

TO : Deputy Director for Coordination
Bureau of Intelligence and Research
Department of State

FROM : Deputy Director (Plans)

SUBJECT: OAS Attempt to Elicit the Cooperation of the United
States for its anti-de Gaulle Activities

1. In May 1961, an attempt was made [redacted]
by the members of the Organisation de l'Armee Secrete (OAS) to
elicit support of the United States Government [redacted]

[redacted] in their operations against de Gaulle. The attempt
was made by Captain Jean Rene Soustre [redacted]
Captain Soustre identified himself in the OAS organization as
coordinator of external affairs serving under Major [redacted]
Soustre said that he foresaw the U. S. role as that of convincing
other governments to cease suppressing OAS activities in their
respective countries, and later perhaps providing monetary or
material support. Soustre said he intended to provide some
information about the activities of his organization which would be
of interest to the U. S. In answer to a question on his status
[redacted] Soustre explained that he travelled on various passports,
one of them being a U. S. passport. He claimed to be documented
as a naturalized citizen from Martinique. He stated that he had
U. S. contacts who could arrange documentation.

2. [redacted] representative told Soustre that de Gaulle was
the Chief of State of an old and respected ally of the U. S.; and that
the U. S. had absolutely no intention of working with any person or
group against the duly-constituted government of France.

3. Available information [redacted]
[redacted] indicates that Soustre is the name of a former French army
captain who escaped from a detention camp in 1961. Subsequent to

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his escape he was alleged to have been involved in an assassination attempt against de Gaulle. Soudre was born on 15 October 1920 in the Gironda Department of France.

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4. The information on the demarche of the two GAB officers, to the [REDACTED] has been made available to the American Ambassador [REDACTED]

5. The intelligence information on CAS intentions which was provided by [REDACTED] will be disseminated as CSDB-3/655, 207.

cc: Federal Bureau of Investigation

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[REDACTED] (10 July 1963)

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