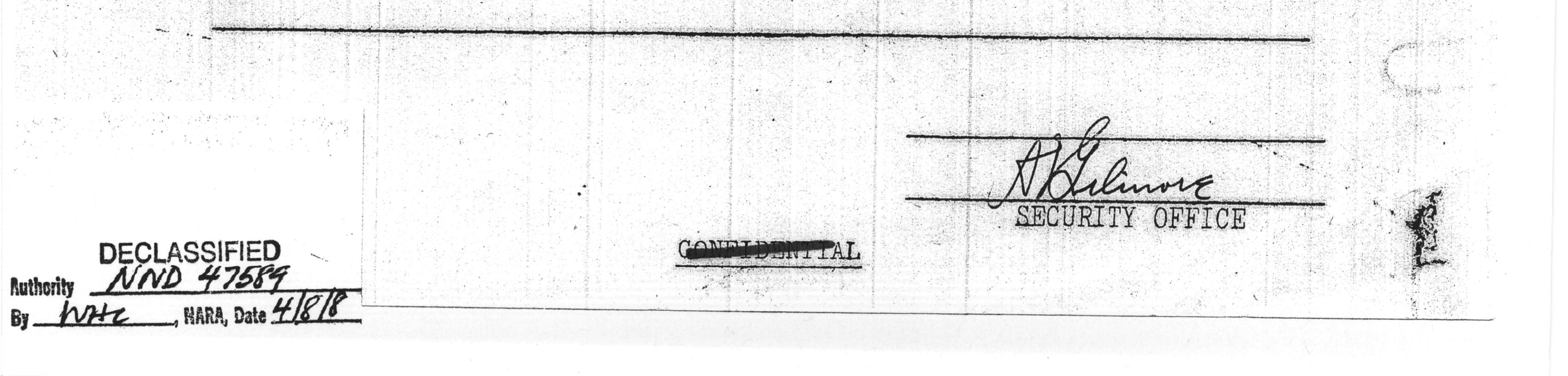
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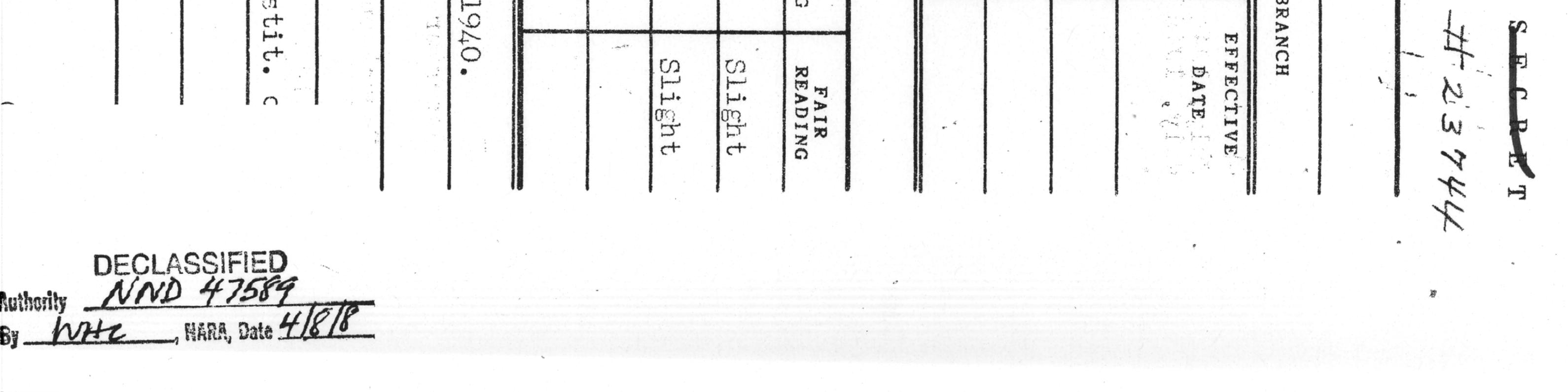
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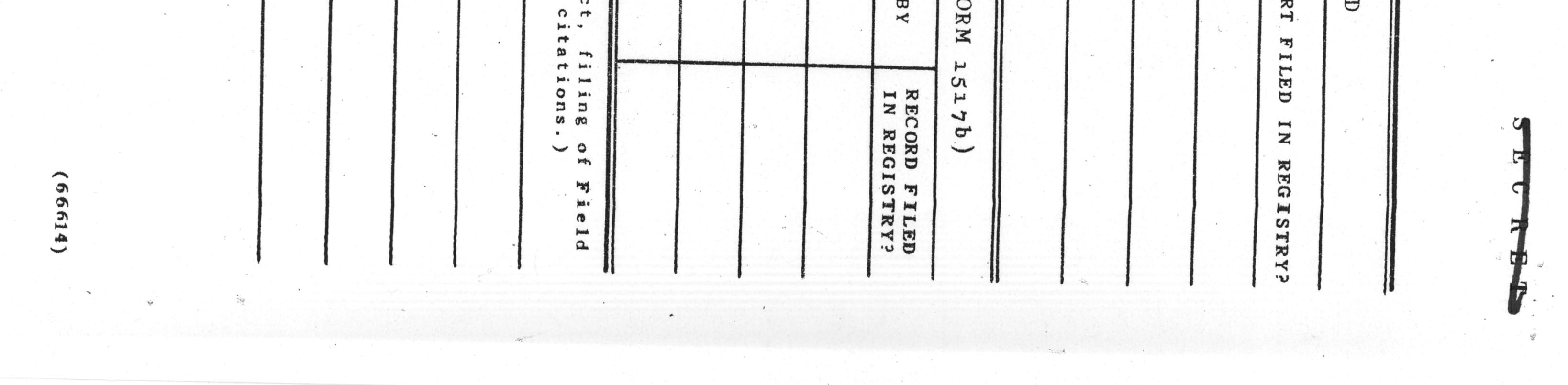
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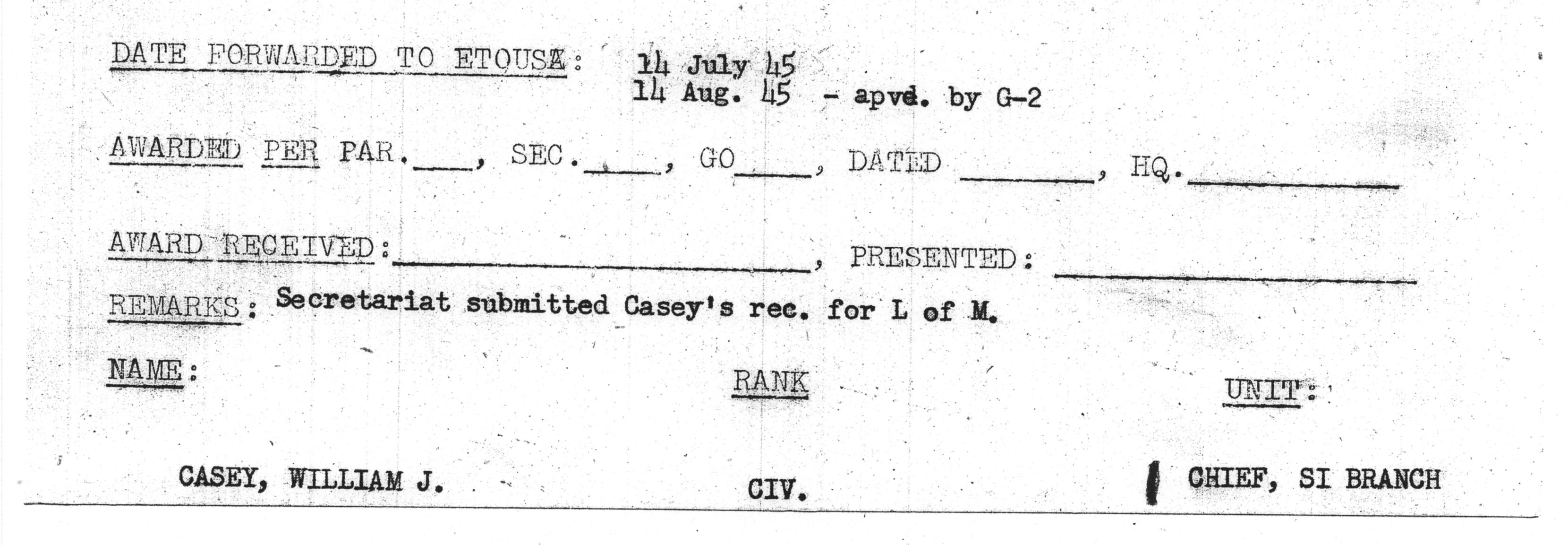
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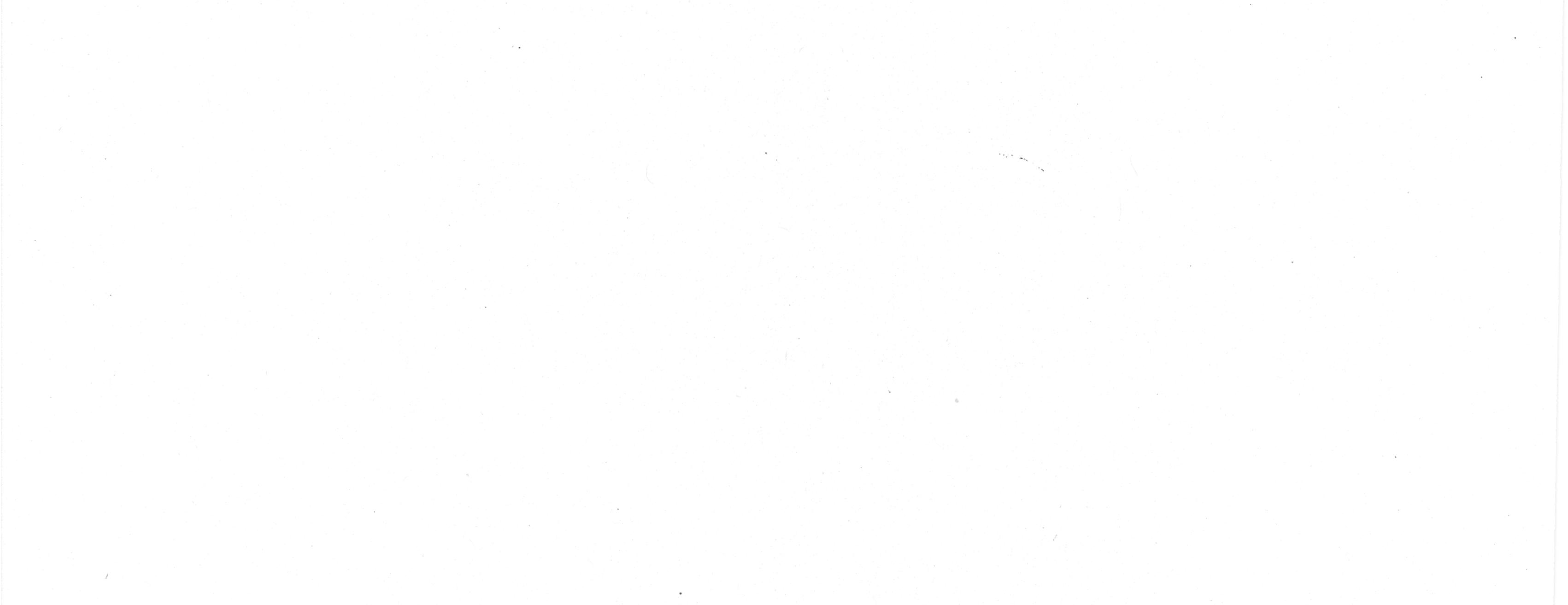
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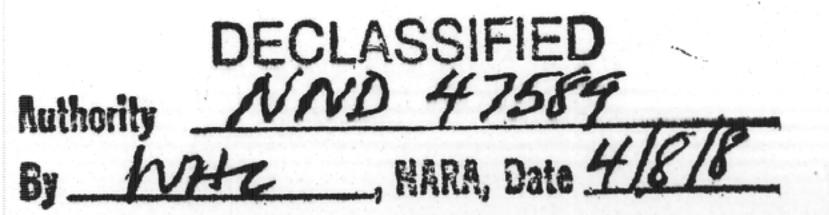
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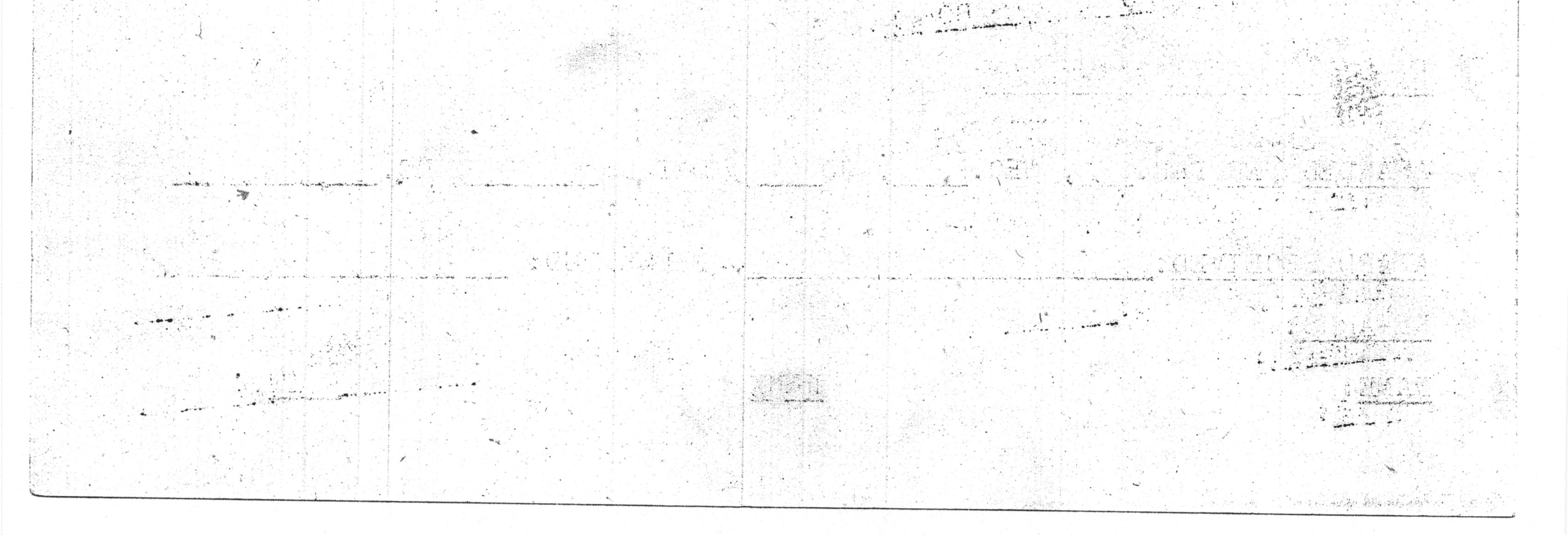
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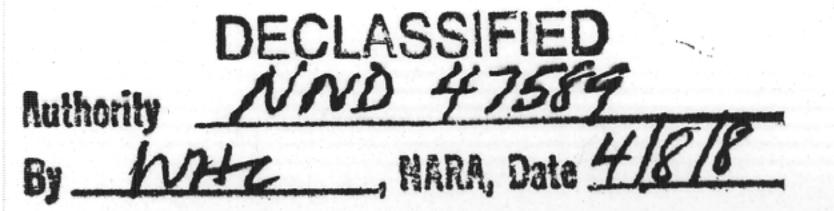


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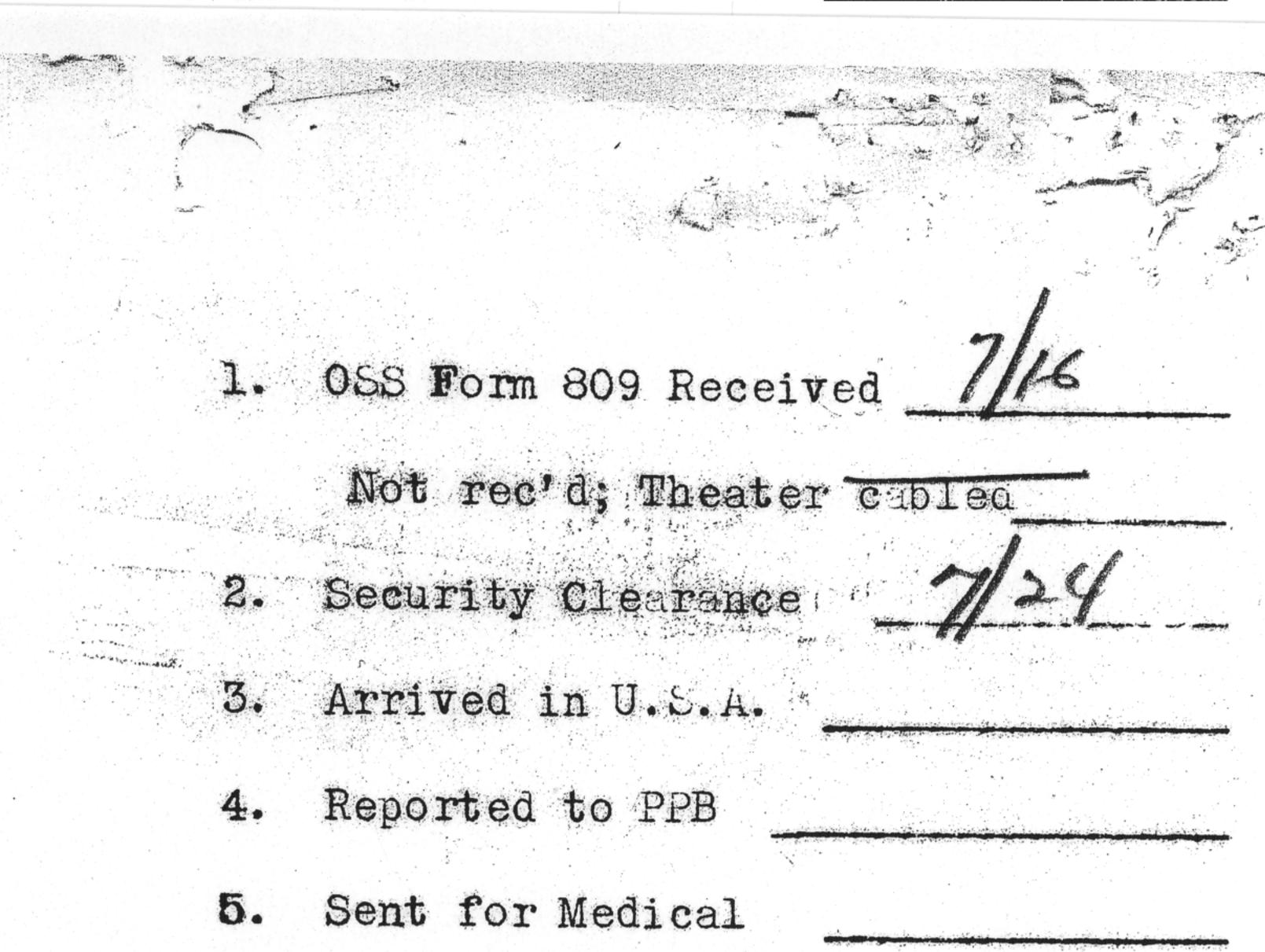
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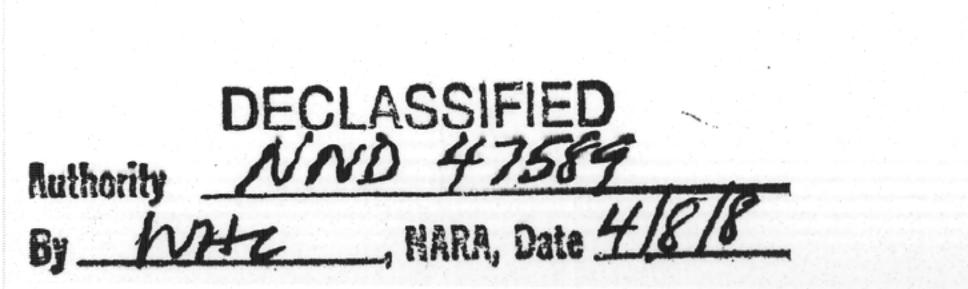


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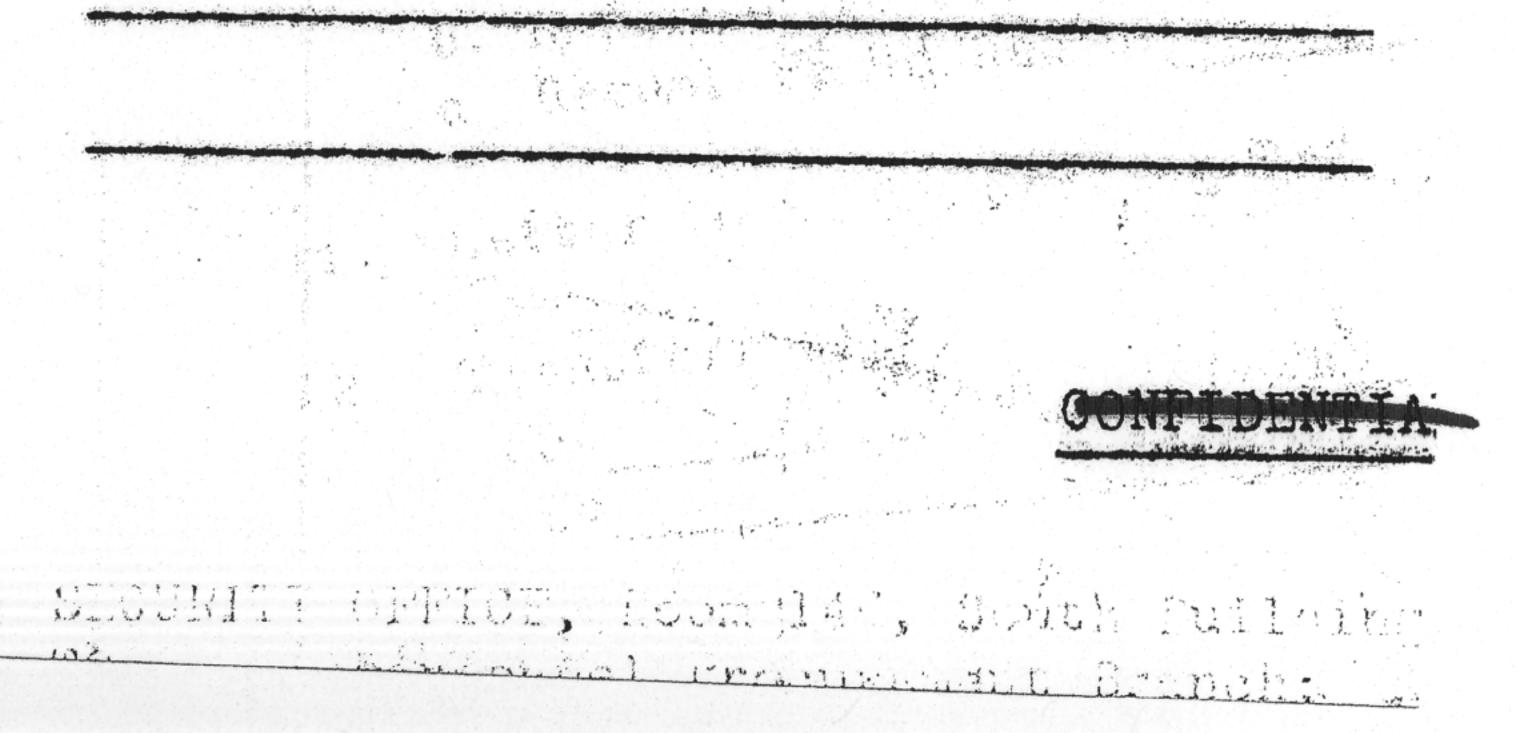
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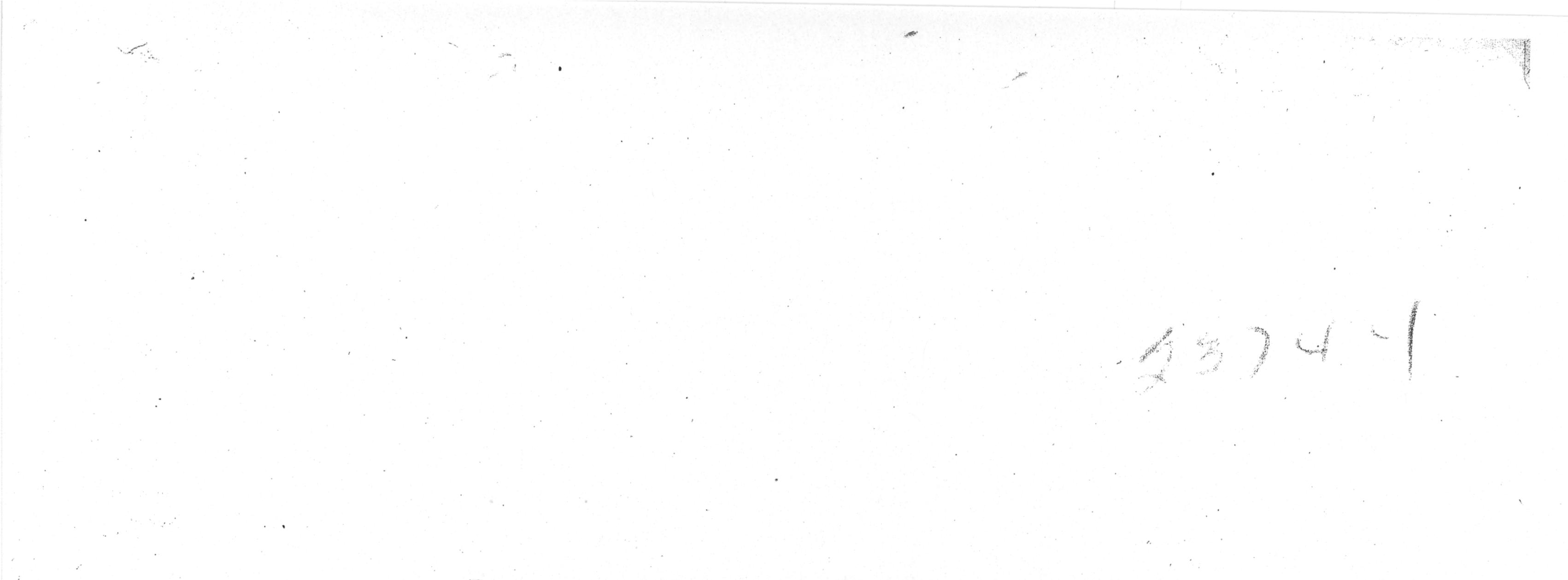


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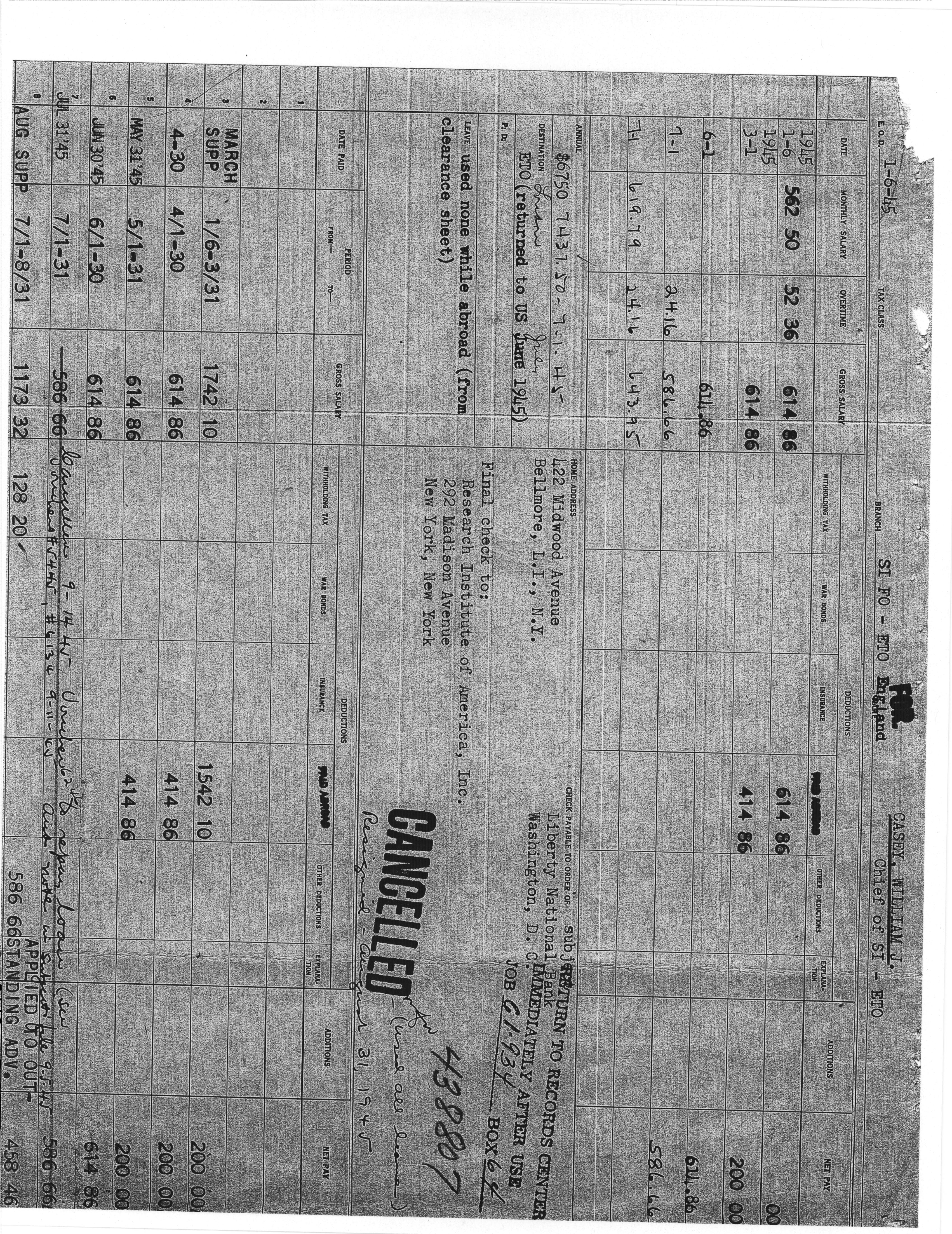
In view of the termination of the Japanese war and of the fact that it found me in the position of having completed my European assignment and awaiting further assignment, I herewith submit my resignation from the Office of Strategic Services:

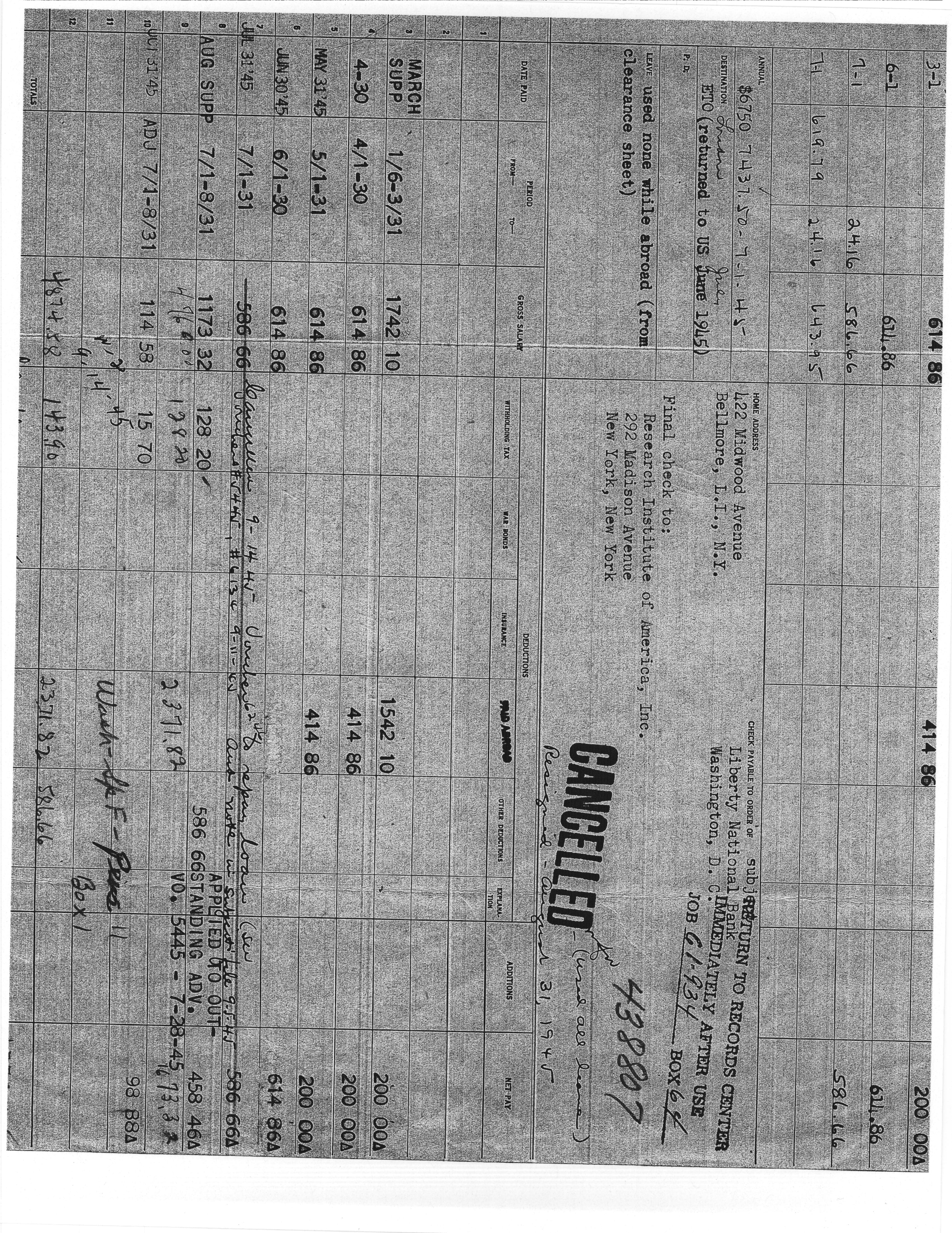
Although I am returning to private business almost immediately, I will hold myself available for any assistance I can furnigh during the contemplated liquidation period.

Signed) (Helian & Casey)

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7 September 1945

To: Special Funds Division Lt. R. L. Covington Attn:

From: Administrative Officer, SI

Subject: William J. Casey

Attached hereto is subject's statement of resignation from the Office of Strategic Services, which has been accepted by the Chief SI in a personal letter to Mr. Casey, effective as of 31 August 1945. Will you please remove his name from the SI Branch payrolls.

I certify that Mr. Casey has used his entire accrued annual leave.

Mr. Casey's forwarding address is:

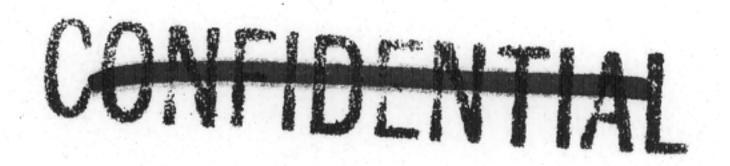
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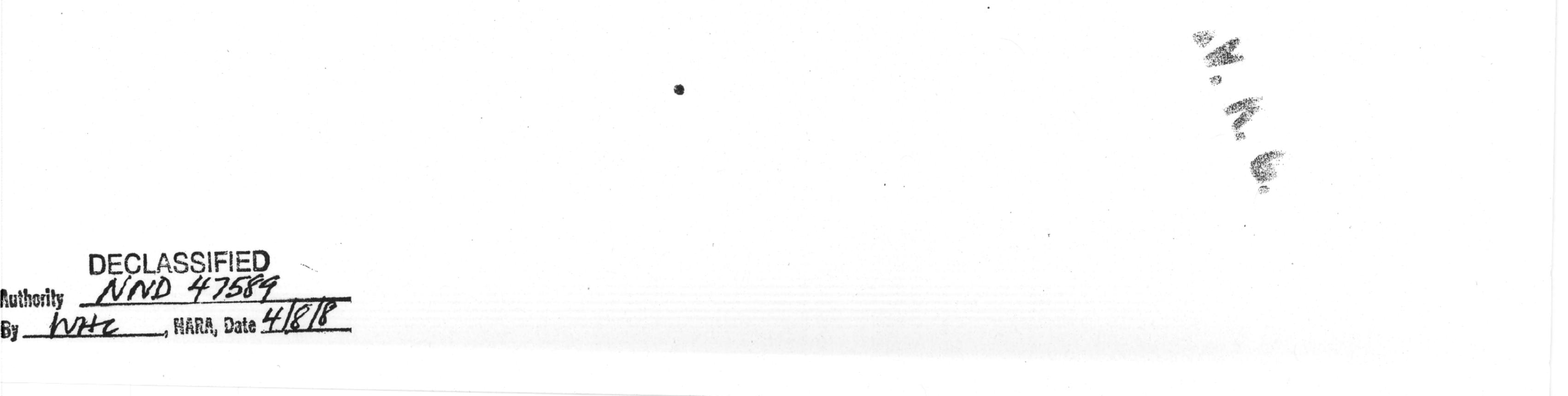
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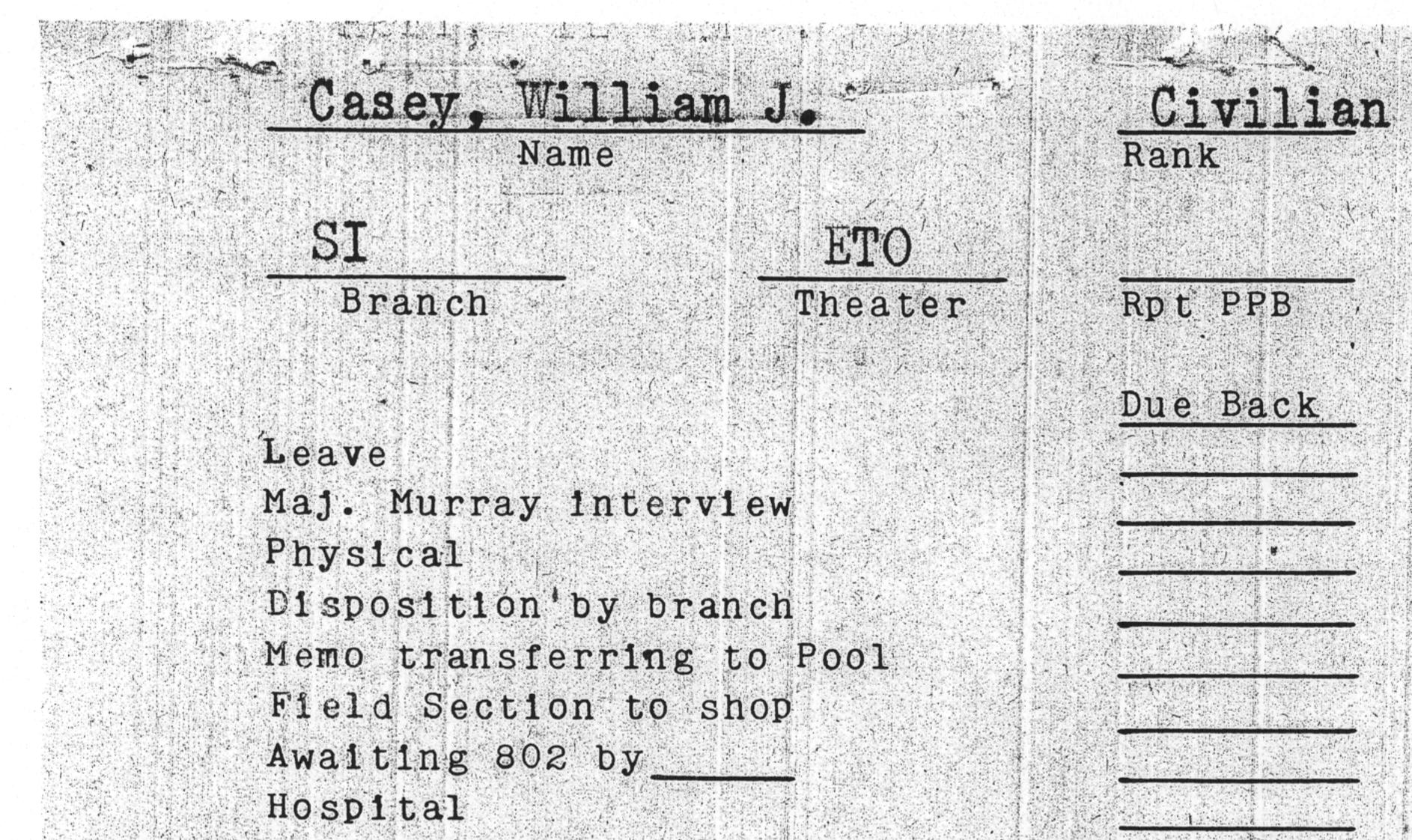
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Commanding Officer SSU WD Educaton to Germany USPET, A.P.O. 757

Attention: Major Baha



1. It is requested that inquiries be made to ascertain present

a. Legion of Merit for Millian J. Casey, USNR, (inactive) Lieutenant, File No. 282581, which was submitted by Colonel Forgan 30 June 1945. No information is available through the War Department here as to its present status. It is desired to recommend Lieutenant Casey for a Medal of Freedom if the recommendation for the Legion of Merit was disapproved on the grounds that he was in an inactive status at the time the service rendered upon which this recommendation was based.

b. Legion of Merit for Theodore Housseau, Jr., Lieutenant Commander, USH, 166185, submitted to the Adjutant General, Mar Department, 4 February 1966, by Brigadiar General John Magruder. We have been advised that the Adjutant General, Washington, has forwarded this recommendation to the General, Washington, has commended this recommendation. Commander Rousseau is proceeding to a new station in Japan in the near future and it is desired that information pertaining to this recommendation be forwarded at the earliest possible convenience to facilitate making this award prior to Commander Housseau's departure from this station.

> JAINE HOUSE Captain, AUS (MAC) Citations Officer

