

The Venona Project

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Some of the most fascinating reading on the Internet today, The Venona Project – <http://www.nsa.gov/docs/venona> – provides historical background and sample decrypts of the spy transmissions to and from Moscow that revealed the astounding depth of the penetration of the USSR, via American traitors into the US government and military during the 1940s and 1950s. It was through the Venona Project that the fact that Ethyl and Julius Rosenberg and Alger Hiss were Soviet spies was finally and irrevocably proven, that hundreds of other traitorous Americans were revealed, and that Senator Joe McCarthy's reputation as a witch-hunter fell to the fact that he was right and that the government **was** riddled with horrendous security risks, including close advisors to then-President FDR, who needed to be kept away from classified material.

Highly recommended site.

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