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Albert Moreau (John Bell).

Special Work:

Salonica, (now Greece), December 15th, 1897.

My parents were born in Greece. Father not living - died at the age of 75, school teacher. Mother not living, poor peasant. She did not work after marriage.

Economic status of family, very poor - no sources of income other than my father's meagre salary. I was brought up in socialist environment, because of my father being a socialist environment. Family of 9 children. No religious training. Parents did not belong to any political party, but father was a socialist sympathiser.

I began to work at the age of 10. In a factory in the United States. First job in Ever-ready Flashlight Co., Long Island, for a period of 1½ years. From there until 1931 (13 years) I held office job in offices of The Savarins Inc (a chain restaurant).

No other income except from wages.

No military service. In 1914-18 period, I was a student up till 1916. From then on, I was in United States active in the Socialist Party, fighting against the imperialist war together with the left wing of the Socialist Party.

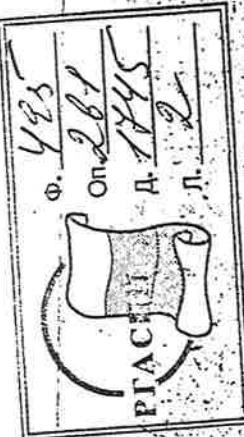
I am married. My wife is a Party member, who joined the Communist movement since its inception in the United States (1919). Her social background is that of a poor family. She has been a worker since the age of 14. Married twice. My first wife died. I have one son of 14 years, a pioneer, in school now.

I have 6 brothers living in various countries. Three are petty bourgeois. I don't know their families, neither do I know their mode of life. The other 3 brothers are Communists, one in France, one in Salónica and one in Palestine. My youngest brother now in Palestine is an active Communist, persecuted by authorities for quite a long time. I have no brothers in the United States.

No member of the family ever worked for the government. My father was teacher of private school.

I travelled in 1927 to the Soviet Union on a short tour with the Party's permission.

B. I have had a college education. Entered school at 6 and completed studies at 18. Party education has been independent. Read and studied Marxian and Leninist literature. My



propaganda in the Party has been mainly on colonial questions, articles and lectures on colonial questions, war, etc., I have written a pamphlet in Spanish on the Latin American workers in the United States.

I read and speak French, Spanish, Italian, a little Greek and Turkish, and English.

C. I entered the revolutionary movement at the age of 15 in Salonica, Greece. I was active in the socialist youth movement in Salonica, until 1916, when I came to the United States. Here I joined the Socialist Party in 1916, built up the Spanish branch of the left wing movement in 1919. I joined the Communist Party in 1920, but was disconnected for a while because of my language difficulty (I did not speak English then), I made my connection with the Harlem group and participated in the formation of the Workers' Party. I was associated with my wife and her family, also with a few comrades (Spanish) who are now out of the Party. Don't remember who was the District Organiser in New York when I joined the Party.

My Party activities since I joined the Party:

- 1) Secretary of the then Spanish Branch of the Party.
- 2) Active in Amalgamated Food Workers Union in 1923.
- 3) Active in organising need trades workers among Spanish workers in 1922.
- 4) I was a member of the City central committee since the formation of the Workers' Party, until its reorganisation
- 5) Member of the district committee (New York) since 1927 to 1929.
- 6) Secretary of the Spanish Bureau of the CC from 1928 to 1931.
- 7) Secretary of the Anti-Imperialist League from 1928 to 1931.
- 8) Secretary of the Colonial Dept of the CC 1930-31.
- 9) Section Organiser for a period of 1 year.

I was never out of the Party.

I have attended all conferences and conventions of the Party, except the Chicago Convention in 1925.

My experiences in illegal work date since my school days with my participation in national minority movements in Macedonia, also in the American Party at the illegal period. Have been active in this work because of the nature of my work (colonial) I have a wide experience in this field.

I have always been a member of NY District. Mostly in Harlem section, active in my section and unit until 1931.

I have brought in the Party a good number of workers who are now active in the Party.

From 1925 to 1929, I was engaged in the inner Party struggles, lined up with the group known then as the Foster group. From 1927 up to the time of the Comintern address I was lined up with the Lovestone group, known as the majority group. I accepted the address of the CI immediately upon its publication and study of same. Furthermore, I took up the struggle against the Lovestones group within the Party, being one of the leading comrades in my section (See



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tion 4), New York District) who stood for the CI line and fought against the disruptionist work of the Lovestoneites in the Party. My acceptance of the address is registered in the Party, as seen in the telegram I sent to the Secretariat on the second day of the publication of the CI address.

I NEVER associated myself with an opposition group outside the Party.

I don't belong to any union. My activities in this field have been stated above.

I have not participated in government bodies.

I have taken part in demonstrations and in very few strikes.

In the Amalgamated Food workers strike in 1923.

In demonstrations against war, unemployment up till 1930.

Since then the nature of my special work did not warrant my participation (I have instructions to that effect).

I participated in conspiratorial groups in Macedonia in student groups but not in civil war.

I was arrested in Europe in 1915 in connection with the anti-war activities, persecuted and compelled to leave the country (Greece). Jail sentences ~~on~~ 2 occasions for a few days.

Paid positions since the world war: 18 months 1916-18 in Flashlight, Eveready, Long Island, as a worker 1918-30 in offices of the Bavories Inc, New York. Since 1931 to the present I do special work for the Party.

Comrades who can confirm my statements.

Jennie Kreinin (my wife)
Cyril Briggs
Abraham Markoff,
William W. Weinstone.

(signed) ALBERT MOREAU.

