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TO : Mr. L. V. Boardman *JPO*

DATE: June 3, 1955

FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont *ah*

SUBJECT: WOODROW WILSON GUTHRIE  
SECURITY MATTER - C  
BUFILE 100-299880

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 APPROPRIATE AGENCIES AND FIELD OFFICES ADVISED BY SLIP(S) DATE 7-9-81  
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Re attached New York letter 5-16-55 containing recommendation that subject's name be retained in Security Index.

ACTIVITIES IN LAST FIVE YEARS:

DECLASSIFIED BY SP9AG/lmb  
ON 11-8-94  
Appeal 90-1003

Harvey Matusow, of known unreliability advised 10-1-51 he knew subject as member of Music Section, CP, Sakromy, 1947, to January, 1951. [redacted] of known reliability advised subject subscribed to "Daily Worker" and "The Worker" in 1950 and "Daily Worker" in May, 1952. [redacted] of known reliability advised subject member of IWO in 1950-51 and 52. IWO has been cited by the Attorney General as coming within the purview of Executive Order 10450. [redacted] of known reliability advised subject attended "get together" sponsored by People's Artists in New York in 1954. The People's Artists, Incorporated was cited by California Committee on Un-American Activities in its 1948 report as a Communist front organization. In August, 1954, Percy D. Bailey, Field Engineer, Turco Products, Incorporated, El Paso, Texas, who is married to subject's ex-wife, advised subject, according to Bill and Caroline Sue Guthrie, subject's children age 15 and 18 respectively, displayed a Communist Party card to them with his name on it in August, 1954, and bragged about being arrested as a Communist. (u)

STATUS OF HEALTH:

FOIA(b)7 - (D)

On 3-9-55, Dr. M. Schwartz, Brooklyn, State Hospital for the Mentally Ill, Brooklyn, New York, advised subject is patient at that hospital; he was admitted voluntarily, and, therefore, can be discharged when he, the subject, desires. Subject is suffering from Huntington's Chorea, a chronic neurological condition with occasional psychotic manifestations. It is a deteriorating disease with no known cure and is eventually fatal. A victim of this disease can live from five to twenty years and most patients have succumbed by the time they are fifty-five to sixty years old. Subject is forty-four years old.

Enclosures (2)  
cc-Boardman  
Belmont

**CANCELLED** 100-29988-39

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REASON - FCIM 11, 1-2.4  
DATE OF REVIEW 6/26/80

*Handwritten notes:*  
JUN 15 1955  
JUN 20 1955

Memo Belmont to Boardman  
Dated June 3, 1955  
(Continued)

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RECOMMENDATION:

In view of subject's health status and the lack of reliable firsthand information reflecting CP membership in the last five years, it is recommended subject's SI card be cancelled. If you agree, there is attached a letter to the New York Office.

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*[Handwritten initials]*