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COMMITTEE OF POLITICAL ADVISORS

MR. STEFAN PAWLOWITSJ KIRSANOW, SOVIET AMBASSADOR TO THE HAGUE

Note by the Netherlands Delegation

Mr. Stepan Pawlowitaj KIRSANOW, born on 26th November 1908 at Gorki, married Roza Jefimowa, born on 23rd August 1902 at Wronesj. Their daughter Tatjana lives in the Soviet Union.

Mr. Kirsanow joined the Soviet diplomatic service in 1937. At the outbreak of the war he was First Secretary at Sofia where he later as Councillor and then as Minister remained until September 1944, at which time all members of the Soviet Legation had to leave Bulgaria on account of the latter country's declaration of war on the Soviet Union. A week later, after the communists had seized power in Bulgaria, he returned for a short time to Sofia as head of the Soviet mission.

In 1948 he went to work at the Ministry. In May 1951, Mr. Kirsanow was appointed Chargé d'Affaires at Belgrade, but as the two governments once more decided to exchange Ambassadors he never left for that assignment. Mr. Kirsanow was appointed Ambassador to The Hague in July 1953. He has given the impression of being an intelligent person and he speaks French fairly fluently, as well as some English.

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