Moore Psychiatrist Says Ex-CIA

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BALTIMORE, April 25—A defense psychiatrist testified today at the espionage trial of Edwin Gibbons Moore II that Moore told him a man named Joe who said he represented the CIA offered him \$100,000 to pass secret CIA documents to the Soviet Union.

The psychiatrist, Dr. Brian Crowley, said Moore told him that 'Joe" approached him on a dark night last summer in Elm City, N.C., and that Moore said he agreed to the plan, thinking the fee "appropriate" because the CIA had cheated him out of money during his 22 years of employment there.

Moore said he frequently talked to "Joe" from telephone booths in North Carolina and in the Westbard Shopping Center in Bethesda, the psychiatrist testified.

"Joe" dictated the letter Moore is

accused of throwing over the fence of a Soviet residence in Washington last Dec. 21, and "Joe" also gave Moore \$500 cash as a down payment for the action, Crowley testified Moore told him during an examination after Moore's arrest.

In order to make sure the plan would succeed, "Joe" told Moore to go to the Washington offices of the Soviet airline Aeroflot to pick up some travel brochures, Crowley said he was told. When there were no repercussions from the FBI, which Moore told the psychiatrist "always" monitors Aeroflot customers, Moore went ahead with the plan as outlined by "Joe", Crowley said he was told.

Crowley told the U.S. District Court jury hearing the espionage case that in his professional opinion Moore was paranoid on the night of Dec. 21, and that the "Joe" story constituted such a state of delusion that he believed Moore could be classified as being criminally insane at the time of the alleged events.

Moore, 56, of 4800 Fort Sumner Dr., Bethesda, has pleaded innocent by reason of insanity to charges of espionage and unauthorized possession of classified documents and government property.

Crowley, who is affiliated with the Potomac Foundation for Mental Health in Bethesda, testified that at the time of his two interviews with Moore, last Jan. 31 and Feb. 7, Moore "expressed concern" that Crowley's offices might be "bugged," or monitored by electronic listening equipment. Crowley testified that Moore asked him if he had recently had his offices "swept" by electronic devices to make sure they were not being overheard.

Moore told Crowley that "Joe" had identified himself as being with the

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CIA by knowing Moore's CIA serial number, his former CIA code name, the fact that Moore owed money to the CIA credit union, and the fact that Moore was having trouble meeting his first and second home mortgage payments, Crowley testified.

The classified CIA documents that Moore is alleged to have thrown over a fence at the Soviet residence at 3875 Tunlaw Rd. N.W. began "showing up" at Moore's family residence in Elm City during the summer, and Moore later took them to his Bethesda home, Crowley said he was told.

The purpose behind the alleged espionage attempts was to "embarrass the Soviet Union" or possibily to initiate a "trade-off" of documents between the U.S.S.R. and the United States, Crowley said Moore speculated

The money Moore was to be paid was "appropriate" because "someone (in the CIA) had seen the light and wanted to make amends and repay me," Crowley quoted Moore as saying. "I was out (of the CIA for six years) and nearly starved to death," Crowley said, reading from his notes of their interview.

Crowley said he came to his conclusion regarding what he called Moore's delusion after taking into consideration a number of factors, including Moore's statements that a 1961 fire which destroyed a Nag's Head, N.C., motel Moore owned was actually set by the CIA which had used it to house "intellectual defectors from European countries," as well as people involved in "the Cuban business," an apparent reference to the Bay of Pigs Invasion).

Crowley testified Moore told him that the CIA had instructed him to buy the motel, but had reneged on its promise to pay him back for his expenses after his mother d'ed, leaving Moore a sizable inheritance.

Moore told the psychiatrist he had learned of this decision "from the CIA liaison officer at the Riggs Bank," Crowley said.

Crowley said he had learned from someone whom he did not identify that Moore, whose real left eye was replaced with an artificial eye following a high school football injury, once suggested to the CIA that a camera be implanted in his artificial left eye and that he be sent "behind the Iron Curtain" as a spy.

Prosecutor Daniel F. Goldstein suggested to Crowley in cross-examination that the "Joe story" had actually been invented by Moore after his arrest, and not before. Crowley said he did not believe this was so, although he said that the "Joe story might be true, Rowever implausible that sounds... but then the most peculiar things have happened with regards to intelligence services" recently, he said.