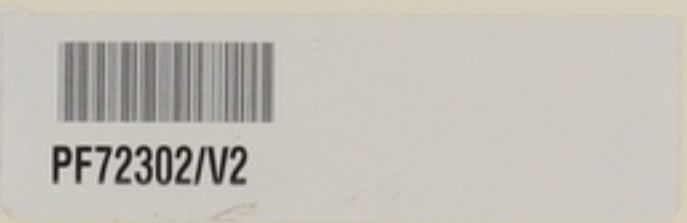
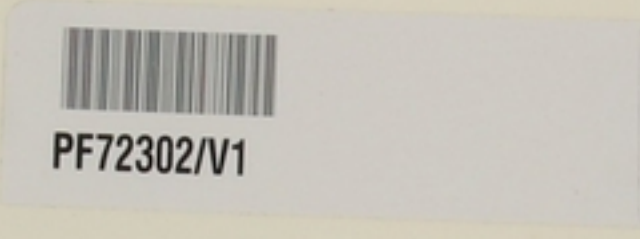


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Reference P.F. 72, 302, V. 2.

- 71.
- 16.3.50. Letter from S.I.M.E. mentioning TOVIM. 71a
- 27.3.50. Int. cable from Milan to Ben TOVIM. 71b.
- 72.
- 11.4.50. To S.I.S. re BEIGIN, LIFSHTIZ, BEN TOVIM, BUKSEMAN and KOTLOVITZ. 72a
- 73.
- 20.4.50. Cable to KOTLOVITZ, in Tel Aviv re BEN TOVIM. 73a
- 74.
- 4.4.50. Cable to BEN TOVIM, from NOAM H, Havana. 74a
- 75.
- ~~25.9.50.~~ *Desat. auth. Yliss chenbalk 20/11/51*
Ext. from Daily News Bulletin, No 221, re ~~Mapam Leader Calls for Planned Economy and increased Production in Israel,~~ 75a
- ~~13.2.51.~~ *now in L 76E/11 20/11/51*
Extract from Daily News Bulletin re New Israel Consul for New York 76a
- 77.
- 19.11.51. American Embassy visa application re BEN-TOVIM. 77a.
- 78.
- C.A. Re. 77a, we should refer Americans to our previous reply at 55a, and say we have nothing to add to it.*
- OS! 27/11/51. [Signature]*

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425,000 9/49 JC&S
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79.

29.11.51. To American Embassy in reply to visa application re BEN-TOVIN.

79a.

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FP.72302/C.I.A.

No. 49061.

American Embassy,
71, Grosvenor Street, W.1.

Noah Aminadav BEN-TOVIM.

This visa applicant was the subject of a previous enquiry, your No.0009561 dated 15 December 1949. We replied under the above reference on 2 January 1950 and have nothing to add.

If a visa is issued would you please let us know.

Bi
T.P. Aubrey.

29 November 1951.

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CHECK REQUESTED BY MEMORANDUM

IMMIGRANT **49061**

DATE **November 14, 1951**

ENCL. _____

19 NOV 1951

IN CIA 12

BEN-TOVIN
Noah Amnradov

NAME: **BEN-TOVIN**
NATIONALITY: **Israeli**
ADDRESS: **Presently in U.S.**
DATE & PLACE OF BIRTH: **October 9, 1909, Jerusalem**
DATE ARRIVAL IN U.S.: **1939**
TRAVELS IN LAST 12 YRS: **1939-1947 o/e Rev. M. Gordon, 26 Sten Rise, Hampstead, London; 1 Northway, College Crescent, Siles Cottage, N.W.3, and 29 Broadwalk, Kensington, London, U.S.**
FAMILY: **Deborah and Salomon BEN-TOVIN (Parents)**
JOINING: _____
OCCUPATION: **Lecturer**

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LC BENTOVIM OHELMOSHE JERUSALEM

HIGAATIBESHALOM AHAVATILACHEM BT NOACH AR

I have arrived safely. NOACH
to Bentovim.
From Noach - Havana

PA in Noach BENTOVIM'S P.F. Please

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LC KOTLOWITZ 19 YOSHUABINUN TELAVIV

LOVISABLI KARTISHASARA TILGRAFTI LECUBA VENEWYORK BLITZAOT
ATZURKAN IMLOTSHALITU LETWATELAVIV BT BENTOVIM AR

AA. u PG. 72302 (AEN TORIM)

[Handwritten scribbles and signatures]

Translation:

NO visa without return ticket. Have used
Cuba and New York without results. Impossible
here, unless you pay (T.V.A ?) Tel Aviv BEN TOVIM

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IC KOTLOVITZ 36 KINGGEORGE TELAVIV

ADVISE PLEASE DATE AHEAD ARRIVAL BENTOVIM BEGIN BT DWORIN
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29.4.50

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151T AZRIEL CHELICK ORGANIZACAO SIONISTA
REVISIONISTA APARTADO 11-87 BOGOTA n

OBTAIN FOR BEIGIN LIPSHITZ BEN-TOVIM COLOMBIAN VISAS STOP GAVE
BEIGIN'S VISA CABLED TO PARIS BERTOVIMS TO RECALL LIPSHITZ TO
NEWYORK STOP REASON VISIT GOODWILL MISSION STOP DETAILS BEIGIN
1 NOSENDAI STREET TELAVIV ISRAELI PASSPORT 00013 BORN 3RD AUGUST
1913 MARRIED MEMBER KNESSET ISRAEL LIPSHITZ UNION OF SOUTH AFRICA
PASSPORT J69836 BORN SEVENTEENTH OCTOBER 1915 MEDICAL PRACTITIONER
SINGLE NOAH ABINADAV BERTOVIM ISRAELI PASSPORT 20039 BORN FIFTH
OCTOBER 1909 COMPANY DIRECTOR SINGLE STOP MISSION BEHALF ICUD
SHELACH STOP BERTOVIM TO LEAVE IMMEDIATELY HELP PREPARE GROUND
WELL BEIGIN LIPSHITZ TO INAUGURATE SHELACH DRIVE BEGINNING MAY
STOP CABLE US ON CABLEING OF VISAS MATTER URGENT BY KOTIASHITZ
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BENTOVIM REHOVOTH

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15/4/50

Office in 17.94495 MUGIN.
19.72302 LSH DVI ✓
1.6927: [unclear]

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17.94495 MUGIN

11 April 1950

I attach to this letter three copies of a telegram sent from Tel Aviv on 27 March 1950, and received by [unclear], Columbia, South America, on 30 March. It should be noted that if you would send a copy to [unclear]

The following facts, additional to those in the telegram, are known about the persons mentioned:

[unclear], [unclear], is the chief of the Secret Group (formerly the [unclear] [unclear]) and was recently in Brussels and Paris organizing international financial support for the Revisionists.

[unclear], [unclear], was a South African passport, previous holder of the [unclear] passport of the U.S.A. Has visited Paris, New York, London, Berlin and Johannesburg since 1948.

[unclear], [unclear], is an active member of the U.S.A. and was last expelled from this country since 1934. He left this country for the last time in May 1948, and has been extremely active on behalf of the Revisionist movement, taking the full force of the British passport laws since then. He has just been refused a visa to return to the U.S.A.

The readers of this cable are probably (1) Rafael MUGIN, born 1.10.17 in Russia, who later held a South African passport; known as a prominent member of the Secret Executive of the U.S.A.; and (2) Dr. David [unclear], born 22.9.21 at [unclear], [unclear], was on the Executive Committee of the Revisionist Party. Additional details about all these characters can be provided, but probably you have traces in your own records.

This activity on the Revisionist front is not totally unexpected, as last autumn the British Revisionists were seeking of activity in the Spring. Samuel LANDMAN, a British Revisionist, we know from source [unclear], is organizing a meeting of British Revisionists at his home in [unclear] on [unclear] Sunday.

Please do not hesitate to ask for additional information that you think we might be able to provide.

Yours sincerely,

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SB and American Liaison Dept info also, on 14.3.50

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S.I.M.E.

71^a

GENERAL HEADQUARTERS,

MIDDLE EAST LAND FORCES.

SIME/PF.25802/B.4

7th March 1950

HEAD OFFICE

67^a

1. Reference your PF.72302/OS1/JC of 16th February 1950.
2. We cannot usefully comment on the cable mentioned in your letter.
3. We do not know whether Ben TOVIM is in Israel, nor have we any method of finding out.
4. Your interest in this man presumably springs from his former IZL connection mentioned in your letters SF.92/Jewish General/B3a/HLB of 14.1.48 and PF.49689/B3a/NR of 23.2.48.
5. TOVIM's Palestine CID file was sent to you last year with the Palestine CID terrorist records and is presumably available for your inspection.

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16 MAR 1950

TO OS1

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MF

1.

23.1.42. Copy minute from B.1.B to D.B. re financial transactions between D.D.KEMP and N.A.BEN TOVIM. 1a

2.

24.1.42. Minute from B.1.B. to B.1.C. re financial transactions between M.KEMP and BEN TOVIM. 2a

3.

26.1.42. Minute from B.1.B. to B.1.C. re BEN TOVIM's financial affairs. 3a

4.

30.1.42. M.I.6 L.H. on BEN TOVIM. 4a

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27.1.42. Minute from B.1.B. to B.1.C. with address of BEN TOVIM's Bank Account. 5a

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30.5.47. Extract from LANDMAN telecheck mentioning BEN TOVIM.

11a.

12.

11.6.47. Extract from LANDMAN telecheck mentioning BEN TOVIM.

12a.

13.

13.6.47. Extract from LANDMAN telecheck mentioning BEN TOVIM.

13a.

14.

30.6.47. Extract from LANDMAN telecheck mentioning BEN TOVIM.

14a.

15.

15.8.47. Report from Hants. Constabulary on BEN TOVIM.

15a.

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16.

25.8.47. To G.C. Hants. Constabulary in reply to 15a.

16a.

17.

22.9.47. Extract from S.B. surveillance report/mentioning BEN TOVIM.
on PONIEMUNSKI

17a.

18.

24.10.47. Copy of anonymous letter re the I.Z.L. received by the Under Secretary
of State for the Colonies.

18a.

19.

10.11.47. S.B. report on interview with Mr. S.HARRIS re BEN TOVIM.

19a.

20.

1.11.47. S.B. surveillance report on BEN TOVIM.

20a

21.

3.11.47. Copy minute to D.D.G. re W.E.ARON mentioning BEN TOVIM.

21a.

5.11.47. S. Form 56 applying for H.O.W. on BEN TOVIM.
5.11.47. To the G.P.O. re proposed H.O.W. on BEN TOVIM.

21b

21c

6.11.47. From S.B. (London Airport) re BEN-TOVIM's departure for Amsterdam.

21d.

[P.T. Over.]

22.

7.11.47. S.B. report further to 20a.

22a.

24.11.47. Int. letter to BEN TOVIM from ? BEN TOVIM.

22b

23.

D.D.G. (through D.B. and E.3.). (See 24.)

Nosh (or Nahum) Aminadav BEN TOVIM has long been known to us as an associate of United Zionist Revisionist extremists, some of whom are suspected of being implicated in terrorist activity.

BEN TOVIM was denounced to the Police last August by a named informant as a person associated with Palestinian terrorist organisations who was collecting funds, giving lectures and in other ways assisting the cause of those organisations in the U.K. In October an anonymous letter addressed to the Home Secretary alleged that BEN TOVIM assisted Samuel LANDMAN and Cyril ROSS - the latter being Chairman of Swears and Wells, the furriers - in unspecified work done on behalf of the IRGUN ZVAI LEUMI.

Investigation of the activities of Samuel LANDMAN indicates that he is associated with BEN TOVIM and a certain Werner Emil ARON in a scheme which appears to involve the collection of funds and intelligence on behalf of the IRGUN. BEN TOVIM is reported to have left the U.K. for Palestine last October and is expected to return to this country some time this month. It is apparent from a perusal of correspondence found in ARON's possession when he arrived in this country last October that BEN TOVIM is one of the principal directors of political and economic activity on behalf of the IRGUN ZVAI LEUMI in Europe.

We are anxious, therefore, to lose no opportunity of learning more of his activities, and should be grateful if you would authorise the imposition of a H.O.W. on the telephone line BAYwater 5776 which he normally uses - W.E. ARON is using this line in his absence.

The necessary forms are attached, for your signature, if approved.

B.S.a./HLE.
3rd December, 1947.

J.C. Robertson
J.C. Robertson

24.

Action on Min 23 postponed until more definite news received of BEN TOVIM's date of arrival, and until B.U.B. Staff position cleared.

B.S.a.
4/12/47

J.C. Robertson

Register No. FF.72,302.

Minute Sheet No.

25.

4.12.47. From Special Branch re Mrs. Nita MILLER's visit to the Police in connection with the arrest of her fiance BEN TOVIM in Palestine. 25a.

26.

6.12.47. Cable to D.S.O. Palestine passing on information at 25a re the arrest of BEN TOVIM. 26a.

27.

8.12.47. Int. letter from Sal. BEN TOVIM to N.A. BEN TOVIM. 27a.

28.

15.12.47. Extract from int. letter to LANDMAN mentioning BEN TOVIM. 28a.

29.

15.12.47. Extract from int. letter to LANDMAN mentioning BEN TOVIM. 29a.

15.12.47. Extract from int. letter to LANDMAN from "David" mentioning BEN TOVIM. 29b.

[P.T. Over.]

30.

- 22.12.47. From Special Branch re arrival of BEN TOVIM at London Airport. 30a.
 22.12.47. B.3.a. report on Jewish Political-Economic and Intelligence Activities. 30b.

31.

- 23.12.47. Report from London Airport re arrival of BEN TOVIM from Amsterdam. 31a.
 5.1.48. Int. letter to N.A. BEN TOVIM from Dr. (?) Puh MENCREL, Jerusalem. 31b.

32.

B.3.a. Mr. Robertson.

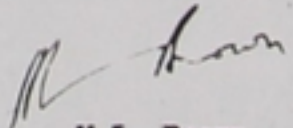
Please refer to Minutes 23 and 24. BEN TOVIM who returned to this country on 21st December, 1947, is now living at 29, Broadwalk Court, W.8, where he uses the line BAYswater 5776.

We have now only two telephone checks in operation, viz., those on Leo BELLA and Samuel LANDMAN which involve interception at two home and three office numbers in all. B.4.b. are satisfied that they can cope with an additional check, and I feel that in view of the suspicion surrounding BEN TOVIM's activities we should not lose this opportunity of further investigation.

By putting a check on BEN TOVIM we shall be able not only to estimate his value to LANDMAN as a member of a potential international intelligence organisation, but also to learn something of his alleged implication with Leo BELLA in the European activities of the IRGUN ZVAI LEUMI.

I have, accordingly, re-written the minute to the D.D.G., the letter to Saffery and brought the forms up-to-date.

B.3.a./HLB.
 8th January, 1948.


 H.L. Brown.

33.

- 8.1.48. From Special Branch enclosing copy of communication received from Palestine Police regarding BEN TOVIM. 33a.

C.W.V.
12/1 *D.G. 12.* *34.*
14/1
D.D.G. (through D.B. and B.3.).

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Investigation of the activities of Samuel LANDMAN indicates that he is associated with BEN TOVIM and others in a scheme which appears to involve support for the policy of Dr. WEIZMANN. BEN TOVIM, however, is believed to be connected with the Revisionists and the IRGUN ZVAI LEUMI. It is not clear what part BEN TOVIM plays in the fulfilment of LANDMAN's scheme. While in Palestine last November BEN TOVIM was detained by the C.I.D. for interrogation about his suspected connection with terrorist organisations. As a result of this interrogation the suspicions of the C.I.D. appear to have been lessened, and they observed that a representative of the Jewish Agency had offered to vouch for BEN TOVIM. We are anxious, therefore, to clarify the situation by further investigation of the nature of BEN TOVIM's contacts.

BEN TOVIM returned to the U.K. on 21st December, 1947, and is now living at 29, Broadwalk Court, W.8, where he uses the telephone line BAYswater 5776. I should be grateful if you would authorise the imposition of a H.O.W. on the telephone line, BAYswater 5776, which he normally uses. The necessary forms are attached, for your signature, if approved.

B.3.a./H.B.
 13th January, 1948.

J.C. Robertson
 J.C. Robertson.

35.

14.1.48. Imposition of H.O.W. on BAYswater 5776 - Green form.

35a.

36.

- 14.1.48. To Mr. Saffery, G.P.O., re imposition of a H.O.W. on BAYswater 5776, BEN TOVIM's telephone number. 36a.
27.1.48. From D.S.O. Palestine in reply to 6a re BEN TOVIM's activities there. 36b.

37.

- 29.1.48 To G.P.O. re W. S. ARON. 37a

38.

- 3.3.48. Int. letter to BEN TOVIM from ?? BEN TOVIM in Jerusalem. 38a.

39.

- 10.3.48. Photostat copy of int. letter from Bentovim, Sal. to BEN TOVIM. 39a.
22.3.48. Photostat of int. letter to BEN TOVIM. 39b

40.

- 31.3.48. To G.P.O. cancelling H.O.W. on BEN TOVIM at BAYswater 5776. 40a.

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41.

22.4.48. Int. cable from HENTOVIM to TURNER & CO. London.

41a

42.

23.4.48. Copy of letter to M.I.6 re ARON, INESCHEL and BEN TOVIM's visit to Sweden.

42a

43.

29.4.48. To G.P.O. cancelling H.O. on BEN TOVIM at 29, Broadwalk Court, W.8.

43a

44.

3.5.48. From Special Branch (Port of Plymouth) stating BEN TOVIM left U.K. for New York and that he expects to return to the U.K. in early July.

44a

45.

Re: -

I should be grateful if you would now cancel the operation of the cable scrutiny operating on the following names and addresses:-

ABRAHAM, 33 Neville Court, Abbey Road, N.W.8.

AMERICAN LEAGUE FOR A FREE PALESTINE, 25 W. 54 St., New York 19:

W. E. ARON, 804, Howard House, Dolphin Square, S.W.1. and
c/o FIELD & CO., 10, Devonshire Row, E.C.2.
(Also under the aliases of HART and BENTLEY)

BEN TOVIM, 29, Broadwalk Court, W.6. and
285, Regent Street, W.1.

BETAR, 20, Heathland Road, N.W. and
Rome, Italy.

HEBREW COMMITTEE OF NATIONAL LIBERATION, 2315, Massachusetts Ave.,
Washington, D.C.

SHILTON BETAR, Paris and
Palestine.

B.3.e./MR.
7th June, 1948.

NR
H. Riddell.

Copies in: PP.56,778/Y ABRAHAM
OP. 85-19 AMERICAN LEAGUE
PP.49,689 ARON
PP.72,302 BEN TOVIM ✓ PA-10
OP.85-26 BETAR
OP.85-19 H.C.H.I.
OP.85-21 SHILTON BETAR

46.

26.6.48. Copy of letter to Washington with information re LIPSHITZ mentioning
BEN TOVIM

46a

47.

12.7.48. Cable from London to LC Bentley 65 Central Park West Apartment 3E
NY23.

47a

48.

19.7.48. Cable from London to LG Bentley, 65 Central Park West.

48a.

49.

27.9.48. Copy of int. letter from BENTLEY to ADAMSON.

49a.

50.

2.2.49. Int. cable to LANDAU Tel Aviv, from New York.

50a

51

20.4.49. Ext from Int letter from LIPSHITZ to GREENBERG re BEN TOVIM

51a

52.

30.6.49. Int. telegram to BEN TOVIM.

52a.

53.

20.12.49. Vetting enquiry for American visa.

53a

54.

C.I.A. - Mr. Holmes.

Noah Aminadav BEN-TOVIN has long been known to us as an associate of Revisionist extremists and has been actively engaged in South America in assisting the HERUT GROUP (formerly known as the IRGUN ZVAI LEUMI).

J. Chenhalls

J. Chenhalls.

B.S.a.
30.12.49.

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55.

2.1.50. Reply to American visa application at 53a.

55a.

56.

9.1.50. From P.C.D. re visa application by Noah Aminadin BENTOVIM.

56a.

57.

12.1.50. From S.I.S. re visa application at 56a.

57a.

58.

O.S.1.

Please see U.K. visa application at 56a regarding which I should be grateful for your observations.

C.W. Cain
C.W. Cain.

C.1.c.
16.1.50.

59.

C.1.a.

Special Branch will no doubt have comments to offer on this application, but I do not know whether we are in any position to advise against Palestinians coming to the U.K. for residence.

J. Chambers.

O.S.1/JC.
13.1.50.

59.

O.S.

You should see this U.K. visa application from Ben TOVIM. It is something of a test case, and not easy to reach a decision.

The facts about Ben TOVIM are not ^{really} in dispute, and are summarised at 55a. He left this country in May 1948, and for at least some considerable time before then had been normally resident here. He now wants to return.

After thinking the matter over carefully, I have come to the conclusion that we cannot recommend refusal of the visa, because however active Ben TOVIM may be in this country on behalf of the Herat such activities would not be directed primarily ~~against~~ against British interests. None the less as Ben TOVIM is a very active and prominent member of an extreme political party pledged

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to obtain its ends by terrorism, we must clearly acquaint the Home Office with this fact. I therefore suggest replying as at 55a, and adding that in spite of this we would not wish to raise any security objections, but that the police might hold different views and should therefore be consulted.

B.L. Haldane Porter

O. S. 1.
20.1.50

B. L. Haldane Porter

P.S. I have summarised the case at 60.

60

24.1.50 Summary of information on BEN TOVIM and his activities

60a

61

D. O. S.

Please see 59. It seems to me that we can only put the facts as we know them about Ben TOVIM to the Home Office with the recommendation that, as the activities of terrorists in this country are essentially a matter for the Police, they should consult Special Branch

The question of Police, as opposed to Security Service, responsibility for terrorist organisation and/or actions in the U.K. was thrashed out some years ago with the Police, who accepted our view that it was primarily a matter for them, as I.R.A. activity has always been. What we undertook to do was to keep the Police informed of all such information bearing on this subject as came to us in the normal course of our security investigations. The Police only recently re-affirmed their particular responsibility by agreeing to take over either the whole, or a selection, of the Palestine Police terrorist records sent us last year by SIME.

I do not feel we can afford to take any risk in allowing people of Ben Tovim's sympathies to return to this country, however long may have been his sojourn here before he assumed Israeli nationality. The terrorists are quiescent for the moment but they are far from disbanded. Despite their present policy of co-operation with moderate elements in Israel, they have from time to time threatened extreme action if Israeli foreign policy is not sufficiently aggressive and in conformity with their own particular brand of extreme nationalism. While it may well be that their antagonism will be directed initially against their own Government, there is no denying that, whatever may be our attitude over the internationalisation of Jerusalem, we are still very much looked upon as the "nigger in the wood-pile". As you may have seen in yesterday's press, the Israeli Government are now criticising HMG for arming the Arab countries, which they claim is a further manifestation of our policy of building up an Arab bloc against Israel.

O. S.
27.1.50

A. S. Kellar
A. S. Kellar

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62.

~~O.S.~~ 21/1/50
O.S.1.

1. Serial 60A is very informative and helpful. I am obliged to Mr Haldane-Porter.

2. This is a question of admitting BEN TOVIN into this country. That being so, seeing that Britain is not within the parish of the OS Division, I should have supposed that one of the other Divisions, B and/or C, was concerned with the matter; and neither has been consulted. However, I may be wrong. If you are satisfied that it is not necessary in this instance to consult either B or C - and I do not wish to waste time and effort by superfluous lateral consultation - I am content to decide the case by approving the action proposed in para 1 of minute 61.

[Signature]
 DOS., 28.1.1950.

63

C.L.O.

It has been decided that we should inform the Home Office that the applicant has been known to us for some time as an associate of United Zionist Revisionist extremists. During his recent visit to South America, he was very active on behalf of the Herut party of Israel, who are the successors of the Irgun Zvai Leumi, and, like them, advocate violence and terrorism as a means of gaining their ends. We should at the same time suggest to the Home Office that as terrorist activities in this country are essentially a matter for the Police, they might like to consult Special Branch; adding that we have no evidence that the applicant is intending to commit outrages himself in this country.

[Signature]
 D.L. Haldane Porter

O.S.1
 30th January, 1950.

64.

31.1.50. To H.O. in reply to visa application at 56a.

64a.

65.

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~~24.~~ 2.50. Copy of Int. Cable sent to BEN TOVIM from London.

65a.

66.

14.2.50. Copy of Int. Cable sent to BEN TOVIM from London.

66a.

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Reference P.F. 72302.

67.

16.2.50. To S.I.M.E. re two cables at 65a and 66a.

67a.

68.

C.I.C. - Captain Cain.

Please see my note to S.I.M.E. - serial 67a - on this case. Is it possible to find out from the Home Office when a decision has been reached about this man's U.K. visa?

J. Chenhalls

J. Chenhalls.

O.S.1
16.2.50.

69.

O.S.1. Miss Chenhalls.

At 64a it will be seen that we have already requested H.O. to inform us of their decision. However, as the result of further enquiries I learn that no decision on this case has yet been reached.

C. W. Cain
C.W. Cain.

C.I.C.
18.2.50.

70.

25.2.50.	From H.O. re refusal of visa to Noah Aminadin BENTOVIM.	70a.
28.2.50	From Ben TOVIM, Telaviv to BARRATRY, London, Int. cable.	70b.
6.3.50	From "Noah", Rome, to BEN TOVIM, Jerusalem, int. cable.	70c.
8.3.50.	Int. cable to Ben TOVIM, Telaviv, from RABINOWITZ, Jo'burg.	70d.

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16.3.50	Letter from S.I.M.E. mentioning TOVIM	71a
27.3.50.	Int. cable from Milan to Ben TOVIM.	71b

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11.4.50.	To S.I.S. re BEIGIN, LIPSHITZ, BEN TOVIM, BUKSPAN and KOTLOWITZ.	72a.
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20.4.50. Cable to KOTLOVITZ, in Telaviv re BENTOVIM.
25.4.50. Cable to KOTLOWITZ, in Telaviv re visa.

73a
73b

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5.50. Cable to BENTOVIM from NOACH, Havana.

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ADDRESS 4 ROTHCHILD BLVD BT ELIEZER BENTOVIM AR

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Telephone: CHAncery 8811

Visa 3A
Home Office
(Aliens Department),
271, High Holborn,
London, W.C.1.

H.O. Reference:
T.17492/2

25th February, 1950.

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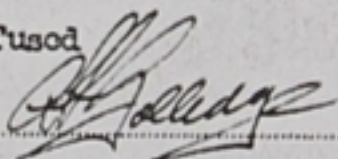
Passport Control for New York

The Secretary of State has decided
that the application of

Noah Aminadin BENTOVIM

for a visa should be refused

(Signed)



M.I.5.

With the Compliments of the Under
Secretary of State for the Home Depart-
ment.

Your reference:-

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S.I.M.E.

We have seen copies of two telegrams sent from London addressed to BEN TOVIM, 24 Yavneh Street, Tel Aviv. The contents of these two telegrams are as follows:-

- Telegram 1 FIRECLAY BRICKS TWELVE HALF CENTUM RETURNING TWO NO CLAIM APPROVED STEAMER BT BARRATRY AR.
- Telegram 2 UNDERWRITRS WILL ONLY ACCEPT ONIONS FPA AND LOSS FOLLOWING RECEIPT THIS CABLE BT BARRATRY AR.

Can you offer any comment on these and let us know whether you have any knowledge as to whether Noah Amineyav BEN TOVIM (born at Jerusalem on 9.10.09) who was known to be in New York on 5th January, 1950 en route from Buenos Aires to U.K. ^{ISRAEL} The question of his U.K. visa has not yet been resolved. It may be, however, that he has gone direct to Israel.

Director General.

16th February, 1950.

JC/KP

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BENTOVIM 24 YAVNEH ST TELAVIV

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31st January, 1950.

FP 72302/C.1.c.

Home Office, Aliens Department.
(Copy to Passport Control Department.)
(Copy to M.I.6. - _____ of 12.1.50.)

Noah Aminadin BEN TOVIM.
S. 37621 of 6.1.50.

BEN TOVIM has been known to us for some time as an associate of United Zionist Revisionist extremists. During his recent visit to South America he was very active on behalf of the Herut party of Israel, who are the successors of the Irgun Zvai Leumi, and, like them, advocate violence and terrorism as a means of gaining their ends.

While we have no evidence that applicant is intending to commit outrages himself in the U.K., we would suggest that, as terrorist activities in this country are essentially a matter for the Police, you may wish to consult Special Branch.

Please may we be informed of your decision?

C. W. Cain
C. W. Cain.

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NOAH AMINADAV BEN TOVIM

BEN TOVIM was born in Jerusalem on the 9th October, 1909, and up to quite recently had a Palestinian Passport issued by us under the Mandate, and was, therefore, a British Protected Person. Recently, however, his passport was endorsed by the Israeli Consulate at Buenos Aires, and he must now be considered as an Israeli subject.

He has been domiciled in this country since 1934, and has various business interests and relations here. He left this country for the last time in May, 1948, and now wishes to return. The refusal of a visa, therefore, to someone who, though he has recently become a foreign subject, has been domiciled here for fifteen years is a serious step to take.

The information in our files about him has been at times conflicting, and I set out below the salient points.

Our attention was first focussed on BEN TOVIM in August, 1947, when informed the Bournemouth Police that in his opinion BEN TOVIM was "associated with the collection of financial and other support for the Jewish sponsored terrorist organisations now operative in Palestine" (15a). The source of this information was a Mr. Harris, who had been staying in the same hotel in Bournemouth as BEN TOVIM, and to whose daughter the latter had recently become engaged to be married. We had had some information previous to this suggesting that BEN TOVIM was associated with the Revisionists; and in October, 1947, the Metropolitan Police interviewed Mr. Harris, who confirmed to them that BEN TOVIM had expressed his approval of the terrorist activities then going on in Palestine against us, as the Mandatory Power (19a). It is difficult to know, however, how objective Mr. Harris was in making these charges against BEN TOVIM, because he and his daughter had quarrelled, and the daughter was about to leave her father in order to marry BEN TOVIM.

On the 26th October, 1947, BEN TOVIM left this country for Palestine with the avowed intention of visiting his parents there. Shortly after his arrival in Palestine he was arrested by the Palestine Police, and interrogated. The interrogator came to the conclusion that though BEN TOVIM had met several people whose names were well known in terrorist circles, and had been known in 1930 as an ardent supporter of the Revisionists, "I cannot see him in the role of a terrorist organiser", and there was, therefore, some reason to doubt the previous information about him (33a). He was accordingly released, and returned to this country on the 21st December, 1947. It may be significant that while under arrest in Palestine BEN TOVIM told the Palestine Police that his future father-in-law, i.e. Mr. Harris, was the cause of his present troubles.

He left this country for New York in May, 1948, and went from there to South America. An intercepted telegram dated the 28th January, 1949, (50a), and an intercepted letter dated the 20th April, 1949, (51a), make it clear that in South America BEN TOVIM was extremely active on behalf of the Herut, and fell foul of the Israeli Consulate in Buenos Aires.

These intercepts thus suggest that our previous information that BEN TOVIM was associated with the Revisionists was correct, and that he must be regarded as an important figure in the Herut, the successors of the I.Z.L., though it is unlikely that he would actually commit outrages.

Two questions thus pose themselves:

- (a) to what extent is the Herut now a danger to British security and interests?
- (b) if to a serious extent, then does the responsibility for recommending refusal of a visa lie with us or the Police?

No definite factual answer to (a) can be given; one can only state the facts of the past, and express an opinion about the future. In the past,

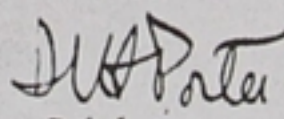
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the I.Z.L. favoured the overthrow of the British Mandate in Palestine and the establishment of an independent State of Israel by means of violence and terrorism, and actively pursued these means. After the establishment of Israel, it was reconstituted as a political group, known as the Herut, and forms the extreme right wing opposition to the present Israel Government. It still advocates violence as a means to achieve political ends, which themselves go well beyond the present policy of Israel. Its hostility is thus now primarily directed against its own Government; but as it is essentially anti-British, it might in certain circumstances direct a campaign of violence against H.M.G. Whether such circumstances will ever arise, can only be a matter of opinion; but on the most important issue at present besetting the Israeli Government, namely opposition to the Internationalisation of Jerusalem, it should be noted that the U.K. voted against this at UNO.

The answer to (b) may be easier to find. All the indications at present are that if the Herut were to be active in this country against H.M.G., their activity would take the form of terrorism, which is a police matter, and not of subversion, which is more a matter for us. This is an old difficulty, which has never been completely resolved; and my own view is that, though we should, and do, legitimately take some interest in the Herut, the main responsibility must be one for the Police. Perhaps we might try again to get a firm policy ruling on this, as if trouble does start, we don't then want to find that we have been expecting the Police to make the running, and they us.



D.L. Haldane Porter.

O.S. 1
24th January, 1950.

NEW YORK

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D. Jowett

P.C.3 MAY VISA BE GRANTED TO NOAH AMINADN
BEN TOVIM BORN PALESTINE 9.10.09 TRAVELLING ON
BRITISH PALESTINIAN PASSPORT STAMPED BY ISRAELI
CONSUL AT BURENO WISHED TO RETURN U.K. FOR RESIDENCE
DIRECTOR OF 20TH CENTURY DRAMA LTD, LONDON, LAST
LEFT U.S. MAY 1948 REFERENCE SISTER MRS. RUTH
GORDON, 24 LEX RISE, LONDON AND MR. FINSON,
MANAGER BRIDGES BANK, 451 GUYFORD STREET, LONDON.
FINSON ADVISE BY TELEGRAM WHICH HAS BEEN F.O.I.B.F.C.R.

Secret.

In reply, state NUMBER and DATE.

SJA

dated 12th January 1950

R.5.X.2.

Dear *Cain*,

P.C.D. Ref; S.37621 of 6.1.50.
Noah Aminadn BEN TOVIM

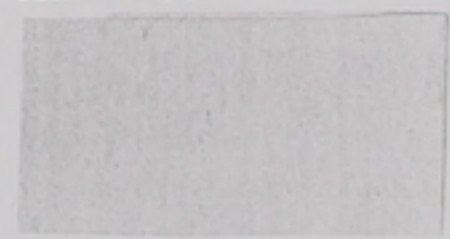
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applicant in Para 4 of the report you
sent us with your SF 92 - Jewish-General/
B.3.a./HLB of 14th January 1948, and
your PF 49869/B.3.a./HLB of 23rd April
1948. *42a*

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We have nothing to add to the
information you already hold.

Yours sincerely,

C.I.C.



Captain C.W. Cain,
M.I. 5.
(Copy to P.C.D.)

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PASSPORT CONTROL DEPARTMENT ENCL.
9 JAN 1950

To M.I. 5.

FULL NAME OF APPLICANT..... BENTOVIM, Noah Aminadin.

P.C.D. Remarks	M.I. 5. Reply to Home Office (Allens Department) (Copy to P.C.D.)
<p><u>URGENT.</u></p> <p>FOR : OBSERVATIONS</p> <p>COPY TO : HOME OFFICE, XXXXXXXX</p> <p>FILE NO. : 8.37621</p> <p>DATE : 6.1.50.</p>	<p>REFERENCE :</p> <p>DATE :</p> <p><i>St. W. 9/1</i></p> <p><i>12/18</i></p> <p><i>12/18</i></p>

Presently applying Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
U.S. VISA APPLICANT

629561

NAME: Noah Aminadav BEN-TOVIN ^{Ac. 19/12} DATE: Dec. 15, 1949

ALIAS:

ADDRESS:

DATE, PLACE OF BIRTH: October 9, 1909 at Jerusalem, Israel

DATE ARRIVAL Transit certificate issued Section 3(3) No. 773
U.S.C.B. Dec. 2, 1949

TRAVELS IN LAST TEN YEARS: Port of entry: New York, Expected Entry: Edn. of Dec. or ~~beginning~~ beginning of Jan. 1950

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Noah Aminadav BEN-TOVIN

Applicant has long been known to us as an associate of United
Zionist Revisionist Extremists and has been actively engaged in South America
in assisting The Herut Group (formerly known as the Irgun Zvai Leumi).

AMB.

2nd January, 1950.

G. A. A. RAHAY.

American Embassy,
1 Grosvenor Street, S.1.

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EXTRACT.

Extract for File No.: PF 72302 Name: BEN TOVIM

Original in File No.: SF 210 - Latin America - 1 Serial: 2a Receipt Date: 20.4.49.

Original from: Ind letter Under Ref.: Dated: 9.4.49.

Extracted on: 11.5.49. By: MEG Section: R4

Extract from Intercepted letter from Israel LIFSHITZ, of Parana 992, Buenos Aires, to I.M. GREENBERG, 71 Chatsworth Rd, London. N.W.2. mentioning BEN TOVIM.

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BEN TOVIM is at present in Montevideo where he turned the whole community upside-down. The Israeli consulate is exerting great pressure against us there, which is the best proof that we have stirred the public. There we had a banquet, a mass meeting, publicity in the press and over the Radio (daily) and a financial drive. The Ben Tovim formed a League "Artigas Begin" Artigas is the Ntional Hero of Uruguay, who liberated it from foreign domination. The Israeli consular representative said to Ben Tovim, "Artigas is a national hero, how can you put him together with Begin?" To which Ben Tovim replied, "Am I in the Israeli consulate or in an office of Mapai?" They suggested he should change the name to "Artigas Herzl", but on no account that "Terrorist" Begin. Incredible! But, it is very "Lebedig".

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BEN TOVIM IN URUGUAY COMMENCED CAMPAIGN FOR HERUT STOP
 PLEASE CABLE HIM CARE NOGAROTEL MONTEVIDEO OFFICIAL MESSAGE
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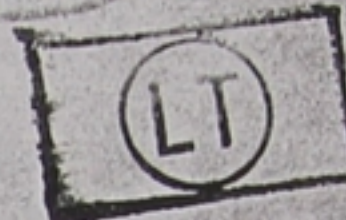
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24 JUL 1948

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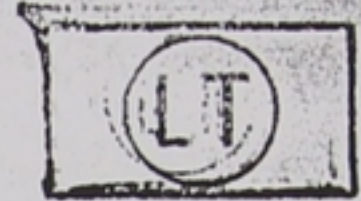
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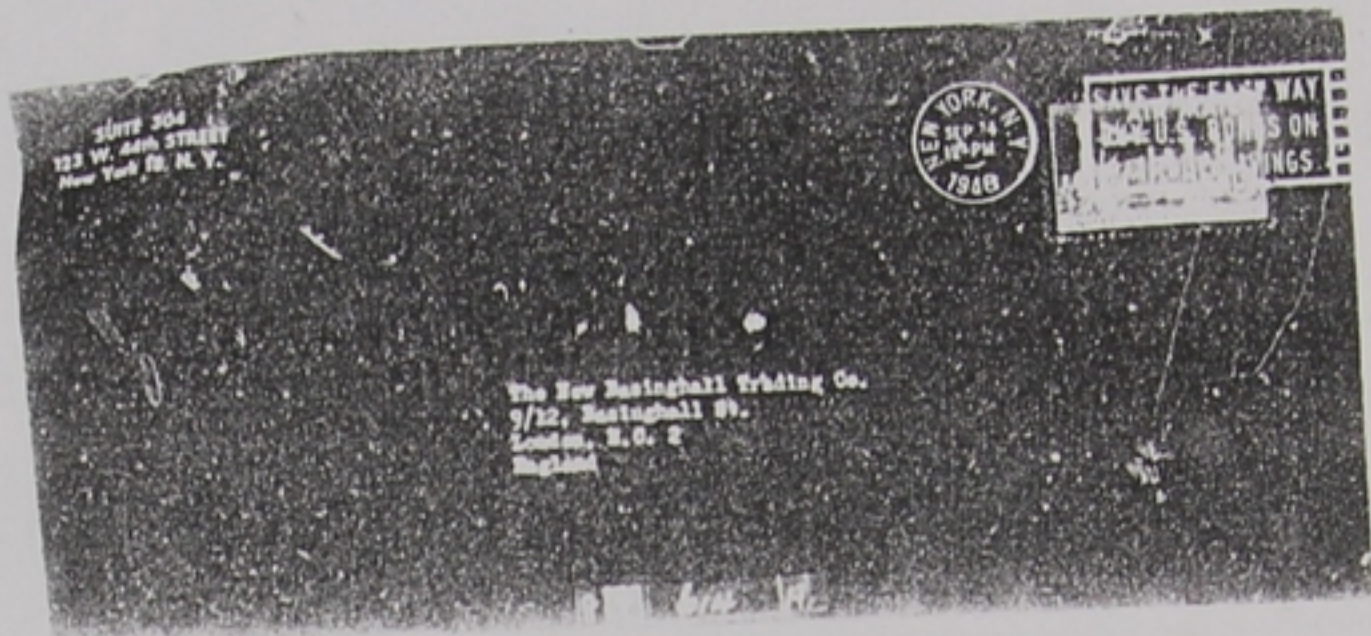
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September 24, 1948

My very dear Adanson:

Back from various journeys in the country, I found your telegrams and letters. I am rather surprised that you doubt my loyalty to a good old friend. You know well how fond I am of you and how grateful I am for every hour I have spent, both with you, and with your family. In fact, I miss you all very much. I am very distressed to hear of the difficulties which you experienced in Hastinghall, and I wish I could do something about it.

The position of our business here is very serious, but not worrying. The transition period, coupled with Zeev's ship and the dissolution of Goldberg's previous business have brought a complete standstill in our trade here. The long, drawn-out negotiations with Zeev's business was a calamity, as we have lost the first round. Instead of commencing with a store in Goldberg's new business, we have had to wait with slander fired at us from both Old Chian's business and Zeev's business. I am sure that things will straighten out and the transition period will be over. In the meantime, we are existing as soldiers and consider ourselves no better than our countrymen in the Holy City.

Zeev's trip is impossible at this stage, however important, and will have to wait for better days. I am leaving this branch on Monday, and I am going away with the hope of finding more satisfactory business. We are working in complete harmony with the Bar Ben. They will close their shop on the 15th of November, both by orders from Goldberg and also by their own volition. Goldberg will then come to us and may launch his new business. Everything, however, is still very much in the dark and I doubt whether things will be cleared up before his visit. I contemplate going back home, but I may stay until Goldberg's visit.

At the early stages of my business I had my plans for you and for our other friends. Things have so developed that all the plans have got to be postponed.

I was sorry to hear that you have heard nothing of David. I hope he is well, for no news is good news.

I have a picture of my cigarettes, taken by a friend who visited them, and I was rather alarmed to see how much weight they have lost. I made some arrangements for them before I left you, and I am worried now about the next arrangements. If I shall not be able to make some arrangements for them from here, I shall have to return and be as near as possible to them.

Please give my love to Augusta and to Ruth. I wish Deborah the very best of luck. Our homeland is being enriched by one of the very best girls.

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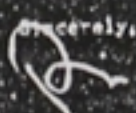
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I have ever known, and our home requires a new element who should bring the spirit of decency and democracy into the country.

How is Kaima? Is she still at her old job?

My kindest regards to you all.

Sincerely,

 Bentley

P.S. No mail will be forwarded to me wherever I am.

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TOP SECRET & SENSITIVE.

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Copy in: PP.72303 - BEN TOVIM.

Ref: PP.69273/B3a/HR.

R. Thistlethwaite, Esq.,
Washington.

Please refer to our letter CP.65/19/B3a/HR dated 3rd March, 1948, mentioning Israel LIPSCHITZ.

Further information we have obtained on this man shows that he is now connected with the Palestine Emergency Fund in New York. [redacted] any money he obtains is sent direct to Palestine, though he is believed to have transferred \$1,000 to Leo BELLA in London. The same source also reported that Noah Aminides ~~BEN TOVIM~~, who left for New York on May 2nd, is now working with LIPSCHITZ, and that the latter was visited in the middle of April by Samuel KATZ, who is believed to be the head of the Irgun Zvai Leumi in Europe.

LIPSCHITZ passed through England on 17th June, ostensibly on his way to Paris, but Source BEAT informs us that he intends paying a short visit to Israel and that, on his return, he will stay in England for a few days before going on to New York.

BEN TOVIM, whose address in New York is not known, was closely associated with Leo BELLA and Samuel LANDMAN while in the U.K. He had previously been reported to be a member of the I.Z.L., but we could obtain little information on his activities in this country.

26th June, 1948.
HR/PP.

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Sir Percy Sillitoe.

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PORT OF FLYMOUTH
METROPOLITAN POLICE (Special Branch)

SPECIAL REPORT.

2nd day of May 1948

SUBJECT
Noah

Aminadav BEN-

TOVIN or

TOVIN,
REFERENCE TO
PAPERS.

In confirmation of telephone message to Superintendent at 10.40 a.m. today:-

The following subject of Superintendent's Circulation Sheet No. 140 of 30th October 1947, left this Port today for New York on board the s.s. "Noordam":

Noah Aminadav ~~MEN-TOVIN~~ born Jerusalem 9.10.1908, travelling on Palestinian passport No. 146824 issued London 2.8.46. He gave his address as 29 Broadwalk Court, London, W.8., and his business address as "20th Century Drama Ltd., 288 Regent Street, W.1." He stated his intention of returning to the U.K. in early July. A discreet search by Customs revealed nothing of interest to Special Branch. The description given still holds good, with the addition that he appears of a slightly nervous disposition.

Suspicion was not aroused.

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3 MAY 1948

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B3a or

By

C. J. [Signature]
SUPERINTENDENT.

[Signature]
Sergeant.

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Copies in: FF.72302 - BEN TOVIM

FF.406118 - PRESSCHEL

Ref: FF.49-69/B3a/HLB

23rd April, 1948.

Please refer to our letter SP.92/Jewish/General/B3a/HLB dated 14th January, 1948, with which we enclosed a memorandum on the activities of a group of suspect Jews, notably a certain Werner Emil ARON.

It was noted in paras.19 and 20 of that memorandum that ARON had flown from the U.K. to Sweden on 15th November, 1947, and had returned to the U.K. on 23rd November. We were not able to establish the reason for his visit, which appeared in part to be connected with the normal business of the NEW BASINGHALL TRADING CORPORATION LTD. - Samuel LANDEMAN's firm. On the other hand, it was clear that ARON had some work to do in Sweden which concerned H. A. BEN TOVIM, who is reported to be an agent of the Irgun Zvai Leumi. We conjectured that ARON and BEN TOVIM might be in contact with a branch of the Revisionist or Irgun organisation in Sweden. You will recollect that a branch of the Betar is known to exist in Stockholm (our letter OF.85/21/B3a/HLB dated 1st April, 1947, refers).

We are equally in the dark about BEN TOVIM's interest in Sweden. He dabbles in international business deals, but in the circumstances of this particular case, his association with the Revisionists and his suspected membership of the Irgun Zvai Leumi would appear to be significant. It may also be worth mentioning, in passing, that in 1927, before the question of his association with the Irgun Zvai Leumi or the Revisionists arose, BEN TOVIM was reported to Palestine C.I.D. as a Communist. We have not received any further information on this last point.

Our interest in this affair was revived recently when we learned from a TOP SECRET source that there was a possibility of BEN TOVIM visiting Sweden in the near future. This information was followed by a report from the police dated 7th April, 1948, that a certain Theodor PRESSCHEL had been granted a visa to go to Sweden on business, which he described as being connected with the paper trade. We have nothing to indicate that PRESSCHEL's proposed visit is connected with BEN TOVIM's. We have our doubts, however, about PRESSCHEL's bona fides, since he is a young extremist who has been actively associated with such enterprises as the publication of the Betar organ the "Jewish Struggle", and has subsequently been reported by a TOP SECRET source to have been in contact with Leo BELLA, who is believed to be the chief representative of the Irgun Zvai Leumi in this country. We have reason to suspect that PRESSCHEL has helped BELLA in his clandestine operations. In any event, he is not the type of person likely to be chosen to go abroad on business deals of any importance.

As you will see, the activities of ARON, BEN TOVIM and PRESSCHEL in connection with Sweden give rise only to vague suspicions, and there is no clear line which can be followed in investigation. Nevertheless, I should be grateful if you could let us know if any information does come your way which might throw light on the activities of these people. Brief particulars of the persons concerned are as follows:-

Werner Emil ARON:
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Stateless German. Travelling on Home
Office Identity Certificate No.1176149.
Born 18.7.1915 at Ruffenwalde.

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Noah Amineyev BEN TOVIM: Palestinian. Born 9.10.1909 at Jerusalem.

Theodor FRESCHER: Stateless. Born 14.9.1922 at Vienna. Travelling on Home Office Identity Certificate No. P.13506.

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Yours sincerely,

H. L. Brown.

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G.P.O. Col. Allan.

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Please cancel the operation of the H. O. W. on the following:—

Name..... N. A. BEN TOVIM

Address or Telephone No. 29 Broadwalk Court, W.8.

Date..... 29.4.48. Signature..... *HLB* H. L. Brown.

HLB B3a 6.5.48.

S. Form 16/P.G./2,000/7.47.

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H.O.W. No. 916

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G.P.O. (Mr. Saffery).

Please cancel the operation of the H. O. W. on the following:—

Name..... Noah (or Nahum) Aminaday BEN TOVIM

Address or Telephone No. BAYSWATER 5776

Date..... 31.3.48..... Signature.....

H.L. Brown.

B. Form 18/P.G./2,000/7.47.

HOA

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Could you please find out what the telegraphic address "BARRATRY FEN LONDON" on attached intercepted cable stands for.

MacLeod

for H. L. Brown.

B.3.a.
23.4.48.

B3a (Re. H. L. Brown)

Full address is:

G.P. TURNER + CO.
22 ~~END~~ CULLUM STREET,
LONDON, E.C.3.

BEN TOVIM

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A. J. Ruston

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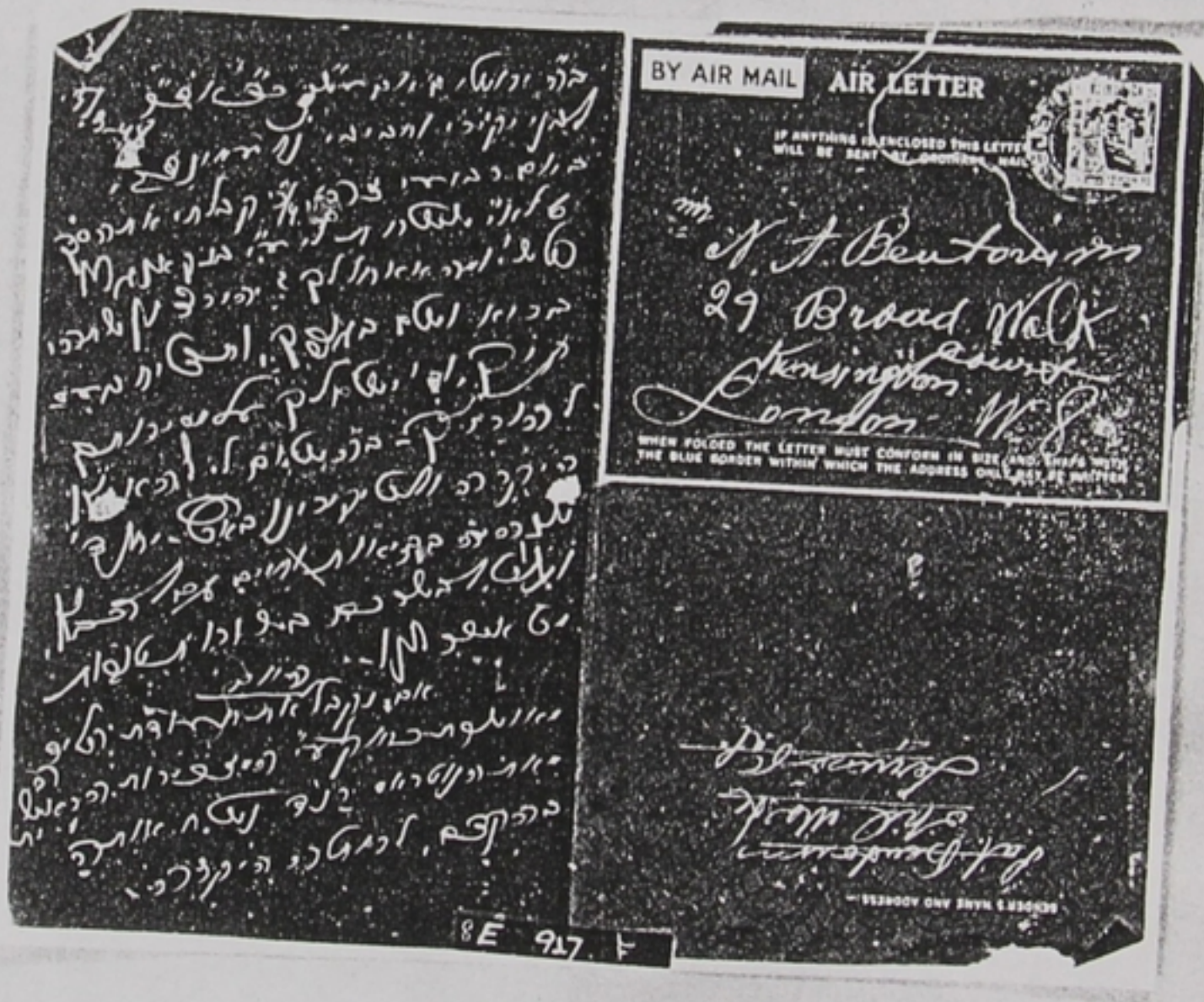
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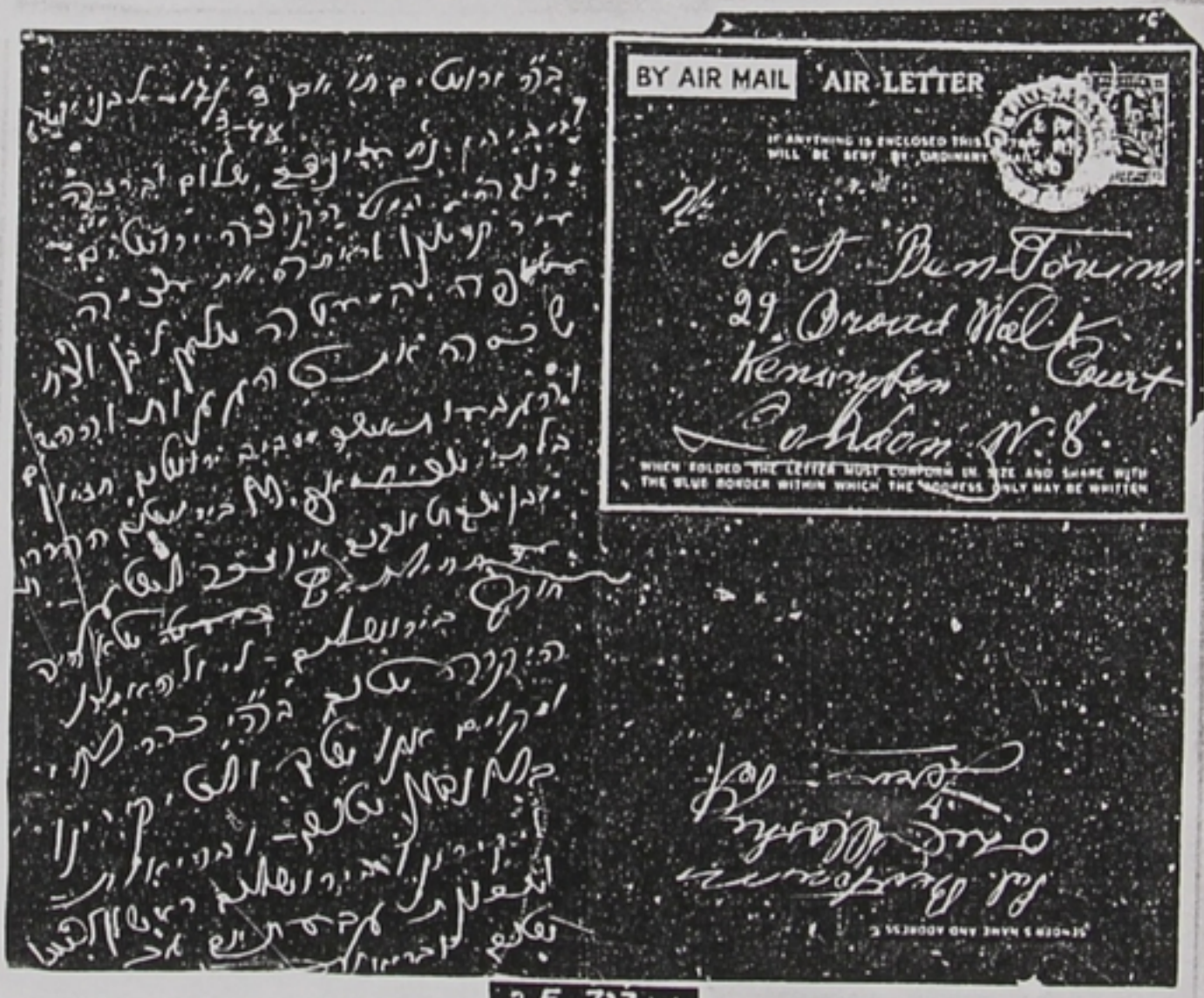
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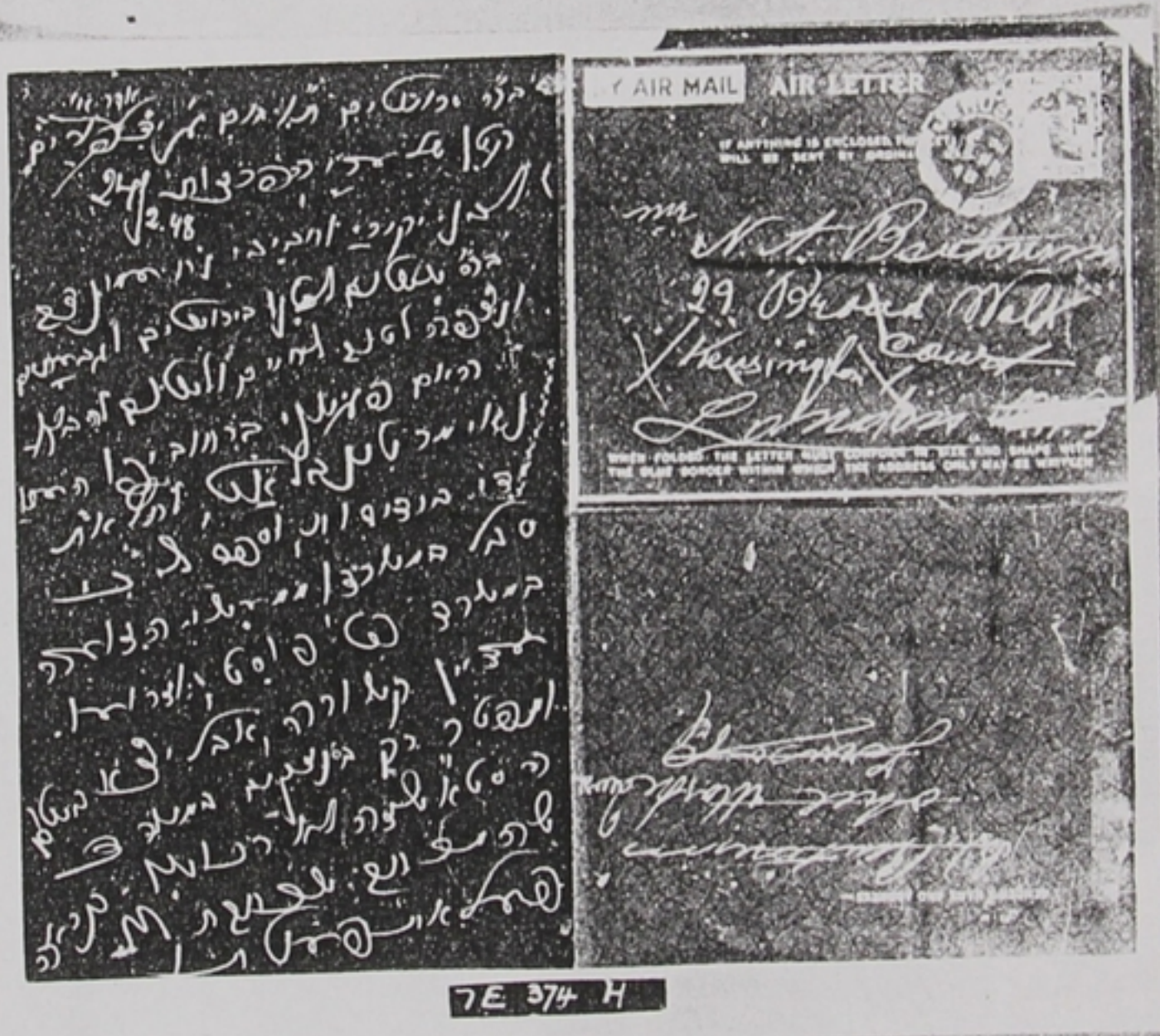


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