

ALES	Alger Hiss	Wilder Foote
Cable No. 1822 <i>March 30, 1945</i>		
1. ALES works with NEIGHBORS (GRU) since 1935	Worked in Washington for government from 1933 on; identified as GRU agent by Whittaker Chambers, Elizabeth Bentley, Hede Massing, and Itzhak Ahkmerov; identified as member of secret Ware cell of Communist Party by Nathaniel Weyl	Lived in Vermont publishing weekly newspapers from 1931-1941
2. ALES leader of spy group "for the most part consisting of his relations"	Had brother, Donald, working in State Department; wife Priscilla identified by Chambers as aiding Hiss's espionage	Had no relatives working in State Department
3. ALES and group provides military information	Focused on military information in State Department documents provided to Chambers; FBI investigation found Hiss had requested classified reports in 1945 on atomic energy and Far Eastern military policies unrelated to his current job	Limited, if any, access to sensitive military information; Served at high levels of State Department for brief period of time
4. ALES works with POL', who meets with other group members	No known connection (identity of POL' has not been definitively established)	No known connection (identity of POL' has not been definitively established)
5. ALES and group recently awarded Soviet decorations	Linked by connection to RUBLE (Harold Glasser) and KARL's spy group [see Gorsky 1948 memo]; RUBLE confirms ALES's decorations in Fitkin memo	No connection established

6. ALES thanked in Moscow after Yalta talks	Visited Bolshoi Theater in Moscow where Soviet diplomat Andrey Vyshinsky could have relayed thanks of GRU	Visited Bolshoi Theater in Moscow where Andrei Vyshinsky could have relayed thanks of GRU
Gorsky Cable (KGB archives, file 43173, vol. 1, page 88) <i>March 5, 1945</i>		
1. ALES has not returned from Mexico City (March 5)	Had returned to Washington from Mexico City; radio interview broadcast on March 3; unknown whether Gorsky was aware of early return	Resident in Mexico City (March 5)
2. ALES and RUBLE had been members of KARL's spy group until "connection with KARL lost"	Had been identified, under LEONARD codename along with RUBLE (Harold Glasser) as member of KARL's group in Gorsky 1948 memo; KARL is Whittaker Chambers, who broke with GRU in 1938	No connection established; Lived in Vermont publishing weekly newspapers from 1931-1941 during period of activity for KARL's group in Washington