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# Sir Robert Menzies & Communism Quiz



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  - a) 100
  - b) 5
  - c) 0
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  - b) Ukraine
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- 8** Was Petrov's proof of a spy ring in Australia genuine?
  - a) No
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