Guide to the Archives of the Soviet communist party and Soviet state microfilm collection: State Archives of the Russian Federation (Gosudarstvennyi arkhiv Rossiiskoii Federatsii - GARF)

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**Location of Original Materials**

The original documents are located in three Russian archives:

- State Archives of the Russian Federation (Gosudarstvennyi arkhiv Rossii - GARF);
- Russian State Archive of Contemporary History (Rossiiskii gosudarstvennyi arkhiv noveishei istorii - RGANI);
- and
- Russian State Archives of Social and Political History (Rossiiskii gosudarstvennyi arkhiv soesial'no-politicheskoi istorii - RGASPI).

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- University of Illinois, Indiana University, Columbia University, and New York University.

**Scope and Content of the Microfilm Collection**

This collection concerns political conditions in the Soviet Union from 1917 to 1991. The documents come from three Russian archives. Material was selected for microfilming based on two criteria: (1) records of the highest policy-making units of the Communist Party were the priority; and (2) record series were filmed in their entirety, rather than selecting only particular files or documents (except for some of the Gulag material in GARF Fond R-9414).

To locate material in the collection, it helps to know that archival documents in the former Soviet Union, and later in the Russian Federation, are arranged in record groups according to the institution that issued or received them. These major groups, which sometimes include thousands of documents, are called in Russian fond (plural fondy). Within each fond the documents are generally divided into smaller groups called opisi (singular opis). opisi are generally organized according to the internal structure of the corresponding institution, but sometimes opisi consist of documents relating to one subject.

The Russian word opis has two meanings: (1) a series of documents; and (2) a finding aid. Each opis "series of documents" is provided with a descriptive opis "finding aid." Each opis "series of documents" is further organized into files called dela (singular delo) that contain the documents.
Out of a total of 11,818 microfilm reels, 11,349 reels contain documents and 469 contain finding aids to the fondy available at the Hoover Institution, as well as to some fondy available only in Russia. Each reel of microfilm contains approximately 850 pages, or frames.

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**Scope and Content of the GARF Records**

Relates to political conditions in the Soviet Union from 1917 to 1991. Filmed from finding aids and holdings dating from 1903 to 1991 of the Gosudarstvennyi archiv Rossiiskoi Federatsii.

**Arrangement**

The collection is organized by the name of the Russian archive that holds the original materials. There are three finding aids for the collection, one for each of the Russian Archives:

- State Archives of the Russian Federation (Gosudarstvennyi archiv Rossiiskoi Federatsii - GARF);
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- Russian State Archives of Social and Political History (Rossiiskii gosudarstvennyi archiv sootsial'no-politicheskoi istorii - RGASPI).

Within Russian institutional archive, the materials are organized into two groups: (1) fondy (record groups consisting of documents); and (2) finding aids that describe each fondy. Fondy are usually subdivided into opisi (series of documents); the number of opisi in each fondy varies.

This glossary defines acronyms and names for all three organizations of the microfilming project: the Russian State Archive of Contemporary History (Rossiiskii gosudarstvennyi archiv noveishe i istorii - RGANI), the Russian State Archives of Social and Political History (Rossiiskii gosudarstvennyi archiv sootsial'no-politicheskoi istorii - RGASPI), and the State Archives of the Russian Federation (Gosudarstvennyi archiv Rossiiskoi Federatsii - GARF).

**Glossary:**

- ASSR
- Avtonomnaia Sovetskaia sotsialisticheskaia respublika
- BUND
- The General Jewish Workers' Union in Lithuania, Poland, and Russia
- Gospolizdat
- Gosudarstvennoe izdatelstvo politichesko literatury
- GUITK
- Glavnoe upravlenie ispravitelno-trudovykh kolonii
- Gulag
- Glavnoe upravlenie ispravitelno-trudovykh lagerei
- GUMZ
- Glavnoe upravlenie mest zakliuchenia
- IKKI
- Ispolnitelniiy komitet Kommunisticheskogo Internatsionala
- IMEL
- Institut Marksa-Engelsa-Lenina
- Komsovomol
- Kommunisticheskii soiuz molodezhi
- KPSS
- Kommunisticheskaia partii Sovetskogo Soiuza
- Krymizdat
- Krymskoe izdatelstvo
- Lenizdat
- Leningradske izdatelstvo
- Malyi Sovnarkom
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Tsentralkii Komitet
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Tsentralnaia kontrolnaia komissiia
TSU
Tsentralnoe statisticheskoie upravlenie
VChK
Vserossiiskaia chrezvychainaa komissiia
VKP(b)
Vsesoiuznaia kommunisticheskaia partiia (Bolshevikov)
VLKSM
Vsesoiuznii Leninskii Kommunisticheskii Soluz molodezhi
VSNKh
Vyshii Soviet Narodnogo Khoziaistva
VTsIK
Vserossiiskii tsentral'nyi ispolnitel'nyi komitet
VUCHK
Vseukrainskaia chrezvychainaa komissiia
USSR
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics

**Subjects and Indexing Terms**

Soviet Union--History.
Soviet Union--Politics and government.
Communism--Soviet Union.

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Scope and Contents note

These Russian-language finding aids were created by GARF to describe the records in GARF's 2,150 fondy. Only documents in fondy R-393, R-1005, R-4042, R-5446, R-7521, R-7863, R-8131, R-8409, R-8419, R-9412, R-9414, R-9474, R-9479, and R-9492 are available on microfilm at the Hoover Archives.
The People's Commissariat of Internal Affairs of the RSFSR (RSFSR NKVD) was established, among thirteen people's commissariats of the first Soviet government Council of People's Commissars (Sovnarkom), at the Second All-Russian Congress of Soviets, which took place in Petrograd on October 25-26 (November 7-8), 1917. For the first nine days the Commissariat was headed by A. Rykov, then, upon V. Lenin's proposal, G. Petrovskii was appointed as people's commissar. The first NKVD collegium included F. Dzerzhinski, M. Uritski, I. Unshlikt, and M. Latsis-Sudrabs. A little later I. Pravdin, A. Smirnov, and S. Dukhovskii joined the Collegium. These people organized the central apparatus of the RSFSR NKVD. Organizational work continued through the middle of 1918. By June 1918 the People's Commissariat of Internal Affairs consisted of the following subdivisions: the Chancellery (later the Secretariat), consisting in its turn of three subdepartments and the retirement and economic divisions; the Department of Local Economy; the Department of Local Administration including the Militia Subdepartment; the Department of Compulsory Military Service; the Refugee Department; the Department of Health Care with Epidemic-Sanitary, Pharmaceutical, Health Care, and Statistics Subdepartments; the Finance, Veterinary, and Foreign Departments; the Press Bureau; and the Central Statistical Committee. On June 1, 1918, the Commission for Control and Revision was established within the RSFSR NKVD. Thus the People's Commissariat of Internal Affairs operated as a multifunctional organization tightly connected to the internal life of the whole state. Later the responsibilities of the RSFSR NKVD would become narrower. The most important task of the RSFSR NKVD was the creation of local Soviets in guberniias and uezds. This task was managed by the Department of Local Administration. It developed and published various legislative and legal instruments, supervised the establishment of Soviets, and helped to organize their activities by sending to their localities instructors with discretionary power.

One of the most important responsibilities of the NKVD became the maintenance of public order. For that purpose a special division -- the Militia Directorate -- was created in the NKVD in August 1918 (from October 1918 on called the Main Militia Directorate). In February 1919, the Department of Railway Militia, and in April 1919, the Department of Waterway Militia were established within the Main Militia Directorate. In April 1919 the Central Directorate for Forced Labor Camps, created in the fall of 1918 by the VChK, was transferred to the NKVD. After the RSFSR Sovnarkom transferred authority over all places of confinement to the NKVD system, in October 1922 the Main Directorate for Places of Confinement (GUMZ) was established within the NKVD. On July 12, 1920, the RSFSR Sovnarkom issued the Resolution On Concentration of Firefighting in the People's Commissariat of Internal Affairs, thus adding the Central Firefighting Department to the NKVD structure. In 1919 internal security troops were transferred to the authority of the NKVD. In October 1919 the Revvoensovet established the Military Council of Internal Security Troops headed by F. Dzerzhinski, who became People's Commissar of Internal Affairs on March 30, 1919. The system of institutions of internal affairs was finalized by the May 1922 Regulations for the People's Commissariat of Internal Affairs of the RSFSR, which defined the structure of the Commissariat and the institutions of internal affairs as a whole, as well as their rights and responsibilities. By these regulations the RSFSR NKVD consisted of the Organizational Administrative Directorate, the Main Militia Directorate, the Main Directorate of Forced Labor (from October 1922 on called the Main Directorate of Places of Confinement), the Main
Reel 3.396-3.426  Opis 1, Records of the Chancellery of the Commissar of Internal Affairs, 1917-1919

Physical Description: 31 reels

Decrees, resolutions, regulations, orders of the VTsIK, RSFSR Sovnarkom, RSFSR NKVD, RSFSR people's commissariats of food, of land, and of military affairs, 1917-1919

Draft resolutions and instructions of the VChK and RSFSR People's Commissariat of Land, 1918

Information about organizational structure of the RSFSR NKVD, 1918

Minutes of the RSFSR NKVD Collegium from November 1917 through January 1920, 1917-1920

Minutes of the executive committee of the RSFSR NKVD personnel of August-December 1918, 1918

Minutes of the Economic Commissions of the RSFSR NKVD of July-September 1918, 1918

Orders of the RSFSR NKVD issued from December 1917 through November 1918; list of RSFSR NKVD departments indicating their responsibilities, 1917-1918

Instruction regarding office work in the RSFSR NKVD Archives; directory of Soviets in oblasts, guberniias, uezds, and volosts arranged alphabetically by geographical name, 1918

Reports and surveys relating to the activities of RSFSR NKVD departments in June-August 1918, 1918

Correspondence of the RSFSR NKVD with the VTsIK, RSFSR Sovnarkom, Moscow Soviet, people's commissariats, VChK, and Izvestiia newspaper editorial board regarding political situation in various localities, struggle against counterrevolution, rules for extraordinary tax collection, labor service, nationalization of private property, activities of local ChK, establishment of investigative commissions under okrug level courts, requisition of railway cargo, nationalization, registration, and protection of art and historical monuments, and re-evacuation of foreign POWs and refugees, 1918

Circular telegrams from the RSFSR NKVD to the local Soviets regarding their tasks, establishment of local Soviet institutions, nationalization of real estate in cities, borders between guberniias and uezds, taxation of private enterprises and the population, deprivation and requisition (seizure) of property, rules for seizure of property of foreigners, operations of food procurement detachments, and counterrevolutionary unrest in countryside in connection with food seizure, 1918
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Materials submitted to the RSFSR NKVD for information, including regulations for the VSNKh (All-Russian Council of People's Economy) and RSFSR Peoples' Commissariat of Food; minutes of collegiums of the RSFSR People's Commissariat of Education of March 1918 - June 1919, of the RSFSR People's Commissariat of Nationalities of December 1918 - February 1919, and of the Central Statistics Directorate of October-November 1918; list of executive personnel of people's commissariats, 1918-1919

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Scope and Contents note

This finding aid has been prepared for 215 microfilm reels of Fond R-1005. It contains 4,111 files of documents relating to the activities of the USSR Procurator's Office, 1919-1921

Revolutionary tribunals were established during the October Revolution and Civil War by the USSR Sovnarkom Decree on Courts of November 22 (December 5) 1917, as special courts designated to fight counterrevolutionary and other crimes deemed extraordinarily dangerous.

Cases dealing with general crime, first under the jurisdiction of revolutionary tribunals, were removed from them by the RSFSR Sovnarkom Decree of May 4, 1918, and transferred to the newly established local people's courts at the okrug level. Revolutionary tribunals concentrated on cases related to the struggle against counterrevolution, sabotage, plunder, pogroms, bribery, profiteering, and desertion. The Revolutionary Tribunal under the VTsIK was established by a VTsIK Decree of May 29(16), 1918, and was charged with investigation of the most important court cases. The Revolutionary Tribunal became the Supreme Revolutionary Tribunal under the VTsIK on April 12, 1919; and from June 23, 1921, it was the Supreme Tribunal under the VTsIK, uniting the activities of all tribunals on RSFSR territory. The Revolutionary Tribunal consisted of appeal, military, and military transport collegiums.

During the Civil War revolutionary military tribunals operated in the army and were headed by the Revolutionary Military Tribunal attached to the Revolutionary Military Council (Revvoensovet) of the Republic. The statute on revolutionary military tribunals was approved by the Revvoensovet on February 4, 1919. All political and military crimes and those of officials that took place in the army were under the jurisdiction of the tribunals. In the beginning of 1920 revolutionary military tribunals were established for railways, other modes of transport, and internal security troops.

A VTsIK resolution of 31 October 1922, established the RSFSR Supreme Court and transferred the tribunal’s functions to it, thus abolishing the system of tribunals. However, revolutionary military tribunals were preserved in the army, and after that time they were called military tribunals.

The RSFSR Supreme Court was in charge of all judicial institutions; it investigated appeals against decisions of courts in guberniias and decisions adopted by various courts of the republic. It also tried cases of the utmost importance as a court of primary jurisdiction. For the Hoover Institution microfilm project 4,194 files out of 5,040 from eight opisi out of nine were microfilmed. It should be noted that only selected files were microfilmed from opis 1A containing files tried by the RSFSR Supreme Court.

This fond includes circulars of the Supreme Tribunal under the VTsIK and of the RSFSR Supreme Court, protocols of court sessions, and documents relating to the activities and reorganization of revolutionary tribunals. The register of court cases tried by the Revolutionary Tribunal and Supreme Tribunal under the VTsIK and by the USSR Supreme Court in 1918-1940 were also preserved in this fond.

Fond R-1005 contains correspondence with the VTsIK Presidium regarding suspension of death sentences or commutation of other penalties for death sentences, documents relating to the activities of revolutionary tribunals including a circular letter from the Revolutionary Tribunal of the Republic, Regulations for Revolutionary Military Tribunals in the Army, lists of revolutionary military tribunals for fronts, armies, and military okrugs, with reports about their activities and reorganization, and about the operation of their special local sessions; and data regarding revision of the activities of revolutionary military tribunals for railways. Also included in the fond are documents relating to appeals from individuals convicted by revolutionary tribunals in guberniias of various crimes. They were arranged by year or type of crime. Within groups of documents by type of crimes documents are in alphabetical order arranged by name of appellants.

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Physical Description: 333 reels

Scope and Contents note
This finding aid has been prepared for 333 microfilm reels of Fond R-4042. It contains 1,847 files of documents relating to the activities of the USSR Procurator's Office, 1919-1921. Upon establishment of the Soviet power the system of penal institutions was governed by the People's Commissariat of Justice, which included the Main Directorate of Places of Confinement. When the Civil War broke out, along with the system of places of confinement there appeared a system of forced labor camps. Some forced labor camps reported to the VChK, others were governed by the Main Directorate of Forced Labor of the USSR NKVD. It was created on April 15, 1919, as a Central Directorate of Forced Labor Camps; then from May 17, 1919, through May 18, 1920, as a Department of Forced Labor; from May through September 1920 and from February 1921 through October 1922 it became the Main Administration of Forced Labor; and from September 1920 through February 1921 it was the Main Directorate of Public Works and Duties. Officially there existed five types of camps: special camps, general concentration camps, production camps, camps for POWs, and placement camps.

It was supposed that class enemies would be sent to the VChK and NKVD camps, while working people convicted of various crimes would be sent to places of confinement. In practice working people were sent to camps, and the so-called "non-labor elements" were sent to places of confinement. According to a report of the Main Directorate of Forced Labor, 28.5% of inmates were convicted of criminal offences in the second half of 1921, while 18.2% of inmates were convicted of anti-public crimes, like heavy drinking, prostitution, or vagrancy.

A resolution of the RSFSR Sovnarkom of July 25, 1922, required that management of all places of confinement be concentrated in one organization, the NKVD. In response to the resolutions the Central Correctional Labor Department of the People's Commissariat of Justice and its local divisions were reorganized into the main and local directorates of places of confinement under the NKVD and NKVD divisions in gubernias. The Main Directorate of Forced Labor of the NKVD and its local divisions were abolished.

The Main Directorate of Places of Confinement was responsible for the following:
1. To supervise execution of sentences by depriving convicts of freedom or sending them to forced labor camps;
2. To govern all places of confinement;
3. To convey basics of penal policy by applying necessary measures to convicts, like isolation or educational correctional labor in places of confinement established by them;
4. To establish a forced labor system without holding laborers in custody;
5. To participate in designing measures fighting child crime and governing the places of confinement for underage criminals.

Places of confinement were defined by type: 1) detention centers for those under investigation or sentenced to a term up to six months; 2) correctional labor centers for those sentenced to a term longer than six months; 3) agricultural, vocational, and factory labor colonies for first time offenders without inclination to escape; 4) special isolation cells for those sentenced to a strict isolation imprisonment; 5) transitional correctional labor centers for inmates who, upon serving a part of their term, were allowed by a placement commission to serve further under a "half free" regime. Centers for underage offenders also existed.

There were separate labor camps for workers and peasant youth offenders, as well as medical institution for social protection.

The Main Directorate of Places of Confinement consisted of the Secretariat; the Administrative-Penal Department including Placement Subdepartment, Administrative Subdepartment, Subdepartment of Culture and Education, and Subdepartment of Registration and Statistics; the Department of Labor and Operation of GUMZ Enterprises including the Technological, Agricultural, and Operational Subdepartments; the Department of Economy and Supplies including Procurement Subdepartment and Subdepartment of Accounting and Financing; and the Convoy Guards of the Republic. GUMZ personnel consisted of 113 people. In 1924 GUMZ personnel were reduced to 65 people working for the following GUMZ departments: the Secretariat; the Division of Stocktaking and Registration; the Administrative Penal Department; the Inspectorate of Convoy Guards; the Bureau of Forced Labor; the Placement Commission, the Department of Labor and Operation; and the Department of Economy and Procurement.

The local divisions managing correctional labor institutions and inspections of places of confinement in gubernias, reported to both the administrative departments of executive authorities and to the Secretariat of the RSFSR OGPU. However, in 1922 the inspectorate of places of confinement in gubernias and krais, except for the Moscow Division, had been unified under the Administration of Places of Confinement.

In the middle of 1922 the number of administrative units in the USSR in 1924-1925 were preserved among the inspectorates of places of confinement in gubernias and krais, the situation in places of confinement, and the guarding of the inmates, as well as documents relating to the struggle against juvenile delinquency, underage inmates, escapes, hunger strikes, complaints from inmates, complaints, personal papers of convicts, and other documents were not microfilmed. Materials from opis 16 include statements and accounts relating to registration of inmates' complaints, personal papers of convicts, and other documents were not microfilmed. Materials from opis 16 include statements and accounts relating to registration of inmates' complaints, personal papers of convicts, and other documents were not microfilmed.
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Fond R-7521, Records of the Commission for Private Amnesty of the Presidium of the USSR Central Executive Committee records, 1925-1937

Physical Description: 43 reels

Scope and Contents note

This description has been prepared for 44 microfilm reels of Fond R-7521. It contains documents relating to activities of the Commission for Private Amnesty of the Presidium of the USSR Central Executive Committee 1926-1938.

The Commission for Private Amnesty was established on March 8, 1926, by a resolution of the Presidium of the USSR TsIK with the task of reviewing amnesty request cases submitted to the Presidium of the USSR TsIK. Prisoners petitioning for pardon had been convicted by the USSR Supreme Court, military tribunals, OGPU Collegium, or OGPU Special Counsel. The commission was also involved with reviewing petitions to all courts without exception relating to the revocation of the order of the Red Banner that had been previously awarded to individual citizens. Cases political in nature and relating to espionage were excluded from the Commission’s deliberations. The Commission was liquidated on April 16, 1938 by the resolution of the Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet.

Documents in this collection mostly include minutes of the Presidium of the USSR TsIK and the Commission for Private Amnesty of the Presidium re granting pardons and clearing criminal records. Included are attachments to protocols containing lists of prisoners with brief data on sentences and decisions adopted by the Commission with regard to requests for pardon.

All 286 files of opis 1 were microfilmed for the Hoover Institution. Several dozen similar cases from opis 2 were not included in this project.

This finding aid is arranged by original file number (second row of each entry), with reference to the corresponding microfilm reel number (first row). The description of a group of files is listed under the first file in numerical order. Names of territorial-administrative units of the USSR (raion, oblast, krai) are transliterated from Russian. The Russian abbreviations for party/state organs and institutions are used. They are decoded in the glossary. The Russian finding aid can be found on reel 3.319.

Opis 5, Records of the Commission for Private Amnesty of the Presidium of the USSR Central Executive Committee (TsIK), 1925-1937

Lists of files re petitions for private amnesty reviewed by the Presidium of the USSR TsIK, 1925/1926

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**Fond R-7863, Records of the Commission for Grievances and Requests for Pardon of the Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet 1938-1954**

- Physical Description: 38 reels
- **Scope and Contents note**
  - Documents of opisi 1 and 2 are available on microfilm at the Hoover Archives.
  - Russian-language finding aids available on microfilm are:
    - Opisi 1-7 on microfilm reel number 3.130;
    - Opisi 8-13 on microfilm reel number 3.131;
    - Opisi 14-21 on microfilm reel number 3.132;
    - Opisi 22-25 on microfilm reel number 3.133.
  - An English-language descriptive list of opisi, files, and the corresponding microfilm reel number may be found below.
  - This description has been prepared for 37 microfilm reels of Fond R-7863. It contains 94 files of documents relating to the activities of the Commission for Grievances and Requests for Pardon of the Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet, 1938-1947
  - The Commission was established by a resolution of the Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet of August 25, 1938. The Commission deliberated over requests for pardon from individuals already convicted by the court and files of individuals whose high labor productivity while serving their term was confirmed by corresponding authorities. During joint meetings decisions were made regarding granting pardons and clearing criminal records.
  - Opisi 1 and 2 were microfilmed for the Hoover Archives in full. They include minutes of the Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet and the Commission for Grievances and Requests for Pardon of the Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet.
  - In addition to the documents of opisi 1 and 2, other opisi (25 in total) contain personal files of prisoners who sent petitions to the Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet requesting pardons and clearing of criminal records.
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Scope and Contents note

This finding aid has been prepared for 370 microfilm reels of Fond R-8131. It contains 2,941 files of documents relating to the activities of the USSR Procurator's Office, 1924-1955.

The Procurator's Office of the USSR Supreme Court was established by the Statute of the USSR Supreme Court, approved by the TsIK Decree of November 23, 1923. The procurator of the USSR Supreme Court and his deputy were appointed by the USSR TsIK Presidium.

The main responsibilities of the Procurator's Office included general surveillance over adherence to the law, judicial surveillance over the actions of the USSR OGPU, and general management of the Military Procurator's Office. Exercising general supervision, the Procurator's Office deliberated over the constitutionality of new laws and decrees adopted by the USSR government and the governments of union republics and over the legality of actions taken by governmental institutions. The USSR Procurator's Office submitted files to the Presidium of the USSR TsIK regarding instances of non-compliance of documents or actions with all-union laws. It was given the right to file protests against decisions of the USSR Supreme Court to the USSR TsIK and against decisions of the court's collegiums to plenary meetings of the USSR Supreme Court. With regard to court surveillance the Procurator's Office had the right to demand resolutions, decisions, and sentences of the supreme courts of union republics, subject to protest, to review them and submit them for further deliberations to the plenary meetings of the USSR Supreme Court. As part of its surveillance function it also requested for revision files from judicial institutions of the union republics after a decision in the case was made or the sentence passed.

The USSR Procurator had two assistants, one for surveillance over the OGPU and the other for surveillance over the Military Procurator's Office and the Military Collegium of the USSR Supreme Court. The assistants were approved by the USSR TsIK Presidium. The central apparatus of the Procurator's Office of the USSR Supreme Court was established in April 1924. Initially it consisted of the Department of General Surveillance, Department of Judicial Surveillance, Department of Surveillance over the OGPU, Department of the Military Procurator's Office, and General Department.

In January 1931, within the central apparatus of the Procurator's Office of the Supreme Court, the Main Procurator's Office for Transport was organized. Procurator's offices for transport were also established in the union republics (in accordance with the number of operating railways: seventeen in the Russian Federation, three in the Ukrainian SSR, one each in the Belorussian and the Uzbek SSRs and the Transcaucasian Soviet Federal Socialist Republic.)

The Department for Surveillance over the Correctional Labor Institutions was established in December 1932.

The USSR Procurator's Office was established by a June 20, 1930, resolution of the TsIK and the USSR Sovnarkom, replacing the Procurator's Office of the USSR Supreme Court. The USSR Procurator's Office was responsible for surveillance over adherence to the USSR Constitution, uniformity in application of the law, and lawfulness of the actions of the OGPU, militia, and the department of criminal investigation. It was entitled to file protests against bills issued by governing institutions and authorities, as well as against court indictments, and to demand files for revision at any stage of a judicial proceeding. The USSR Procurator was given the right to appoint and recall republican procurators, subject to the approval of the republican TsIK.

During World War II, 1941-1945, procurator's offices for transport and in the areas of martial law were militarized.

The USSR Procurator's Office in 1933-1953 included the following main departments: the Main Military Procurator's Office, the Main Procurator's Office for Transport (from 1940 on - Main Procurator's Office for Railway Transport), the Main Procurator's Office for Waterway Transport (from 1941 on - Main Procurator's Office for the River and Sea Fleet), the Department for Criminal Cases, the Court Department for Civil Cases, the Department of General Surveillance, the Department of Surveillance over Places of Confinement, the Department of Surveillance over Militia, the Department of Grievances, and the Department of Investigation.

The USSR Procurator's Office was abolished in 1992, and the RSFSR Procurator's Office became its legal successor.

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This finding aid has been prepared for 465 microfilm reels of Fond R-8409. It contains 871 files of documents relating to the activities of the E.P. Peshkova society aiding political prisoners, 1922-1938

The Society was established after the Moscow Society of the Red Cross for aid to political prisoners (fond R-8419) was reregistered by a VTsIK resolution of June 12, 1922.

The Society aimed at aiding persons imprisoned for political reasons without regard to their party affiliation. Members of the Society visited places of confinement and provided prisoners with food, clothing and medical help. The Society was closed in mid-1937 by a directive of Nikolai Ezhov, People's Commissar of Internal Affairs.

E.P. Peshkova (wife of the writer Maksim Gorky) was the chair of the Society.

All files in this fond were microfilmed for the Hoover Archives.

Letters and petitions of prisoners and their family members make the largest part of the fond. They are organized in alphabetical order by name of prisoner through 1929 and by date thereafter. Lists of prisoners and correspondence of the Society with governmental institutions were also included in this collection. This fond also includes accounting and other documents relating to the activities of the Society.

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Opis 1, Records of the E. P. Peshkova [Society]. Aid to Political Prisoners, 1922-1938

Correspondence with institutions, enterprises, and various individuals requesting donations of food, footwear, clothing, and other items to the Aid to Political Prisoners Fund, 1922-1923

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Applications to the Repertoire Division of the Directorate for Literary and Publishing Matters in Moskovskaia guberniia (Mosgublit) and the Subdepartment of Arts of the Department of People's Education of the Moscow Soviet of People's Deputies regarding permission to give concerts for the benefit of political prisoners; instructions given to the Society by the Board of Housing Associations of building No. 10 on Kuznetskii most and building No. 17 on Sofiïskaia naberezhnaia regarding rent for space in the buildings and by the Board of the Moscow Association of State Electrical Power Plants (MOGES) regarding payment for electricity; other documents relating to payments for utilities by the Society, 1922-1929
Petitions and letters from political prisoners, exiles, and their family members to the OGPU and to the Peshkova Society regarding permission to visit imprisoned family members, clarification of their location, review of their cases, pardons, change of places of exile and imprisonment, requests for permission to go abroad, financial aid, etc., 1922-1928, 1930-1932

Identification card and permits issued by the GPU (Main Political Directorate) to E. P. Peshkova, with regulations for providing aid to political prisoners and their families, 1922-1923
Lists of political prisoners and exiles, including location of and terms of service; list of prisoners eligible for pardon, 1922-1928, 1930, 1933-1935
Reel 3.6358-3.6360, 3.6366, 3.6455, File 14, 16, 33, 294
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Lists of political prisoners, receipts for cash and other belongings seized from them during arrests; power of attorney granted to a representative of the Society in order to receive cash and other belongings seized from political prisoners, 1922-1924, 1928

Lists of political prisoners and transit prisoners held in the Taganskaia prison; prisoners' receipts acknowledging delivery of food and clothing; distribution sheets, 1922-1923
Lists of political prisoners held in the Butyrskaia, Taganskaia and Internal prisons; lists of packages delivered to prisoners in Butyrskaia prison (files 32 and 295), 1922-1937

Lists of books and periodicals sent to political prisoners and exiles, 1922-1929

Cash accounts, lists of cash transfers and packages sent to political prisoners; record sheets for salary payment to Peshkova Society personnel, 1922-1938
Inventory records, cash receipts, a payment book, a ledger, books of expenditures, and other accounting documents, 1921-1925, 1931-1937

Day-books listing outgoing documents, 1922-1925, 1928-1929

Day-books listing incoming documents, 1922-1927

Correspondence with institutions, organizations, and prisoners’ family members regarding material assistance and cultural services to prisoners and regarding other issues; letters of power of attorney issued to Society’s representative allowing them to receive cash for prisoners, 1923-1925

Lists of letters from political prisoners, 1923-1925

Cover letters by Society members attached to petitions of political prisoners and exiles, with attached lists of prisoners and exiles and brief descriptions of their requests, including places of exile, state of investigation, visits of family members, release from exile, appointment of medical commission, etc., 1924-1925, 1927

List of packages for political prisoners; lists of political prisoners held in Taganskaia prison and Suzdal’skiĭ concentration camp who received material assistance, 1924

Invoices for packages; lists of political prisoners held in the Solovetskii Special Forced Labor Camp, 1924

Cash invoices; lists of medications for political prisoners, with the indication of the locations to which the medications should be sent, 1924-1929

Resolutions of the OGPU Special Council (Spetsial’noe soveshchanie) regarding placement of political prisoners, 1925-1926

Notifications, letters, and petitions from political prisoners relating to material assistance, arranged alphabetically by name, 1925
| Reel 2.6385, 3.6386, 3.6403, File 89, 143 | Lists of political prisoners held in Taganskaia, Novinskaia, and other prisons waiting for material assistance, 1925-1926 |
| Reel 3.6391-3.6393, 3.6410, 3.6413-3.6415, File 104-107, 160, 168, 170, 173 | Correspondence with political prisoners' family members regarding the review of files, permissions to leave for Palestine, material assistance, release from confinement, and other matters, 1926-1927 |
| Reel 3.6393, File 109 | Telegrams and letters signed by groups of political prisoners and exiles, 1 |
| Reel 3.6403, 3.6749, File 142, 1454 | Lists of political prisoners and exiles held in the Suzdal'skiĭ concentration camp, 1926, 1935 |
| Reel 3.6409, File 157 | Correspondence with political prisoners and their family members regarding amnesty, release from confinement, and other issues, 1927 |
| Reel 3.6425, 3.6426, 3.6455, 3.6492, 3.6667, File 208, 293, 410, 1054 | Lists of prisoners placed at camps and prisons by resolutions of the OGPU Special Council (Spetsial'noe soveshchanie), including location and terms of each sentence, 1927-1929, 1933 |
| Reel 3.6426, File 209 | Lists of political prisoners and exiles, 1927 |
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List of political prisoners' family members, with their addresses, 1927-1930

Appeal from the Society to the OGPU regarding the review of requests submitted by individual prisoners, with integrated analyses of information about the conditions of prisoners in various places of confinement, 1928

Correspondence with the Central Zionist Department in Palestine regarding entrance visas to Palestine, 1928

Lists of political exiles who left for Palestine, 1930

Lists of exiled Zionists who received entrance visas to Palestine, 1931

Correspondence with the Central Committee of Workers' Emigration regarding material assistance to political prisoners, 1932

Correspondence of the Society with the Red Cross International Committee re political prisoners and exiles who were citizens of foreign countries, 1933-1935

Informational statements, letters of power of attorney, and performance evaluations of personnel of the E. P. Peshkova Society, 1934-1935, 1937-1938

Correspondence and alphabetical record book with information about political prisoners and exiles, 1933

Identification cards issued for E. P. Peshkova (mainly as a representative of the Polish Red Cross Society) by the VChK and OGPU permitting visits to places of confinement and meetings with prisoners, giving the right to obtain urgently railway tickets to international delegates' cars and to use means of communication without delays, 1921-1923

Letter from an unidentified person (signed Liya) from Butyrskaia prison addressed to "Dear Comrades", 1921

Fond R-8419, Political Red Cross (Moscow) records, 1927-1939

Physical Description: 58 reels

Scope and Contents note

This finding aid has been prepared for 58 microfilm reels of Fond R-8419. It contains 387 files of documents relating to the activities of the Moscow Society of the Political Red Cross, 1924-1955

The Moscow Red Cross Society, which rendered aid to political prisoners, was established in 1918. Its goal was aid to individuals imprisoned for political reasons, without regard to their political affiliation. For those purposes, places of confinement were visited, and food, medication, and clothes were sent to prisoners.

The Red Cross Society was governed by the general meeting of its members, the Council, and the Committee. The Society's Council was elected by a plenary meeting. The Presidium of the Council was elected by members from their ranks. The Committee convened annual plenary meetings, except for extraordinary ones, not later than in February. The Council held its meetings monthly. The Committee managed and governed all operations of the Society.

A VTSiK resolution of June 12, 1922 reregistered and renamed the Society as follows: E.P. Peshkova. Aid to Political Prisoners (Fond R-8409.)

Vera Figner was the Chair of the Red Cross Society.

For the Hoover Microfilm Project almost all files of this fond were microfilmed.

Lists, letters, and petitions of political prisoners and exiles make up the largest part of this fond. Organizational, accounting, and other documents of the Moscow Society of the Political Red Cross were also included in this fond.

A Russian-language finding aid for opis 1 can be found on microfilm reel number 3.329
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Correspondence relating to establishment and registration of the Red Cross Society in Moscow; Society's statute, mandate, instructions, and lists of Committee's members, 1918-1922

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Correspondence relating to establishment of the Red Cross Society in the city of Astrakhan' and to assistance rendered to the Political Red Cross in Poltava, 1918-1922

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Minutes of the Committee of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society and excerpts from the minutes, 1919-1922

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Letters from prisoners requesting assistance in the review of their cases and asking for supplies of footwear, clothes, and cash; letters from family and friends to be delivered to prisoners, 1918-1922

Reel 3.6820, File 6
Letters from prisoners and their family members; correspondence with the chair of the non-partisan Red Cross I. K. Murav'ev and a list of documents received from him, 1919

Reel 3.6820, File 7
Correspondence relating to petitions of left Socialist Revolutionaries (esers) demanding improvement in their living conditions and nutrition and announcing a hunger strike, 1919-1922

Reel 3.6820, File 8
Correspondence with governmental institutions and executive officials and with public organizations regarding prisoners' concerns; minutes of the Committee of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society, 1920-1922

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Correspondence of V. N. Figner with various individuals; list of members of the Organizational Committee to honor Figner's 70th birthday, 1920-1922

Reel 3.6820, File 11
Correspondence with political leaders in camps regarding inmates' matters, 1920-1922

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Passes and identification cards issued for members of the Committee of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society to visit prisons and camps, 1918-1920

Reel 3.6820, File 13
Circulars, resolutions, and instructions issued by the guberniia-level All-Russian Trade-Union for individuals employed by Soviet, public, and commercial institutions, 1921-1922

Reel 3.6820, File 14
Minutes of the general meeting of personnel of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society, 1921-1922

Reel 3.6820, File 16
Correspondence of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society with the Sanitary Department of the Nansen Relief Committee, with the Chaplain of the English Church in Moscow, and with prisoner Eugène Droë regarding medication and clothing supplies for political prisoners and re assistance in transferring British POWs from Butyrskaja and Sokol'nicheskaia prisons to Andronievskii camp, and other issues (in English and French), 1920, 1922

Reel 3.6820, File 17
Alphabetical list of political prisoners who received underwear, clothing, and footwear from the Moscow Political Red Cross Committee delivered to S. A. Studenetski, elected spokesman (starosta) for political prisoners in the Butyrskaja prison, 1922

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Applications to join the Moscow Political Red Cross Society arranged alphabetically by name of applicant, 1921-1922

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Correspondence of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society with various institutions regarding reorganization of forced labor enterprises, anti-cholera vaccination of prisoners and prison personnel, incentives for prison personnel, improvement of the library, approval of food ration, and other issues, 1921-1922

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Registration lists and lists of staff members of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society and card catalog containing data relating to employment, lay offs, and service of employees, 1919-1922

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Vacation permits and identification cards issued to individuals assigned to deliver food to prisoners in various cities, 1921

Opis 1, Records of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society, 1927-1939
Excerpts from the minutes of the instructional meeting of the Kavkazskii front request of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society to grant amnesty to I. Fokin, I. Iurkov, and I. Boldin, residents of Malyi-Meli village in Saratovskaia guberniia, sentenced on September 1919 to forced labor camp imprisonment until the end of the Civil War by a visiting session of the Tribunal of the Third Army, 1919

Minutes of the Financial Commissions of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society and agenda of the meeting; list of members of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society and its statute, 1918-1920

Lists of members of the Financial Commission of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society, Commission's viewpoint toward reorganization of Commission's activities; report of the treasurer and data relating to the financial situation in the Political Red Cross in March-April, 1922, 1918-1922

Payroll sheets, including overtime payment and trade union fees paid by employees, 1920-1922

Cash receipt and payment book, 1924

Minutes, report, account, and correspondence relating to the activities of the Legal Commission of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society; peace agreements of Russia with Estonia, Georgia, Ukraine, and Poland, 1918-1922

Correspondence regarding petitions to release employees of cooperative associations; list of employees of cooperative associations imprisoned in Butyrskaia prison; excerpts from minutes containing resolution relating to the arrest of N. A. Fridrikh, chair of the board of the Russian-Jewish Union of Cooperative Associations, 1919-1920

Correspondence with governmental and other institutions relating to political prisoners, 1919-1920

Petitions submitted by imprisoned representatives of Zionist workers' organizations, RSDRP, BUND, and workers of plants in the city of Saratov to the VChK and the Moscow Political Red Cross Society with requests to release them from prison; lists of imprisoned Left Socialist Revolutionaries (esers) and representatives of Zionist organizations, 1919-1921

Minutes of the Commission including representatives from the VChK, the Workers' and Peasants' Inspectorate, the People's Commissariat of Justice, the VChK Special Department, and the Moscow ChK to review prisoners' personal files and select the level of restraint, 1920

Excerpt from People's Commissariat of Justice announcement No. 24 of November 15, 1920, regarding changes in the procedure for bringing Polish citizens captured as prisoners of war or interned to legal, administrative, or disciplinary account in connection with peace agreement with Poland, 1920

Petitions from the Legal Commission of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society submitted to the Commission for Underage children and to the Department of Child Protection of the RSFSR People's Commissariat of Education requesting release of a number of underage prisoners, 1920

Correspondence regarding release of Avtonomov, Bobylev, and Krovatkin, residents of Tul'skaia guberniia arrested from January 3 through January 12, 1921, 1921

Correspondence relating to release of peasants and their children taken hostage during suppression of the Antonov uprising and held in Kozhukhovskii and other camps; lists of hostages from Tambovskia guberniia, uprising participants, and deserters, held inPokrovskii Camp; excerpts from the minutes of general meeting of residents of the Karai-Saltykovo village in Tambovskia guberniia requesting pardon for other residents of the village, 1921-1922
Informational statements received from the VChK, MChK, and GPU regarding prisoners, 1921-1922

Lists of hostages taken in Kiev, hostages' petitions, and related correspondence, 1919-1920

Registration books monitoring transfers of prisoners, 1921-1922

Resolutions adopted at the general meeting of physicians regarding aid to political prisoners; petition from the Moscow Political Red Cross Society to the Medical-Sanitary Department of the Soviets of Worker's Deputies, with a list of members of the commission for inspection of sanitary situation in prison; copy of the resolution adopted by physicians working at places of confinement in Moscow regarding struggle against prisoners' death by starvation; a brief survey of prisoners' post mortem autopsies, 1918

Minutes and account of the Medical Commission; report about a visit to Pokrovskii concentration camp; list of physicians, 1918-1920

Formal note and written physicians' testimonies about health of political prisoners, 1919-1922

List of imprisoned health care professionals in places of confinement in Moscow; list of health care professionals and nurses taken prisoners of war during the Civil War held in Novospasskiĭ and Kozhukhovskii camps, 1920

Minutes of the Library Commission re delivery of books for prisoners in camps; appeal of the commission to inmates who read books to handle them with care; Commission's report and data regarding the situation of the library in 1922; list of books sent to inmates of the Ivanovskii camp, 1919-1922

Letters and excerpts from letters written by prisoners and their family members after the prisoners were transferred to prisons in other cities, including a note from L. M. Kniazev, Butyrskaia prison inmate and former governor of Kostroma and Irkusts, convicted for his activities while a governor in 1905 and 1912 (pp.12-15); letter from A. A. Izmailovich of June 29, 1921, regarding serious illness of M. Ia. Spiridonova (member of the Socialist Revolutionary Party) and living conditions in prison, 1920-1922

Letters and public statements of political prisoners regarding beating of inmates in Butyrskaia prison on April 26, 1921, during the transfer of Social Democrats, Socialist Revolutionaries (esers) and anarchists to the Vladimirskiaia prison; pamphlet by V. M. Rerbukh, eser and former inmate, entitled "Truth of what happened in Butyrskaia prison during the night of April 26, 1921, printed copy, 1921

Minutes of the Bureau for Lectures of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society; financial account of the Bureau; appeal to the Presidium of the Moscow Soviet of Workers' Deputies regarding increase in payment for tickets to the Bureau's lectures to 300 rubles; lectures' program notes, 1921

Registers containing lists of arrested individuals in alphabetical order, undated

Books registering transfers of investigation and court trial files, 1921

List of members of the Medical Commission of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society, 1918
| Reel 3.6826-3.6829 | List of political prisoners held in the VChK internal prison and in Special Department and in Vladimirskia, Butrykskaia, Moskovskaia (gubernskaia), Nizhegorodskia, Novinskaia, Orlovskia, Sokol'nicheskaia, Taganskaia, and Iaroslavskiai prisons; in Ekaterinburgskii forced labor camp, and in the Andronievskii, Vladykinskii, Vologodskii, Zvenigorodskii, Ivanovskii, Irkutskii, Kozhukhovskii, Kriukovskii, Liozoovskii, Nizhne-Tagi'skii (No. 2), Novo-Agasskii, Novo-Peskovskii, Ordynskii, Pokrovskii, Rozhdestvenskii, Rostokinskii, Semenovskii, and Kholmogorski camps; and in Avdot'e-Tikhvinskaia, Sergievo-Posadskaia and Pervaia Moskovskaia Trudovaia (forced labor) colonies; minutes of political prisoners' meetings, descriptions of several camps, receipts acknowledging delivery of food and clothing packages; interrogation papers and applications of and letters from prisoners, 1918-1922 |
| Reel 3.6926, File 80 | Lists of imprisoned navy officers with related correspondence, 1921 |
| Reel 3.6827, File 82 | Lists of political prisoners, held in Brestskaia central concentration hospital, Lefortovskaia prison hospital, First Moscow prison hospital, Prechistenskaia Psychiatric hospital; and Khodynskaia hospital for infectious disease, 1921-1922 |
| Reel 3.6827, File 92-94, 103, 114, 115 | Documents relating to an inspection of Ivanovskii and Andronievskii camps by a commission of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society, 1921 |
| Reel 3.6827, File 95 | Record sheets listing political prisoners in Taganskaia prison in Moscow, with data from their files, 1921 November 15 |
| Reel 3.6827, File 96 | Register of lists of Butyrskaia prison political prisoners eligible for food and clothing packages from the Moscow Political Red Cross Society, 1921-1922 |
| Reel 3.6827, File 97 | Criminal explanation for the case of representatives of Moscow clergy sentenced to capital punishment by the Moscow Revolutionary Military Tribunal for resistance to taking church valuables from the church; petition of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society to the VTsIK requesting that capital punishment of the clergy be replaced by other sentences; applications and petitions of convicts in this case to the Political Red Cross Society petitioning for help, 1922 |
| Reel 3.6827, File 98 | Lists of foreign citizens, held in prisons and camps, undated |
| Reel 3.6828, File 110 | Lists of imprisoned members of the Antonov uprising, undated |
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| Reel 3.6828, 3. 6960, File 119, 282, 287, 293 | Lists of Social Democrats who were arrested and exiled, undated |
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| Reel 3.6828, File 123 | Protocols of searches made by warrants issued by the Extraordinary Commissions for Struggle against Counterrevolution, Profiteering, and Official Malfeasance, 1919-1920 |
| Reel 3.6828, File 124 | Interrogatory papers; lists of political prisoners and of other categories of prisoners, 1919-1920 |
| Reel 3.6833, 3.6834, File 156 | Delivery of food and clothing to political prisoners from supplies of the Supply Department of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society, 1918-1922 |
| Reel 3.6835, File 162-167 | Petitions from groups of political prisoners and imprisoned workers of the Railway car shops of Moskovsko-Kurskaia railway (Petrovskie-railway car shops) and correspondence attempting to facilitate investigation of their case; petitions of arrested members of the Socialist Revolutionary Party in Barnaul; petitions from peasants arrested in Ferganskaia oblast; petition from a group of employees of Glavprodukt (Main Directorate of Food Distribution), 1920-1921 |
| Reel 3.6835-3.6864, File 169-183, 185-279, 304-334, 342-343 | Interrogatory papers, questionnaires, and applications submitted by prisoners; catalog cards with information about prisoners, 1918-1922 |
| Reel 3.6860, File 280-281, 283, 284, 286, 294, 296 | Interrogatory papers, list and petitions from arrested anarchists, POWs of Austrian origin, railway personnel from Moscow railway station, railway shops in Nizhnii Novgorod, shops in Aleksandrovskaja Railway, and from Ukrainian citizens arrested in relation to the case of the Ukrainian Railway Public Committee; correspondence aiming at facilitation of investigation and review of these cases, 1919-1922 |
| Reel 3.6860, File 288, 289 | Interrogatory papers, questionnaires, personal data cards, and petitions from citizens of Greece, Hungary, and Great Britain and from arrested Finnish communists, 1920 |
| Reel 3.6860, 3.6861, File 290-292, 295, 297-303 | Interrogatory papers arranged numerically by criminal case of arrested telegraph personnel, of nurses of Russian and Polish origin, of members of cooperative associations in the cities of Stavropol' and Dmitrov, and of Socialist Revolutionaries, Social Democrats, and other individuals, 1920-1921 |
| Reel 3.6863, File 335 | Materials convicting V. I. Stoliarov, shoemaker, of violating the decree demanding to surrender golden coins to the government, 1921-1922 |
| Reel 3.6863, File 337 | Responses of the MChK Legal Bureau to inquiries of various individuals, 1921-1922 |
| Reel 3.6863-3.6865, File 338, 340, 341, 345 | Responses from the VChK and MChK to inquiries of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society regarding prisoners' petitions for release from prison or facilitation of investigations; lists of memoranda relating to the review of prisoners' petitions submitted to the VChK, MChK, and GPU, 1921-1922 |
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| Reel 3.6865, File 349 | Lists of prisons and camps; various lists of prisoners, 1918-1922 |
| Reel 3.6869, File 358 | Group petitions from prisoners, 1918-1922 |
| Reel 3.6869, File 359 | Lists of political prisoners who received packages while held in Taganskaia Prison, First Moscow Prison Hospital, and Khodynskii Hospital for Infectious Diseases; receipts confirming delivery of packages, 1918-1922 |
| Reel 3.6872, File 368 | Informational statements regarding results of inspection of prisons and camps; memoranda and petitions requesting improvement in everyday life of political prisoners, 19191-1921 |
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Statute, lists of executive officials, and other documents submitted by the Moscow Political Red Cross Society to the Department of Administration of the Moscow Soviet of People's Deputies for registration; instructions for Society members on prison visits; identification cards and passes issued for the Moscow Political Red Cross personnel to visit places of confinement; correspondence with VChK and the RSFSR People's Commissariat of Justice institutions regarding situation in the places of confinement, living conditions of prisoners, and permission for Society's representatives to visit places of confinement, 1918-1922

Reel 3.6872, File 370  
Resolutions of the Commission of Use under the RSDDR Council of Labor and Defense and correspondence with it and the RSFSR People's Commissariat of Food re food appropriation to the Moscow Political Red Cross Society; correspondence with the board of the Housing Association of buildings no.16 on Kuznetskii most, and No. 17 on Sofiiskaia naberezhnaia regarding payments by the Moscow Political Red Cross Society for rent of the space and for utilities in these buildings, 1921

Reel 3.6872, File 371  
Appeal from the Moscow Political Red Cross Society to the VTsIK, RSFSR Narkomiust, VChK, and other institutions regarding release of prisoners and regarding information about prisoners, 1918-1921

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General ledgers, registers for material assets and food supplies to be distributed by the Moscow Political Red Cross Society among political prisoners; other book-keeping documents, 11918-1922

Reel 3.6876, 3.6877, File 386  
Accounts from the Supply Commission of the Moscow Political Red Cross Society; data relating to delivery and distribution of food, clothing, and medications among prisoners, 1918-1922
Fond R-9412, The Department of Children’s Labor and Educational Colonies of the USSR Ministry of Internal Affairs, 1941-1960

This finding aid has been prepared for 274 microfilm reels of Fond R-9412. It contains documents relating to activities of the Department of Children’s Labor and Educational Colonies of the USSR Ministry of Internal Affairs 1941-1960.

The Department of Children’s Labor and Educational Colonies of the USSR Ministry of Internal Affairs has changed its name several times, as follows:

The USSR NKVD/MVD Department for Struggle against Child Homelessness and Neglect, 1943-1950

The USSR MVD Department of Children’s Colonies, 1950-1953

Administration of Children’s Colonies within the Main Directorate of Correctional Labor Camps and Colonies (Gulag) of the USSR Ministry of Justice, 1953-1954

The USSR MVD Department of Children’s Labor and Educational Colonies, 1954-1960

The USSR NKVD Department for Struggle against Child Homelessness and Neglect was established by a USSR NKVD order of June 21, 1943. Departments (divisions) for struggle against child homelessness were established within the NKVD in union and autonomous republics, and within NKVD directorates in krais and oblasts. Labor colonies for minors and shelter-colony placement centers formerly under the Gulag of the USSR NKVD were transferred to these departments and divisions. In addition to managing labor and educational colonies for minors and shelter-colony placement centers, the department developed and conducted measures for the elimination of child homelessness and neglect, and managed job placement of minors who either were delivered to shelter-placement centers or had completed their term in colonies.

In March 1946, the Department for Struggle against Child Homelessness and Neglect was transferred to the USSR MVD. By the MVD order of December 25, 1950, its name was changed to the USSR MVD Department of Children’s Colonies. Correspondingly, local MVD departments (divisions) were renamed, too.

In April 1953 the USSR MVD Department of Children’s Colonies, local departments of children’s colonies, children’s colonies, and shelter-placement centers were transferred to the USSR Ministry of Justice. The Special Directorate of Gulag Children’s Colonies governed the educational work, vocational training, operation, and staffing of colonies. All other issues relating to the operation of children’s colonies, such as planning, production, medical and preventive health service, construction projects, finance, accounting, and reports, were distributed among appropriate departments of the Gulag.

Upon return of the Gulag to the MVD system in January 1954, management of children’s colonies fell entirely into the hands of the newly established USSR MVD Department of Children’s Labor and Educational Colonies. In February 1960 the Department was eliminated; all files were transferred to the First Special Department of the USSR MVD.

The documents of the USSR MVD Department of Children’s Labor and Educational Colonies contain detailed data on operational routine, security, and staffing of children’s colonies and shelter-placement centers. The documents also include data about production activities and vocational training, health and sanitary care, physical and sports training, and teaching in children’s colonies, about visits of foreign delegations to colonies, and about job placement of minors released from the colonies.

The documents of the Department of Children’s Labor and Educational Colonies of the USSR MVD became fully available to researchers in 1993. Opisi one and two consisting of 1122 files were microfilmed for the Hoover Archives in their entirety. Opisi 3, 4, and 5 were not included in the project.

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Opis 1, Selected Records of the Department of Children's Labor and Educational Colonies of the USSR Ministry of Internal Affairs (MVD), 1941-1960

Data and consolidated reports about delivery of children and teenagers to children's shelter-placement centers and their placement in children's colonies, 1941-1958

Excerpts from resolutions of the USSR Sovnarkom, orders of the USSR People's Commissariat of Trade, and circular directives of the head of the USSR NKVD Department for Struggle against Child Homelessness and Neglect, 1943-1946

Directives, instructions and orders by the head of the USSR NKVD Department for Struggle against Child Homelessness and Neglect, 1943-1950

Reports and memoranda from the NKVD in union and autonomous republics and NKVD directorates in oblasts re work for elimination of child homelessness, 1943-1944

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This finding aid has been prepared for 991 microfilm reels of *Fond R-9414*. It contains documents relating to activities of the Main Administration of Places of Confinement under the USSR Ministry of Internal Affairs 1930-1960.

The Main Administration of Correctional Labor Camps and Colonies (Gulag) under the OGPU and the USSR MKVD/MVD was the central organ for management of places of confinement in the USSR from 1930 to 1960. It conducted general management of camp and colony operations, security, registration and placement of prisoners, management of economic and financial activities of places of confinement and provision of supplies.

Establishment of the Gulag was connected with use and management of prisoner labor in the USSR economy. Immense capital work to turning the USSR into a country with developed industry required a huge number of laborers. Altering the economic situation in the country became the basis for transforming places of confinement. It was decided by the USSR party and state authorities that correctional labor camps should become the main source of the labor force; their economic activities were expected to be self-sufficient. Correctional labor camps and colonies were built in distant and uninhabited regions. The TsK VKP(b) resolution on the massive use of criminal prisoner labor became law by the USSR Sovnarkom resolution adopted in July 1929. The first correctional labor camps were established at the end of 1929. By January 1, 1930, there were already four camps inhabited by 95,064 prisoners. To manage these camps the Administration of Camps (Gulag) was created within the OGPU in April 1930; it was later reorganized as the Main Administration of Camps (Gulag) under the USSR Sovnarkom. By January 1, 1931, the Gulag managed seven camps with 212,000 prisoners, many of them (72,000) in the Solovetskie and Karelo-Murmanskie camps. In the course of its existence the Main Administration of Camps was reorganized and renamed several times. In 1933 special and labor settlements for former “kulaks” (wealthy peasants) were transferred to the Gulag authority, and the Gulag became the Main Administration of Correctional Labor Camps and Labor Settlements. In July 1934, with the same name, it was transferred to the authority of the USSR NKVD. By the USSR Sovnarkom and TsIK joint resolution of October 27, 1934, all places of confinement were transferred to the Gulag authority and remained there until February 1939, when all prisons were transferred to another authority. In 1941 the NKVD was divided into two commissariats, NKVD and NKGB. Then many Gulag industrial divisions became USSR NKVD directorates and main directorates, like the Main Directorate of Hydroelectric Constructions, Main Directorate of Industrial Construction, etc. The Gulag retained the following responsibilities: registration and placement of prisoners, management of operations, security, guarding, food and clothing supply, and use of prisoner labor. In 1954 the Gulag was returned to MVD authority and in 1956 reorganized as the Main Administration of Correctional Labor Colonies (GUITK). At this time reduction in the number of camps began. On March 27, 1959, GUITK was reorganized as the Main Administration of Places of Confinement (GUMZ) under the USSR MVD. GUMZ was liquidated, along with the USSR MVD, in March 1960.

The materials of *Fond 9414* held in the State Archives of the Russian Federation are well-preserved and comprehensively cover GUMZ activities. For the Hoover microfilm collection 5,367 files (*opisi* 1, 1a, 2, 3, 3a, and 4) out of a total of 7,615 files held in GARF were microfilmed.

*Opisi* 1, 1a, and 2 include materials from: the Gulag Secretariat; Department of Control and Inspection; Organizational Department; Personnel Department; Department of Registration and Placement of Prisoners; Special Department; Cultural and Educational Department Scientific-Research Department; Hydroengineering Department; Department of Railway Construction; Department of Security Inspection and Legal Issues; Department of General Supplies; Department of Special Labor Settlements; Department of Security and Security Guards; Sanitary and Health Department; Planning Department; Finance Department; Archives, Department of Organizational and Legal Work; Department of Convoy and Penitentiary Security; Department of Special Labor Settlements; Production Directorates; Department of Labor Colonies for Minors, and other departments.

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**Records of the Secretariat, Department of Registration and Placement of Prisoners, Department/Directorate of Convoy and Security, and Department of Special Settlements** contain almost the most complete. The most interesting documents within them include orders of Gulag chiefs, memoranda and dispatches from Gulag leaders to people’s commissar/minister of internal affairs, correspondence of the Gulag with the TsK VKP(b), TsK KPSS, Sovnarkom, USSR and RSFSR councils of ministers, Prosecutor’s Office, USSR and RSFSR Supreme Courts, and Gulag local authorities, production and financial plans, and consolidated statistical reports.
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The USSR Supreme Court, the highest judicial institution in the USSR, was established by the USSR First Congress of Soviets on December 30, 1922. The USSR Constitution defined the structure of the Supreme Court as follows:

a) Plenary Session of the USSR Supreme Court,
b) Civil Court and Criminal Court Collegiums of the USSR Supreme Court, and
c) Military and Military Transport Collegiums.

The first Plenary Session of the USSR Supreme Court took place on April 18, 1924.

The main responsibilities of the USSR Supreme Court included general supervision of adherence to legality; formulation and explanation of all-Union laws; deliberation over resolutions, decisions, and sentences rendered by supreme courts of union republics and appeals against them in the exercise of court supervision; arbitration in disputes among union republics; generalization of court practice and analyses of court statistics; and investigation of criminal and civil files of extreme importance.

The USSR Supreme Soviet included the following structural units: Plenum, Scientific Consultative Council, Administration of Affairs (consisting of the Chancellery, Administrative and Financial Directorate, and Reception Office), Translation Bureau, departments and collegiums. The court collegiums were the most important structural divisions within the Supreme Court; they oversaw the immediate practical operations of the USSR Supreme Court. The Court collegiums investigated and, upon referral of the USSR Supreme Court Procurator, filed appeals of resolutions and sentences adopted by the supreme courts of the union republics. The Military Collegium operated as a part of the USSR Supreme Court as long as the Supreme Court existed. It managed the operations of all courts-martial by giving them governing instructions, issuing circular letters, reviewing their activities and instructing them on all issues of court practice.

The Court Collegium for Civil Cases, being a part of the USSR Supreme Court from 1928 through 1990, acted as the court of original jurisdiction in civil cases of extreme importance. The Supreme Court, in its capacity as a supervising institution, reviewed appeals of decisions of the USSR Supreme Court Chair and Procurator General and sentences, judgments, and court decisions of the supreme courts of the union republics. The Criminal Court Collegium functioned in 1927-1991 in a similar way with regard to criminal cases.

The Military Transportation Collegium operated within the Supreme Court from 1924 through 1926. When it was abolished the cases under its authority were transferred to the Criminal Court Collegium of the USSR Supreme Court. The Military Transportation Collegium was responsible for hearing the most important criminal cases and legal proceedings against high authorities of the USSR People’s Commissariat of Transport.

To strengthen the struggle against crime related to transport, railway courts were established on November 27, 1930. Management and supervision of appeals in cases in the railway courts’ jurisdiction were conducted by the Collegium for Transport Issues established within the USSR Supreme Court in 1930. (From 1932 on it was called the Transport Collegium.) In 1942 the Transport Collegium was reorganized as the Military Transport Collegium, and in 1947 it became the Railway Collegium. The Collegium investigated crimes committed on water and railway transport. In 1957 the Transport Collegium was abolished.

The Waterway Transport Collegium of the USSR Supreme Court was established in 1934. In addition to investigating the most important criminal cases it also reviewed appeals of sentences rendered by subordinate courts. Crimes against the state, violation of the labor code, delays in loading and unloading ships, and other actions resulting in the detention of ships or violations of shipping rules, theft of water transport property or cargo, and crimes committed on waterway transport were within the jurisdiction of these courts. In 1942 the Waterway Transport Collegium was reorganized into the Military Waterway Transport Collegium.
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Fond R-9479, The Fourth Special Department of the USSR Ministry of Internal Affairs, 1930-1959

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The OGPU or USSR NKVD/MVD had a division for managing special settlers and special settlements. Its status was defined and name changed many times as follows:

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The Department of Labor and Special Settlements of the USSR MKVD Gulag, 1941-1944
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Selected records of this fond include resolutions of the USSR Central Executive Committee (TsIK), USSR Council of People's Commissars (Sovnarkom), and the Council of Labor and Defense of the USSR and RSFSR and circulars, instructions, and regulations issued by the Gulag, people's commissariats, and other agencies. The documents regard the mass expulsion of peasants from their homes during collectivization, as well as forced resettlement of individuals of different ethnic origin, before and during World War II. The documents also record the establishment of special settlements and control over them. A large group of records includes memoranda, presentations, and informational material issued by the USSR NKVD/MVD and the chief of the Gulag addressed to the TsK VKP(b), Presidium of the USSR Supreme Soviet, USSR Council of People's Commissars/Council of Ministers, RSFSR Council of Ministers, and USSR Council of Labor and Defense, relating to the use of settlers' labor; economic arrangements and everyday life of special settlers; MVD/MVD directorates' activities in special settlements; statements and statistical data re labor settlements of the USSR NKVD Gulag; the number and transfer of special settlers among settlements and use of their labor; and the location of settlements by republic, kraï and oblast.

Among the most important documents are the regulations for special settlements and labor placement of osadniki (the Polish word for veterans of the Polish Army who were given land in the territory of then Western Belorussia and Western Ukraine, which was ceded to Poland by the Polish-Soviet Riga Peace Treaty of 1921 and again occupied by the Soviet Union in 1939) expelled from Western areas in Ukraine and Belorussia; statements, surveys, and other documents re forced resettlement of Poles, Germans, Chechens, and groups of other peoples in 1930-1940, as well as materials relating to development of various regulations and the statute on special settlements, expulsion, exile, and special commandant offices of the USSR MVD in 1950-1958.

The documents of the Fourth Special Department of the USSR MVD became available to researchers in the 1990s. Most of the files (446) from opis one were microfilmed for the Hoover Archives.

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The USSR People's Commissariat of Justice (Narkomiust) was established by a USSR TsIK and Sovnarkom resolution of July 10, 1936. The Regulations for the People's Commissariat of Justice approved on December 8, 1936, by the USSR TsIK and Sovnarkom, assigned the following responsibilities to the Narkomiust: to establish and supervise judicial institutions; to manage and supervise defense lawyers' professional organizations and provide legal aid to the population; to supervise notaries' operations and the system of law schools; to codify and systematize legislation and to organize court statistics; and to supervise publication of legal literature.

Structurally the Narkomiust was organized to fulfill the aforementioned functions until they were changed by the new Regulations approved by the Sovnarkom on July 15, 1939. Under the new Regulations the Administration of Special Courts was divided into the Administration of Military Tribunals and the Department of Railway and Waterway Transport Line Courts.

During World War II they were reorganized into the Main Directorate of Military Tribunals of the Red Army and Military Sea Fleet and the Directorate of Military Tribunals for Transport. In 1944 the Directorate of Camp Courts was established within the Narkomiust. In 1946 the People's Commissariat of Justice was reorganized and became the USSR Ministry of Justice.

In 1947 the Main Directorate of Military Tribunals for Transport was established within the USSR Ministry of Justice.

Resolution No. 909 of the USSR Council of Ministers approved the following subdivisions of the USSR Ministry of Justice: the Main Administration of Civil Court Institutions, the Main Administration of Military Tribunals, the Main Administration of Military Tribunals for Transport, the Administration of Camp Courts, the Administration of Defense Lawyers, the Personnel Administration, the Administration of Educational Institutions, the Notaries' Department, the Statistics Department, the Claim Department, the Department of Finance, the Main Accountant's Office, the Academic Methodological Department, the Inspectorate Attached to the Minister, the Chancellery of the Ministry, and the Economic Administration.

On April 2, 1953, the Main Administration of Correctional Labor Camps and Colonies and the Department of Children's Colonies were transferred from the USSR Ministry of Internal Affairs to the Ministry of Justice.

By a resolution of the TsK KPPS and USSR Council of Ministers of May 30, 1956, the USSR Ministry of Justice was abolished and its functions were divided among the Legal Commission of the USSR Council of Ministers and the ministries of justice of the union republics. For the Hoover microfilming project all files of opisi 1A and 3, 127 files of opis 2, 927 files of opis 4, and 225 files of opis 5, i.e. most of the files from these opisi, were microfilmed. Only files containing personal data of the USSR Narkomiust/Minuist were not included in this project.

Documents selected for this project mainly consist of governing and directive materials issued by higher governmental and party organs. They were distributed as circulars or directed to the USSR Narkomiust/Minuist only for informational and governing purposes. The materials include reports, accounts, and surveys from courts and local directorates of the USSR Minuist; statistical documents are mainly in opis 3. Opis 4 includes documents relating to activities of transport line courts (military tribunals for railway and waterway transport in the years of World War II) and of relevant administrations and main administrations of the USSR Narkomiust/Minuist, as well as materials relating to activities of the Railway and Waterway Transport and Military collegiums of the USSR Supreme Court.

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Materials of the Directorate for Camp Courts of the USSR Ministry of Justice, including statistical accounts, with explanatory notes, memoranda, reports, statements, summaries, accounts, plans, minutes of operative meetings, statements concerning work of camp courts and transfer of files from dismissed courts, surveys of judicial practices, and correspondence concerning camp courts, including those in correctional labor camps and colonies in Arkhangelskii, Irkutskii, Kemerovskii, Kuibyshevskii, Leningradskii, Molotovskii, Moskovskii, Novosibirskii, Pskovskii, Saratovskii, Stalingradskii, and Iaroslavskii oblasts and Altaiiskii, Krasnoyarskii, and Primorskii krais, 1945-1954

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Orders and circulars issued by the USSR People's Commissariat of Internal Affairs in 1939-1946; correspondence among the Gulag, USSR Ministry of Internal Affairs, and USSR Ministry of Justice regarding work of court camps, 1947

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