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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-87247)

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FROM : T. SCOTT MILLER, JR., SUPERVISOR, #12-0

SUBJECT: *Woodrow Wilson Guthrie*
SECURITY MATTER - C

This case is being reopened under the program of investigating all individuals included in the Communist Index in the NYO.

The following minimum investigative steps must be taken:

1. Review file and all pertinent references thoroughly.
2. Contact informants, sources and defected Communists who could be expected to know the subject. Contact for evidence of current activity and also for the sources' evaluation of potential dangerousness.
3. Determine residence and employment. Check against the key facilities and classified contractors lists to insure full and complete dissemination is made. Submit Form FD-128 if the subject has moved to a new field division.
4. If the subject has been a CP "drop" or ceased activity suddenly, develop information to show the reason. Many of these "drops" are purely on the basis of theoretical and intellectual differences. The convictions of the persons involved remain unchanged in their hard-core devotion to the principles of international Communism, waiting only for what they consider to be a more favorable climate within ruling Communist circles. It should also be borne in mind constantly that unexplained cessation of Communist activity by a subject may well be based upon a contemplated assignment in espionage or illegal underground activity.

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5. Consider interview or reinterview without regard to prior interview results. Bear in mind the Khrushchev revelations of terror under Stalin, anti-Semitism in the Soviet Union and the Hungarian revolt.

6. Secure a current description.

These cases must be given expeditious attention since it will be our responsibility to fully handle the approximately 4232 cases on individuals included in the Communist Index.

Additional instructions relative to the handling of these cases will be immediately forthcoming. In the meantime the necessary investigative steps should be taken so that there will be no time lost in launching this program.