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Memorandum for J. Edgar Hoover on Mikhail Konstantin Kalatozov's Status

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Summary:
A confidential source reports that a State Department official informed the Soviet embassy that film director Kalatozov's activities fall within the purview of the Registration Act, and he must register with the Department of Justice as an agent of foreign country.

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VIKHAIL KONSTANTIN KALATZOV with aliases

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For your information, in connection with the investigation of the activities of the above-named individual, the Bureau has received the following information from a strictly confidential source.

On May 19, 1944, ________ of the United States State Department informed Vassili Zubilin, Second Secretary of the U.S.S.R. Embassy, Washington, D.C. that he had discussed Kalatozov's activities with the Department of Justice and they fell within the purview of the Registration Act, i.e. dissemination of films, etc. ________ stated that Kalatozov must register with the Department of Justice as an agent of a foreign principal even though he is registered with the State Department as a Soviet official. It was indicated that this would probably apply also to Kalatozov's assistant, ________ who was referred to as the Zubilin stated that he would inform the Ambassador of this fact.

It is noted that in the reports which previously have been submitted in this case that the character has been shown as "Security Matter - R." In the future, it is desired that this case be given the character, "Internal Security - R."