

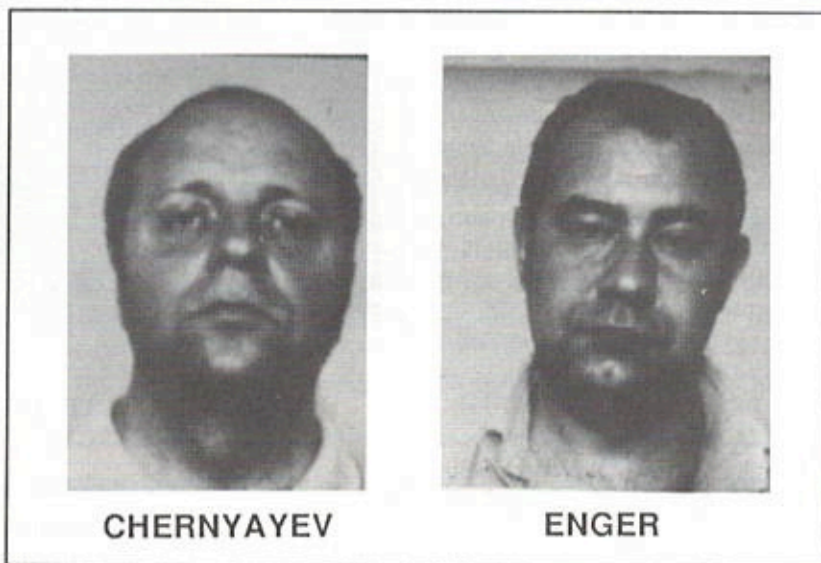
OPERATION LEMONAID

"Operation Lemonaid" took place in New York in the late 1970s and utilized a Navy Lieutenant Commander Art Lindberg as a double agent.

Lt.Cmdr. Lindberg was approached by the Naval Investigative Service in April 1977. After some meetings and interviews, NIS Special Agent Terry Tate asked Lt.Cmdr. Lindberg if he would be willing to consider performing a sensitive assignment for his country. Lt.Cmdr. Lindberg accepted the assignment and was later introduced to FBI agents from New York, who assisted in briefing him on the operation.

In August 1977, Lt.Cmdr. Lindberg took a trip on the Soviet cruise ship Kazakhstan. Upon the ship's return to New York, Lt.Cmdr. Lindberg passed a note to one of the Soviet officers containing an offer to sell information. He was later contacted by telephone by a Soviet agent.

During subsequent telephone calls Lt.Cmdr. Lindberg was given contact instructions on the type of information to get and the locations



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of drop sites where that information could be left and payment money could be found. NIS and FBI agents kept the drop zones under surveillance and later identified the Soviet agents.

On 20 May 1978, Lt.Cmdr. Lindberg was scheduled to make another drop. This time, however, FBI agents moved into the drop zone and arrested three Soviets.

One of them was Vladimir Petrovich Zinyakin, who was a member

of the Soviet Mission to the United Nations. Zinyakin, who had diplomatic immunity, was expelled from the United States. The other two, Rudolph Petrovich Chernyayev and Valdik Aleksandrovich Enger, did not have diplomatic immunity. They were subsequently convicted of espionage and later traded for five Soviet dissidents in a dramatic swap at Kennedy Airport in New York.