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In this volume documents from the following archives are used:

AP RF  Arkhiv prezidenta Rossiiskoi federatsii (Presidential Archive of the Russian Federation)
GARF  Gosudarstvennyi arkhiv Rossiiskoi federatsii (State Archive of the Russian Federation)
IMLI  Institut mirovoi literatury imeni Gor’kogo (Gorky Institute of World Literature)
OR GPB  Otdel rukopisei gosudarstvennoi publichnoi biblioteki (Manuscript Department of the State Public Library)
RGALI  Rossiiskiy gosudarstvennyi arkhiv literatury i iskusstva (Russian State Archive of Literature and Art)
RGASPI  Rossiiskiy gosudarstvennyi arkhiv sotsial’noi i politicheskoi istorii (Russian State Archive of Social and Political History), formerly known as RTsKhIDNI—Rossiisky tsentr khraneniia i izuchenii dokumentov noveishei istorii (Russian Center for Preservation and Study of Documents of Modern History)
TsA FSB  Tsentral’nyi arkhiv Federal’nogo soveta bezopasnosti (Central Archive of the Federal Committee for State Security)
TsAOD  Tsentral’nyi arkhiv obshchestvennykh dvizhenii goroda Moskvy (Central Archive of Public Movements of the City of Moscow)