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WERNER'S WHITE GUARD GROUP IN VANCOUVER REPORTED BY PIRVERDYAN TO BE ACTIVE AMONG SOVIET SEAMEN: VOJTYNK AND CAPTAIN UKhOV (1943)

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According to PIRVERDYAN's[i] information, a group of White Guards in VANCOUVER (CANADA) is working on the recruitment of Soviet seamen. The group is headed by WERNER[VERNER][ii] ([4 groups unrecovered]). While the ship "SOVETSKAYA LATVIYA" was moored there in March of this year, a member of the crew, VOJTYuK[iii], apparently suggested blowing up the ship and remaining in CANADA, promising a reward for this. Captain UKhOV[iv]

[22 groups unrecovered]

a thousand dollars. Was often seen in the company of Americans. See also our No. 197[v].

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Footnotes: [i] PIRVERDYAN:

Arakel Samsonovich PIRVERDYaN, senior officer of the Convoy Service of the SGPC in PORTLAND.

[ii] WERNER:

Not further identified.

[iii] VOJTYuK:

Not further identified.

[iv] Captain UKhOV:

German A. UKhOV, Captain of the "SOVETSKAYA

LATVIYA".

[v] Not available.

[vi] KhARON:

i.e. "CHARON"; Grigorij Markovich KhEJFETs,

Soviet Vice-Consul in SAN FRANCISCO.

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