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UNITED STATES FORCES AUSTRIA
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APO 777

OFFICE OF ORIGIN: Vienna, Austria Field hq. File LSN 248
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REPORT MADE AT: : DATE: : PERIOD COVERED: : MADE BY:
Vienna : 13.5.46 : 13.5.46 : DD 110

SUBJECT: SPECIFIC: Project SYMPHONY : STATUS:
GENERAL: Official Cable from ACC : Pending
Hungary regarding Jewish
Immigration

SOURCE: G-2, USFA

REFERENCE: LVX 232

U.S. - ACC Hungary?

COMMENT: 1. Cable indicates sender has only superficial knowledge concerning Jewish immigration matters from Hungary.
2. For Washington only: Copy in German, of Confidential report (mentioned in para 4) given to the American Minister in Hungary by Hungarian Section of the World Jewish Congress, attached hereto, for your information.

EVALUATION: Factual

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 Hungary (Acc) to USFET and USFA Hqs

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INCOMING MESSAGE

1. Please refer to USFET S-37486, of JAN 10, USFA P-1037 of 17 JAN, our Z-1779 of 18 JAN, and Z-2545 of 12 APRIL, USFET S-2358 of 23 APRIL, and USFA P-7372 of 29 APRIL.

2. Regarding estimate that 2700 HUNGARIAN JEWS have arrived US Section VIENNA REURAD USFA P-7372 between 1 JAN and 1 APRIL 46, no definite proof of movements but in view of late developments mentioned below it is believed movements have continued and that our protest to PRIME MINISTER has not been entirely effective.

3. Ref USFA para 2 agents of JDC (JEWISH RELIEF ORG) known here as "AMERICAN JOINT" may be responsible for movement of JEWISH persons. Opinion is based on persistent rumors and reports from usually reliable sources.

4. The AMERICAN Minister here has submitted a copy of a confidential report received by him from the HUNGARIAN Section of the WORLD JEWISH CONGRESS which he has forwarded to STATE DEPARTMENT. This report states that 75 percent of HUNGARIAN JEWS desire to leave HUNGARY and although visas and passports are in the possession of a number of them there are difficulties in obtaining exit permits from the Chairman (SOVIET) of the ACC; that these JEWS would like to migrate in a legal manner because of small number of exit permits issued they are not able to leave legally; that many have illegally emigrated during the last months to territories occupied by ANGLO-AMERICAN armies where they were received with sincere understanding; that no JEWISH ORG was connected with the movement but learned of the action after it had become common knowledge; that the emigration fever has become irresistible during the last months and is displaying symptoms of flight-psychosis; that the last illegal group of 230 persons left BUDAPEST on 9 APRIL in carriages joined to the regular train to VIENNA but that they were taken off at the town of BLATORSZAGY after the presence of 3 political suspects were found by police and all were returned to BUDAPEST; that the Political Police investigated the Officers of the Relief Committee for deportees in HUNGARY, a sub committee of the AMERICAN JOINT where they arrested several persons; that the real purpose of these arrests were to serve political aims and interests; that a Government member of the Communist party made an anti-semitic speech; that they feel in danger with the "Iron curtain".

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5. The Minister stated in his letter that there is apparently some justification for the allegation that the Communist party does not approve of the emigration of JEWS from HUNGARY but that it is not certain that the SOVIET section of the ACC is following any definite policy. He further stated that he reported to the STATE DEPARTMENT that the HUNGARIAN Government is not at present placing any obstacles in the way of emigration of JEWS but that there might be certain difficulties in obtaining SOVIET permission.

6. It would appear from the above discussion:

- a. That the SOVIET section of the ACC for HUNGARY is attempting to cooperate with our request made in JANUARY.
- b. That the investigation of the illegal entry of JEWS into AUSTRIA might be centered around agents of JEWISH Welfare Agencies.

7. I am requesting Chairman of ACC to direct HUNGARIAN Government to redouble its efforts to prevent illegal immigration of JEWS to US occupied areas.

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1. <u>B-4</u>		<u>JUN 1</u>	<u>23/7</u>	<u>EMW</u>	1 copy w/d for case file 1 copy w/d for Hungarians in Austria Carded E. M. Williams 23 Jul 46
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OFFICE OF ORIGIN: Vienna, Austria Field Hq. File LSX 255
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REPORT MADE AT: : DATE: : PERIOD COVERED: : MADE BY:
Vienna : 13.5.46 : 13.5.46 : DD 110

SUBJECT: SPECIFIC: Project SYMPHONY : STATUS:
GENERAL: Activities of Hungarian : Pending
Political Police in Vienna :

SOURCE: CONDUCTOR and DD 110

EVALUATION: B-2

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1. The Political Police of Budapest are now regularly sending officers and NCOs into Austria to check on Jewish emigration and on the flight of Hungarian Nazis through emigration channels.

2. Surprisingly enough, they come here unofficially and are using the illegal Jewish convoys to arrive in Vienna.

3. Twice a month a first lieutenant of the Political Police arrives here to collect reports from his informants about the two subjects mentioned above.

4. On 25 April 1946, two officers of the Political Police (names unknown) arrived here in an illegal Jewish transport, spent the night in an American hotel in the Währinger Strasse and disappeared the next morning. They were known to have Paris as their destination. They had in their possession two bulging portfolios with papers. All searches to apprehend and interrogate the two officers were futile.

5. All members of the Political Police on official or unofficial business generally lodge in Vienna at the hotel "Zum Heiligen Stephan" at No. 10 Schuler Strasse, Vienna I or at the new Hungarian Consulate in the Bankstrasse, Vienna IX, where a number of rooms have been fitted as dormitories.

6. On Sunday 5 May 1946, CONDUCTOR's boys in the Rothschild Hospital apprehended a first lieutenant (name unknown) of the Hungarian Political Police who officially came to investigate a political murder committed in Rechnitz on the border zone between Hungary and Austria. The victim, a well-known Communist functionary, was killed by two men in Russian uniforms who fled. One of the men was later shot by the first lieutenant in question. He had been assured that the other murderer was now hiding in the Rothschild Hospital. With the help of the Staatspolizei in Vienna, he checked through the files of the DP camps and could ascertain that the alleged murderer had left Vienna. After this he began questioning the DPs on all matters of emigration, personalities running the emigration movement, frequency of the transports, routes taken and borders crossed. At this moment he

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and the three officers of the Staatspolizei were prevented in their interrogations by CONDUCTOR's men and ejected from the hospital. DD110 talked unofficially with the Hungarian police officer who admitted that his mission was not entirely the investigation of the murder, but the investigation of illegal emigration and that he had arrived in Vienna as a member of an illegal Jewish transport and wanted to contact very much his informant, one Sarah OVITS, who is living as a DP in the Rothschild Hospital.

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1. <u>B-4</u>		<u>JUN 20</u>	<u>23/7</u>	<u>Spencer</u>	<u>Copy case file copy Sov. Int. file Coded S. Med. Affairs 23 July 46</u>
2. F-3M					
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OFFICE OF ORIGIN: Vienna, Austria Field Hq. File LSX 262
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REPORT MADE AT: Vienna	DATE: 14.5.46	PERIOD COVERED: May 1946	MADE BY: DD 101
SUBJECT: GENERAL:	SPECIFIC: "ZELLEL", Sgt., NKVD	Project SYMPHONY	STATUS: Pending

SOURCE: CONDUCTOR

REFERENCE: LSX 246, LSX 257

DD 101 COMMENT:

1. DD 110 informed us that Subject would be in Camp Mulla, Salzburg, in the near future and plans were made to interrogate him there. However, after desertion Subject was shipped off faster than expected and did not come through Salzburg. Rather Subject was shipped through Linz to a Jewish DP camp in Einrirk, Bavaria. Efforts to locate him there were of no avail.

2. The "NKVD" unit in Budapest mentioned in para 3 may be the same as that mentioned in LSX 246.

EVALUATION: B-2

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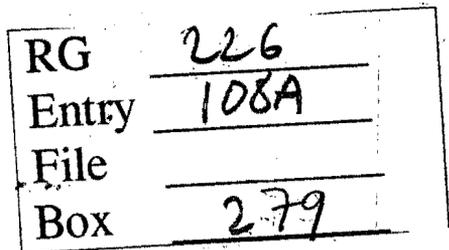
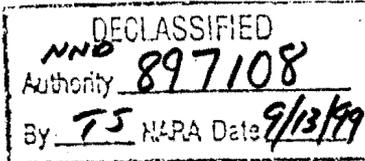
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1. "ZALLEL", Sgt., NKVD, has been mentioned before in previous reports. This is a synopsis of the information which is now available on him.

2. He is a Carpatho-Russian who was one of the leaders of the Jewish youth movement "Droh Habonim" in Budapest which went underground during this war in order to help the Jewish Agency people in Hungary and in order to secretly emigrate Jews out of the Balkans. It is reported (from him) that he was so clever that he, himself, ran around in an SS uniform or in the uniform of a "Nilosz" (arrow-cross, the Szalasz, Hungarian Fascist Party). He was hailed by the Jewish Agency as one of their best operatives during this war in Budapest.

3. When the Russians entered Budapest, ZALLEL volunteered for service in the NKVD, which he entered as a private. Until lately he was the adjutant to a Russian Colonel who is in charge of the NKGB section "who controls the NKVD" in Budapest. ZALLEL boasted to his old chief in the "Droh Habonim", Zwi GOLDFARB (one of CONDUCTOR's boys in Budapest), that his Colonel confided an enormous lot of highly secret stuff to him, cautioning him not to mention to anyone and that he found nothing better than pass along to his old friends. ZALLEL proved to be a valuable source of information to his old friends by informing them of any move or inquiry of the NKVD in Budapest against Jews or against Jewish emigration.

4. ZALLEL comes frequently to Vienna with his chief. He visited quite often the Rothschild Hospital either in civilian clothes or as an NKVD Sergeant or as an NKVD one-star lieutenant. He once presented a civilian to his friends in the Rothschild Hospital "as his Captain".

5. ZALLEL is now stationed in Vienna-Mauer with the headquarters of the NKVD section there (see interrogation of Stephan JANECZEK, dated 30 April 1946, para 65, LVX 231). He has been told by his former chief Zwi GOLDFARB that it was time for him to emigrate to Palestine. He was given another ten days to desert from the Russian Army.

6. Personal description: about 172, black hair combed back, clean-shaven, grey-blue eyes, black bushy eyebrows, swarthy complexion, highly nervous type, medium weight.

7. An attempt will be made to further interrogate ZALLEL on his NKVD activities when he comes through Salzburg in the near future.

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1. <u>B-4</u>		<u>JUN 20</u>	<u>23</u> <u>2/7</u>	<u>EMW</u>	1 copy case file 1 copy Hungarian Deole file Carded E.M. Williams 23 Jul 46
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OFFICE OF ORIGIN: Vienna, Austria Field Hq. File LSX 274
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REPORT MADE AT: : DATE: : PERIOD COVERED: : MADE BY:
Salzburg : 21.5.46 : May 1946 : DD 110

SUBJECT: SPECIFIC: Project SYMPHONY : STATUS:
GENERAL: Activities of the Hungarian : Pending
Political Police in Vienna :

SOURCE: CONDUCTOR

REFERENCE: LSX 255

BRIEF REPORT:

1. The Hungarian first lieutenant of the Political Police who comes here regularly to receive reports from his informants is named Sandor EMMERICH. He lodges at the apartment of CSOKONAY, secretary of the Hungarian Section of the Austrian Communist Party. The apartment is situated at Vienna II, Grosse Schiffamtsgasse, 2-4, and he receives his informants in this apartment.

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1. <u>Williams</u> <u>B-4</u>		<u>MIN 26</u> <u>AUG 14</u>		<u>EMW</u>	1 copy w/d for case file. <u>Carded</u> Disk comment: The info in this case is often badly + inaccurately reported. To be kept in mind by any subsequent readers. E.M.W. 23 Jul 46
2. <u>F B M</u> <u>2237</u>				<u>RL</u>	
3. Williams <u>Drnis</u>				<u>[initials]</u>	Any action taken re anything which should be coordinated ^{with} for info only, with E.M. Williams Rm 2234-A Ext 2619
4. <u>SPD-F</u> <u>2141</u>			<u>19/8</u>	<u>Y.H.</u>	
5. <u>FBK</u> <u>2270</u>				<u>CG.</u>	para. 5 p. 2. <u>Card I</u>
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1. M-1		10/3	10/18	Cox	See also: LSX-11 (1/4) LSX-26 (7/28) LSX-53.
2. G-1		10/22	11/14	Mr	paras 23-27, 34-36, 68-78; 82 d. 26, 99, 107, 110 card pp 4, 6, 13, 15, 19
3. G-2		NOV 15 1945		HMM	para 37, 41-61.
4. G-3		11/14		S.T.	Carding SP: - Return para 32, 39, 46, 39;
5. M-2	238		12/14	K	para 71, a. 81, 86-89 105-107, 111, 114, 115
6. M-3				Det.	readed 12/4/45 - 72/13/45
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8. C-2		1/9	1/16	RB	para 109; paras 101-102, 107, 140, 148, 150 of Economic intera return
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1. I-5		31/5	3/6	Ho	
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REPORT MADE AT: : DATE: : PERIOD COVERED: : MADE BY:
Vienna : 10.5.46 : 10.5.46 : DD 110

SUBJECT: SPECIFIC: Project SYMPHONY : STATUS:
GENERAL: Russian Intelligence : Pending
Officers, Budapest Para 1 and 2.

SOURCE: Conductor

SUB-SOURCE: Hungarian Jewish Emigrant

BRIEF REPORT: The NKVD Section in Budapest in charge of all investigations in Jewish matters and dealings with Jewish emigration is headed by General BILLINE (a Jew), Major IGNATIEFF, (a non-Jew), and by Capt. Grisha FILLG. (a Jew).

The section employs about 30 men in plain clothes.

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OFFICE OF ORIGIN: Salzburg, Austria
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Field Hq. File No. LSX 317

REPORT MADE AT: Vienna : DATE: 12 June 46 : PERIOD COVERED: 12 June 46 : MADE BY: DD 110

SUBJECT; GENERAL: Project SYMPHONY : STATUS: Pending
SPECIFIC: Henrik NEUSTADT

SOURCE: LILAC

REFERENCE: LVX 216

BRIEF REPORT:

1. Subject, a Hungarian Jew who lives in Szombathely, has the novel profession of smuggling Hungarian and other Jews over the Hungarian-Austrian frontier. He lives in the house of the Holzer paper shop.
- 2 Subject has excellent connections with the Russian border troops who provide him with some large trucks with which they transport people from Szombathely to Rechnitz (Burgenland, Austria; Russian-occupied Zone). The charges for smuggling the people over the frontier vary from five to twenty dollars.

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1. FBM	2237			<i>W</i>	1 copy w/d for case file.
2. Williams	2203	11/23/46	2237	EMW	
3. VTO	2055		30/8	B/R	copy Kovacs carding is SFX.
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Vienna	:	14 June 46	:	- 14 June 46	:	DD 110

SUBJECT, GENERAL: SYMPHONY Project

SPECIFIC: KOVACS (fnj)

SOURCE: LILAC

REFERENCE: LVX 216

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1. Reference is made to LSX 296, where LILAC is mentioned as having met Subject who was an agent of KLATT.

2. The following is an elaboration on the subject of KOVACS. His first name is unknown. He was, until 1942, a commercial delegate in the Hungarian Embassy in Iran. He was mostly in Bagdad and returned to Budapest in the summer of 1942. He was known as an anti-Semite and a member of the Arrow Cross Party.

3. He came to Istanbul in the early part of 1943 and was camouflaged there as the delegate of the Hungarian Chamber of Commerce and attached to the Hungarian Consulate. Actually he began taking up his old connections with the Arabian nationalists and continued working for the Hungarian and the German Intelligence Services.

4. He was extradited from Turkey by the Turkish police on the instigation of the British Embassy although he was in possession of a diplomatic passport, and returned first to Sofia, then to Budapest. (Summer of 1943).

5. It was he who accompanied the fugitive Iraq Government under its premier, KHAHLANI, to Budapest, and billeted them in the Hotel Palatinus on government expenses. This group, which contained about 40 persons, remained there five weeks and then split up into two parties which went, one to Berlin, and the other to Rome.

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SSU, WD MISSION TO AUSTRIA
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OFFICE OF ORIGIN: Salzburg, Austria Field Hq. File No. LSX 312
SCI/A

REPORT MADE AT: Vienna DATE: 12 June 46 PERIOD COVERED: -12 June 46 MADE BY: DD 110

SUBJECT, GENERAL: Project SYMPHONY STATUS: Pending
SPECIFIC: Sandu WEISSMANN

SOURCE: LILAC

REFERENCE: LVX 216, LSX 313

BRIEF REPORT:

1. Subject, allegedly a newspaperman and writer, is a Jew from Bucharest who frequently came to Vienna and Budapest. As his financial status was none too good, he organized a gang who began smuggling Jews from Bucharest into Austria, via Budapest or directly into Italy from Yugoslavia. The passage price was about 200,000 lei, not including the cost of false Rumanian or Hungarian papers, which were obtained by bribing officials. Often the band wore Russian uniforms; all of them spoke perfect Russian, Rumanian and Hungarian.

2. Subject often came to Vienna where he was seen in the company of a certain NICULESCU, a diplomatic secretary in the possession of a diplomatic passport. When in Vienna, Subject could be found at the Restaurant Wally, Seilerstaette, Vienna I.

3. Personal description; age about 30 or 35; slender stature, about 1m80; dark brown wavy hair brushed back.

4. The recently arrested Zelik ABRAHAM (in Salzburg) may be one of the members of his gang.

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REPORT MADE AT:	DATE:	PERIOD COVERED:	MADE BY:
Vienna	12 June 46	-12 June 46	DD 110

SUBJECT; GENERAL: Project SYMPHONY	STATUS:
SPECIFIC: Emigration Racket between Bucharest and Budapest	Pending

SOURCE: LILAC

REFERENCE: LVX 216, LSX 312

BRIEF REPORT:

1. A Rumanian Jew named PHILIP (fnu), living in Bucharest at Sv. Ion Nou #23, makes a business of smuggling both Jews and Gentiles from Bessarabia and Bucovina into Budapest, with false Repatriation Passes. He charges \$100 to \$200 in US currency for each "passenger".
2. No further details available.

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LSX 393

13 August 1946

TO: Mr. Richard Helms
Chief, Foreign Branch M, FSRO
ATTN: Security Control Division
FROM: Security Control Division, Austria DD 120
SUBJECT: Project SYMPHONY

1. Reference is made to your X 4960 regarding Subject and LSX 245.

2. Action taken included a Vienna Memo to AC of 3, G-2 USFA dated 8 May 1946, in addition to distribution to Budapest of LSX 245 for any action deemed advisable by that office.

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1. FBM	2237	30/7			<u>see attachment</u>
2. Williams		JUL 30 JUN 12 1947		SMW SUD	Carded 1 copy fwd for case file (Symphony)
3. WFO					Carding Grand/ite Transf. from NY to Hungary
4. SPD					For info on Grand funds and property in Hungary
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6. Williams	2237	JUN 12 1947		SMW	
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Field Hq. File No. LSX 353

REPORT MADE AT: : DATE: : PERIOD COVERED: : MADE BY:
 Vienna : 24 May 46 : - 24 May 46 : See para 1

SUBJECT; GENERAL: Project SYMPHONY : STATUS:
 : Pending
 SPECIFIC: Newspaper "Vilagossag" article on :
 Budapest Jewish Council :

SOURCE: LILAC - *X flc*

REFERENCE: LVX 216, LSX 257, LSX 41

COMMENT:

1. In view of the fact that a trial of members of the Budapest Jewish Council before the Peoples' Court, will bring to light the activities and names of a number of persons who figured directly or indirectly in past operations (viz. BRANDT and GROSS). This translation of subject article is reproduced for all interested stations.
2. Since the Hungarian Political Police is an instrument of Russian Occupation Authorities, it appears that they are the actual sponsors of the trial.
3. The reference to Joel ERANDT is not borne out in fact, as DD 110 spoke with BRANDT in Vienna early in May 1946. *ced*
4. Reference to a Dr. WILHELM is contained in LSX 41:
 Hungarian Jew. Often travelled to Turkey as a miscellaneous agent for the Hungarians. Interned following severe restrictions pertaining to Jews in Hungary; later thru Col. MERKLY's interest, was made driver for the Arbeitskolonnen. About 35 yrs; 1m70; c.70 kgs; clean shaven, proportionate face; black smooth hair; speaks German, Hungarian, French and English. *ced*

EVALUATION: Factual

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1. The following is a clipping from the Hungarian Social-Democrat newspaper "Vilagossag" (To the Light) of 24 May 1946. It is concerned with the Council of Jewry in Budapest and their behaviour during this war and after it. A number of personalities mentioned in this clipping have been subject of previous reports in this Project.

"SHORTLY THE SCANDAL OF THE JEWISH COUNCIL WILL
 COME BEFORE THE PEOPLE'S COURT

SOME OF THE ACCUSED HAVE ALREADY DISAPPEARED. NEW
 FACTS ABOUT THE JEWISH COUNCIL ARE UNCOVERED

"The Hungarian public looks forward with interest to the revelations which will be published soon by the newspaper Vilagossag on the activities of the Jewish Council during the time of the Nazis and the Arrow-Cross. We will not close our dossiers as long as this matter is not entirely cleaned up.

"A part of the collaborationist Jewish Council is still in charge, and they defend themselves mutually. In the meantime, the others have either fled or are now in possession of passports allowing them to leave the country. Time is pressing and we cannot allow that these swindlers and vampires of the Hungarian Jewry should leave the country before they have given complete account of their activities.

"The role played by the Jewish Council, their possession of Gestapo cards, their freedom from military service, their authorization to use taxis, and their exemption from the wearing of the Star of David, the permission they had to own a residence outside the ghetto, their possession of cards allowing them to enter and leave all public administrations; and finally whether they have used all these advantages for the good of the Hungarian Jewry, should be finally cleared up.

"It should be clarified whether the hyena of the public salesrooms and Jewish director of the Budapest housing office, ✓ Reszoe MUELLER had the support of the Budapest Jewry in concentrating them in a ghetto within three days, when it is known that the official housing office of Budapest had declared to the Gestapo and to ENDRE Laszlo (the State referent for Jewish affairs) that such an action was not even possible if they were to be given six weeks.

"We should demand complete account of the fantastic
 || valuables (impossible to appraise in present-day currency)

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which were exchanged by the Budapest Jews and used for financing the Budapest Jewish Council and their activities. We demand a public accounting, as long as this possibility still exists, because those who liquidated these funds are still here and their employees are still in a position to account for the funds.

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 "The public should demand from Miklos KRAUSZ, Dr. Reszoe MEZEI, Zoltan FARKAS, Dr. Albert GEYER, Michael SALOMON, Dr. BRESZ-LAUER, Stefan TAUSZ and his wife, Laszlo IRITZ, Sandor GROSZMANN and their followers, what they have done to prevent the further blackmailing and plundering of the Jews. (X)

"It should be ascertained whether or not it is true that a certain agency sold either permission not to wear the Star of David, or Swiss, Swedish and San Salvadorian citizenships. Is it true that the leader of this agency, who was capable of anything, cashed daily millions of currency and then delivered them to the Szabadsagter 12 *.

KASTNER, RESZO, DR. BRESZLAUER, MEZEI AND THE OTHERS

"Is it true that at Szabadsag-ter 12 in the Protective Passport Office there are safes stocked with different foreign currencies, gold coins and large amounts of Hungarian currency? It should also be clarified whether Mrs. KRAUSZ and Mrs. FARKAS, who begged for their lives, called the Jews who came to the Swiss consulate "Ghetto dung" and ordered that they should be thrown out.

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 "Is it also true that Dr. MEZEI had ordered that only his agents were entitled to protective passports? Are the accusations true which state that Dr. BRESZLAUER sold the protective passports, destined to poor Jews in concentration camps, to rich Jews? Is it true that Reszoe KASTNER was the confidante of the Gestapo and that the Gendarmerie Lieutenant Colonel, Laszlo FERENCZY (now condemned to death) who arrested him, was liberated after three days? This KASTNER, who became rich through theft, plunder and blackmail, now lives in a luxury hotel in Zurich, while before the war he was a mediocre writer from Klausenburg. Later, as confidante of the Gestapo, he did intelligence work for them in Hungary and abroad. Do the members of the Jewish Council know that KASTNER who worked with them was working in Pressburg as an SS 1st Lt. before the end of the war?

Note: * Address of the Swiss Consulate in Budapest during the war.

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"Do the members of the Jewish Council know that KASTNER's partner, Joel BRANDT, was sent by the Gestapo to Istanbul as a spy? This Joel BRANDT is now allegedly arrested by the British in Syria as a German spy and may have been killed in the meantime. end

MORE QUESTIONS

"Are the following accusations true: That the members of the Jewish Council spared their friends and relatives from military duties and that they were dispensed from living in Jewish quarters until the ghettos were officially instituted, and also spared them from fortifications work (digging ditches).

"Does the Jewish Council know that the orders to participate at the fortifications work on Sundays were made only by the delegates of the Jewish Council, although the Christian administration refused to work on Sundays?

"Does the Jewish Council know that it was possible to be dispensed from military duties, from deportation and from fortifications work by paying for it?

"These accusations, which could be continued for pages and which should be brought before the People's Court were perpetrated by the above mentioned for their own profit, they delivered their brothers to the Nazis and the Arrow-Cross people, and sent them to certain death.

BEFORE THE PEOPLE'S COURT

"The Political Police has closed a part of the investigations. Soon the results will be communicated to the People's Court, which is taking forward to it eagerly and who will put the accusations to those who collaborated to complete the tragedy of Hungarian Jewry.

"It should be noted, however, that there are a certain number of members of the Jewish Council, who, unluckily without result, have honestly tried to save the Jews of Budapest. There is no country where the so-called Jewish Council has not been accused.

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"In February of this year, the members of the so-called Jewish Central Office in Bucharest were condemned, although they were not so heavily guilty as the members of the Jewish Council in Budapest.

See "The president of the Budapest Jewish Council was Samuel STERN. Its members: Dr. Karl WILHELM, the fugitive Phillip FREUDIGER, Dr. Ernoe BODA, Dr. Bela BEREND, Lajos STOECKLER, Dr. Josef NAGY, Dr. Bela PETOE. Its chief functionaries were Jenoe BAUER, Paul PEUND, Miksa DOMONKOS, Reszoe MUELLER, Ernoe MUNKACSI.

"We know the excellent work of the Political Police and are convinced that the responsible will be called to account very soon, before more of them have fled.

/s/ Laszlo ZSOLNAY

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REPORT MADE AT: Salzburg	DATE: 27.5.46	PERIOD COVERED: May 1946	MADE BY: DD 110
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SUBJECT: SPECIFIC:	Trip to Budapest by Mr. <u>RUFFER</u> , roving representative of Political Dept., Jewish Agency	STATUS: Pending
GENERAL:	Project SYMPHONY	

SOURCE: CONDUCTOR

REFERENCE: LVX 288, LSX 251

COMMENT:
Clarification is being sought as to the exact location and specific Jewish ownership of the treasure referred to in this report.

EVALUATION: Factual

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1. This report is mainly concerned with the trip to Budapest by Mr. RUFFER, the roving representative of the Political Department of the Jewish Agency.

2. RUFFER was sent in to try to solve all the problems which have arisen in Hungary, owing to the violent action taken by the Hungarian government and by the Russians against illegal Jewish immigration. He saw a number of prominent Hungarian personalities, amongst them R. ROSI (LVX 229), the deputy to the Prime Minister; the chief of the Hungarian Communist Party, R. GL; the Minister of Interior, and many others who were finally persuaded that it would be better for both the Hungarian government and for the Hungarian Jewry that the emigration not be continued in a clandestine manner where it would constantly be prevented by police action but from now on be carried on as regular emigration. The result of all the conferences of RUFFER with R. ROSI and R. GL was that on 19 May 1946 in a letter addressed to the Jewish Agency of Palestine an official declaration will be issued by the Council of Hungarian Ministers wherein emigration of Jews "would be permitted from now on individually and collectively, destination of the emigration being Palestine".

3. The second point on which the Jewish Agency of Palestine scored a victory during RUFFER's visit was the following: In the neighborhood of Hallein in the American zone, Austria, there is a treasure of confiscated Jewish property which is evaluated anywhere from \$50,000,000 to \$150,000,000. A more exact evaluation has never been made. Other Jewish property belonging to Hungarian Jews is scattered all over Austria. RUFFER's mission was to persuade the Hungarian government that since most of the owners of this property have been killed, the best that could be done with it would be to give trusteeship of unidentified Hungarian Jewish property in the U.S. zone, Austria, to the Jewish Agency of Palestine. The money or monies would then be used for the immigration to relief, rehabilitation and colonization of European Jews in Palestine. The Hungarian government will issue an official declaration this week charging the Jewish Agency of Palestine with the location and trusteeship of all the property found in the U.S. zone of Austria and Germany and allowing the Jewish Agency to use it for the immigration of Jewish refugees to Palestine.

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4. In order to make the matter official as far as the American authorities are concerned, RUFFER had an interview with General TATE to whom he explained the entire Jewish emigration. General TATE, lacking knowledge of the details demanded that all the 100,000 certificates for immigration into Palestine, promised by the Anglo-American Committee of Inquiry on Palestine, be used to rid Austria and the Balkans of this number of Jews. RUFFER had to explain that the Committee had recommended these certificates but that as yet no action had been taken to issue them. In order to make an official claim on the Hungarian Jewish property in Austria, RUFFER is having an interview with Mr. EHRHARDT, the Political Advisor. He will propose a joint trusteeship of American, English and Palestinian Jews to administer and spend the fund.

5. RUFFER is leaving for Switzerland, whence he will go to Paris to report to SHERTOL, the chief of the Political Department of the Jewish Agency, who at present is in Paris. Whether, he will remain in Europe or return to Palestine will depend on his chiefs in London.

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REPORT MADE AT: Vienna : DATE: 5 June 46 : PERIOD COVERED: -5 June 46 : MADE BY: DD 110

SUBJECT, GENERAL: Project SYMPHONY. : STATUS: Pending
SPECIFIC: Raoul (Rudolf) KAUNITZ @ KORDA

SOURCE: LILAC

REFERENCE: LSX 41, LVX 216, LSX 292

EVALUATION: C-3

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Subject: Raoul (Rudolf) KAUNITZ @ KAUDA

1. Subject was an agent of III F MK in Budapest under MAHR @ LEHAR until this office was taken over by GEFRORNER @ SCHMIED. The MK was originally in Prague. There Subject and MAHR made quite a lot of money out of the Jews before the annexation of Czechoslovakia by the Germans. Subject and LEHAR had a connection in the Barclay's Bank in London whereby they were able to smuggle out a lot of money from Czechoslovakia to England for rich Czech Jews who feared the imminent entry of the Germans into Czechoslovakia.

2. When the MK was transferred to Budapest the two men opened a large automobile sales agency called MAM on the Andraszy utca which served as cover for the intelligence work. It was a constant wonder to the Hungarian Jews that a Jew (Subject) was a GIS agent.

3. As reported in LSX 292 EHRENTHAL denounced Subject to the Russians who arrested him in September 1945. The NKVD took him and freed him around the end of November 1945.

4. Subject was arrested by the Austrian Staatspolizei in January 1946 and was liberated after a fortnight. He is now reported to be an agent for the Austrian Staatspolizei, and possibly for the NKVD. He lives in the Heinrichgasse, Vienna II. His last official address was Vienna II, Appllogasse 8.

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REPORT MADE AT: : DATE: : PERIOD COVERED: : MADE BY:
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SUBJECT: Detailed Interrogation Report of Erich WENDER @
 Carol POPESCU, @ Sheliach ERI. Former GIS and
 JOINT agent. *Wender*

STATUS: Pending

INTERROGATION BY: DD 110

REFERENCE: LSX 32, LSX 39, LSX 41, LSX 182

- COMMENT: *Wender*
1. WENDER is presently implicated in the black market activities of the ALBAM gang and may be sentenced along with them for a period of 1 - 5 years.
 2. Inasmuch as he is a fervent Zionist, and has a very extensive knowledge of the JOINT and BRICHAD organizations he may later be "sprung" and used in project SYMPHONY.
 3. Note: Remove cover sheet if passing to Allied Intelligence Agencies. WENDER is not considered "controlled".

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A. PERSONAL DATA

1. Subject was born in Cernowitz on 16 October 1907. He is a machine construction engineer and has studied at the Technican High School in Bordeaux and the Technical High School in Milweyda, Saxony.

2. Aliases:

- a. In the GIS: Carol POPESCU
- b. In the JOINT Service: Sheliach ERI (the courier ERI).

3. He worked for the firm of WACHALOWSKI in Vienna XX until 1926 and later in 1926 he emigrated to Rumania where he worked for the saw mills of the firm of CARPATINA until 1928.

4. In 1928 he emigrated to South America and worked as a machine construction engineer for the AEG in Montevideo.

5. In 1930 he returned to Vienna and founded the firm of Michael STEIN and Co., located at Vorgartenstrasse, Vienna XX, which manufactured powder-boxes a la Viennese.

B. FIRST CONTACT WITH THE GIS.

6. In 1939 he was arrested by the Gestapo in a Jew-arresting razzia and brought to Gestapo headquarters. There he was interrogated and the Gestapo was very interested in his linguistic abilities. (He speaks Hungarian, French, Spanish, Rumanian, German and Yiddish.) They were also interested in his travels abroad. After a stay of one week he was interrogated again by a man who presented himself as one BOGNER, and who said that if he wanted to "work" for the "Army" he would be given his freedom. The other alternative was that he would be left to the fate which awaited the other Jews. He acceded and was immediately liberated. BOGNER took him to a cafe and there explained that he was to be sent as a W/T agent to Hungary to collect military information.

7. Later he was presented to his actual chief, one Major BAGEL, chief of I Wi, Ast Vienna. He was told that to complete his mission successfully he was first to be trained. He was actually sent to a school established in a small house in Klosterneuburg-Weydling, where he was taught W/T transmission together with five or six other students. He remained there four weeks.

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8. After the completion of his course, he was again seen by BAGEL, who told him that he was to reside in Budapest. He also instructed him that to establish a sufficient cover, he was to be officially a traveller for the transport firm of NEMETH and Co., Boersenplatz, Budapest.

C. MISSION IN ISTANBUL AND SYRIA.

9. During the next interview with BAGEL, he was told that he was to travel with a Hungarian passport under the name of Carol POPESCU (he was given a Roumanian name because he speaks Rumanian better than he speaks Hungarian.) At that time BAGEL wanted him to go to Syria and collect military information there.

10. Subject duly left for Budapest and established his cover with the firm of NEMETH. Once this was finished he looked for some way to avoid taking the trip to Syria. It should be known that Subject is a fervent Zionist and has a step-brother, Dr. Theodore WEISELBERGER who is the leader of the Zionist movement in the Bucovina. As soon as Subject could, he contacted Samuel SPRINGMAN, a jeweller by profession who was the leader of the Zionist movement in Budapest, asking him for advice:

11. SPRINGMAN told him to proceed to Istanbul and to contact there Mr. GOLDIN, who was the local representative of the JOINT, and to tell him the entire story.

12. Subject arrived in Istanbul in February 1941 and immediately contacted GOLDIN in his suite in the Hotel Continental. GOLDIN then called up someone, and soon an Englishman arrived, who later proved to be the aide to the Military Attaché of the British Embassy, Major O'LEARY (?). The "middleman" told him that they would protect Subject, that he should proceed to Syria, ostensibly make a trip around the country and come back to Istanbul. In the meantime some false information would be prepared for Subject to take back to Hungary.

13. In February 1941 Subject went to Syria, stayed there for two weeks, in Beyrouth, and Aleppo, returned to Istanbul and telephoned GOLDIN, who must have notified the Britisher because he arrived in Subject's hotel a few hours later. O'LEARY gave him the prepared intelligence for the GIS, which filled the intelligence requirements of BAGEL. At the same time, the Britisher asked him to collect some political and economic intelligence and handed him a list of eighteen or nineteen requirements.

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14. GOLDIN also gave Subject some letters and immigration certificates for SPRINGMAN for a number of Hungarian Jewish children who were to be transported to Palestine.

15. Subject returned to Budapest in March 1941, telegraphed his chief BAGEL at his cover address of the VOSS Werke, Gunthergasse 3, Vienna IX. Two days later BAGEL met Subject in Budapest and declared himself very satisfied with the information. Two weeks later BAGEL was again in Budapest and told Subject that he was to return to Syria and this time stay longer and establish W/T communication. The W/T set was to be given him by the Italian Vice Consul SHUKRI, an Arab, in Beyrouth.

D. MISSIONS FOR THE JOINT, DA ROLE FOR THE BRITISH

16. SPRINGMAN was duly informed of the entire business and helped him with his visa. Until then Subject collected information for the Britisher and waited for the letters which SPRINGMAN was preparing for GOLDIN.

17. In June 1941 Subject arrived in Istanbul and called GOLDIN. This time GOLDIN sent a certain POMERANETZ (alias WENIA), a Palestinian, who was sent by the Palestine Jewish Agency as a "liaison man" to GOLDIN. WENIA was given the lists of children which SPRINGMAN wanted to emigrate from Hungary and was told of Subject's plight. WENIA promised to call back the next day and brought with him the Britisher who offered Subject all material help possible. In case he needed protection the Britisher was ready to have him emigrate to Kenya or South America. Subject refused and wanted to continue doing this work, but he was extremely reluctant to continue work for the German Intelligence Service.

18. At this time the British were occupying Syria and it became impossible for Subject to go there and contact the Italian Vice Consul in Beyrouth. During the eight days in which he stayed in Istanbul he carefully continued his cover activities as a travelling representative of the NEMETH firm and actually concluded a number of business deals with a certain EBAXMANN of the transport firm of KUEHNE and NAGEL. In the meantime he waited until the immigration certificates for the Hungarian children were ready. When they were handed to him he left for Budapest.

19. Upon his return he contacted BAGEL whom he told of his impossibility to penetrate into Syria owing to the increased surveillance of the British troops there. BAGEL advised him to

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stay in Budapest until Subject heard from him. After three weeks Subject was informed by BAGEL's Budapest representative, one Dr. GROVIC, to meet BAGEL in the Hotel Carlton. The latter then informed him that he was to establish an intelligence net covering Syria, Cyprus, Palestine and Iraq and establish his residence in Istanbul with a sufficient cover. BAGEL told him that he would certainly find a number of Arabian Nationalists who would be excellent agents. On one occasion BAGEL presented him to an Arabian Nationalist named SUPITH ZABEN (?), Alias ALI, who gave him a letter of recommendation to a Syrian prince called ARZLAN, in Istanbul. BAGEL later gave Subject 1500 dollars and told him to proceed to Istanbul to establish his net-work.

20. Subject returned to Istanbul in October 1941 and apart from the intelligence which he had collected for the Britisher he took with him a number of reports prepared for GOLDIN from SPRINGMAN and Dr. KRAUSS, the president of the Jewish Community in Budapest.

21. Subject duly delivered the Jewish information to WENIA and the collected intelligence to the Britisher. O'LEARY instructed Subject as to the story Subject was to give to his German chief, promised to him to give all the DA-material possible and even instructed Subject as to the names of some of his new alleged Arabian Nationalist couriers (ACHMED KALI and MUSTAFA) which he was to mention to his German chief.

22. The JOINT, in the person of WENIA, asked him whether it would be possible to establish a courier net of intelligence value for them emanating from Budapest. The plan would work something as follows: The JOINT wanted to give Subject a certain number of letters asking their correspondent in Austria, Poland, Czechoslovakia and Germany to write them reports about the situation of the Jews in their respective countries. Subject was to try to find couriers who for money would transport these letters to their destinations. These destinations were (for Vienna) Dr. Leopold LOWENHERZ, leader of the Jewish Community in Vienna, (for Prague) a certain Heinz SCHUSTER, a member of the Jewish community in Prague who was in direct contact with the inmates of the concentration camp of Theresienstadt. The JOINT would give Subject a huge amount of money which was to be distributed to the different recipients and to the couriers who would transport the JOINT demands to the final destinations. Other places where letters were addressed to were Pressburg, a number of cities in Poland and in the Ukraine.

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23. As soon as Subject returned to Budapest and had delivered the English DA-material to his chief, who declared himself extremely satisfied with it, he began establishing a plan to have the letters of enquiry from the JOINT delivered to their destinations, and have the proper answers find their way back to him in Budapest. One of the conditions of Subject's work for the Germans was that he would not re-enter Austria while he was working for them. He was thus obliged to find couriers among former friends or casual acquaintances, from the Abwehr who could enter Austria.

24. Subject knew a certain SCHWARTZ, alias SCHOLTZ, from his days in Vienna. He knew him as a "no-good" who was looking for easy money and was willing to work for anyone as long as they paid. SCHWARTZ and his partner WIENINGER were both working for the GIS in Budapest, simply because it kept them out of the Army, and it allowed them to travel everywhere under the cover of intelligence missions. SCHWARTZ and WIENINGER actually were smuggling gold to Budapest and jewels to Vienna, and were making a lot of money on the side. Subject simply approached SCHWARTZ with the following business proposition: to deliver the JOINT letter to SCHUSTER in Prague and 50,000 RM, and to bring back the answer. For this SCHWARTZ was to receive 20,000 RM. SCHWARTZ agreed and soon brought back the answer for the JOINT. Another trip of SCHWARTZ was even more sensational: he was able to smuggle the JOINT enquiry letter into the concentration camp of Bensburg, and received in return a four-page letter signed by twelve prominent Jews about the situation in the camp, citing names and facts. SCHWARTZ also managed to smuggle a number of letters of JOINT enquiries to their destinations in Poland and brought back the demanded information.

25. Soon WIENINGER was pressed into the deal for letters of enquiry addressed to Pressburg, for which he also was richly rewarded. He also brought back the information of the situation of the Jews in Czechoslovakia. Both SCHWARTZ and WIENINGER were told that apart from the money they received from the Subject for their courier service, they were promised full protection from the Allies, thru the JOINT, when the war was ended, although it was known that they were agents for the GIS. WIENINGER was the one who transported the JOINT letter to Dr. LOWENHERZ to Vienna.

26. In the beginning of January 1943, Subject left for Istanbul with all the JOINT letters delivered and all the information gathered for the JOINT. He also had with him the economic and political intelligence which the Britisher had asked, and was satisfied with the fact that his German employer, Major BAGEL,

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was extremely pleased with his imaginary net-work of Arab nationalists working in the Near East. The letters from the concentration camp of Bensburg were hailed as quite an achievement and found immediately their way to Jerusalem, where they were given wide publicity. It helped enormously to aid in the collection of moneys which the JOINT was making for its emigration action.

27. This first attempt of getting information out of the German-occupied countries was so good that WENIA, the Jewish Agency man, surrounded himself with a "working committee" consisting of the following Jewish Agency representatives: WENIA, BADER, SCHINDT, UEBERALL, SCHAECHTER. Some of them remained in Istanbul, others served as couriers to the Jewish Agency in Jerusalem. The "working committee" was so enthusiastic about the work of SCHWARTZ that they asked Subject to bring him over to Istanbul to have personal contact with him. But it was only after a number of similar trips as the one described above that Subject finally took SCHWARTZ to Istanbul to present him to the "working committee" and to the Britisher O'LEARY.

28. The money which Subject received from the JOINT to transmit to the recipients in German occupied countries and to pay his own couriers to them was given to him in the form of gold coins (napoleons d'or). Every time he arrived in Budapest he was obliged to change them on the Black Market for pengoe or other national currency needed. SPRINGMAN who was a jeweler by profession, had recommended to Subject a Black Market dealer in gold and jewels named GROSS, with whom he was a life-long friend. (winter 1942). SPRINGMAN knew that GROSS was not very clean in his methods, and that GROSS, to safeguard his position with the Hungarians and the Germans, was working for their respective intelligence services. But he considered that the means justifies the end and first recommended GROSS to Subject in a similar way in which Subject was using SCHWARTZ and WIEN-INGER; namely as a courier to deliver letters to new recipients and bring back the information which the JOINT (and the Jewish Agency) wanted from the German-occupied countries.

29. There was one channel of enquiry which had not yet been opened; namely towards Uszarod in Carpatho-Ukraine. GROSS declared himself willing to deliver the letters of enquiry and to collect the information demanded by the JOINT. Later, Subject exchanged bigger and bigger amounts of gold coins through GROSS who began asking a number of embarrassing questions as to the origin of the coins. Finally SPRINGMAN proposed that he initiate GROSS into the entire operation. This was done around the beginning of 1943. GROSS continued his own

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intelligence activities and delivered letters to the Ukraine whenever Subject brought them from Istanbul. One day GROSS told Subject that he wanted to go to Istanbul on some business and since he had never been there he wanted Subject to allow him to join him on one of his trips. He (GROSS) would see to it that all of his own papers were in order and would not bother Subject in any way. To this Subject acceded and for the first time took GROSS to Istanbul in January 1943.

30. GROSS was presented by Subject to WENIA. GROSS promised to help the JOINT courier service by carrying letters and bringing back the answers wherever the JOINT wanted it. Subject asserts that he did not know what GROSS did, nor whom he contacted in Istanbul. He does not think that GROSS ever contacted Dr. GOLDIN, who actually was left entirely out of the business owing to his official position. Subject does not know whether GROSS contacted the Austrian Resistance people nor whether he had any dealings with them.

31. SCHWARTZ was presented by Subject during the summer of 1943 to WENIA and was congratulated for his work of bringing out letters from the concentration camp of Bensburg. He also promised to do everything possible to help the JOINT in its work, particularly after he was later presented to the Britisher by WENIA and received the assurance that should anything go wrong not only the JOINT but also the British Government, who was aware of the JOINT activities, would do everything possible to help him.

32. Subject was asked a number of questions about the Austrian Resistance movement in Istanbul; about MESSNER, RUEDIGER etc., and he asserts that he never was interested in it nor in its personalities; that his DA work for the British, his intelligence work in Hungary for them, and the work for the JOINT seemed to be filling his days enough without having to bother about other people's activities in Istanbul. While he was in Istanbul, of course, he was extremely careful to keep up his cover activities, and spent his entire day working with BAXMANN on transport business for his Hungarian civilian chiefs, the transport firm of NEMETH, and did only contact WENIA or the British at night after the most extensive security measures. One day UEBERALL presented him to an American in civilian clothes, at his apartment, whose name he understood to be BIRGE (?). This was simply done by WENIA to show Subject that also the Americans were aware of the activities of Subject and of the "work Committee" of Palestinians and the American gave Subject the assurance that in any case he could also count on whatever help he wanted from the Americans, should something go wrong (early 1943)

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33. Subject met Commander EARLE quite accidentally in a rug-dealer's shop where they were together offered coffee by the owner David BEY (early 1943). They began talking together and when EARLE heard that Subject was a "Hungarian" he said that he knew Budapest very well. They never broached the subject of Subject's intelligence activities and Subject doubts whether EARLE ever knew with whom he talked. Anyway, some time later EARLE invited Subject to his apartment and asked Subject to transport a letter and a gold \$20 coin to a girl friend of his in Budapest (name forgotten). This was done. Subject knew a man called Freiherr von DACHS, who also worked in the transport firm of NEMETH in Budapest and whom Subject knew to be a leading member of the Hungarian Royalist movement together with Prince PALAVICIN-J. In the summer of 1943, DACHS asked Subject to take a letter from him, addressed to Otto von HABSBURG in New York to Istanbul and to see that it was forwarded. This Subject did. He gave the letter to EARLE, who assured him that he would send it on to the Austrian Pretender, who then lived as "Duc du Bar" in the Hotel Essex, in New York City.

34. All in all Subject made twelve trips from Istanbul to Budapest and return. He thus brought to BAGEL the DA material which the English gave him, returned with political and economic intelligence collected in Hungary for the British and at the same time used SCHWARTZ, WIENINGER and GROSS to deliver letters everywhere in German-occupied countries and have them collect the answers, which he then transmitted to the "working committee" in Istanbul in the person of WENIA. It was so arranged that whenever Subject came to Budapest with letters from the JOINT, GROSS, SCHWARTZ or WIENINGER would be in Budapest to take them to wherever it was necessary.

35. In the summer of 1943, Subject began having some fear that the DA material given him by the British might prove to be highly embarrassing. The English gave him a report about ship concentrations in Gibraltar and in Malta, and indicated that these concentrations were intended for an invasion in France. At the same time the invasion of North Africa happened and Subject thought that BAGEL might think that the British planted this information just to make the German Army cause an alarm in France and divert their attention from the real invasion. BAGEL actually took the information and did not comment upon it.

36. Subject explains here how he was able to deliver the bigger and bigger packages of letters and gold which the JOINT gave him. Subject had told BAGEL that although the Turkish customs people could easily be suborned by "baksheesh",

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the German-Bulgarian people at Zwillingsgrad were more attentive and that there was a danger that the Gestapo might interfere with his passage through the frontier. This is how this control was averted: two days before Subject left Istanbul he telegraphed BAGEL's Sofia's representative, one Stefan MENCZIK, at Graf Ignatieff no.2, Sofia, the time he would arrive in Sofia. MENCZIK advised BAGEL telephonically and arranged for air transport for Subject. BAGEL then advised the customs people of Zwillingsgrad and at the Budapest airport of the exact time of passage of Subject and he was never held up nor was his baggage examined.

37. Subject returned from Istanbul for the last time in October 1943. From BAGEL's attitude, he suspected that he smelled a rat. BAGEL, instead of being enthusiastic about Subject's "reports", told him simply that it would be advisable to stay for a while in Budapest and not to leave until he said so. Subject immediately conveyed his impressions to SPRINGMAN and WIENINGER. As WIENINGER wanted to get to Istanbul anyway, Subject decided to join him and never return. He actually left with WIENINGER on 10 November 1943 but was taken from the train by the Gestapo a few minutes before its departure from Zwillingsgrad. WIENINGER was not bothered and took the rest of Subject's luggage and the JOINT letters to Istanbul. After three days in Sofia, Subject was transferred to the German military prison in Budapest and there interrogated by a Kriminal Kommissar FAHRNRIEHT in the presence of his German chief BAGEL. The latter accused him of communicating with the enemy, but during the entire interview and the subsequent ones gave the impression that he did not want Subject to be fully accused and condemned, and later recommended that Subject be interned by the Hungarians. This was done.

38. Subject was interned until 10 January 1944 in the internment camp of Kistasa. He received visits from WIENINGER, SCHWARTZ, and even GROSS, as well as from his fiancée. Through paying enormous sums to the doctors, Subject, after faking a suicide attempt, was then declared insane by a board of (paid) doctors, and interned in the lunatic asylum of Lipotmezo. There he was at liberty to receive any visits he wanted. Through his fiancée he heard that SPRINGMAN had left around December 1943 for Palestine and had been replaced in his functions by a Dr. KASTNER. Later he heard that in April-May 1944, SCHWARTZ, WIENINGER and GEFROERNER (their GIS chief) had been arrested.

39. Around the middle of May 1944, Subject was told by the chief doctor that two Gestapo employees had made enquiries at his office as to the possibility of interrogating Subject.

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Thereupon Subject fled from the lunatic asylum. He hid for five weeks with a friend. While with this friend he heard that Dr. KASTNER was arranging a transport of Hungarian Jews to Palestine. He contacted Dr. KASTNER and asked him what it would cost to join the transport. KASTNER asked 200,000 pengoe, but when he was told that he was talking with "SHELIACH ERI" ("The courier ERI", the name Subject had in the JOINT), he was given help without payment. He received false papers from KASTNER under the name Joseph BUCHHOLZ, and arrived in the place where all the Jews leaving Budapest were gathered. This place was of course under guard by the Gestapo. As soon as Subject arrived, he was held by the Gestapo and when he answered that his name was BUCHHOLZ, he was told that he was in reality Erich WENDER, and to come along peacefully. Subject strongly suspected KASTNER of having betrayed him. KASTNER was an old friend of GROSS's and is now residing in Switzerland, afraid to go back to Hungary.

40. After three days of imprisonment at the Gestapo prison, he was fully interrogated by the Gestapo about his activities as a courier for the JOINT. The Gestapo knew every detail and soon Subject saw that it was useless to deny anything and thus confessed fully. They knew nothing about his dealings with O'LEARY, or at least they never interrogated him about it. Subject suspects GROSS of being the cause of all this. When he first met KASTNER, the latter told him that SCHWARTZ, WIENINGER and GEFROERNER were arrested and that his "friends" GROSS and BRANDT had left Budapest for Istanbul where they planned to remain permanently.

41. This suspicion was later confirmed by the following facts: On 3 November 1944 Subject was told that he was to be transported to Vienna. He left, chained to SCHWARTZ, and behind him WIENINGER chained to GEFROERNER. They spent three days and three nights together in a cattle car and had ample time to talk things over. There the GIS agents told Subject that BRANDT had arranged a card-gama in his apartment. GROSS also was present. The Gestapo arrived and took them all away. WIENINGER, SCHWARTZ and GEFROERNER were kept in prison, and GROSS and BRANDT were immediately released, which they thought proved conclusively that they had been betrayed by GROSS and BRANDT (end April 1944). The four men remained one day in a cell together in the Rossauerlaender Prison in the Elisabethpromenade and were then separated.

42. Subject was interrogated by the Gestapo a number of times to reconstruct the entire deal. Apparently all the papers had been destroyed in Budapest and the investigation had to start all over again.

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43. Subject heard later that SCHWARTZ had been freed around New Year 1945 and has never heard from him since.

44. On 6 April 1945, most of the two thousand prisoners of the prison were freed (among them WIENINGER). Two hundred remained, and among them Subject, who was freed when the Russians entered Vienna and opened the doors of the prison, together with GEFROERNER.

E. ARREST BY THE RUSSIANS

45. As Subject's home had been damaged, he asked GEFROERNER whether he could live with him, which the latter permitted. On 13 April 1945, a Russian Major, accompanied by a Sergeant, whom Subject later knew to be called EISBERG, arrived in the apartment of GEFROERNER and asked for GEFROERNER. Subject said that he had left and volunteered the information that if they were interested in GEFROERNER's intelligence activities he could tell them a certain number of things, whereupon they arrested him and took him to a private house in the Ungargasse, Vienna III.

46. Subject stayed three days in the Ungargasse and was once interrogated by a Captain about his activities with the JOINT and with the GIS. He did not tell them anything about his DA role for the Allies. Once he accompanied a searching party who went to SEDLACHEK's apartment, but could not find him. Later the Russians, who Subject knew to be the NKVD unit for the Russian 62nd Division, heard that both GEFROERNER and SEDLACHEK had been arrested by another unit located in the Boesendorferstrasse.

47. On 16 or 17 April 1945, the NKVD unit moved to the Gentzgasse 15, Vienna XV, where he was locked up in a room. Later he acted as a sort of interpreter translating the needs of the Russians to the civilians in the house but not taking part in any interrogations. One day, Grete ROTTER arrived there and had a long interview with the Major. Subject did not assist in it. He knows nothing more about her.

48. As the war was still on and the Russians were moving forward, the 62nd Division unit moved up also, and around 21 April 1945 the unit moved to a farmhouse in the neighborhood of Boehaimkirchen, about 45 Km. from Vienna, in the direction of St. Poelten.

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49. The composition of the unit was as follows:

a. The major, who was the commander, was a man about 45 years old, black hair, medium height, dark eyes. He told Subject once that he had been on the staff of the Russian Military Attache in Japan, in some "GPU" capacity. Subject once accompanied him back to Vienna to fetch the latest conquest of the Russian Major, an Austrian girl named SEYFFERT, who lived in Gonzagagasse 3, Vienna I, whom the Major promised to take back to Russia.

b. The Captain, about 26-27 years old, who was the interrogator of the unit.

c. A woman lieutenant, who did the typing and all secretarial work.

d. Sergeant EISBERT and another interpreter (Russian soldier).

e. About thirty soldiers, drivers, guards, etc. The unit had three private cars and two trucks.

50. The unit remained in Boheimkirchen about five days, during which time Subject did nothing but await events. Once he took SEYFFERT to Vienna with the Major.

51. Around 26-27 April 1945, Subject and the entire unit again went forward and this time installed themselves in a villa near St. Poelten, on the road toward Amstetten. They remained there for three days.

52. Then they finally established themselves in Mahk, about 90 km. from Vienna and 30 km. from St. Poelten. Subject remained there two weeks during which time he again did nothing. The Major called him in one day and sent him to Vienna in a private car. He arrived with his guard at Theresianungasse 26 and was locked up in a cellar. A lieutenant asked him for his personal data and locked him up again. After nineteen days he was interrogated by an Air Corps Captain, who was mainly interested in knowing whether Subject had been working against Russia. Subject told him the JOINT deal all over again. The Captain promised to check with his people in Istanbul and would let him free if nothing would be there against him. Subject was actually freed after a month's time in the prison, after having signed a declaration that he would tell nobody that he had been arrested by the Russians nor that he had been interrogated and on what subjects.

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53. Subject then lived for a while in the apartment of GEERORNER. He later went to the Jewish Community and when he heard that a Viennese, Dr. Emil TUCHMANN was establishing a branch office of the JOINT under the protection of the International Red Cross, he presented himself to TUCHMANN as the "Sheliach ERI" and was given the job of office-manager at the offices of the JOINT, Schottenring 25, Vienna IX. He managed the office help, supervised the distribution of foodstuffs and was the cashier. He remained there for two months and a half. Soon he saw that many foodstuffs were not being given the Jewish refugees but the hospital and to a number of Christians. This was against the rules of the JOINT, and after thinking it over, Subject decided to quit, which he did around the middle of August 1945.

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54. Subject then worked with a certain STRASSBERGER, who had an information service for the tracing of Austrian Jews at Johannesgasse 3, Vienna I. Subject's fiancée, a Hungarian Jewess, came over with her mother from Budapest at the same time.

55. Subject accepted the proposition of a certain POLAK to finance the latter's garage with the dowry of his Hungarian fiancée and put 40,000 Schillings in the proposition. KLEMM, the Black Marketeer, had an automobile in the garage which was situated in the Franzengasse 18, Vienna V. One day the American CID arrived, looking for KLEMM, and searched Subject. On him they found a \$20 bill. He asserted that it was a sort of talisman from his brother in America, received in 1938, but was arrested and is now in the Landesgericht prison for complicity in the KLEMM case. As the CID men were in the garage, three men, one an Austrian, a Hungarian, and another, and one other, entered the garage and said they were looking for POLAK. They were also arrested. On the Hungarian \$200 were found.

F. LAUFFER AND SEDLACHEK

56. Subject was asked whether he knew of other letters of the JOINT being carried by other people. He remembers that (possibly) SCHWARTZ once took SEDLACHEK to Istanbul and presented him to WENIA. This astonished Subject very much as SEDLACHEK was a convinced Nazi and the only Christian with whom the JOINT people wanted to deal. Subject does not know whether SEDLACHEK also carried letters but he thinks so.

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57. One day in the autumn of 1942, WENIA asked Subject to transmit a letter to a certain LAUFFER who lives in the Matorer, in the same building with the Cook Wagon-Lits Co. He had no time to do it. However, WENIA sometimes gave him stacks of letters to transmit to secret JOINT people everywhere, and he asked his fiancée to deliver the letter which she did. Subject asserts that he never saw LAUFFER, but that he had heard that he was once in Ast Prague and later was working for GEFROENER as a very important agent in the Balkans. He has always wondered what WENIA's connections were with LAUFFER. During their arrest GEFROENER expressed the suspicion that it was actually LAUFFER who had betrayed him, SCH ARTZ and WIENINGER.

G. INTERROGATOR'S COMMENTS

58. Subject seems to be a quiet, calm and intelligent person. He gave the impression that he has told the truth and most of his assertions can, we hope, easily be verified.

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GENERAL: SYMPHONY PROJECT	

SOURCE: DD 110

REFERENCE: X2TS-2231, X4115

SYNOPSIS:

1. Project SYMPHONY proposes to use the influx of Jewish Refugees into Austria from Rumania, Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Poland for sources of CI information, for exact data on the Intelligence service of the Jewish Agency in Austria, for all intelligence activities run by any persons or organizations who use this influx of Jews into Austria for such purposes.

2. This report contains information on the emigration of Jews into Austria from the above-mentioned countries and on the head-agent of the Jewish Agency in Austria, Arthur PIER.

3. It also contains an expose of the aims of Project SYMPHONY and the means which will be used to attain these aims.

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A. AIMS OF PROJECT

1. Immediate Aims (overt):

To extract information of CI value from refugees escaping from Russian-occupied countries; composition, trends and activities of the communist parties in these countries; location and identification of concentration camps in Russia and Russian-dominated countries; identification of NKVD deserters or NAGB deserters; identification of NKVD agents or communist agents sent amongst the refugees; identification and elimination of Nazi elements, infiltrating amongst the refugees to escape punishment from the authorities of their respective countries.

2. Immediate Aims (covert):

a. To ascertain and locate the agents of the Jewish Agency in Austria who run both the emigration of Jews from Russian-dominated countries and a highly efficient intelligence service into those countries; to ascertain and spot those persons who smuggle Jews out of those countries for high sums of money and who, being in contact with NKVD officials, also smuggle war criminals and agents into the Allied-occupied zones, to work either in Austria or in Palestine.

b. To locate those persons within official organizations, such as the Hungarian Red Cross, the Austrian Red Cross, the Italian Red Cross, some so-called repatriation committees with unofficial or semi-official status, the UNRRA and the (Lublin) Polish repatriation committees, who provide false papers and identification cards to those smugglers and to the smuggled for the furtherance of this traffic; to take all measures of security safeguard to eliminate or neutralize such traffic when it becomes a danger to the security of the Allied-occupied zones or to its establishments and units.

3. Long-range Aims:

To penetrate those organizations of whatever kind they are -- Jewish, political or of intelligence nature of any country -- which send Russian-trained or Russian-inspired agents through this flow of Jewish refugees to further propaganda or intelligence aims either in Allied-occupied zones of Austria or Germany, in Allied countries such as France, Italy, the United States and/or Palestine.

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B. EXECUTION OF THESE AIMS:

See below, paragraphs I 1-4.

C. THE SO-CALLED JEWISH UNDERGROUND EMIGRATION MOVEMENT

1. General MORGAN of UNRRA recently made a statement to the press about a vast underground organization which is constantly pouring Jewish refugees into Allied-occupied zones of Germany and Austria and then sends them either to the United States or to Palestine, legally or illegally.

2. To understand the project SYMPHONY, it is deemed necessary to draw a brief history of this movement and to exactly describe what happens in Austria. The problem as specified by General Morgan is oversimplified and does not place it in its exact light, nor does it take care of its exact aims or antecedents.

3. The exodus of Jews from Russian-occupied countries is an exact replica of the vast legal or illegal emigration movement which began at the ascension of the Nazi Party in Germany around 1932. Hundreds of thousands of Jews fled Germany with the aid of Jewish communities of countries neighboring Germany, (Holland, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Belgium, France, Switzerland, Czechoslovakia, etc.), to find their way to any country in Europe or into Palestine. When Germany completely closed its borders, this smuggling had to become clandestine. High Nazi officials, officially or unofficially, were paid large sums to facilitate the emigration of Jews; the Gestapo made a real business out of it. Refugee committees were set up in the neighboring countries to help the Jews in their transit through the free countries and to facilitate their emigration to America or to Palestine. These refugee committees were financed either by collections and contributions from their members or rich Jews in free countries. When the finances of these committees were not sufficient, the deficits were made up by the American Joint Distribution Committee, through its representatives in these various countries. The American Joint Distribution Committee also financed, supervised and arranged for transport and settlement of the persecuted Jews either in Palestine or in the United States.

4. As the war drew on and border restrictions became more and more stringent, the Political Section of the Jewish Agency, under SZERTOK, organized a special section whose duties it was to contact the Jewish communities in German-occupied countries.

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This section has its own couriers who brought letters and money to the remnants of the Jewish communities in Nazi-dominated countries and smuggled "Jewish" intelligence out of these countries. Headquarters of this section were established in Switzerland (Berne and Zurich) and in Turkey (Istanbul). (Vide GROSS-BRANDT case and interrogation this case officer of Erich WENDER, alias Sheliach ERI). (LVX 207). The various British Intelligence services freely used the emissaries of this section for penetration, intelligence and DA purposes. The representatives of the AJDC acted as liaison with the Allied Intelligence Services and eventually financed this courier-cum-intelligence service.

5. This part of the actions of the "SI" section of the Jewish Agency is sufficiently known to competent authorities, but it has been deemed necessary to repeat it here so as to show the connection with the present emigration movement and the present project.

D. THE PRESENT JEWISH UNDERGROUND MOVEMENT IN AUSTRIA

1. The present emigration "underground" movement is simply a continuation of the one which provided the Allied Intelligence Services and principally the Jewish Agency with valuable intelligence during this war.

2. The present emigration started officially as a Jewish action to help those Jews who had escaped the tortures of the concentration and extermination camps, to feed and clothe them and to further their emigration either to the United States or to Palestine, legally or illegally. These "transit camps" for former concentration camp inmates and political prisoners", established in the US Zone were, and are still, located in Mauthausen, Bindernichl, near Linz, Badgastein, Wels, Freilassing, Bavaria, and are helped by local Jewish committees, the UNRRA and (later) by the AJDC representatives, who had arrived in the meantime.

3. Slowly a road was established through which these persecuted Jews were to find their way to Palestine, or, if not, to the United States. Those wanting to go to Palestine were directed to Italy, over the French-occupied zone of Austria and the Brenner Pass. The various Red Cross organizations helped to further this emigration. Once the refugees were in Italy a boat service was arranged from Genoa to transport the refugees to Greece, where they would eventually find their way into Palestine.

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4. Anti-Semitism beginning to flare up in the countries now occupied by the Russians, and conditions beginning to become worse for the Jews in general, the Jewish Agency of Palestine began taking up the work which it had been doing during the war against Germany. The same plan is being used. This time the headquarters of the organization is in Vienna, at the apartment No. 6, Frankgasse, No. 2, Vienna IX. The head agent for the Jewish Agency in Austria is the Palestinian known here under the name of Arthur PIER. PIER, or "BEN-ZWI" as he is known in the Jewish Agency under his operational name, asserts to be born in Vienna on 15 February 1921, of (fnu) PIER and (fnu) WIZNIZER. He claims to be Austrian. His private address is Krcindlgasse, 1a, Vienna XIX, telephone A-13042. He has an Austrian identity card No. D 136878/46, given him by the Vienna Police Presidium on 19 March 1946. He claims to be the correspondent for the "Hatzofeh", newspaper in Tel-Aviv, of which he has the Palestinian press card No. 36, given him in Tel-Aviv on 18 February 1946 and expiring on 18 August 1946. He also claims to be the correspondent for the "Palcor" (Palestinian Telegraphic Agency) for Austria, Germany and the Middle European countries. He is also officially accredited with the local Joint Distribution Committee as a staff member. He is not accredited to the Public Relations Officer, Vienna Area Command of USFA. He travels sometimes on orders provided him by USFA through the AJDC. He is accredited to the British Public Relations Officer, BTA, because "he transmits newspaper items and reports to London and Palestine".

5. Officially PIER is here to collect items of Jewish interest for his newspaper employer, principally items on atrocities against Jews during the war and after. This he does through interrogation of Jewish refugees coming from the different countries, in which he is interested. Actually he runs a highly efficient intelligence net, through couriers into Rumania, Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Poland. He is also running another net which tracks down Germans either free or in captivity in the Allied -occupied zones of Germany or Austria, who are suspected or proven to have been committing atrocities against Jews during the war. He then delivers the proofs to the official authorities for punishment through the War Crimes Investigations courts. He and his agents also track down any clues or documents which might be of any value to the Jewish Agency. For instance, his informants having heard that a certain number of papers belonging to the Grand Mufti had been captured in Badgastein, he made every effort to secure them or to photograph them so as to bring a case against the Grand Mufti, who is living in comparative comfort near Paris.

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(Actually the documents were turned over to the Documents Center, USFA, who in turn sent them on to the State Department people in Frankfurt). (See LVX Memo 256). PIER's agents having found out that another batch of papers belonging to the Grand Mufti having been captured in Vienna by the Russians, he is now negotiating with the Russians to secure them or photograph them.

6. In addition to these intelligence duties mentioned above, PIER and his men are running and coordinating the emigration of Jews from Rumania, Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Poland (See following paragraphs).

E. EMIGRATION OF JEWS INTO AUSTRIA ORGANIZED BY THE JEWISH AGENCY

1. The present emigration movement of Jews from Rumania, Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Poland is one which is unofficially tolerated by the commanders of the United States Forces in Austria and by G-5 of the same headquarters. It is financed or provided with other material help by the American Joint Distribution Committee, through its chief American representative, SACHS in Vienna, or its local American representative in Salzburg, RICE. Both these offices act in liaison with the DP Section, Vienna Area Command of USFA and with UNRRA authorities, who have representatives in the various Jewish DP camps in the American Zone of Austria. (See below).

2. Although the official organizers are the AJDC people, it is actually PIER and his men who coordinate the entire movement. PIER ascribes the ease with which the system works to the complete disorganization of border controls at the various frontiers. A hasty picture of the emigration procedure follows:

a. There are two kinds of Jews who want to emigrate. The young ones, who belong to a Zionist organization in some Balkan country and who have been trained for emigration and settlement in Palestine by doing agricultural training in some farms in their country of origin. When they are ready to leave, their local committees contact PIER's men in their particular country, who arrange for transportation. Groups are formed of about twenty or thirty under their own leaders, with whom they will go to Palestine. When there is some space available in the special Jewish transit camp in Vienna, located at the primary school in the Alserbacher Strasse, Vienna IX, the "transport leaders", who are PIER's men, contact them, arrange for transportation and bring them into Vienna by rail.

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Exit permission for any country except Poland is easy to obtain and no papers are checked at any frontier guard station. In Czechoslovakia, a frontier guard guards the train to ascertain that nobody remains in Czechoslovakian territory. The Russian authorities do not check any papers. This procedure is slightly different as to the exit from Poland. As the Lublin government does not allow any official emigration, the crossing of the borders by these transports is done illegally by PIER's men. Once in Czechoslovakia the groups take the train and cross to Czecho-Austrian border, where they finally arrive at Florisdorf, near Vienna. Actual crossing points at the Polish-Czech border have not yet been ascertained. The organized groups of future Palestine colonists await their transit to other camps and either with Palestinian immigration certificates or without them find their way into Palestine. These groups are known to their chiefs, who have trained with them in their country of origin. They belong to all shades of Zionist organizations from the extreme rightist Revisionists (BETHAR or BRITH TRUMPELDOR) to the socialist HASCHOMER HAZAIR. These groups are enthusiastic Zionists and may later form the backbone of a Jewish Army. Their ages range from fourteen to thirty. They are not specifically religious. A special DP camp for extremely religious young immigrants has been established by the PIER organization at a house, located at No. 27 Goldschlaggasse, Vienna XV. Many of the young immigrants have been enrolled during this war in the Soviet Army in various capacities. Thus, one of the groups recently was headed by a young Jew who had been a Major in the Soviet Army.

b. The other kind of emigrant is composed of any element of Jew wanting to emigrate. Any Jew in his respective country who desires to leave his country reports to an AJDC committee in Bucharest, Budapest, Bratislava, Breslau, Lwow, etc, and applies for a place in a group. Very little screening is done at this stage. As soon as groups are formed and PIER has been informed of its constitution, he sends out his messengers (SHLICHIM) who pick up the groups at the starting point. This is only done if there is space available at the Vienna Jewish DP camps. (See below). If the transport originates from Rumania, Hungary or Czechoslovakia, the "messenger" receives the lists of people from the group leaders, who are appointed on the spot from one of the members of a group. It is to be noted here that the self-appointed group leaders do not know the members of their groups before the departure, which leaves open any opportunity of anyone's slipping into the group who is either not Jewish or is a Jew who joins the group for other purposes than pure emigration.

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The "messenger" then takes the groups by rail to Vienna where they are registered in a DP camp and then await transportation to the next camp. It has happened frequently that non-Jews have slipped into these groups and were lodged in the Jewish DP camps. After a short time their Christian or "other" status is found out and frequent instances have occurred where such "black sheep" have been discovered, thoroughly beaten up and then delivered to the US Military Police. If the emigration of such miscellaneous groups is to be made from Poland the "messengers" smuggle the groups over the Czech-Polish frontier with the help of local Jewish committees. Once the Czech frontier is crossed the groups take the train for Bratislava, whence they take some train which will bring them to Floridsdorf.

3. Recently the Austrian Red Cross has been helping the emigration of miscellaneous groups from Poland into Austria. When this happens, a representative of the Austrian Red Cross is added to the transport. The transport is formed in Breslau, headed by the Austrian Red Cross man and a "messenger", they take a train which leads to Zebrzydowice (Poland), from there cross into Czechoslovakia, arrive in Bugumin (CSR), Breslav (CSR), Bernostve (CSR) and from there a train transports them to Floridsdorf, near Vienna. The only control is by the Czech frontier guard at Bugumin, whence a frontier guard remains on the train until it reaches Floridsdorf, to ensure that no one remains in Czech territory.

F. JEWISH DP CAMPS IN VIENNA

1. There are two large and two smaller Jewish DP camps in Vienna, supervised by the AJDC, the DP Sections Vienna Area Command and USFA and actually run by PIER's men. They are all situated in the US Occupied Zone of Vienna.

2. The biggest one is situated in the former Rothschild Hospital, at the Waehringer Guertel, Vienna IX. (It has a capacity of 750, but as transit of refugees has stopped and transports have been pouring in, it now houses 1300 refugees. As further transports arrive, it has been contemplated taking a large establishment next door which will increase the capacity of this camp to 2000). Here the miscellaneous refugees arrive. They are registered by PIER's men and summarily screened. These lists are submitted to PIER, who personally, or through his men, interrogates them on possible intelligence or information desired by the Jewish Agency. They will remain here until a possibility exists to send them further on to the next stop, the Jewish transit camp at Enns. The exact lists of arrivals is not given to the DP officer, who has an office in the building. This

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allows PIER to transport anyone he desires and whose identify he does not wish to reveal. The Rothschild DP camp is administered by a permanent staff paid by the AJDC in Vienna. Actually, they are PIER's henchmen, who only obey him, blindly.

3. The next biggest DP camp is situated at the primary school at the Alserbacherstrasse. It has a capacity of 350 men and women. It is exclusively reserved for organized groups of young Jewish future colonists. (See paragraph E2). The youths are not allowed to leave the place during their stay in Vienna. The camp receives the material help of the AJDC and of UNRRA. It is again run by a small staff of permanent members who obey only PIER.

4. The third smallest is the house at No. 27, Goldschlaggasse, Vienna XV (the only one in the French zone). It is exclusively reserved for Jewish refugees who obey strictly the religious and dietary laws, but who are still trained for colonists work in Palestine.

5. The smallest "camp" is situated at apartment No. 2, Frankgasse, Vienna IX (near USFA Headquarters). It houses about two dozen Jewish refugees and serves as a cover for PIER's intelligence activities. It is officially known as "an American transit camp for Jewish former concentration camp inmates". PIER's office is located there. Lists of arriving refugees everywhere else are drawn up. All telephoning to Bratislava, Budapest, Berne, Germany and Austria is done from this telephone (No. A-27261). PIER receives his messengers (SHELICHIM) there and coordinates the arrival and the departures of the convoys from Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Poland. Interrogations of especially interesting refugees are held in the apartment. The office staff is composed of members of PIER's organization.

G. OTHER JEWISH DP CAMPS IN AUSTRIA

1. Apart from the number of Jewish DP camps named in paragraph D2, there are a number of transit camps which constitute the chain to transport the incoming refugees from the Balkans either to Palestine or to Germany (ultimate destination, the USA?).

2. As soon as room is open in the next camps, the Jewish refugees are moved out of Vienna, by trucks and transported to the transit camp at Enns. Generally they only stay in Vienna about three or four days, but owing to the closing of the frontiers in Germany, refugees are in Vienna more than three weeks.

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Another transit camp is situated at Wels. The Russian authorities at the Enns bridge do not question the transports, of which they see only a total list submitted by the UNRRA man who accompanies every transport. On the permanent staff of both the Enns camp and the Wels camp are men of PIER's.

3. The refugees who do not intend to go to Palestine are then transported to Freilassing in Bavaria, where again no check is being made by the military authorities, as there is a lack of official orders about this transit. Again a general list is submitted and the personalities of the refugees are not checked by any security agency.

4. The refugees intending to go to Palestine or at least to Italy are directed to Salzburg, where they are housed in Mulln camp (capacity about 250 men). This camp is run by a man known also under the operational name of ZWI, who is a former member of the Jewish Brigade, especially detached from the Brigade to work for PIER. (This is the case for most of PIER's men and women). This camp is supervised by a local UNRRA team and aided materially by the Salzburg representative of the AJDC, RICE, an American citizen.

H. OTHER EMIGRATION MOVEMENTS

1. The intelligence possibilities of this flow of emigration from Russian-occupied countries has not been overlooked by different intelligence services. The (London) Polish Intelligence Service, in the person of Major ZHILINSKY, the Salzburg Liaison Officer to the US 42d Infantry Division, has at different times approached the Salzburg AJDC man to allow him to use the emigration movement for their own courier service into Poland. There is no doubt that the Russian intelligence services are using this flow of Jews to infiltrate Jewish or non-Jewish agents into the Allied zones.

2. Apart from the Jewish Agency emigration which monthly permits from 3000 to 3500 refugees to enter the Allied zones, a certain number of "rackets" are being operated, which can only operate (a) because of insufficient supervision of the American authorities, and (b) with the help of foreign services, such as the Hungarian State Police, the NKVD, the Hungarian Red Cross, the UNRRA, the (Lublin) Polish repatriation committees in the American zone. A few examples: The regular traffic of non-Jews, Nazis, etc., from Budapest to Vienna run by one Gabor SALZER, who with the complicity of the NKVD in Budapest,

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smuggled Nazis out of Budapest for emigration into Palestine. This man even went so far as to have his customers circumcised before their departure and converted by an official of the Jewish Community in Budapest. (See my memo LVX 241, dated 8 April 1946). Another example is that of one Alfred Schwartz, X the former representative of the AJDC in Budapest, who was sent into the US zone to organize the repatriation of Hungarian Jews to Hungary. He was, until lately, given the use of a special "DP camp" at No. 10 Strudelhofgasse by the DP Section, Vienna Area Command. His rather shady contacts with the Hungarian Red Cross and his emigration of non-Jews from Hungary, forced the US authorities to have him renounce this DP camp. He is now housed in the offices of the Hungarian Red Cross at the Collegium Hungaricum, No. 5, Museumstrasse, Vienna.

3. Apart from the above-mentioned emigration "rackets" which are practically official, or at least not checked, there are without doubt many similar organized bands who, with the aid of forged papers of Red Cross organizations or refugee aid organizations, are emigrating non-Jewish "refugees" whose aims are definitely not those of emigrating purely to the USA or to Palestine. It will be the duty of this project to locate them and neutralize their intelligence activities.

I. EXECUTION OF PROJECT AIMS

1. American personnel will be placed as newspaper men in the DP camps of the Rothschild Institute and the Alserbacherstrasse DP camp for interrogation of refugees--their aim being to collect straight intelligence on Russian OB, NKVD activities of recent date, background material of economic and political nature. This overt project of rather SI nature than X-2, will be the starting point for the careful recruiting of agents for the furtherance of all covert aims enumerated in paragraph 2.

2. Careful selection of Jewish agents in Vienna to be used to collect information on emigration movements other than the Jewish Agency one, and eventually to penetrate them. Further reports will describe any such racket uncovered with exact descriptions of their activities, roads, personalities and possible intelligence activities.

3. Contact with the Jewish Agency people on an unofficial basis will allow this project to ascertain the personalities involved in any other activities, other than the purely emigrative ones, their contact men in Hungary, Rumania,

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Czechoslovakia and Poland, the routes followed to emigrate refugees into the Allied Zones. The Jewish Agency people seem willing to inform on any other emigration movement which might ruin their activities in the eyes of the US authorities. Information of high intelligence value is being promised by the Jewish Agency people. For instance, the Jewish Agency people are arranging the desertion of a Jewish NKVD major in Vienna around the middle of May 1946. This project will be allowed to hold this Russian officer at its disposal until such time that his detentich will not be necessary any more.

4. Long-range aims: (Reference JJ-1 memo 12 March 1946). Will be developed in due time along the lines set down in the memo.

J. PERSONALITIES

Vetting of possible agents will be forwarded before recruiting of same.

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COMMENT:

From time to time a number of emigration rackets connected distantly or closely with the SYMPHONY Project will be the subjects of reports. These specific reports, although not exactly connected with X-2 material, will still be of importance, as they will complete the picture of Jewish clandestine emigration into Vienna from the Balkan countries. At least they will show that there is no such thing as one single "Jewish Underground" emigration movement, but a stream of emigration, the largest being taken by the Jewish Agency (or JOINT) emigration and under, or next to that, a number of smaller emigration rackets, all the more dangerous because in order to exist, they are making deals with the Secret Police organizations of the countries of origin, and do not only smuggle out Jews, but also Gentiles who have many other reasons for leaving their country.

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1. On 26 March 1946, the Jewish engineer Gabor SALZER was arrested by the Political Section of the Hungarian State Police for having run an organization which smuggled Nazis out of Budapest into Vienna. The organization was discovered in the following way:

2. In March 1945 Josef DARBAS, Imre JEREBEZ, Josef KATMARY (ex-actor in Budapest) and Sandor HAYDN (ex-musician) addressed themselves to a Jewish Office employee Emil UNGER asking whether it was possible to emigrate to Palestine posing as Jews. These four men were all Hungarian Nazis, and the latter two, KATMARY and HAYDN, are employed by the Information Branch of the Hungarian Red Cross, as they were not officially known as Nazis. UNGER told them that they would have to be Jews and that conversions were very difficult at the Jewish Community in Budapest but that this could be arranged by paying a large sum of money. They were willing to supply the sum in American dollars and approached a female employee of the Jewish Community, Mrs. Gyula GROSS, who was willing to arrange their conversion.

3. On 11 March 1946, the four Nazis entered the Jewish hospital in Budapest and were circumcised by a Jewish doctor who was paid a large sum in American dollars. The deal was discovered when other patients recognized the men.

4. Gabor SALZER, for whom UNGER and GROSS worked, was arrested as the ring-leader of this business. He had an arrangement with the NKVD whereby he provided Nazis with false identity papers and legitimation cards, and then smuggled them over to Vienna, where he himself was last seen three weeks ago. At the same time SALZER was an informant for the Political Section of the Hungarian State police, regarding the Jewish Agency underground movement. Apparently SALZER had been running a smooth working organization, whereby the NKVD provided SALZER's customer's with false papers, SALZER had his customers circumcised, and accompanied them, or had them accompanied to Vienna. From there they were helped further either by the Hungarian Red Cross or through other Jewish smugglers.

Salzer now dead. see LUX-218.

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Vienna	18 Apr 46	- 18 Apr 46	DD 110

SUBJECT; GENERAL: Project SYMPHONY
 SPECIFIC: Death of SALZER

SOURCE: CONDUCTOR

REFERENCE: LVX 216, LVX 217

COMMENT:

SALZER worked for the Jewish Emigration Agency and, to earn extra money on the side, informed the NKVD and the Political Section of the Hungarian State Police on the Jewish Emigration activities. On 26 March SALZER was arrested by the Hungarian State Police for assisting Nazis to escape from Hungary. To protect their security, neither the NKVD nor the Political Section intervened to save him, and he was beaten to death in the Hungarian State Police jail, after revealing the names of the men in the Jewish Agency. To continue controlling the Jewish Emigration Agency, the NKVD then took over the border control on the frontier between Austria and Hungary, where they now interrogate all men crossing the frontier.

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1. Gabor SALZER "died in the hospital from a heart stroke" last week. (Official police communique.) Actually he was beaten to death.

2. In order to be well considered by the Hungarian State Police and by the Russians, SALZER betrayed the names of all the Jewish Agency men in Budapest and in Vienna. He knew them from having had dealings with them. The main Jewish Agency man, known under the operational name of "YONAH" is now in jail. CONDUCTOR is confident that he will be able to get him out this week and bring him safely to Vienna, 7.

3. "YONAH", as all CONDUCTOR's other men in Budapest, is a Jewish Agency agent who was dropped by parachute by the British in Yugoslavia during the war, in a combined Jewish Agency - British Intelligence operation.

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Vienna : 18 Apr 46 : -18 Apr 46 : DD 110

SUBJECT; GENERAL: Project SYMPHONY : STATUS:
: Pending
SPECIFIC: Jewish Emigration run by Alfred :
SCHWARTZ :

SOURCE: CONDUCTOR

REFERENCE: LSX 216, 217, 218

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1. This Hungarian Jew, about 44 years old, was a former concentration camp inmate in Germany. After the entry of the Allies, he went to Budapest. He was sent back to Vienna by the DEGOB (Deported Jews Organization in Hungary) JOINT sponsored and aided, whose head in Budapest is a Dr. NATHAN. In Vienna SCHWARTZ founded a "Jewish Repatriation Committee for Hungarian Deported Slave Workers and Concentration Camp Inmates". He was helped by the authorities. Later, when the Allies arrived, he was given food by UNRRA and a DP Camp at Strudelhofgasse 10, Vienna, supervised by the DP section, VAC. (Note: This is not the SCHWARZ @ SCHOLTZ implicated in the MESSNER Case.)

2. He has a small staff, the main collaborator being a certain Magda NEUFELD. All Jews wishing to be repatriated to Hungary stopped at the Strudelhofgasse, Vienna, and from there on were sent back to Hungary. Movement was about twenty or thirty per day. SCHWARTZ had a number of cars which shuttled back and forth between Budapest and Vienna, bringing in various people and taking out Jews and non-Jews. He is in extremely well with Mr. TOTH, Secretary of the Hungarian Consulate (a confirmed Communist and a suspected agent).

3. As the flow of "Hungarian Jewish repatriates" began to decline and soon practically stopped entirely, SCHWARTZ began looking for another scheme for remaining in Austria. He seems to have found it in proposing unofficially to the Hungarian Government to be put in charge of an office to recuperate Hungarian Jewish property situated in Allied occupied Zones of Austria and Hungary. This project which was first looked upon with favor by the Hungarian Government, later was practically deprived of even unofficial support by the Hungarians.

4. As the flow of Jewish repatriates stopped altogether in the SCHWARTZ DP Camp at the Strudelhofgasse, the place became a meeting-place for Jews and (principally) non-Jews recently come from Budapest, where they were sure to receive a hot meal, meet their contacts, and run their smuggling and Black Market deals. In the meantime SCHWARTZ's cars continued to shuttle back and forth between Vienna and Budapest still under the official cover of the DP section, VAC.

5. As SCHWARTZ's Jewish repatriation deal dried up, the Strudelhofgasse camp, Vienna, was taken over entirely by the DP section, VAC, and SCHWARTZ was assigned a few rooms in the Collegium Hungaricum, at Museungasse 5, Vienna VII, by the un-official Hungarian Consulate, through his contact TOTH. This Collegium Hungaricum also houses the offices of the Hungarian Red Cross in Vienna. Any direct contact between SCHWARTZ and this Red Cross has not been ascertained.

6. It is to be noted here that the Vienna office of the Hungarian Red Cross, headed by Bela MADAY counts, on its staff, a number of former Arrow Cross men, and have been variously suspected of intelligence activities and the smuggling of Nazis into the Allied Zones.

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REPORT MADE AT:	DATE:	PERIOD COVERED:
Vienna	3 May 46	- 21 Apr 46

SUBJECT: General:	New York Post advertisement	STATUS:
	re JEWISH Underground	Pending
Specific:	Project SYMPHONY	

SOURCE: Stars & Stripes, 22 April 1946

REFERENCE: LVX 216

BRIEF REPORT:

"NEW YORK, April 21 (AP)--The 'underground railway' for movement of Jews from Europe to Palestine 'is largely intact' and has been 'strengthened by additional guides from Palestine resistance forces', said a full page advertisement appearing in the New York Post.

The advertisement was signed by Will Rogers Jr., son of the noted American humorist, and authors Ben Hecht and Louis Bromfield.

Appealing for funds to 'help these abandoned people reach the only home that waits for them,' the advertisement declared:

'Last fortnight three ships landed with 2,000 Hebrews in Palestine.'

Jews reaching Palestine now, it said, are using the same machinery which 'in 1937-40 evacuated 40,000 Hebrews from Europe to Palestine under the noses of the Gestapo and behind the backs of the British.'

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Declaring the average cost of moving a Hebrew from Europe to Palestine is \$250, the advertisement said, 'Words won't carry Hebrews to Palestine. Give us money, it will get the ships'.

The advertisement was paid for by the American League for Free Palestine, Inc."

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REPORT MADE AT: : DATE: : PERIOD COVERED: : MADE BY:
Vienna : 20 June 46 : February 44 - June 46 : DD 110

SUBJECT, GENERAL: Project SYMPHONY
SPECIFIC: Stefan VADASAN, Joint Agency, Budapest

SOURCE: LILAC

SUB-SOURCE: Subject

REFERENCE: LSX 182, LVX 207, LVX 216, LSX 257, LSX 341

COMMENT: Reference is made to LSX 257, para 5. The name mentioned was VARADAS, but the name in this report is the correct one. The following report contains extracts of a conversation between LILAC and Subject on the matter of his activities for the Joint people in Budapest during the war.

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1. Stefan VADASAN was a driver for Rudolf SCHWARZ from 18 February 1944 until the middle of May 1944. SCHWARZ had then a small Lancia with a Viennese number plate. Subject drove for SCHWARZ for four weeks. After that SCHWARZ travelled to Vienna and left him as driver for Bandi GROSS and Laszlo SZANTHO, as they were friends of his employer. During these three weeks Subject drove them to restaurants and bars and in the evenings to the house of BRANDT. In this manner Subject made the acquaintance of the Joel BRANDT household and also with Dr. KASTNER and Ing. BYESZ.

2. After the arrest of SCHWARZ, Subject kept the car. After a few days Bandi GROSS came with an employee of the Gestapo, took the key from him and instructed him to report by telephone every other day and to ask whether there were any repairs to be made. During one of his visits at the headquarters of the Gestapo at Schwabenberg, Subject saw KASTNER and Mrs. BRANDT who frequented the headquarters regularly. He was given the car once to make a trip to Siofok to get food for a certain GENTZ (the successor to GEFROENER), and when he returned to Budapest, his car was finally taken away by the Gestapo and driven to Vienna. After that SZANTHO came to him and proposed that he work for the Joint. From the end of June until the entry of the Russians into Budapest, Subject worked for the Joint.

3. After BRANDT left for Turkey, KASTNER played the main role in the Joint. At that time the Jews began to be deported and concentrated in houses marked with the Star of David. KASTNER avoided as much contact as possible with the other Jews, received a Studebaker with a Berlin number plate and a German chauffeur. With this car he travelled very often to Bregenz and to Germany in the company of a German Major of the Sonderstab BECKER. In the meantime KASTNER established the camp at the Columbus utca which was guarded by SS troops and which was destined to house those Jews who were to be transported to Switzerland. Subject emphasizes that only those Jews who had contributed enormous sums for their emigration were taken into this camp. Entrance to the camp was only permitted with a permit signed by KASTNER or Mrs. BRANDT. The first transport arrived in Montreux, Switzerland, but the relatives of Mrs. BRANDT were kept behind in Bergen-Belsen. The second transport, which also contained the family of KASTNER, was kept back in Bergen-Belsen also. Telegrams poured in from Switzerland explaining that the money had already been paid for the transport and asking for reasons why the transport had not been sent away. KASTNER came back from Germany and explained that the Germans wanted more money before releasing it. KASTNER disappeared again to Germany and then went to Switzerland to explain the situation.

4. The other people involved (OFFENEACH, Mrs. BRANDT, BYESZ and SZANTHO) said that KASTNER was quite a big operator and that he certainly was not paying those enormous sums to the Germans but had a bank account in Switzerland with the German Major as a partner. Relations between KASTNER and BYESZ became worse and finally KASTNER left Budapest and did not bother with the transport business any more. The people who stayed at the camp

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of the Columbus utca, and who constituted the third transport after having paid enormous sums, were left to themselves. The SS guard was taken away, and as KASTNER was not there any more, the Arrow Cross people deported all the camp inmates. Subject heard then that KASTNER had paid the Germans either three or thirteen million Swiss francs and that the entire transaction had been arranged by SALY MAYER in St. Gall.

5. The only person left in Budapest was BYESZ, who exchanged false dollars and pound sterlings for the members of the Sonderstab BECKER. BYESZ, who was a poor devil before, bought himself a Buick from the Germans for 20,000 Swiss francs four weeks later.

6. After the entry of the Russians in Budapest Subject left for Bucharest and met BYESZ and SZANTHO there. From them he heard that they wanted to leave for Switzerland where they had a large amount of money deposited in various banks.

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SUBJECT, GENERAL: Project SYMPHONY		STATUS: Pending	
SPECIFIC: Dr. KASTNER and Mosche OFFENBACH			
SOURCE: CONDUCTOR			
REFERENCE: LSX 182, LVX 207, LVX 216, LSX 230, LSX 257, LSX 340			

BRIEF REPORT:

1. According to Source's informants from Budapest, the Political Police has approached the US and British military authorities for their help in apprehending KASTNER, thru the Hungarian Government. It appears that these authorities have officially approved this demand. The only handicap is that KASTNER is now in Switzerland and is being interrogated by Jewish Agency men who will determine the amount of his culpability.
2. OFFENBACH (See LSX 257, paras 2 ff.) is now in the wanted list of the Hungarian Political Police. At the moment he is in Switzerland where he has placed his wife and children in safety. It is his intention to emigrate to Palestine where he has a large amount of land and where he was from 1921 to 1924. Doubtless he was aware of the impending danger and may have liquidated financial interests (which were very large) in Budapest.

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Vienna : 20 June 46: - 20 June 46 : DD 110

SUBJECT, GENERAL: Project SYMPHONY

SPECIFIC: Miscellaneous items related to Project SYMPHONY

SOURCE: CONDUCTOR, LILAC

REFERENCE: LVX 216

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1. Mr. RUFFER, the Roving Representative for the Jewish Agency in Europe, is leaving shortly for Palestine. During his two months' absence he will be replaced by Reuben SZALNACKI, who is the Chief of the Intelligence Department in which KOLEK and SCHECHTER worked, RUFFER being the latter's Deputy.

2. The disappearance of the Grand Mufti has not caused much astonishment in Jewish Agency circles. According to RUFFER who communicated with CONDUCTOR, the Grand Mufti has been taken in a French plane to the Near East and is now in Syria.

3. Illegal crossings of Hungarian Jews at the Szombathely-Rechnitz frontier have been complicated lately by the arrival of new Russian border troops. Those troops who have not yet been "worked upon" by CONDUCTOR's men at the frontier, have no qualms about robbing the refugees of whatever valuable they have in their possession or whatever they can steal from them.

4. Passing of refugees through Hegyeshalom and Orosvar has also been complicated lately, by a few shooting incidents which occur with regularity almost every two or three days. At the time, a car generally races over the frontier while the occupants shoot at the Russian border troops and at the Austrian police. They have now killed several members of both organizations.

5. A number of units have recently left their offices in the Hotel Imperial. The entire two upper floors in the Hotel Imperial are now absolutely bare of both furniture and the Russian Intelligence personnel who formerly occupied them. This information, received from LILAC who verified it, seems to authenticate Reuben DONSKOY's declaration that his unit was moving out to go back to Russia.

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SUBJECT, GENERAL: Project SYMPHONY	:	STATUS:
SPECIFIC: <u>MANDEL</u> Laszlo	:	Pending

REFERENCE: LVX 216, LSX 314

BRIEF REPORT: Zeiff MANDL.

1. The brother (?) of Subject was arrested on 5 June by CONDUCTOR's men in the Rothschild Hospital, guarded for 24 hours, in a cellar of the building, and then shipped to Munich "to be taken care of".
2. Subject, who is now in the custody of the Austrian Police of the XVIII Bezirk in Vienna, was visited by two of his Hungarian accomplices who claimed him and on orders from the Provost Marshal, VAC (briefed by SCI/A Vienna), were promptly locked up. If an interrogation is deemed necessary, its results will be forwarded soonest.

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OFFICE OF ORIGIN: Salzburg, Austria
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Field Hq. File No. LSX 345

REPORT MADE AT: : DATE: : PERIOD COVERED: : MADE BY:
Vienna : 20 June 46 : - 20 June 46 : DD 110

SUBJECT, GENERAL: Project SYMPHONY
SPECIFIC: Joint and ACC, Budapest

SOURCE: SI and X-2

REFERENCE: LVX 216, LVX 219, LVX 229, LSX 279, LSX 248

COMMENT: Following is the result of a discussion between the Chief of the Hungarian Section, SI, Austria, and DD 110 concerning the AJDC in Budapest.

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1. The office of the Joint (AJDC) in Budapest is staffed only by Hungarian Jews, as the Russian authorities do not allow any US citizens to establish themselves in Budapest, for emigration purposes. The Russians are of the opinion that any US sponsored relief organization is necessarily working for the US Intelligence Services. The same thing is thought of UNRRA and the various Red Cross organizations, more specifically the International Red Cross. The US delegates of the Joint in Vienna have been applying for clearance for months and have not been permitted to enter Hungary by the Russians and most probably never will.

2. The Joint intends to spend about five million dollars in relief, rehabilitation and emigration costs for the Hungarian Jews during the entire year of 1946. This money is transferred to the Hungarian National Bank in US currency and then converted into pengoe (or eventually into the new money, Elorians, when this currency will be issued soon) (See LSX 229, para 6 j). The dollars are converted into pengoe, not at the regular (or black market) rate of exchange but at the official rate which is 40%. In other words, the Hungarian Jews receive the counter value of only 2 million dollars for 5 million dollars worth.

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3. It is now confirmed that the treasures belonging to Jews and which are stored in Hallein, Austria and in Salzburg (See LSX 279), was claimed by the Jewish Agency, in the Person of RUFFER, but instead of placing it under the Jewish agency, Prime Minister RAKOSI has nominated a committee of seven Hungarian Jews, the President of which is a government official, to claim this property as Hungarian and to administer or liquidate it for the benefit of the rehabilitation and the emigration of Hungarian Jews whenever the US Government in Austria will allow this property to leave their custody.

4. Since there is no American supervision of the Budapest Joint office, this is run like a racket by those who appointed themselves as Joint delegates with the powerless consent of the Austrian Joint. Supplies which pour in by the tens of tons are only distributed to those who find favor with the Budapest people, relief is handed out in the same manner and preference is given to the friends of the Hungarian Joint people. The Passover which was the occasion of an ill-directed distribution of religious food ended up in riots by the Hungarian Jews against the Joint when it was found that the Mazzoth which should have been distributed weeks ago were gatherin mildew in the store-rooms of the Joint. The attitude of the Joint people is resented both by the Hungarian Jews, the Hungarian Government and the ACC, US Element who watch with horror the representatives of a US organization which is known now as a bigger racket than the UNRRA has ever been rumored to be.

5. The ACC US Element has taken a completely biased attitude towards Jewish emigration. They are influenced by the completely wrong connections they have made among Hungarian circles and now are cooperating actively with the Russians in their program to stop any emigration towards the US Zone of Austria (see LSX 248). An example of connections made by US authorities in

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Budapest is that of General Key, the Commanding General of ACC Hungary, US Element, with Cardinal MINDSZENTI, who is known to be a Fascist and an anti-Semite. (See SI reports). General Key has even received \$5000 in US currency from Hungarian Catholic priests in America to hand over to Cardinal MINDSZENTI for his support but this has been forbidden by the Inspector General.

6. Alfred SCHWARTZ (See LVS 219) who has been arrested by the Hungarian Political Police, has been turned over by this body to the Russian Intelligence Services in Budapest. He is now accused of being an intelligence officer for the Western Allies and his further fate may be either his strong-arm interrogation by the Russians who want to find out what connections he has with US or British Intelligence or his demise from the hands of the Russians. A further report will be issued on him when further details are available.

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TO: Saint, Washington
 FROM: Saint, Austria DD 115
 SUBJECT: Arthur PIER

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1. Reference is made to X-7041, 1 August 1946, subject as above.
2. Copy of JZX 8004 (instead of JZX 8804) is on file in this office. However, copy of LOND XX-12233 cannot be located.
3. No LVX 283 Report was ever made or distributed. The LVX 283 referred to in JZX 8004 was an LVX Memo # 283, therefore, no copy was sent you.
4. The following explanation of the categories of LSX and LVX Reports and Memos employed by Salzburg and Vienna, respectively, is submitted for your information.
 - a. Until 10 May 1946, there were two numbered series for Salzburg's Reports and Memos and two numbered series for Vienna's Reports and Memos.

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 - b. As of 10 May 1946, there are three numbered series for Salzburg and one numbered series for Vienna. (See LSXA 1)

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Vienna	20 November 1946	June 1946	DDL10

SUBJECT: Specific - Cadet Benjamin SCHUR, @ Johann HASS *W.C.H.*
 General - Project SYMPHONY

SOURCE: CONDUCTOR STATUS
 Pending

EVALUATION: Factual

REFERENCE: LVX-207, -221, -226, LSX-315

COMMENT: These four reports have been held pending a final episode in the case. Since we have no knowledge of Subject's return from Russia and Poland, and since contact with CONDUCTOR has been temporarily suspended, these reports are forwarded as a matter of record.

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Report No. 1, dated 10 June 1946

1. Subject first attracted the attention of DD110 and CONDUCTOR during a religious Passover service in Vienna, attended by officers and soldiers of the Jewish faith of the four Allied Armies. A Russian (Jewish) major made a violently Russian speech, and Subject approached a number of known American Jews and began vilifying the Russian Army, sang Zionist songs, danced the Hora (Palestinian national dance), and spoke fluently in Hebrew. Although it was the first time he had appeared in Vienna, Subject declared openly that all good Jews in the Russian army wanted to quit and that he intended to do so, the sooner the better. He claimed to be stationed in Eisenstadt (50 km from Vienna), and wanted to know where he could meet some really good Jews and "old friends from Zionist movements." The blond Aryan appearance of Subject, however, did not give him a convincing Jewish aspect.

2. Discreet observation of Subject's movements soon proved that he was seeking the acquaintance of Americans and British, frequenting officers' and enlisted men's clubs, and especially seeking the company of young ladies. Once, when asked how he could come every day to Vienna although he was stationed in Eisenstadt, he replied, "that was a secret and he was not going to tell anyone outside his own service."

3. A few weeks ago, he approached the U.S. (Jewish) Chaplain LIFSCHUTZ, seeking aid because he had contracted venereal disease from an American girl, and explained that "he was supposed to go out as much as possible with American girls." The chaplain helped him, and Subject from then on frequented the Jewish soldiers' clubs and Jewish DP camps, and apparently spent entire days in Vienna. Surveillance revealed that Subject had an apartment in the U.S. Zone of Austria, a fact which he kept carefully hidden. The questions he asked soon aroused the suspicion that he was on an intelligence mission in Vienna directed against the Jewish emigration problem and against the Allies. Inquiries by CONDUCTOR in Kovno, home town of Subject, revealed that until five years ago, when Subject disappeared to join the Russian Army, he had been a good Jew and a Zionist.

4. Last week CONDUCTOR intercepted a letter from Subject's brother (now an important member of the "organization" (BRICHA) in Lodz, Poland), to be transmitted to Subject through a Sheliach. The letter showed the strong attachment between the brothers, who had not seen each other for more than five years. Instead of sending the Sheliach back to Lodz, CONDUCTOR, after conferring with DD110, decided to use the man to shadow Subject, in order to discover the Russian's intentions and Subject's true status.

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5. The Sheliach "accidentally" met Subject in the Jewish soldiers' club in Vienna, and inquired whether the latter knew a certain Benjamin SCHUR from Kovno, whose brother had sent a letter to be delivered to SCHUR in Vienna. Subject, overjoyed, took the letter, and soon he "opened up" completely to the Sheliach who had been thoroughly briefed by CONDUCTOR. The latter also had taken the additional precaution of having the first Sheliach shadowed by a second, and all interviews between Subject and the first investigator were observed, in order to avoid a breach of security.

6. During this first interview, Subject took the Sheliach to an apartment in the Hotel Pucher (133 Liechtensteinstrasse, Vienna IX), a third-rate place which caters to clandestine rendezvous. Under the influence of liquor, which was abundantly provided by the Sheliach, Subject revealed that he was an officer in the service of the Contra-Svietka (Counter-intelligence) in a Smersch unit located in Eisenstadt, and he produced his NKVD identity card to prove it. He also asserted that his mission was directed against the British, and hinted that his objectives were of the highest importance. Soon his attitude changed, however, and he asked the Sheliach whether the latter knew of any persons of the "organization" here in Vienna to whom Subject could give a letter for his brother, thus expressing a sincere attachment for his brother. Subject's further questions were concerned with members, missions, and procedures of the "organization" in Vienna and in Lodz. Subject then revealed that he was in great difficulty, having had some trouble with his commanding officer for overstaying his residence permit in Vienna, and that surely he would be court-martialled. Discreet but insistent questions about Subject's life in the Russian Army revealed that he had been thrice wounded and thrice court-martialled in the field, "once even getting a death sentence." He did not explain how he managed to survive the court's decision.

7. The next interview took place in the Jewish DP camp in the Alserbachstrasse, a camp which houses trained members of the Zionist Youth organization who are awaiting their emigration to Palestine. Subject was in uniform. The Sheliach told about his own adventures as an NCO in the Russian Army, which seemed to interest Subject very much. Subject then began telling of his "work" for the Russians in Austria, and affirmed that in the course of it he had killed a great number of people in Vienna. He further revealed that he was in rather dire financial conditions, having had to leave his gold watch as a guarantee of payment for the clothes he had ordered from a Viennese tailor. But he stated that "soon he would be back in the chips again since he was about to receive one hundred thousand schillings." He further affirmed that his troubles with his colonel were not yet settled, and

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that he was leaving for Eisenstadt for a few days to straighten out the situation. When questioned by the Sheliach, Subject answered that he wanted very much to leave the Russian Army, but that he could do this only by being demobilized and sent back to Kovno; from there he would have to make his own way back to Vienna and to Palestine. He stated that any unauthorized leave of more than three hours from his "work" would be followed by his arrest (wherever he might be, even in the U. S. Zone) and a death sentence, immediately fulfilled.

8. During Subject's absence, the Sheliach will be briefed on further investigation. Inquiries will have to reveal Subject's chiefs, his unit, its mission and the objectives of Subject's assignment. Should the investigation reveal that Subject has been working actively against the "organization," then CONDUCTOR will call Subject's brother in Lodz, whom he knows as one of his most trusted delegates in Poland, and decide Subject's fate with the brother. CONDUCTOR has enough faith in his Polish "lieutenant's" loyalty to the movement to be sure that the latter will put aside his brotherly love and act only "as a convinced Zionist zealot should." But first Subject was going to be given enough rope to hang himself.

9. Investigations at the Hotel Pucher by a staff member of this office revealed the following: Subject lives there occasionally under the name of Johann HASS, from Hasendorf, Oberoesterreich (Russian Zone), and claims to be a musician. The proprietress of the hotel frequently told him to leave and not to return. The hotel, which is a meeting place for clandestine love affairs, is frequented by a number of adventurous American and British soldiers, and Subject constantly bothered them with questions and invitations to drink. Subject also brought Russian soldiers and officers to the hotel, which displeased the owner, since it annoyed her customers. Once Subject was observed entering the room of an American and was severely reprimanded by the owner. The owner also said that Subject had not been living in the hotel for the past week. (Note: The only explanation for the appointment mentioned in para 6 above is in the supposition that other Russians are living in the hotel under civilian cover and that Subject, who only goes to the hotel in civilian clothes, may have used the room of one of his colleagues. It may also be surmised that since Subject is very often seen in town in uniform, he may have another place where he keeps his uniform and military equipment.)

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10. Three days ago CONDUCTOR's Sheliach met Subject in a cafe in Vienna I (International Zone). Subject was in civilian clothes. He told the Sheliach that he was about to go back to his unit to straighten out his difficulties with his chief, and that he might be assigned to a unit outside of Vienna, or in Vienna. His job might also be less important than the one he had held until now. (Note: This can only be explained by the fact that Subject realized that he had been talking too much and wanted to "play down" the importance of his mission.) An appointment was made for sometime within a few days when Subject, on his return from Eisenstadt, would meet the Sheliach.

11. In the meantime Subject was seen in the DP camp of the Rothschild Hospital in the company of the girls mentioned in LVX-221. He was thrown out summarily by Mr. TEICHHOLZ, the manager of the DP camp. (See LVX-226, para. 6 and LSX-315, para. 1) Sunday night Subject was seen in the same DP camp in the same company. This camp is actually the headquarters of CONDUCTOR's organization and is at No. 2 Frankgasse. CONDUCTOR was absent. The occasion was the wedding of CONDUCTOR's new right-hand man, Moshe HAUPI, of the Budapest sub-agency. Subject was observed trying to make the acquaintance of some American JOINT employees and a few Jewish members of the British Forces.

12. On 12 June 1946, Subject was observed approaching a U.S. civilian who works in the Allianz Building (which houses G-2, USFA) and he departed, quite friendly, with the civilian. He later approached the Jewish chaplain, and then Mr. SILVER, the chief of the JOINT in Austria, with the request that they sell him an American uniform. He explained to the chaplain that if he did not manage to obtain the uniform by that night, he would be in great difficulty with his chief. Mr. SILVER and the chaplain refused, of course, but later in the evening Subject was seen meeting the same U.S. civilian, and it is surmised that the civilian may have procured the uniform.

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13. Investigations by members of this unit resulted in the information that in the last three or four months, Subject had been contacting a number of strategically-placed male and female members of the Armed Forces in Vienna; among others, American-born secretaries of UNRRA, the Public Welfare Section of VAC, and the DP Section of USFA, the I & E Section of USFA, and some minor personnel in G-2. Interrogation of all of these people

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showed that Subject had been pretty cautious in hiding his mission and his work, but at the same time displayed a surprising knowledge of the locations, personnel and composition of U.S. and British units in Vienna.

Well what was his name? E.H.W. 4 Jan 47

14. The American civilian, from whom Subject has requested American uniforms, was finally located. He was an investigator of the JE OB Section, USFA. A conference between the chief of the Section, Major Cavanaugh, and DD110 resulted in closer cooperation between the two sections on these matters. The two American investigators who have been working on Subject for quite a time, in order to extract JE OB from him, will, from now on, receive their directives from DD110. The plan is to sell Subject some marked cloth and expose him once and for all.

15. A hurried call from CONDUCTOR today disclosed the following information: This morning CONDUCTOR received a phone call from Subject, who asked him urgently to come to the Cafe Rita on the corner of the Mariahilferstrasse and Neubaugasse, Vienna VII (French Zone). There Subject, who was dressed in civilian clothes, told CONDUCTOR the following story:

16. Subject gave CONDUCTOR his full identity and disclosed that he was a Russian counter-intelligence officer charged with work against the British. He said that his chiefs were very much dissatisfied with the information that he brought in, and that he was just about due to be court-martialed because of some AWOL cases. Subject further related that on the previous Friday (when he was to have met the American investigator of Major Cavanaugh), he was called to the headquarters of his organization in Wiener Neustadt, where he reported to a captain, his new chief, who, abruptly and without warning, said the following: "You were seen last Sunday at No. 2 Frankgasse, Vienna IX. Do you know what this place is and who is in charge of it?" Subject replied that although he had not reported this visit, he had no reason to hide it, since this was a Jewish DP camp and he attended a Jewish wedding there. (see para. 11 above) His chief then replied: "This is the headquarters of the American Jewish Intelligence Service led by one Arthur Pier. We know all about him, about his organization, his agents, his contacts and the American civilians for whom he is working." The Russian captain then showed Subject a complete dossier on CONDUCTOR, but was careful to hide the name of the informant in every report. The captain then asked Subject whether he ever went to a meeting place at No. 25 Schottenring, Vienna IX, and whether Subject knew what kind of a place this was. Subject replied that it was a Jewish soldiers' club for all four nations, and that many Russians came there. His chief retorted: "CONDUCTOR comes there to contact his agents and to recruit new ones among members of other armies. He drives an Opel Imperial and has also a big blue Lincoln." *No doubt. With our aid probably.*

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17. Subject told CONDUCTOR that he had said he knew "Arthur" as a Jewish member of the International Refugees Committee for Concentration Camp Inmates, had talked casually with him and never knew his last name. The Captain, after a lengthy interview along the same lines as reported above, then told Subject that the latter was about to be transferred back to Russia. He gave Subject a Russian travel order, which Subject showed to CONDUCTOR. On the back of the order were some handwritten lines, which Subject explained to be a declaration that Subject had handed in his NKVD card to his unit. He also received a sealed envelope with a special sealing wax, to be handed to the NKVD commandant in Baden (hq. of Marshal KONEV), which, Subject explained, was simply an order to have him sent back to Russia, since he was of no further value to his service and much too dangerous to be kept around Vienna because of his numerous contacts among Polish and American civilians and military personnel. Subject also told CONDUCTOR of the incident of the Sheliach who was sent by his brother in Lodz, and who had contacted Subject in Vienna. He also told CONDUCTOR that if he had known who CONDUCTOR really was, he would have come to see him a long time ago. It was only recently, however, that Subject heard from three former school-mates in Riga, whom he accidentally met in the street, that CONDUCTOR was a special Sheliach from the Zionist organization Gordonia (which is true). Since Subject and his brother had previously worked in Riga and Land for the same organization, Subject quite naturally was glad to be able to talk to a co-member of the same para-military Zionist organization. CONDUCTOR was very careful to avoid asking any questions which might show either his interest or his intentions.

18. Subject was then asked what was the reason for these confessions and the present interview. He explained that although he had not been active in the Jewish organization for the last five years during which he was in the Russian Army, his greatest wish was to go to Palestine and leave Russia forever. He could do so immediately if he wanted to, but he was afraid that his brother, who is a Zionist leader in Lodz, and his father, who is now in Dvinsk, near Riga, would be immediately arrested if he deserted. He asked CONDUCTOR whether he would transmit a letter to Subject's brother and whether it was possible to transport his father from Dvinsk to Lodz. The plan which Subject had made was to follow his travel orders, continue to Lodz and to Dvinsk, ask for his demobilization from the Russian Army, and then disappear through emigration channels with his brother and father. He asked for the collaboration of CONDUCTOR in this plan.

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19. CONDUCTOR was non-committal during the entire interview and said that he had to contact a number of people before giving a definite reply. Although Subject had said that he was to leave Vienna and report directly to Baden, he asserted that he would call CONDUCTOR the next day from Baden and fix a time for another interview.

20. The biggest problem facing CONDUCTOR now is to ascertain whether the story told by Subject is true. If it is true that Subject's chief (whom Subject calls Captain MELNIKOFF) receives reports about the camp at No. 2 Frankgasse, then there is an informant among CONDUCTOR's most trusted collaborators. This idea is borne out by the fact learned today by DD110 that Subject told his friend, Judith LOEFFLER (see LVX-221) that his chiefs know all about CONDUCTOR's organization through an informant located in the Frankgasse. Another possibility is that Subject, under constant pressure from his chiefs, who expected better results from his intelligence missions, disclosed a certain amount of information, and now that his chiefs are not satisfied, Subject wants to desert through the BRICHA underground and wants to be in good standing with its Austrian chief.

21. CONDUCTOR intends to make a thorough but discreet investigation of all his personnel and will eventually discharge and send away about fifteen male and female members who will be replaced by newcomers who might be easily watched.

Report No. 4, dated 21 June 1946

22. CONDUCTOR has had three more interviews with Subject this week, all taking place in the previously-mentioned Cafe Rita in the French Zone of Vienna.

23. Subject stated that he had reported to the colonel in charge of the personnel section (Odjel Kedra) of his unit, and that he had handed the colonel the travel order. Although this order mentioned that Subject also carried a secret, sealed letter, the colonel did not ask for the letter, and Subject retained it. He later opened it and found that it confirmed his suspicions; the letter said that Subject was dangerous, that he knew too much, that he had not accomplished his special missions to the satisfaction of his chiefs, and that he should be sent back to Russia as soon as possible. In any case, Subject was to be shipped back to Russia within a certain number of days with a convoy of officers, and in the meantime he was free to do as he liked.

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24. Subject wanted very much to go to Lodz to see his brother and take his father from Dvinsk and then flee with both of them to Palestine through BRICHA channels. In a non-committal way, CONDUCTOR promised to help him.

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25. During the first interview, Subject told CONDUCTOR that a certain MAX (lma) had been arrested in Dresden and brought to the Smersch unit in Eisenstadt for questioning. This MAX, a German Jew, had left Germany for Poland; then when the Germans occupied Poland he had gone to Russia, where he became a soldier in the Soviet forces. He later became an interpreter for a Smersch unit in Eisenstadt and frequently came to Vienna, where he had a number of friends among the BRICHA boys. He was a close friend of Mark BRESLAUER, the Palestinian-British sergeant of Signals, who works in the cipher department of Hq. BTA, and who is the best contact CONDUCTOR has in Hq. BTA. One day MAX left the army and emigrated to Munich through BRICHA channels. He must have gone to Dresden to visit his parents, and someone must have recognized him and arrested him. Now, in Eisenstadt, he is grilled by the Smersch people about Jewish emigration and is most probably talking quite freely, since he knows practically everybody. *Why would Russians be interested in that manner?*

end
26. CONDUCTOR immediately asked Subject to find out what MAX is talking about and what his disposition will be. Subject declared that Captain KOSLOFF, of the Smersch in Baden, is in charge of Jewish emigration matters and that by getting the latter drunk, Subject would be able to encourage him to talk. CONDUCTOR gave Subject a few bottles of Barack Palinka (Hungarian brandy) and a few kilos of meat for the purpose.

27. CONDUCTOR has decided to help Subject get back to his brother in Lodz. He therefore has prepared false repatriation papers and a Czech visa and will give these to Subject when he comes back with a complete report on what MAX talked about, as related by Captain KOSLOFF. CONDUCTOR is now satisfied that Subject practically told the truth about his contacts with the BRICHA. He knows that the previously-mentioned British Palestinian sergeant brought Subject to the wedding of Moshe HAUPT. CONDUCTOR also checked with a number of Gordonia boys from Riga who knew Subject previously. He can thus only assume that Subject's story about a Russian informant betraying the workings of the camp in the Frankgasse is probably true. He is making a discreet check of the comings and goings of his personnel and already suspects a certain number of men. Eva WEISS, Judith LOEFFLER and others who have been too inquisitive about things which do not concern them will be transported to the DP camp in Bad Gastein, and will not be allowed to return to Vienna.

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Vienna	18 Oct 46	Sept 1946	DD 113

SUBJECT: SPECIFIC:	Progress Report	STATUS:
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SOURCE: DD 603

REFERENCE: LVX 225

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1. On 27 September 1946, DD 603 submitted the following report to BILEK:
- a. Direction signs of Klagenfurt's Military Installation (British zone).
 - b. Heavy RAF traffic was noticed on the Villacherstrasse towards Villach between 21-24 September. At times the traffic was so heavy that all civilian traffic stopped. The cars and trucks were loaded with material and supplies, even damaged airplanes were seen.
 - c. The oft-mentioned British reinforcement is still a rumor, but there are preparations indicating more troops are expected, presumably from Italy. The number expected is quoted anywhere between 200,000 and 500,000. The British are building huge barracks in great haste in the area Anabichl-Tessendorf. All the workers are impressed by the size of the barracks.
 - d. Several Military telephone numbers in Klagenfurt. The British telephone directory is secret, but there is a chance of getting that later.
 - e. The Head of the British Intelligence Section in the British zone is a Major ASTON. There is a possibility of obtaining further details concerning him in the future.
 - f. During the first half of September a great number of heavy trucks transported supplies to the "Sperrzone". (Comment by DD 111: Restricted frontier-zone along the Austrian-Jugoslav border). The nature of the transports is unknown.
 - g. Head of the "Freiheitskämpfer" in the British zone is a former German officer, KIERNER (Karl?). During the war he was head of the "Free Fighters" I battalion in France. Members number approximately 100, very few officers.
 - h. The Austrian "Landesleitung" in Klagenfurt carries out 30-40 de-registrations of Nazis monthly. The British, however, have become unreasonably severe in their efforts of de-nazification. Austrian authorities put up a passive resistance against these efforts.
 - i. The Austrian authorities protect the "Sudetendeutsche" in every respect. They issued an announcement to the effect that Sudetendeutsche who have a proper occupation and a proper political background have no reason to fear any action against them.
 - j. General GRUBER. An indirect contact has been found to General GRUBER in the person of the general secretary of the OVP, VOGL-BOECKH, a former Colonel in the Austrian Army, is a personal friend of the General, and through him it should be possible to get information concerning the plans of a future Austrian army because he is also interested and probably connected with the plan.

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k. Veterans' Aid Organization. This organization has been set up in the OVP and has well-organized contacts even in the smallest villages. The spirit of the organization is strictly military. The rebirth of the military spirit has its cradle in Graz and Innsbruck. The head of this organization in Graz is Major Graf STRACHWITZ; in Innsbruck, Lt. SEILLER. Both were awarded the German "Ritterkreuz" during the war. While this organization hardly exists in the Russian zone it is very active in the other zones, possessing huge card files with the names and ranks of former soldiers and officers.

1. It is striking that all the leading positions in the OVP are filled by former army officers. The meetings of the "Landesleitung OVP" resemble former army staff meetings.

m. The DP camps in Klagenfurt are filled mainly with Serbs and Russians.

n. The Slovenes are bitter anti-communists and under no circumstances do they wish to return to Tito's Yugoslavia. They are supported by the Austrian and British authorities, and have a particular pillar of support in "Landeshauptmann" PIESCH (SPO) who is of Slovene origin.

o. Relations between the British and the Austrians have deteriorated, due mainly to willful and unfair actions of soldiers and other army personnel.

p. The Director of Security in Klagenfurt, (Col) STOSSIER (OVP) has been reported to protect Nazis in every respect. He warns Nazis of impending arrest, or if Nazis are denounced by anti-Nazis, he arrests the anti-Nazis on charges of false accusation, etc.

q. The British attitude towards the KPO is very unfriendly. There are cases of unfair demands known to many people. The KPO is rather strong and influential in many places in the British zone.

r. British Military direction signs of Spittal an der Drau.

s. In spite of a thorough search in Spittal and its surroundings no American military personnel were to be found. The people say that although they occasionally see individual Americans but there has never been a large American unit seen in this area. Even British troops are scarce.

t. Military directions signs of Villach.

u. There are no US soldiers stationed in Villach. The people occasionally see a few US personnel passing through on trucks. British Occupation is very strict.

v. Exact drawing of the plan of the camp.

Camp A. for PWs. The camp is surrounded with barbed wire, no prisoners were seen.

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Camp B. Is supposed to be a school for Austrian police. No barbed wire. The policemen are armed with carbines and pistols.

Camps C and D. Internment camps. Heavy barbed wire, sentries with carbines ready to fire. The number of the internees in this camp was quoted by a British officer as 2500. On 23 Sept 46, 300 were released, among them SS men. The inhabitants of the camps are mostly former Gestapo and SS men and are certainly not armed.

w. The DP camp at Kellerberg. The camp is situated at the other side of the Drau and can be approached only by ferry. The size can be judged by the fact that three churches have been set up for their use. The inhabitants are not armed and there is no sign of military training. They do some work but their main occupation seems to be blackmarketing.

x. "Sperrzone". Very heavy British occupation. The entire administration is in British hands. The border is guarded by Austrian Gendarmerie and British Military. Although heavily guarded, at certain places the border could be passed unnoticed. US Air Force units are not present. The area contains no airfield. 60-100 US heavy panzers with personnel are stationed in Rosental.

y. According to unconfirmed reports a great number of flying fortresses are ready at the Aibling-Bavaria airfields. The same source reports huge columns of panzers at Passau and Hof.

z. In Tessendorf there is a PW camp with only German inhabitants. They are under the command of German officers, can move freely and are mostly employed by British stations. Tessendorf is actually a British transportation center with about 800 trucks. The personnel is almost completely German under the command of a German officer. A British officer is in charge, but he is seldom seen. The Germans wear old German uniforms dyed green; the officers have a white strap on their arms.

aa. The British supply center is in Grafenstein, the ammunition center is St. Veit an der Glan.

bb. Carinthia has 542,639 inhabitants out of which 23,590 are DPs.

cc. Yugoslav agitation is very active south of Velden. The population is threatened through anonymous letters and leaflets which state that the Yugoslav entry of their territory is only a question of weeks. The population is upset but trust the British for protection.

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1. On 15 October 1946, DD 603 reported that BILEK had come to Vienna early in October bringing a letter from DD 603's father which stated that BILEK had actually settled all his troubles. He is no longer considered a Sudetendeutsche and had already been to Bruenn where he found very good prospects for employment. BILEK promised to furnish a truck to move them to Bruenn as soon as they find a suitable apartment.

2. DD 603 informed BILEK that he was having considerable trouble with registration at the University due to new regulations according to which he would be obliged to leave Austria for Germany. BILEK will send DD 603 a regular certificate of his CSR citizenship.

3. This time BILEK was extremely friendly, he gave him money (dollars and schillings) and a large case of foodstuff. BILEK suggested DD 603 should find some people to do intelligence work for him, but DD 603 feared the risk involved in approaching someone else. BILEK suggested he approach OBERMAYER (FIGL's secretary) but DD 603 does not trust OBERMAYER's friendship that far.

4. BILEK repeated that DD 603's main task is to find a good contact to General GRUBER and pointed out expense is not important. For this purpose he gave DD 603 3000 Schillings, some food and liquor, and warned him to use the money unsparingly.

5. BILEK had the following additional tasks for DD 603:

a. Be on the look-out for any members of the former O5 Resistance Movement, since BILEK assumes that many of them are now in contact, or are even working for the Americans or English.

b. He requested any information on the following people:

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 ✓ Kurt GRIMM, Kredit Anstalt — memo sent to field.
 ✓ Prof VOTRUBA, Kunstakademie
 ✓ Dr. TRAU, Aussenministerium
 ✓ Fritz MOLDEN, at present student of law, before the entry of the Russians he was secretary to General GRUBER. — memo sent to field.

c. "Legion der Volksdeutsche", head of which is a certain ADAMOVIZ, who makes frequent trips to the CSR for unknown purposes.

d. Karl BRENN, artist, is in close contact with many Germans and Nazis. To his circle belong:

link up with previous info
 ✓ BRAU, Wilhelm, V. Wollgasse 17/34
 ✓ BENROWITZ, I. Friedrich Strasse 231/a
 ✓ BRAU, Franz, Stoellzergasse 22, 23 or 53.

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1. DD603 met BILEK in Vienna on 1 November 1946 at Stalin Platz 7, III/13, at a millinery shop owned by Elly NEIGER. Six or seven other people were there who are believed by DD603 to be agents of BILEK. No names are available. *ead*

2. BILEK's instructions to DD603 were as follows:

- a) Make every effort to obtain General GRUBER's plans for the Austrian Army. In doing this, cut out Mr. ADAM completely and go through General RAINER. Any amount of money could be offered to General RAINER, to be given as a loan against a receipt. BILEK mentioned the figure 50,000 shillings, a sum which he believes will be large enough to give him control over RAINER. *ead*
- b) Secure information about the U-BOAT Organization, a new resistance organization in Vienna, headed by Hugo GLASER, Universitätsstrasse 8, Vienna IX. Information regarding the number of members, the proportion of Jews, etc. *ead*
- c) Obtain information on oil drillings in Burgenland and on various factories in Austria, particularly the sulphur factory at Muehlbach near Bischofshofen, the Hermann Goering works at Linz, and a factory (BILEK did not know the name) which is located near Amstetten in the Russian Zone. Information regarding the owners of the factories, the key men, the extent of exports, method and means of payment, etc. *ead*

U-Boat Organization is name given to Jewish persons in Vienna who remained there, in hiding, during the Nazi regime.

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RE : Possible Yugoslav Agent.

20 October 1949

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1. Reference is made to Agent Report Subject and File same as above, paragraph 7, dated 14 July 1949. Subject is investigated by this office as in the past he was a frequent visitor of the Yugoslav Liaison Mission in MUNICH (M49/Y85) and presently is reported to be in contact with the Yugoslav Consulate in MUNICH.

2. SYNOPSIS OF PREVIOUS INVESTIGATION: Subject is a member of Organization "ZBOR". From various conversations between P-4153-IV and the Yugoslav vice-consul Wilko KUN it was learned, that the Yugoslav consulate has knowledge of certain members of "ZBOR" being engaged in positive intel ligence work for the 7821st Composite Group. It was assumed that vice-consul Wilko KUN'S source on Organization "ZBOR'S" activities, especially in connection with the 7821st Composite Group is Subject. Therefore a plan was initiated with the purpose to definitely learn whether or not Subject is an informant of the Yugoslav consulate.

3. PRESENT INVESTIGATION: Background data on Subject was previously reported (see MOIC, Subject: Yugoslav Liaison Mission in MUNICH, File No. IV-4846, paragraphs 2 c and 3 b, dated 20 May 1948).

4. PRESENT INVESTIGATION CONTINUED: On 26 September 1949 at 1700 hrs. the undersigned visited Subject in his apartment at 30/II Friedrichstrasse, MUNICH (M49/Y85). The undersigned introduced himself as Mr. John SMITH, a representative of the radio agency "Voice of America". Subject was further told that he (Subject) was highly recommended to the undersigned, and therefore the undersigned decided to offer him a job with the "Voice of America". The undersigned conversed with Subject in Serbian language until 1845 hrs., during which time the following was learned.

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a. In a routine conversation Subject told the undersigned that from his earliest student days he is a Serbian nationalist and a member of Organization "ZBOR". About his contacts Subject stated that his only friends and associates are Yugoslav DPs, all of them members of Organization "Zbor", whose main aim is to overthrow the present Communist government in Yugoslavia. When asked about his knowledge on the activities of the Yugoslav consulate in MUNICH, Subject replied, that he does not have any knowledge on the activities of said consulate, furthermore that he does not even know where the

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consulate is located. When asked by the undersigned whom he would recommend as co-workers, Subject without hesitation recommended one Kiril HARALAMPIEFF, a Bulgarian national, lecturer of the Bulgarian language at the MUNICH university, as an expert on Bulgaria, and one Dr. Alois SCHMAUS, a German national, professor of Slavism at the MUNICH university (faculty of philosophy), as an expert on South-East-European affairs. After having Subject absolutely relaxed and sure in himself the undersigned started a discussion on the political and economic situation in Yugoslavia. Subject apparently forgot the fact, that in the beginning of the conversation he was extremely nationalistic, referring to the Communist regime in Yugoslavia as his arch-enemy. He began to praise TITO, to whom he referred as the only natural leader of Yugoslavia. Prior to his leaving the undersigned wrote down for Subject on a piece of paper his assumed name and address, which was given as John SMITH, S-2 MHP (MUNICH Military Post), Ludwigstrasse, MUNICH.

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b. On 6 October 1949 at a routine meeting with P-4153-IV the undersigned was told by P-4153-IV that at his last visit to the Yugoslav consulate on 4 October 1949 he was asked by vice-consul Wilko KUN if he is acquainted or ever heard of one Mr. John SMITH, an American civilian, who speaks fluent Serbian and is a representative of the "Voice of America". P-4153-IV was further told by KUN that this Mr. SMITH can be located at the S-2 Section of MUNICH Military Post. According to P-4153-IV his reply was negative. He (P-4153-IV) was then requested by KUN to locate this Mr. SMITH and to furnish him (KUN) with all available information concerning the background and activities of this Mr. SMITH.

Source: P-4153-IV

Evaluation: B-2.

5. UNDEVELOPED LEADS AND FUTURE ACTION: Efforts are being made to learn more details about the activities of Nikola FRIBICH, Dr. Alois SCHMAUS, and Kiril HARALAMPIEFF. To accomplish this, a presently uncarded source one Branko HECOVICH, a student of the MUNICH university, faculty of philosophy who is personally acquainted with FRIBICH and Dr. SCHMAUS, was assigned to establish a penetration of the FRIBICH-SCHMAUS-HARALAMPIEFF group.

6. AGENT'S NOTES:

a. Subject's address was previously reported as 25/II Adalbertstrasse, MUNICH (see MOIC, Subject: Yugoslav Division Mission in MUNICH, File No. IV-4846, paragraph 2 c, dated 20 May 1948). However Subject's correct present address is 30/II Friedrichstrasse, MUNICH.

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b. Nikola FRIBICH, the Subject of this report, was previously reported of being a frequent visitor of the former Yugoslav Liaison Mission in MUNICH and later of the Yugoslav Consulate in MUNICH (see dossier Yugoslav Liaison Mission in MUNICH, File No. IV-4846, and dossier Yugoslav Consulate in MUNICH, File No. IV-6115). Furthermore Nikola FRIBICH was previously reported of being an associate of Kiril HARALAMPJEFF and Dr. Alois SCHMAUS, both of them mentioned in the above report (see Agent Report, Subject: EFFENBERG, Sigrid, File No. IV-6091, paragraphs 6 and 9 c, dated 10 March 1949).

c. Kiril HARALAMPJEFF, mentioned in paragraph 4 a of this report, was previously reported in various reports concerning Bulgarian Communist activities in the MUNICH area and as an associate of Dr. Stefan NITSCHEFF, who is considered to be the leader of the Communist-sponsored Bulgarian CP - "Otetscheswen Front" (Fatherland Front) in MUNICH (see Agent Report, Subject: Dr. NITSCHEFF, Stefan, File No. IV-2401, paragraphs 11 (3) and 13 a, dated 20 January 1949, Agent Report, Subject: Bulgarian CP - Otetscheswen Front (Fatherland Front) Activities in the MUNICH Area, File No. IV-2401, CP IV-5563, paragraph 9, dated 19 February 1949, and Agent Report, Subject: EFFENBERG, Sigrid, File No. IV-6091, paragraphs 6 and 10 b, dated 5 March 1949).

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d. Dr. Alois SCHMAUS mentioned in paragraph 4 a of this report, was previously reported in connection with Sigrid EFFENBERG, who was investigated by this office for her contacts with the former Soviet Liaison Mission in MUNICH. According to statements made by Sigrid EFFENBERG to P-0017-IV, Dr. SCHMAUS is a Soviet agent (see Agent Report, Subject: EFFENBERG, Sigrid, File No. IV-6091, paragraphs 6 and 10 b, dated 5 March 1949, and Agent Report, Subject: EFFENBERG, Sigrid, File No. IV-6091, dated 10 March 1949).

e. As stated in the above report, Nikola FRIBICH denied to the undersigned of having any knowledge on the activities of the Yugoslav consulate in MUNICH. Furthermore he stated, that he does not even know where the consulate is located. The cover story used by the undersigned in this case was known to FRIBICH and the undersigned only. The fact that P-4153-IV was requested by KUN to investigate Mr. John SMITH proves, that FRIBICH informed the consulate on the above matter (see paragraphs 4 and 4 a of this report). Concluding from the above findings it is the opinion of the undersigned, that FRIBICH is an informant of the Yugoslav consulate.

f. Information contained in paragraphs 4 and 4 a of this report was obtained by the undersigned through a direct contact with Nikola FRIBICH, as indicated above. Information contained in

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Paragraph 4 b of this report was obtained by P-4153-IV through a direct contact with the Yugoslav vice-consul Wilko KUN, as indicated above.

g. Sources and Evaluation as indicated above.

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G2757	PATZ, Karl	P6(b)(6)	Ortsgruppenleiter NSDAP	Ortsgruppe Gfoehl	Transf. CIC Vienna
G2795	FISCHER-COLBRIE, Dr. Herb.		Kreispresseamtsleiter NSDAP	Kreis Vienna	Transf. CIC Vienna
G3554	RITTER, Alfred		Kassenleiter NSDAP	Ortsgruppe Wimsbach	Transf. CIC Vienna
G3575	REHLING, Franz		Gauwarter NSV	Gauamt Vienna	Transf. CIC Vienna
G3576	SZEKESSY, Franz		Kreisrichter	Kreisgericht Wiener-Neustadt	Transf. CIC Vienna
G3594	HECKE, Helmut		Oschaf, SA	Standarte 4/4	USFA/DC
G3595	KLUMICK, Alfred		Kreisamtsleiter NSDAP	Kreispropagandaamt Vienna	USFA/DC
G3596	PAULICS, Dr. Otto		Civilian	Civilian	USFA/DC
G3597	PIFFRADER, Josef		Gauhauptstellenleiter NSDAP	Gaupropagandaamt Salzburg	USFA/DC
G3598	WINKLER, Franz		Aussenstellenleiter	SD Aussenstelle Schaerfing	USFA/DC
G3599	ZOELLNER, Sigmund		Uschaf, Allg SS	Sturm 1, Standarte 76	USFA/DC
G3609	CONRAD, Curt Horst		Civilian	Civilian	USFA/DC
G3627	KROCSANY, Karl		Civilian	Civilian	USFA/DC
G122	SCHUBERT, Otto		SS-Mann, Waffen SS	15/SS Totenkopf Standarte	Arrived
G499	GRADISKI, Iwan		Unteroffizier	Ustascha Army	Arrived
G784	RAITHMOSER, Franz		Civilian NSDAP	Buergermeister of Marchtrenk	Arrived
G1469	FRAUNBERGER, Irmbert		SS-Mann, Allg SS	Standarte 87	Arrived
G1502	UEBLEIS, Karl		Kreisbauernfuehrer NSDAP	Kreisleitung Kirchdorf	Arrived
G1542	HOCHMUELLER, Eduard		Agent	SD Steyr	Arrived
G2140	MOTZEK, Johann		Oschaf, SA	Sturm 2, Standarte 24	Arrived
G2271	EICHORN, Johann	Stm, Allg SS	Sturm 12, Standarte 37	Arrived	
G2607	NADER, Karl	Lagerfuehrer	Labor Camp at Schattendorf	Arrived	
G3329	CUBELIC, Miroslav	Arbeitsfrontleiter	Kroatischer Arbeitsdienst	Arrived	
G3353	SCHOEDL, Alfred	Stellv. Kreishauptmann	Kreis Jaslo/Poland	Arrived	
G3585	WURM, Johann	Bezirksgruppenfuehrer RLB	Wehrkreis XVII	Arrived	

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NO.	NAME	BIRTHDATE	RANK AND/OR TITLE	ORGANIZATION	STATUS
G3586	SCHARF, Engelbert	P6(b)(6)	Member	Geheime Feldpolizei	Arrived
G3587	HUEBNER, Karl		Uschaf, Waffen SS	3/SS Panzer Division "Totenkopf"	Arrived
G3588	SCHOENHOFER, Josef		Uschaf, Waffen SS	3/SS Panzer Division "Totenkopf"	Arrived
G3589	HOFMANN, Michael		Kriminalsekretaer	Gestapo Marburg a.d.Drau	Arrived
G3590	ROESECKE, Erich		Member	Brandenburg Lehrregiment	Arrived
G3591	BUDINSKY, Josef		Civilian	Civilian	Arrived
G3592	ERDFRESSER, Hermann		Oberjunker, Waffen SS	SS Panzer Division "Das Reich"	Arrived
G3593	SEGEL, Arthur		Hschaf, Allg SS	Standarte 89	Arrived
G3600	STEINER, Emil		Hsbuf, Waffen SS	SS Jagdverband	Arrived
G3601	HERMANN, Stefan		SS-Mann, Waffen SS	Wachkompanie Conc.Camp Mauthausen	Arrived
G3602	HOESCH, Gustav		Rottf, Waffen SS	Sturmbann Gross Rosen	Arrived
G3603	ROTH, Andreas		Stm, Waffen SS	Wachkompanie Conc.Camp Mauthausen	Arrived
G3604	KLEIN, Johann		Stm, Waffen SS	SS Artillerie Fegt. 9	Arrived
G3605	ROTH, Johann		Rottf, Waffen SS	Sturmbann Mauthausen	Arrived
G3606	KLEIN, Johann		Stm, Waffen SS	Wachkompanie Conc.Camp Auschwitz	Arrived
G3607	KULISCH, Alfred		Uschaf, Waffen SS	1/SS-Stuba Mauthausen	Arrived
G3608	FRITZ, Adam		SS-Mann, Waffen SS	Wachkompanie Conc.Camp Auschwitz	Arrived
G3610	HARTL, Franz		Uschaf, Waffen SS	Wachkompanie Conc.Camp Mauthausen	Arrived
G3611	KLEINDIENST, Karl		Uschaf, Waffen SS	Wirtschafts/Verwaltungshauptamt	Arrived
G3612	KOFLER, Franz		Uschaf, Waffen SS	Totenkopf-Sturmbann Mauthausen	Arrived
G3613	LANG, Mathias		SS-Mann, Waffen SS	Wachkompanie Conc.Camp Auschwitz	Arrived
G3614	MAYER, Franz		Oschaf, Waffen SS	Wachkompanie Conc.Camp Mauthausen	Arrived
G3615	HEINZ, Karl		SS-Mann, Waffen SS	Wachkompanie Conc.Camp Oranienburg	Arrived
G3616	HAUSMANN, Hans	SS-Mann, Waffen SS	Werkstattzug Division "Wilting"	Arrived	
G3617	KOVACEVIC, Ante	Leutnant	Ustascha Army	Arrived	
G3618	KRALJ, Ciril	Major	Ustascha Army	Arrived	
G3619	KRIZANAC-BOKANOVIC, Bozica	Captain	Ustascha Army	Arrived	
G3620	HOFER, Nikolaus	Stm, Allg SS	Standarte 76	Arrived	
G3621	ELEISCH, Alois	Rottf, Allg SS	Standarte 37	Arrived	
G3622	FISCHLER, Otto	SS-Mann, Allg SS	Standarte 76	Arrived	
G3623	UNTERLUGAUER, Friedrich	Rottf, Allg SS	Sturm 5, Standarte 37	Arrived	

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G3624	HACKER, Alois	P6/(b)(6)	Schaf, SA	Stamarte 59	Arrived
G3625	KOFLER, Walter		Civilian	Civilian	Arrived
G3626	ZECHNER, Walther		Stubaf, Waffen SS	SS Lazarett Bad Aussee	Arrived

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NO.	NAME	BIRTHDATE	RANK AND/OR TITLE	ORGANIZATION	STATUS
G1162	STEINBAUER, Dr. Franz	P6(b)(6)	Ostuf, Allg SS	Sturm 11, Standarte 89	Transf. CIC Vienna
G1181	MOGG, Karl		SS-Mann, Allg SS	Standarte 11, Stammabt.	Transf. CIC Vienna
G1726	BRANDNER, Michael		Ostuf, SA	Standarte 89	Transf. CIC Vienna
G1929	MARKOVICS, Franz		Ortsgruppenleiter NSDAP	Ortsgruppe Wr. Neustadt, Ungarvtl.	Transf. CIC Vienna
G2224	LENZ, Florian		Stuschaf, Allg SS	Kriminalpolizei Vienna	Transf. CIC Vienna
G2438	SCHWANDNER, Dr. Hans		Kreisrichter NSDAP	Kreisgericht Wien "Ottakring"	Transf. CIC Vienna
G3112	NEUHUBER, Karl		Kreisamtsleiter NSDAP	Kreisleitung Wien I	Transf. CIC Vienna
G3577	WILDNER, Richard		Ostuf, Waffen SS	SS-Panzer Regt. 10	Transf. CIC Vienna
G3578	ZIMMERMANN, Wilhelm		SS-Mann, Allg SS	Reiterstandarte H-u. 1/18	Transf. CIC Vienna
G3600	STEINER, Emil		Hstuf, Waffen SS	SS-Jagverbund	Transf. USFA/DC
G4382	HIEKE, Rudolf		Ostuf, SA	Standarte Wien	Transf. CIC Vienna
G4383	THORWESTEN, Dr. Maximilian		Civilian NSDAP	Buergermeister of Krems	Transf. CIC Vienna
G4385	LJEBL, Josef		Director	Semperit Rubber Co.	Transf. CIC Vienna
G4387	RESCH, Johann		Ortsgruppenleiter NSDAP	Ortsgruppe Waldbach	Transf. CIC Vienna
G4390	GUGENBICHLER, Andrea		Kreisamtsleiter NSDAP	Kreisleitung Tamsweg	USFA/DC
G4396	MUSER, Josef		Ostuf, Waffen SS	SS-Geb.Div. "Prinz Eugen"	USFA/DC
G2081	KLOESSINGER, Heinrich		Schaf, Allg SS	Standarte 89	Arrived
G2354	MARSCHOWITZ, Johann		Ortsgruppenleiter NSDAP	Ortsgruppe Pottschach	Arrived
G2454	LUX, Josef		Ostuf, Allg SS	Standarte 37	Arrived
G2704	STEINDL, Hermann	Kreisorganisationsleiter	NSDAP Kreisleitung, Melk a.D.	Arrived	
G2708	HOFMANN, Eduard	Stabsintendant	Abwehr Nachrichten Regt. 26	Arrived	
G2835	WURZ, Michael	Ortsgruppenleiter NSDAP	Ortsgruppe Raimund, Wien VI	Arrived	
G2968	SEIDL, Ing. Hermann	Ortsgruppenleiter NSDAP	Ortsgruppe Theresianum, Wien IV	Arrived	
G3134	PADE, Otto	Kreiswirtschaftsberater	Kreis Lilienfeld	Arrived	
G3313	NESCHLEBA, Friedrich	Hschaf, Allg SS	Standarte 89	Arrived	
G3315	ZOPP, Wilhelm	Ortsgruppenleiter NSDAP	Ortsgruppe Augarten, Wien II	Arrived	

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G4388	HAUSKRECHT, Karl	P6/(b)(6)	SS-Mann, Waffen SS	SS-Panzer Div. "Hohenstaufen"	Arrived
G4389	SCHREIBER, Josef		Stm, Waffen SS	SS-Panzer Div. "Goetz v.Berliching."	Arrived
G4391	NAGY, Dr. Laszlo		Secretary	of the Ministry of Justice, Hungary	Arrived
G4393	BLACHOVETZ, Karl		Agent	Gestapo	Arrived
G4394	GURINER, Fritz		Verwaltungs-Stuf, SA	SA Brigade 59, Salzburg	Arrived
G4396	KOTTEK, Dr. Adolf		Ostuf,	San.Sturm XXXVI, Innsbruck	Arrived
G4397	DRESSLER, Wilhelm		Oberbannfuhrer HJ	Gebiet Niederdonau	Arrived
G4398	DUBOVSKY, Dr. Fritz		Gauhauptstellenleiter	Gau Vienna	Arrived
G4399	SEFNIK, Guenther		Ustuf, Waffen SS	Division "LSSAH"	Arrived
G4400	DAX, Johann		Hschaf, Allg SS	Stamarte 11	Arrived
G4401	DOBEK, Felix		Ortsgruppenleiter NSDAP	Ortsgruppe "Klopstockgasse"-Wien	Arrived
G4402	FURLER, Dr. Franz		Public Prosecutor	Sondergericht Wien	Arrived
G4403	GORKOW, Horst		Rottf, Waffen SS	SS-Fallschirmjaeger Batl. 600	Arrived
G4404	HOFMANN, Otto		Oschaf, Allg SS	Stamarte 11	Arrived
G4405	TAUBOECK, Dr. Karl		Botanist and Biochemist	RSHA Amt VI Berlin	Arrived
G4406	WURMBRAND, Otto		Stuschaf, Allg SS	SD Vienna	Arrived
G4407	OSBERGER, Johann		Ortsgruppenleiter NSDAP	Ortsgruppe Strass /Niederdonau	Arrived
G4408	OBERMAIER, Walter	Civilian	Civilian	Arrived	
G4409	KOTTINGER, Franz	Ortsgruppenleiter NSDAP	Ortsgruppe Wien XII "Flurschuetz"	Arrived	
G4410	KALTEIS, Othmar	Hschaf, Allg SS	SD and Kripo Vienna	Arrived	

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SUBJECT: Detailed Interrogation of Kapitaeuleutnant JONETZ,
 Fritz, I-M (Eins Marine) officer, Abwehr, Stuttgart,
 Brest, Nantes, Vienna and Salzburg.

1. Subject was located by SCI/A Innsbruck in Auffach,
 Austria (Tirol) and arrested on 10 July 1945.

2. This report contains information regarding
 Subject's activities, the personalities he met, and results
 obtained during his association with the German Intelligence
 Services, specifically the Eins Marine Section of the Abwehr
 (I-M). Subject served with the Abwehr in Stuttgart, Brest,
 Nantes, Vienna and Salzburg.

3. Subject, who is now suffering from heart disease,
 gave the information willingly and in a straightforward manner.

4. Subject by virtue of his connection with the
 German Intelligence Services comes within the automatic arrest-
 able category.

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79. Subject arrived in Vienna at the beginning of January 1943. He reported directly to the Chief of the Stelle, Count MAROGNA-REDWITZ, at his offices on the fourth floor of the Kriegsministerium. After this he paid his respects to the chief of Section I, Oberstleutnant Freiherr von BOXBERG.

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 80. SOKOL (alias "Junghans"), whom he immediately contacted for the transmission of the current business, did not like to leave Vienna, because he was a native of that town and was married to a Viennese. On the other hand the mission in Athens had not too much attraction for him since the Germans' situation in Greece seemed rather hopeless at that time.

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 81. The personnel of the Section I-m was not very large; it consisted of SOKOL, an old army officer, Franz KRENN, and a secretary Fräulein Francisca PRANTER. KRENN was soon sent back to the army because he was flagrantly unfit for intelligence work. The "intelligence net" was completed by a small Aussenstelle in Varna, on the Black Sea, which consisted of Leutnant KNORR and his W/T operator, Funker Unteroffizier Florian SCHWABEGGER. The entire Vienna I-m Section occupied rooms No. 13, 14 and 15 on the fourth floor of the Kriegsministerium.

82. SOKOL also turned over to Subject the following agents:

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 a. Max BRAENDLI (alias "BRANDT"), a Swiss who had just returned from an intelligence mission in Syria and was waiting to be sent back there.

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 b. Dr. MOSING, a former Oberfinanzrat, who sat on the Board of Directors of a number of Roumanian, Swiss and Hungarian companies. Whenever he travelled to those countries he provided the section with a number of political and economic situation reports, for which the section procured him an exit visa, but no money.

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 c. Dr. Max FRANZKE (alias "SCHOENFELD"). This man was not used as an intelligence agent. Subject employed him later on, when he had to establish fake commercial firms for the cover stories of his agents, to make all journeys and conduct all negotiations for the establishment of these firms.

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 d. Eduard ZILICH (alias "FORELL"), free lance photographic reporter. Subject was to employ this man as an intelligence agent and actually sent him to Saloniki with a sum of money. The agent was to start an intelligence mission towards Syria by means of a sail boat, in the Brest-manner. But the man began dealing on black market as soon as he arrived there, was arrested by the Bulgarian Police in Sofia and extradited to Germany. Subject did not want to employ him further whereupon he returned to his photography. He landed in a concentration camp after he was arrested by the Gestapo for uttering derisive remarks against the Fuehrer.

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122. SANDERS himself recruited the agents "DAVID" and "INES" in Agram and had them sent to the Vienna Abwehr Communications School for training as W/T operators. Two other agents, "EMIL" and "CARLO" were also recruited and one was sent to Split, the other to Dubrovnik, from where they began executing their intelligence mission. While they were awaiting the return of "DAVID" and "INES", who would act as their W/T operators, they handed their reports to SANDERS who took them back to Agram and teletyped them to Vienna.

123. RAUSCH had established a "Stadtbuero" in Agram where he could meet and train his agents and began taking up official relations with the Commanding Officer of the local Abwehrstelle, Oberstleutnant LAPP. The latter helped him with all official papers (for instance, he made all the travel orders for RAUSCH and SANDERS).

124. RAUSCH began planning some long-range intelligence missions towards the south of Italy. In order not to offend his nationalist Croatian friends he moved the center of his activities to Venice where he established himself in a little villa at No. 20 Via Dardanelli on the Lido. In Venice he had with him a W/T agent called JURMANN (alias "Dr. JOHANSEN"), an Italian agent named VOZZI (alias "ALFONZO"), the latter's brother, and ALFONSO's chain of sub-agents.

125. He soon contacted the Admiral in command of the Adriatic Fleet, who promised him to lend his E-boats for the landing of agents on the Italian coast. RAUSCH found it difficult in the beginning to buy sufficient rapid private boats as the German Navy had confiscated everything. The Admiral had first refused on the grounds that he had only three E-boats, then later promised to lend one for the next moon period, but nothing ever came of it.

126. The first expedition towards Southern Italy was planned with an agent called BEPPO (alias "PERCY"). He was landed near the Straits of Otranto, then wandered all over Southern Italy, gained a certain amount of information, and was taken back to Albania. He later fell in the hands of the partisans and was not heard of again.

127. In the meantime DAVID and INES came back fully trained and joined EMIL and CARLO in Split and Dubrovnik whence they began transmitting their messages (June 1944).

128. RAUSCH planned now to penetrate Southern Italy in two ways: (a) by landing agents on the Italian coast in the surroundings of Rimini, or further south in the Italian heel, (b) by having them penetrate the front lines and from there reach Southern Italy overland.

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In order to accomplish the first part of this long-range mission he began by acquiring two boats, one the 8 metre, two-masted motor boat "USKOKE", which had a speed of 8 mph, and the other a new motor barkass, fitted as a yacht with a speed of 12 miles an hour. He received from the Admiral der Kleinkampf Kraefte (Admiral HAEYE), seven seamen and W/T operators under the command of Oberbootsmann GERSTHOFF. These men belonged to the Marine Einsatz Abteilung, a special section of trained navy men who landed intelligence agents for the Abwehr.

130. The first maritime expedition was made with the Croatian Ustashi agent RUSCHITSCHKA, who was landed in the area between Brindisi and Bari. He stayed there about six or eight weeks and was finally picked up and returned to Venice. The reports he brought back included: the ways and means of moving around in Allied-occupied territory, a situation report on the Allied troop dispositions on the coast of Southern Italy and also inland, with the indications of a large number of shoulder patches and brief reports about the occupation of the port of Brindisi. He brought back a special report about the military occupation of "the spur on the heel" of Italy, where it was projected that a number of agents would be landed. The Croatian also reported about food and other rationing, about police regulations and about other possibilities of landing agents in Southern Italy (beginning of 1944). RAUSCH projected a second trip for the man and sent him to Vienna to have him trained as a W/T operator.

131. A little later another man was recruited for the same mission as RUSCHITSCHKA, named

132. From time to time RAUSCH went to Agram and occasionally visited Vienna to discuss the progress of his plans with Subject. In the meantime he had sent more agents to the Split and Dubrovnik teams which were composed as follows: (June 1944)

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- a. Dubrovnik: "DAVID", the radio operator, to whom was added "EMIL" as an intelligence agent and "DIANA", a friend of "INES".
 - b. Split: "CARLO" with "INES" as a radio operator, who were joined by another agent whose name Subject does not remember.

133. When RAUSCH came back from Vienna he began planning the double penetration overland and by sea towards Southern Italy. RUSCHITSCHKA and the other man were ready. Preparations for both expeditions took a long time as the necessary special equipment, such as rubber boats and radio equipment, was difficult to obtain.

134. Unfortunately one day the more rapid of the two boats began burning. It had 800 liters of gasoline on board and the fire took

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on such proportions that the boat was completely destroyed and one member of the crew died as a result of burns. The other boat was not rapid enough and a speedier one was practically impossible to obtain so the marine part of the mission was abandoned. The two men were then transported to the front lines, equipped with their W/T sets and managed to penetrate on the other side (July 1944). Nothing was ever heard of them again and in October 1944 it was finally decided that they had been captured.

135. Around this time Split and Dubrovnik were heavily attacked by Allied airplanes and "INES" left the town and was replaced by an Obergefreiter of the GERSTHOFF team, who established himself in the neighbourhood of Split. "DAVID" and his group left Dubrovnik and found a refuge near the town. "INES" spent a short furlough in Vienna and in the meantime was briefed for a future mission in Trieste.

136. Around August 1944 "ALFONZO" and his team were reporting that the Allies intended landing shortly in the neighbourhood of Trieste and at Chioggia (near Venice). Subject immediately ordered RAUSCH to move his center of activities towards the northwest where he could still continue with his penetrations of the Italian front. RAUSCH established himself in Merano and left "Dr. JOHANNSEN" as a radio operator, and "ALFONZO" and his chain as intelligence agents in Venice. The GERSTHOFF team was returned to the Marine Einsatz Abteilung and told to retreat with the German troops, when necessary.

137. In the meantime higher authorities began attacking RAUSCH because he was "unreliable", and because he had spent too much money for such "small" results. Korvettenkapitän von HERZ was sent down to Vienna from Berlin to investigate the matter and led an extensive inquest on RAUSCH's activities (September 1944). HERZ reproached RAUSCH for not having established enough Stützpunkte and ordered him immediately to found some between Venice and Dubrovnik. That is when the Stützpunkt of Susak was envisaged (but only realized as an R-Stelle). HERZ furthermore ordered RAUSCH to close the Merano place, and refused to allocate him more money for his missions.

138. Subject himself tried as much as possible to defend RAUSCH against these accusations to his own chiefs. But MAROGNA had been arrested for participation in the 20 July plot and his temporary successor Oberstleutnant von BOXBERG, did not back him up. It took a considerable time after Oberstleutnant WIESER became head in Vienna (end of 1944) before Subject could convince him of the value of RAUSCH and reinstate him in active duty (February 1945).

139. During his period of almost complete inactivity RAUSCH was still concerned with the fate of his agents. "INES" had been established in Trieste as an R-agent with another man. Subject

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does not recall much about it except that she had some difficulties. The Split and Dubrovnik groups were forcibly evacuated by the German garrison. Some of them sought refuge in Croatia, a few of them proceeded to Vienna. Subject does not recall much of their ulterior fate.

140. Subject had not relied on RAUCH's work alone to execute penetration missions into Italy. He had recruited a rather elderly man (65 years), the former Austrian Navy Korvettenkapitan Ottmar von HAHN (alias "FRIEDMAR"). This man had excellent connections in Italy where he had lived for quite a time, knew the Adriatic very well, and even had a son-in-law who was a dignitary in the Italian Fascist Party. He looked like an excellent naval intelligence agent. Subject began building HAHN's cover as the Italian representative of the PHARMACHEMIE. In May 1944 HAHN was sent to Italy and began travelling for his "firm". He actually sold 8 million lire of chemicals. He returned in July 1944 with a number of proposals for his future work and for his future recruiting of sub-agents. It was planned to establish a depot of PHARMACHEMIE products somewhere behind the Italian front which would give HAHN an excellent cover for his future work. Unfortunately the Allied bombings increased in such measure that the chemicals could not be transported, and a second trip for HAHN never materialized.

141. Subject had in the meantime met a charming young married woman, named Elisabeth LOYDL (alias "LISSY"), who declared herself willing to act as a recruiter. Her first "customer" was a Dutch Navy officer called Jacob LEERINK (alias "MAAS"). This man had travelled on German and Roumanian ships in the Black Sea. When naval traffic had been interrupted there, he came to Vienna and was looking for a job. Subject had him trained as a W/T operator in one of the Communications Schools. It was planned that LEERINK was to be dropped by parachute in the area of Naples. But in the meantime the Abwehrstelle was reorganized. Subject became ill and when he was later assigned to Salzburg, he took him along.

142. Mrs. LOYDL also recruited a second Dutchman who was to be dropped in Southern Italy. The man could not be used by the I-m Section as it had been dissolved and its functions taken over by Section SO2 which also took over the Dutchman. Subject does not recall what became of this project.

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143. Subject fell ill on 21 October 1944 but tried as much as possible to attend to current affairs in his office. Korvettenkapitän von HERZ had come over from Vienna to assist in the reorganization of the Kommando Meldegebiet, which resulted in the eventual absorption of Section I-m into I-SO2. He took a few weeks sick leave and then proceeded to Berlin where he was told to prepare himself for a new field of activities either in

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Stuttgart, or in Salzburg.

144. In Berlin Subject had a number of conferences with Major von THEISEN, chief of Mil. B., in his Ausweichstelle in Wald- burg. He also contacted all the reports officers of the Amt. This time he was going to prepare his new mission thoroughly and avoid all the tribulations of his previous assignments.

145. It was finally decided that he was to go to Salzburg and try to cover the south of France and the north-west of Italy as far east as Trieste. He intended to take along as many of his previous agents as possible and as he knew that Kapitaelnautnant RAUSCH was then without a real mission he had him also transferred to Salzburg.

146. Subject presented himself to the Commander of the Salzburg Stelle, Oberst WUENSCHÉ, whom he handed a complete expose covering all his future activities and the persons concerned. His new Commanding Officer unfortunately did not express any opinions and sent him back to fetch his personal belongings in Vienna.

147. In the beginning of January 1945 he reported back to Salzburg ready to start his missions. Again WUENSCHÉ did not express any definite plans for the missions but told him to return to Vienna and negotiate the transfer of the following agents: JURMANN, STRENKERT, BANLAKY, LEERINK, ALFONZO, MARTINI, and CENSORI (the four last being agents of RAUSCH). Oberst WIESER agreed and permitted also the transfer of RAUSCH from Venice to Salzburg.

148. This time Oberst WUENSCHÉ became somewhat more agreeable and went as far as to permit the establishment of a Stutzpunkt in Feldkirch from where the south-west (southern France and north- west Italy), was to be covered via Switzerland. The team would consist of STRENKERT with LEERINK as a W/T operator. The cover would be the PHARMACHEMIE factory in Feldkirch.

149. WUENSCHÉ did not permit the establishment of an Italian Stutzpunkt either in Merano or Bolzano, which Subject had fore- seen for RAUSCH and his agent, but allowed the latter to begin operating somewhere in the Istrian-Dalmatian-Croatian area, where he was to work under the direction of Hauptmann Dr/ STRELE. Stutzpunkte were to be established in Laibach, Trieste, etc. It took quite a long time before RAUSCH and JURMANN arrived in Salzburg, and then JURMANN was sent back to Vienna, being unac- ceptable to Oberst WUENSCHÉ.

150. Subject sent STRENKERT to Feldkirch to investigate the possibilities of a more rapid establishment. In the meantime he began exerting pressure on the PHARMACHEMIE to hasten the completion of the cover factory. An overseer, a few girls and

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a number of packing machines were already waiting in Feldkirch, where the packing station was to be situated. The actual manufacturing of the chemical products was to be done on another site in Umhausen, in the Oetz valley. Subject was forced to travel frequently to Vienna and after many difficulties managed to wrench the authorization from the proper military authorities to have a number of box-cars get on their way with machinery and raw material for Feldkirch. Owing to the ever increasing air-raids the train arrived after weeks of delay and even then had lost a number of valuable cars.

151. LEERINK had arrived in Salzburg in the meantime. He was trained in the new Salzburg radio procedure and joined STRENKERT in Feldkirch, where he established a radio circuit with Subject.

152. The actual intelligence missions began with the transfer to Salzburg of the Swiss Marcel HOFER (alias "BERNARD") at the end of March 1945 (see para 108). His efforts were to be directed mainly to Southern France. For this he recruited first a young Roumanian whose father lived in the surroundings of Arles, and who was supposed to help the youngster in his mission. HOFER also had some connections with two French students in Lousanne, whom he was to enroll for his activities. HOFER was sent to Switzerland at the end of April 1945 but did not come back.

153. Subject's plan was to form a certain number of teams composed of an intelligence agent coupled with a W/T operator. For instance for the Arles team he had trained a French girl called Jeanne CHAUFFREY (alias "CASTAGNA"), who had been recruited in Vienna by Mrs. LOYD, and sent to Salzburg as a W/T operator.

154. BANLAKY had arrived in the meantime in Salzburg. He was trained in the new radio procedure and taken by Subject to Feldkirch. The atmosphere became more and more oppressive and the agents were unwilling to cooperate, because the Allies were drawing nearer and the collapse of the German Army seemed more imminent.

155. Subject himself was in Feldkirch at the end of April 1945 and began to realize that the situation was definitely hopeless. He discharged LEERINK, ordered his collaborators in Salzburg to stop CASTAGNA's training, sent her away, and to have BANLAKY leave for France, where he wanted to establish himself.

156. On his return to Salzburg he found WUENSCHÉ ready with his plans to transfer his organization to Auffach. First the Commanding Officer wanted him to stay in Salzburg; later he allowed him to proceed to Auffach and establish himself, on a leave basis, under the command of Hauptmann STRELE.

157. Subject stayed in Auffach from 30 April 1945 to 10 July 1945 when he voluntarily surrendered to members of SCI/A.

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SUBJECT: Drago JOVANOVIC, former chief of the Security Services in Yugoslavia during German occupation.

SOURCE: Project FIGARO

SUB-SOURCE: 200/5/3

REFERENCE: LSX 121

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Subject: Drago JOVANOVIC

1. Subject was chief of the Security Services in Yugoslavia during the German occupation, but at the same time collaborated with Draha MIHAILOVIC.

2. Subject fled with the Germans and was finally arrested in Vorarlberg by Major LEONTIC, the TITO Liaison and Repatriation Officer in Salzburg, who transported him to Belgrade.

3. Subject has not been tried yet, because he betrayed all the former and present collaborators of MIHAILOVIC, which occasioned the arrest in Belgrade alone, of about two thousand MIHAILOVIC Partisans and their subsequent execution. The possession of Subject by OZNA naturally constitutes a grave danger for the MIHAILOVIC organization.

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Date 7 June 1945

To SAINT CASERTA	Routine Priority	SECRET XX CONFIDENTIAL
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FOR RELAY TO ~~WAR~~ WAR ROOM, copy to SAINT
 FROM SAINT SALZBURG

1. SLU STATION HAS MOVED FROM BERCHTESGADEN. WE NOW HAVE NO DIRECT LINK.
2. WE HAVE NO RPT NO SHAEF CARDS AS YET SO CANNOT REFER TO NUMBER BUT WILL FURNISH SUFFICIENT INFO TO IDENTIFY PERSON.
3. HAVE FOLLOWING HERE FOR INTERROGATION, TO BE FORWARDED TO 7TH ARMY CENTER THERE AFTER:

WILHELM ERWIN SCHULZ, SS BRIGF GENERAL MAJOR IER POLIZEI ALSO
 BEFEHLSHABER SIPC AND SD GAU SALZBURG.

COLONEL MANNTEUFEL AND MAJOR VUKITS FORMERLY OF III F VIENNA.

MARTIN SAND BERGER STANDARTENFUHRER OF AME VI. OTHERS WILL FOLLOW.

4. CAN YOU GIVE INFO ON FOLLOWING HBID HERE.

GUENTER BROST ORLSTLTN AND ADJUTANT, CARRIES GOLDEUCH AND SONDERAUSWEIS,
 MEMBER NSFO, SONDERAUSWEIS INDICATES SUBJECT IN ON SPECIAL ORDERS FOR FUHRER
 AND REICHSFUHRER SS BUT HE STATES HE WAS GIVEN SPECIAL MISSION TO SEE THAT
 NO RPT NO WERWOLF ACTIVITIES BE PERMITTED. INTERROGATION NOT YET BUT WILL
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1. G.2	APR 26 1946		MAY 17	EMW	<p><i>Carded noted memo file</i></p> <p>Part E of referenced LSX 97 is "Tito Espionage Organization" you may be interested. EMW</p> <p><i>20 Oct 75</i></p>
2. G		5/20	5/23	JK	
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REPORT MADE AT: : DATE: : PERIOD COVERED: : MADE BY:
Salzburg : 27.3.46. : -27.3.46. : DD 102

SUBJECT: KONJHODIC, Alija DD 250/1

SOURCE: SYBILLE, 307/2

BRIEF REPORT:

1. Subject, presently residing in Feldkirch, Vorarlberg, is a Mohammedan and was born in Bosnia. Before the war he was active as a journalist in Zagreb and edited a newspaper. During the war he took no part in the Ustascha movement and in Austria had some contacts with the Communists. At present he is very active in his circles trying to effect a comeback, and keeps well occupied with private business affairs. He is in the good graces of the French and could be used for minor duties.

2. Subject was former contact of MARLO (DD 250; see LSX 97), who reported him as the head agent of Hauptmann Walter FLAIG (former chief of III F, Ast Salzburg).

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LSX 347

29 June 1946

To: Saint, Amzon
 From: Saint, Austria DDIII
 Subject: General Milos ZAK

1. Reference is made to LVX 225 and LVX 233A, Vienna cable #786(7), and X 4409, a copy of which is attached as it was apparently not disseminated to your station.

2. Could you please check Subject in your files and at USFET, as he was reported to be in Frankfurt in May 1945. This office would be particularly interested in confirming the mention of ZAK's connection with General Eisenhower's Hq. contained in the last paragraph of LVX 225. *Cal*

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Reply your #107 Johnson and Sweet supply following:

1. No disturbance public order Tyrol. Population disappointed non-fraternization and flag prohibiton. Essentially conciliatory, anxious to cooperate.
2. No official Provincial Government except for Gruber, former head Resistance Movement, as Landeshauptmann. Members Executive Committee Resistance movement acting ~~in~~ government consultative capacity without official recognition.
3. Whole Resistance Movement now compromised by arrest by CIC of certain activist members used in de-Nazification. These former SS, Sicherheitsdienst and Gestapo people. Resistance Movement tolerant of former Heimwehr people and repentant Nazis. Alarmed by arrests from within own ranks. Would like American authorities permit them determine Nazis to be arrested.
4. City government Innsbruck: Bürgermeister, Dr. Anton Melzer CS; Deputies, Dr. Uffenheimer SD; and Dr. Greiner CS. Social Democrats feel Uffenheimer should be Burgermeister. Communists want place city government. Bezirkshauptmann Innsbruck, Dr. Walter CS; Kufstein, Ing. Andreas Gerber, CS; Kitzbühel, Dr. Werner, Wirtschaftspartei. Gerber Werner Heimwehr leaders. Mayor Schwaz, Dr. Psenner CS.
5. Volkspartei being organized Tyrol. Doubtful if old CS's will join Gruber, potential monarchist and supporter Heimwehr and Nazi elements. Resistance Movement sympathetic to Volkspartei. SD's and Communists active. Political activity recognized Seventh Army. Parties and trade unions seek larger sphere activity in Province, press and radio.
6. Tyrol impression ^{not in} French Vorarlberg good but realize French could bring food Tyrol. French work closely with Resistance Movement. Reported fraternization and deliberate effort to cultivate Vorarlbergers and pose friends Austria. Putting feelers into Tyrol. Landeshauptmann Vorarlberg is Ing CS former minister agriculture. Deputy Bertsch SD. Ing considered by Muigg Tyrolese peasant leader best possible representative Western Austrian Agriculture in enlarged Renner Government.
7. In re Para 5 #118. De-Nazification critical issue. Anti-Nazi circles feel proceeding slowly. Arrests thus far total about 400 from 1000 on automatic arrest list in Innsbruck area. Of 500 in Gau administration Tyrol only top figures gone. Situation in Land and municipal administration Salzburg only less serious. Lower echelons still in former Nazi hands.

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On request CIC here and ~~the~~ Air Corps unit occupying Italian Legation Salzburg have removed for safe keeping legation documents. No seals observed except over wall safe which was left untouched. Will screen ^{documents} photograph ^{and} report unless otherwise advised. Some documents relate concentration camp executions Italian citizens with Italian diplomatic approval. Request all agencies concerned be advised.

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1. Some thousand Vlassov men in Salzburg area resisting repatriation to Russia. Local MG head planning to turn them over to Soviet Repatriation offices in Liezen under armed guard. Has asked us for info about SHAEF and higher level directives covering matter. Please wire immediately pertinent info available at G-5 SHAEF Frankfurt.
2. Re LS 102 ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ cable 255 from here to Morse important to ascertain how much this equipment left to and evacuated by Russians. Suggest project request to Wisner.

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23 May, 1945

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FROM: SASAC AND FLUES
TO : CHISHOLM AND BOTKOL, FLORENCE
INFO: CHAPIN AND THAYER, CASERTA

RE FLORENCE ONE EIGHT ONE NINE SACMED REQUEST.

PARA ONE. RIZSO RANGABE FORMER GREEK MINISTER TO GERMANY AND WIFE ARE TODAY AT HOTEL FREDRICKSLAUBE IN BAD GASTEIN. RANGABE WOULD LIKE TO GO TO ENGLAND TO JOIN HIS SONS PICKING UP MONEY ENROUTE FROM ACCOUNT IN SWITZERLAND. SWISS GOVERNMENT WILL ISSUE HIM TRANSIT VISA ONLY AND HE THEREFORE AWAITS ENTRY VISA TO ENGLAND. HE IS ILL WITH HEART TROUBLE BUT SUFFICIENTLY WELL TO TRAVEL.

PARA TWO. CAPTAIN T. H. FRAME INVESTIGATOR FROM ~~BRITISH~~ FOREIGN OFFICE HAS ADVISED GREEK LEGATION VIA SHAEF OF RANGABE'S REQUEST.

PARA THREE. FRAME AS WELL AS OTHER ALLIED SOURCES QUESTIONED BELIEVE RANGABE'S STATEMENT THAT HE HAS BEEN TRYING TO LEAVE GERMANY SINCE 1941 BUT COULD NOT OBTAIN PERMISSION. GEHEIMRAT RUHE RPT RUHE ACTING CHIEF OF PROTOCOL FOR GERMAN FOREIGN OFFICE AT BAD GASTEIN CONFIRMS THIS INFERENTIALLY BY STATING THAT RANGABE NEVER MADE UP HIS MIND EXACTLY WHERE HE WISHED ~~THE~~ GERMANS TO SEND HIM AND ADDING THAT HE HAD QUOTE TOO MUCH BAGGAGE UNQUOTE.

PARA FOUR. ADVISE IF FURTHER DETAILS WANTED.

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TO: Saint Caserta
For relay to Saint Rome

FROM: Saint Salzburg

1. Seventh Army SICI has requested info on Ing Dr Hugo Nossek alias Norman alias Norbert code name Robert code number XV111/88, born Vienna 27/2/94. Last known operating from Nest Innsbruck as agent in Milan.
2. If or when arrested please inform.

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Date 27 JUNE 1945

To CARPENTER

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Information Bulinski
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RE YOUR 335 and 336
OUR MOUTHHOUSE REPORT NOW BEING PROCESSED HAS SOME MATERIAL ON
NUTRITIONAL EXPERIMENTS BUT SCIENTIFIC DATA WAS NOT OBTAINABLE.
SUGGEST YOU CABLE BERLIN OSS MEDICAL SERVICES TO TRACE DOWN
PROFESSOR SCHENK WHO DIRECTED THESE EXPERIMENTS FROM THERE. CHARTS
ON WORLD EPIDEMIOLOGY HAVE BEEN SENT BY POUCH TO YOU.

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SAINT SALZBURG TO SAINT CASERTA FOR RELAY TO SAINT LONDON,
COPY TO SAINT ROME

1. HAVE DR. OTTO RAGEN ALIAS BEGUS ALIAS BECK UNDER DETAILED INTERROGATION.
2. LAST HEAD AMT SIX EASY VERONA AND COMMANDER OF SABOTAGE SCHOOL COMPALTO.
3. SUBMIT ANY QUESTIONS OR PARTICULAR INFO DESIRED.

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From: Thayer

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To : Caserta
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1. No indications of extent of Japanese knowledge OSS activities available here.

2. (a) Higher German agencies including ^{rpt RSHA} RSHA were apparently ^{fairly} well acquainted with OSS ^{and its agent work} and allegedly had table of organization at least for European operations. They also knew headquarters for southern Europe were at Bari and for Northern Europe in London. Likewise they were aware of use of Brindisi field for despatch of agents cma location of training and holding areas ^{in Bari} and personnel connected with them including Chapin cma Ulmer cma Capt. Jules paren Konig paren

Walter Haass cma Dobie Wilson and possibly Lt. Lowenstein, as well as ^{suspicion that} D.V.S. Stone cma Foster and King ^{parent of Dillon team} paren were OSS agents.

(b) Germans apparently had considerable knowledge of OSS cipher techniques and signal plans. One captured Gestapo agent claims to have read regularly transcripts of OSS radio traffic between field units in Yugoslavia and Headquarters. Through them it was learned that friction existed between OSS officers and Partisans. Names of Major Lindsay and one ^{rpt Kahusak} Kahusak were mentioned by agent in this connection. Though Germans were apparently able to break OSS double transposition system and were aware of nature of OTP ^{rpt OTP} there is no direct indication that they could break the latter.

3. Complete memorandum on subject follows by first safe hand.

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paren Able paren further delays in their arrival in Vienna paren Baker paren the quality of Allied troops to garrison the city and paren Cast paren the predetermination of their policy should armed Communist uprisings with illegal weapons take place.

5. Further discussion with Lambert leads me to believe that Schaefer's apprehensions are based largely on a fear that joint occupation is to be delayed for a matter of weeks if not months and that the Americans might if suddenly faced with an uprising stand aside on the ground that they are reluctant to interfere in the internal affairs of Austria.

6. While therefore I cannot share Schaefer's fears I have agreed to transmit his warning to the appropriate authorities. At the same time I have refrained from commenting either on the prospects of an early arrival of American troops or on their probable size and quality.

7. Fuller details on the results of Lambert's visit cma including messages to President Truman and de Gaulle from Renner cma are being transmitted by Oboe Sail Sail.

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Rewr # 457 and 466.

- 1. Conferred USFA G-1 and II Corps AG. Unable contact Sloane until tomorrow.*
- 2. For army administrative problem as concerns OSS Austria following procedure suggested:
 - A. OSS Austria to be constituted separate unit by MEDTO.*
 - B. Unit as such to be assigned over to USFA.*
 - C. Full concurrence secured from USEET.**
- 3. To accomplish para (2) suggest Colonel Brissac USFA G-3 now in Verona Philadelphia 71 be contacted and problem discussed.*
- 4. When Sloane returns will get his suggestions and support.*
- 5. Advise how program strikes you.*

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TO : PARIS FOR RELAY TO WISNER
FROM : ULMER

1. JOHN MASON, WHO PARACHUTED INTO AUSTRIA FOR US AND WAS CAUGHT BY GESTAPO, HAS LEARNED HIS MOTHER AND SISTER IN HAMBURG WERE ARRESTED. HE IS ANXIOUS TO GO THERE TO FIND IF THEY ARE ALIVE. HE IS GERMAN, SPEAKS ONLY A LITTLE ENGLISH. CAN YOU SUGGEST BEST WAY TO ARRANGE TRAVEL?
2. MASON IS INTELLIGENT, SLICK, FORMER MERCHANT SAILOR AND RADIOMAN WITH GOOD CONTACTS AMONG SAILORS, BLACK-MARKETEERS AND LEFTISTS IN GERMAN PORTS. HE CAN ORGANIZE GOOD AND USEFUL NETWORK IN HAMBURG OR BREMEN AMONG CIRCLES WE MIGHT NOT NORMALLY BE ABLE TO REACH, BUT THIS WOULD REQUIRE OFFICER WITH PLENTY SAWY TO STAY ON TOP OF IT. IF AFTER CONFERENCE WITH MASON, YOU WOULD WISH USE HIM FOR THIS YOU COULD CABLE HOW LONG HE WOULD BE NEEDED.

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TO : JOLIS, PARIS
FROM : FLEISHER, SALZBURG

INFO: CHAPIN, CASERTA

CAN YOU VERY SOONEST CONFIRM FOR LOWENSTEIN HERE WHETHER FORMER
VIENNA MAYOR KARL SEITZ ^{IS} NOW LIVING SCHUZENSTRASSE 11, LOTHERKOGLER
PLAU, NEAR ARNSTADT, THURINGIA. WE WILL PICK HIM UP IF REPORT
CONFIRMS ABOVE RUMOR.

COMMENT FOR CHAPIN ONLY: SEE OUR 186, WHICH WAS APPARENTLY GARBLED,
AND OUR REPHRASED NO. 27. DYNCO PLANS TO TRY PICKING UP SEITZ
THURSDAY FOR INTERROGATION AND RETURN TO VIENNA THRU CHANNELS ALREADY
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TO : SAINT CASERTA
Relay to Saint London

FROM : SAINT SALZBURG

1. WUNSCHER INTERROGATION REVEALS THAT SCHELLENBERG WAS HIMMLER ON ONE MAY IN LUBECK. SANDBERGER RETURNED FROM LINZ ON ONE MAY AND TOLD WUNSCHER IN SALZBURG ON 1 DAY. SANDBERGER AT THAT TIME WAS ON WAY TO INNSBRUCK BORROWED WUNSCHER'S CAR FOR TRIP. ALSO SHOWED WUNSCHER COVER SHEET TO FINAL REDUIT ORDERS SIGNED BY SCHELL
2. SANDBERGER HAS ALREADY GONE FORWARD TO SEVEN ARMY IN CENTER. HAVE HIM CHECKED ON LAST MEETING ~~WITH~~ INDICA AND INFO CONTAINED IN FINAL REDUIT ORDERS.

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INFO: SAINT, COPENHAGEN

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HERE RESULT OUR EARLY STEPS IN CASE. MUST HAVE AJ-LANDERS' DECISION
RE THEIR CE OR WARCRIMES INTEREST BY FIVE NOVEMBER OR BE EMBARRASSED
WITH HIM ON OUR HANDS. NO WORD FROM AJ-ONE DESPITE OUR CABLES. BB-ONE
FOLLOW FOR ACTION AND CABLE PRIORITY.

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TO LUCKY, SALZBURG

INFO SAINT, ROME

FROM AB 2 AMZON

1. RE: GELLERT SHASF CARD 111221.

2. G-2 USFET AND CG USFA REQUEST FACTS RE THIS MAN BE PRESENTED

~~CEBTUREA AND HE BE CLEARED TO PREVE~~

~~ARREST.~~

G-2 USFA AND HE BE CLEARED TO PREVENT FUTURE ARREST,

3. FACTS OF CASE SHOULD BE SENT US TO BE ⁰FORWARDED G-2 USFET.

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WASH RELAY TO AB/17, AMZON
INFO: SAINT, WASHINGTON
FROM: SAINT, LONDON
REUR: X-2803, AMZON.

ONLY TRACE ONE SIMONI, POSSIBLE VICHY OR GERMAN AGENT, INTERNED
IN MIRANDA CAMP IN 1943. RELEASED AFTER FEW MONTHS AND SAID TO
BE IN POSSESSION OF LARGE AMOUNT OF MONEY.

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WASH RELAY INFO

TO : 1-8.5, BERNE

FROM: SAINT, LONDON

INFO: AMZON, WASHINGTON IN 1726

REUR: 12007 (LONDON) AND WASH 11327 AND OUR AMZON 0314.

1. FRITZ ALBERT JUST TRANSFERRED USFET FOR INTERROGATION.

2. WAR ROOM HAS CABLED BRIEF INCLUDING QUESTIONS RE HIS STAY IN US AND RELATIONS WITH GISEVIUS ALSO WITH GEORG SCHMITZ AND MME LEGRAND.

3. ALSO QUERYING RE AGENT NETWORKS IN BC-LAND BD-LAND BG-LAND AND KNOWLEDGE OF AGENT OBER STEWARD ON SWISS SHIPS SAILING AMERICAS 1942.

5. VIEW YOUR CONNECTION WITH HIM DO YOU WANT CASE WITHDRAWN FROM REGULAR CIWAR HANDLING? ALTERNATIVELY HAVE YOU COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FOR USFET.

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CFM: 12007 11327 0314 FRITZ ALBERT USFET GISEVIUS
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1st Ind. RMW/EGH/wsp

Office of the A. C. of S., G-2, HEADQUARTERS SEVENTH UNITED STATES ARMY
APO 758, U S ARMY, 9 January 1946.

TO: Commanding Officer, CI/MII Detachment, Seventh Army Internee Hospital
No. 2, APO 758, U S Army

1. Forwarded for completion of interrogation as outlined in inclosed Interrogation Brief.
2. It is desired that the completed Interrogation Report be returned with this correspondence by indorsement.

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n/c. on 26-7-56 L.E. Phillips 2d Lt ORDC
ROBERT M. WILLIAMS
Colonel, G.S.C.
Acting A. C. of S., G-2

Telephone SEVENTH ARMY 5921

2nd Ind.

CI Detachment, Seventh Army Internee Hospital #2, Karlsruhe, Ger-
many, APO 758 US Army, 24 January 1946.

TO: AC of S G-2, Headquarters Seventh United States Army, APO 758
US Army.

1. In compliance with instructions in first indorsement, the following information is submitted as requested in enclosed Interr-
ogation Brief:

I. Subject cannot elaborate on MAGNOLO's agents in Madrid other than that they supplied MAGNOLO with information on political trends and also with foreign technical periodicals which MAGNOLO forwarded to Berlin.

II. Organisation GRILLE was the code designation for all German RSHA IV activities in Spain and kept watch on the political and military developments there thru its agents and thru the freindly relations of its members with the Spanish Minister of Commerce and other officials. It was concerned mainly with anti-fascist developments, tho it collected information on all subjects of value to Germany from all available sources; for example, all reports to FRANCO that might interest Germany, were photostated by GRILLE, this was without FRANCO's knowledge. Organisation GRILLE was started in October or November 1943 and its members were installed as managers

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and assistant managers in SOFINDUS and its four sister companies. SOFINDUS was used as the headquarters of GRILLE because of that organisation's good connections with influential Spanish businessmen and government officials. Contrary to statement in enclosed Final Interrogation Report to the effect that BERNHARDT was head of GRILLE and that he was installed as General Manager of SOFINDUS, Subject states that MOSIG was head of GRILLE and that BERNHARDT always had been General Manager of SOFINDUS in that he had founded the organisation in 1938.

III. Spaniards in German employ:

A. CARUCHO, Frederico; one of the managers of SOFINDUS, organisation had an account in CARUCHO's name in Banco Urgijo, Calle Barquillo, Madrid.

Personal Description:
Age: 50 Face: Oval
Height: 1.65 m Eyes: Dark Brown
Build: Slender Hair: Black, graying
Wears glasses
Last address: Castilliana 51D, Madrid, Spain.

B. ARRANDA, Maj. General; agent for KRUSE of PIELES Co., was paid 10,000 Pesetas monthly by GRILLE; had good connections with American Embassy; was political adversary of FRANCO; according to LACKNER, ARRANDA delivered plans of American attack on Orlean, France to KRUSE.

Personal Description: Not available.

C. LEON, Carlos; Argentinian, worked only with MOSIG and MAGNOLO; was liaison man for GRILLE in South America; speaks perfect English, German, and Spanish; wife is Andalusian.

Personal Description:
Age: 65 Face: Round
Height: 1.80 m Eyes: Brown
Build: Heavy set Hair: White
Wears glasses.
Last address: Seville, Spain.

2. Besides LACKNER, there is in this hospital, one NEUBOURG, Dr. Ludwig, formerly Obersturmfuehrer and Chief of Subsection VI-B-c RSHA, who also has information on organisation GRILLE.

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DELAY IN REPATRIATIONS TO GERMANY RESULTED IN STRENGTHENING GERMAN ESPIONAGE NETWORK. IMPORTANT ESPIONAGE LEADERS ARE DAILY DISAPPEARING INTO SMALL TOWNS IN SPAIN AND GOING UNDER COVER LOCALLY. AS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED, RECRUITING CONTINUES AND STRONG EFFORT BEING MADE TO SEND AGENTS TO WESTERN HEMISPHERE. WITH ABANDONMENT BRITISH CONTROL CENTERS AT GIBRALTAR, FREETOWN AND TRINIDAD AND RESULTING IN EFFECTIVENESS NAVICERT SYSTEM, INCREASING ACTIVITY THIS DIRECTION MUST BE ANTICIPATED. OF RUSSIAN-DIRECTED CE AND SO OPERATIONS, BUT AS YET NOTHING TO CONFIRM.

NO JAPANESE INTELLIGENCE ACTIVITY REPORTED OR BELIEVED TO EXIST.

9. F-O Reports of increasing activities (depression etc)

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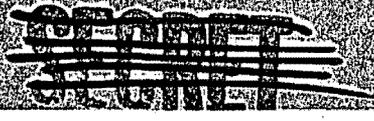
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APPROXIMATELY 140 GERMANS HAVE AGREED TO REPATRIATION ON THE SECOND SEA MOVEMENT AS YET UNSCHEDULED. 30 ARE MILITARY INTERNEES AT INTERNMENT CAMP AT MIRANDADEBPO (SIC). THE REMAINING INDIVIDUALS, MANY OF WHOM ARE OUTSIDE OF MADRID, WILL MOVE VOLUNTARILY TO PORT OF DEPARTURE SHORTLY BEFORE SAILING DATE. APPROXIMATELY 25 OFFICIALS HAVE ALREADY VOLUNTEERED FOR REPATRIATION. OTTO HORCHER, B-199, AND GUILLERMO MOPABLO HOFFMAN CLERICUS, B-13, BOTH ON AGENTS LIST, HAVE INDICATED TO THEIR REPATRIATION CENTER THEIR INTENTIONS OF DEPARTING ON THE COMING SEA MOVEMENT. ONLY 1 PERSON YET IN CUSTODY OF SPANISH POLICE FOR NEXT AIRLIFT.

(PART TWO) ALTHOUGH A LARGE NUMBER OF GERMANS HAVE BEEN REPATRIATED TO GERMANY FROM NER. SPAIN, THIS NUMBER REPRESENTS A VERY SMALL PERCENTAGE OF THE TOTAL. FURTHER MORE WITH FEW EXCEPTIONS, ONLY UNIMPORTANT OFFICIALS AND AGENTS HAVE BEEN MOVED. OF 1,400 FORMER GERMAN OFFICIALS ONLY 113 HAVE LEFT, AND OF THE 500 AGENTS NAMED BY US ONLY



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44. HAVE DEPARTED. OUR EMBASSY TOGETHER WITH THE BRITISH EMBASSY HAS BEEN IN DIRECT CONTACT WITH THE SPANISH FOREIGN OFFICE AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL, BUT THERE APPEARS NOW TO BE PRACTICALLY A COMPLETE BREADDOWN OF THE PROGRAM. WE HAVE RECEIVED NUMEROUS REPORTS INDICATING THAT GERMANS ON OUR LISTS HAVE BEEN INFORMED UNOFFICIALLY BY SPANISH AUTHORITIES THAT THE ENTIRE REPATRIATION PROGRAM WILL BE DELAYED FOR ONE REASON OR ANOTHER AND THAT IN ALL PROBABILITY ANY GERMAN WHO WISHED TO REMAIN IN SPAIN MAY DO SO.

(PART THREE) EMBASSY HERE HAS REPORTED FULLY TO DEPARTMENT OF STATE ITS DISCUSSION WITH THE FOREIGN OFFICE TOGETHER WITH ITS VIEWS IN THAT REGARD. YOU MAY THEREFORE DESIRE TO DISCUSS WITH THE VARIOUS AGENCIES INVOLVED THE UNSATISFACTORY CONDITION OF THE REPATRIATION PROGRAM HERE AND THE BEST METHOD OF RECTIFYING IT. THE UNDESIRABILITY OF PERMITTING KNOWN GERMAN AGENTS TO REMAIN IN SPAIN REPRESENTS NOT MERELY A POTENTIAL DANGER, BUT AN ACUTAL ONE AT THE PRESENT TIME AS WE HAVE MOST RELIABLE REPORTS OF INCREASED ACTIVITY OF GERMAN AGENTS WHO ARE NOW ENAGED IN THE PENETRATION OF FRANCE FOR THE SPANIARDS, THE CONTINUANCE OF GERMAN SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH, AND THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ESPIONAGE NETWORK THROUGHOUT THE IBERIAN PENINSULA AND NORTH AFRICA.

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SUMMARY REPORT OF INVESTIGATION:

SUBJECT: Forced Emigration to Israel

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See Summary by M. S. Hauer
Date 19-6-52 *1/2-2/2*

1. Reason for Investigation:

Reference is made to par. 256, Orientation and Guidance Report No. 7, dated 26 February 1948 and to your TWX 8558-0, dated 4 June 1948. The following report was submitted to this agent by Saul KRAUTHAMER.

2. Synopsis of Previous Investigation:

None.

3. Synopsis of Present Investigation:

a. Hermann KRAUTHAMER, his wife Dora and son Saul entered the LEIPHEIM (L49/X88) Jewish DP Camp in December, 1945. From that day it was well known to the Camp Committee that the KRAUTHAMER family had relatives in NEW YORK CITY who were trying to arrange for their transportation to the United States and that at no time had this family ever contemplated going to Israel. Following is personal data on the KRAUTHAMER family:

Hermann KRAUTHAMER, born 8 May 1899 in STANISLAU, Poland (formerly Austria), LEIPHEIM Jewish Camp, Area #5, DP Card #669633.

Dora KRAUTHAMER, born 8 April 1906 in SNIYATIN, Poland (formerly Austria), LEIPHEIM Jewish Camp, Area #5, DP Card #669634.

Saul KRAUTHAMER, P6(b)(6) in STANISLAU, Poland, LEIPHEIM Jewish Camp, Area #5, DP Card #669635.

b. On 15 May 1948, Saul KRAUTHAMER was called before the Jewish Agency Committee in the LEIPHEIM Camp and asked to sign the required papers for transportation to Israel. This was the first time the Jewish Agency had approached him on going to Israel. KRAUTHAMER refused to sign the papers. He did not tell the Committee he wished to go to the United States because previous to his interview, another young man who made that statement was verbally abused, immediately discharged from his employment and restricted to the camp. Upon his refusal to sign the papers, KRAUTHAMER also was abused, called a traitor and dismissed from his job.

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c. Everyone who refused to sign papers for emigration to Israel was restricted to the camp. If those restricted were caught outside their living quarters after 2000 hours, as some of them were, they were confined to the camp jail for twenty-four (24) hours without food. In addition a "black list" was posted outside the Committee Office, listing names of all young men who refused to go to Israel and calling them deserters.

d. On 25 May 1948, KRAUTHAMER signed the papers so that he would be permitted to leave the camp. Subsequently he came to this agent and reported these facts. According to KRAUTHAMER, SCHMIDT (fnu), Gustav WORTZMAN and Aaron PERLOW, who claimed they represented the Jewish Agency, were on the interviewing committee at the LEIPHEIM Camp. All three live in the LEIPHEIM Camp.

e. According to KRAUTHAMER, the same situation exists in the ULM (L49/X68) Jewish DP Camp. The men confined in this camp supposedly escaped and reported the matter to CIC or the Military Police. The Military Police allegedly questioned the director of the ULM Camp about the situation. Supposedly the director replied that these men were confined in an effort to stop black marketing.

4. Undeveloped Leads:

Further investigation of the Jewish Agency's recruiting methods in the LEIPHEIM and ULM Camps.

5. Agent's Comments and Conclusions:

a. The above information was given to the undersigned by Saul KRAUTHAMER, who is a second cousin of this agent's wife. Should the source of this information become known to the Jewish Agency or any of its affiliates, the emigration of the KRAUTHAMER family to the United States would be made much more difficult. Therefore, this agent requests that care be taken to prevent the compromise of the source of this information.

b. Existence of this situation is known to the AJDC and PCIRO. However, it must be realized that the definitely pro-Zionist Jewish Agency has built up a very powerful organization in its forty (40) odd years of existence. Certainly the individual European Jew who does not favor Zionism cannot oppose such an organization. Probably the AJDC and the PCIRO ignore the situation because the Jewish Agency might be able to air some of their "dirty linen". At any rate, the Jewish Agency, apparently unopposed, seems to be resorting to "third degree" methods in their recruiting for the army of Israel.

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6. Recommendations:

That copies of this report be forwarded to the Regions concerned for their investigation of this case.

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6 November 1947

IV-1177

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Jewish Activities in LEIPHEIM Displaced Persons Camp (L49/X88)

RE : Operation RUMMAGE

1. Reference is made to spot TWX report, this headquarters, dated 24 October 1947, concerning a Constabulary raid on the LEIPHEIM Displaced Persons Camp (L49/X88). Reference is also made to letter, this headquarters, subject: IRCUN ZWEI LEUMI, file: IV-3063, dated 6 October 1947, containing a report concerning the possible existence of an arms cache in LEIPHEIM Displaced Persons Camp. In consequence of this report, and subsequent indications that renewed Jewish migration activities were centered in or near the camp, coverage on the installation was increased over the past month.

2. The following information concerning the raid and activities of various organizations within the installation has been obtained by an agent of this headquarters:

a. One hundred sixty (160) Jews traveling in an illegal convoy from the Russian Zone of Austria to Germany were stopped at the German-Austrian border by the 2nd Constabulary, on or about 21 October 1947. Questioning revealed that the destination of these people was to have been LEIPHEIM Displaced Persons Camp, from where they intended to continue on to France at a later date. The origin of this convoy was not determined. A previous report from P-1025-IV-A, evaluated B-2, indicated that arrangements were under way for three thousand (3,000) Roumanian Jews from the Rothschild Krankenhaus Lager in VIENNA, Austria, to enter the US Zone illegally, en route to Palestine. Additional reports from Mr. HOUSTON, Office of Military Government for Bavaria Welfare Officer, also indicated that the majority of Jews being detained as illegal border crossers at the MUNICH-ALLACH Screening Center for OBERBAYERN were of Roumanian extraction. Based on the

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former incident and in view of the large number of unidentified Jews reported to have passed through the LEIPHEIM camp recently, Constabulary authorities contacted this headquarters for an operational clearance preliminary to carrying out a check and search operation at the LEIPHEIM Displaced Persons Camp. The purpose of the entry by Constabulary was to check identity documents and search for black market articles. The operation was utilized by this headquarters to send along agents as Constabulary troopers in order to check on the supply of weapons reported in the referenced MOIC. The raid was conducted on 24 October 1947, three (3) agents of this headquarters participating, with the following results:

m (1) An identity document check in one (1) of the buildings (the only building checked), revealed twenty eight (28) persons to be illegally in the camp. Twenty one (21) individuals had falsified documents, and seven (7) persons were without displaced persons cards. These people constituted about forty five (45) percent of the inhabitants of the building. The twenty eight (28) individuals were detained and removed the same evening to the LUITPOLD Kaserne in MUNICH, by the Constabulary.

(2) Seven (7) pistols, one (1) carbine, and ammunition were confiscated. These items were turned over to the S-2, Constabulary Regiment in AUGSBURG.

(3) A large store of old displaced persons cards was found at the headquarters of the Jewish camp official. These were supposedly the cards of people present in the camp collected for the purpose of drawing food rations. None of the persons questioned, however, were without these documents, except the individuals detained, and it is possible that these cards were used as a cover for the illegal persons traveling through the camp. The cards were turned over to Military Government in GUNZBURG (L49/X88), and the inmates instructed to appear personally to claim them.

(4) A large quantity of food stuffs and black market items, including some opium, US dollars, automobiles and additional material were confiscated. The majority of food stuffs in bulk and livestock were turned over to the German food office in GUNZBURG. However, small items were returned to the camp welfare committee.

b. Short spot interrogations of those individuals detained because of insufficient documents were conducted. All individuals were reticent about talking much; however, it was learned that the majority were from Poland and Roumania.

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They claimed to have heard rumors in their home countries that upon reaching Austria there would be organizations to aid them in further travel to Palestine. Three (3) main collecting points in Austria were mentioned as: VIENNA (O49/X49), Ausberggasse 2; LINZ (N49/V88), Lager WELZ; and STEYER (O49/V96). Local Jewish organizations took care of them at these camps, and sent them on in groups to BAD REICHENHALL (N48/Z81), MUNICH (M49/Y85), SAARFELDEN (N48/E88), and ATTEL (M49/Z34). Average length of stay at these points was one (1) week. From there they came to the LEIPHEIM camp, which they believed to be the last stop in Germany en route to Palestine. The two (2) routes to Palestine were said to be through MARSEILLES, France, and over the Brenner Pass. False identity documents were available in most camps along the route. It was noticed that the false documents confiscated were all old and showed signs of considerable use. All the individuals agreed that upon once registering in a camp in Austria to go to Palestine, they were completely controlled by the various camp organizations, and had no say as to where they would go next. One individual mentioned a certain Solomon HERS, camp leader at STEYER, as stating that they would continue on to Palestine. The various guides along the route (BRIHA leaders), were not known, as changes were made at frequent intervals.

c. Four (4) of the individuals not questioned on the spot were interrogated the following day at the LUITPOLD Kaserne in MUNICH. These individuals are as follows:

(1) Chaskel FRIEDMAN, born 10 May 1910 in TESCHIN, Poland. Since December 1946 lived with his family in the ICHUD Kibuz in the Jewish camp at LINZ, Austria. Was promised by ICHUD leaders that he and his entire family would receive French visas and would ultimately reach Palestine. The entire family was physically examined through ICHUD, and left a week later by train to SALZBURG. The same evening they, with seventy (70) others, were loaded into three (3) trucks, and eventually ended up at BAD REICHENHALL, from where they traveled by train to LEIPHEIM. Identity documents possessed by FRIEDMAN were a repatriation certificate dated 5 July 1946 issued by the Soviets at LEMBERG, and identity card 1173 issued by the Confederation of General Zionists in Austria.

(2) Aneta LEJBOWITZ, female, born 2 October 1924 in BUCHAREST, Roumania. Left Roumania for camp in VIENNA, Ausberggasse 2, in April 1947, where she lived with a Zionist organization named DOR HADASH. In September 1947 went to camp

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SAARFELDEN, Austria, and lived with members of the organization POALE CION Smol. Took physical examination here, including blood test and X-ray, and departed on train to SALZBURG. From there, followed the same route as FRIEDMAN.

(3) Moishe KLEIMAN, born 10 May 1918 in BORZCHUV, Poland. Lived in SALZBURG one year prior to entering the US Zone of Germany. In September 1947 he walked from SALZBURG to BAD REICHENHALL, and continued to MUNICH by train. Here he met a person who furnished him with the displaced persons card of a person who had already left for Palestine. He then proceeded to LEIPHEIM by train.

(4) Lola KIRSCHENBAUM, female, born 23 May 1920 in RADOM, Poland. Lived at camps WEGSHEIT and SEIFELD in Austria for past nine (9) months. Proceeded to LINZ, Austria, and BAD REICHENHALL by foot, on her own, then took train to LEIPHEIM. She also had procured a displaced persons card belonging to a person who had previously departed for Palestine.

d. Additional information concerning the current activities of various organizations in the LEIPHEIM camp is as follows:

(1) The BETAR has reportedly not been active in LEIPHEIM for some time, one of the main reasons being that other organizations there are antagonistic toward it. Its members formerly comprised about fifteen (15) percent of the LEIPHEIM population. The leader of the organization is a Polish Jew named Romek KELLER, who was formerly a lieutenant in the Russian Army. Most of the BETAR members live in blocks 24 and 25 in the camp.

(2) The organization PECHACH, of former partisans, has recently increased in power in the camp. Its members hold quite a few positions in the camp administration, such as the chief of the labor, food and culture offices. Its members are approximately five (5) to ten (10) percent of the population, but hold rather important positions. Members of this organization live in blocks 24 and 25 with the BETAR, but hold meetings in block 28. The PECHACH, although not a political unit in itself, has a very high leftist membership in the camp, and is reported to control a small labor group in the camp known as the "Red Labor Party".

(3) Elements of the leftist organization HASOMER-HAZEIR are present in the camp up to five (5) to ten (10) percent of the population. Until September 1946 this organization marched and exercised every day in conjunction with BETAR.



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(4) About twenty (20) percent of the camp population are members of the religious organization MIZRACHI.

3. AGENT'S NOTES: It is the opinion of agents of this headquarters that the individuals detained in the LEIPHEIM raid were not officials or leaders of any Jewish illegal migration program, and had no special knowledge of the methods employed by the persons who organized the movement. Additional information concerning organizations and personalities within the installation, whose activities are presently under observation by this headquarters, is being gathered, and subsequent reports will be forwarded periodically.

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26 March 1948

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Jewish Immigration

RE : Camp LEIPHEIM (L49/X88)

1. The following information regarding trends among Jewish DP's at Camp LEIPHEIM with respect to immigration was furnished to this agent by P-1029-IV-A.

2. a. For several months it has been noted that the great majority of Jews in Camp LEIPHEIM have changed their minds about immigration to Palestine. In a recent registration only approximately four hundred (400) persons have volunteered to go to Palestine. This comparatively small number consisted mainly of youths between the ages of seventeen (17) and thirty-five (35).

b. The "agitators" and "big business men" who constantly clamor for a mass movement to Palestine have registered for immigration to Canada, the United States or South America, while attempting to influence the other DP's to immigrate to Palestine.

c. Source stated that the main reason for which the Jews no longer show such a desire to go to Palestine is due to a certain amount of fear of the political complications, the Moslem problem, and the possible future war between the Western and Eastern blocs. The belief that the U.S. has deserted them and is far more interested in maintaining friendly relations with the Moslem world than with the Jews commonly prevails among the Jews at Camp LEIPHEIM.

3. Agent's Comments: Further information will be reported upon receipt.

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14 May 1948

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Haganah Activities at DP Camp LEIPHEIM (L49/X88)

1. Reference is made to MOIC, this Hq, file and subject as above, dated 27 April 1948.

2. Pressure is being applied to enforce compliance with the AJDC order for registration for general military service. The compulsory regulation was published on the bulletin boards of the Camp in the Yiddish language and threats of reprisal for nonconformance are being passed by word of mouth.

a. Persons refusing to comply will be refused foodstuffs, clothing, shoes and welfare supplies. Such persons will lose their employment and will be listed by name in a so-called Jewish "black book". The JAFP strongarm squad, Sachnut, and the Stern Gruppe are used against persons having a change of heart.

1) Armin GRUENBERGER, AGUDA Kubucim leader, has been appointed Chief of the AJDC warehouse in place of fnu DEUTSCH, who was relieved because he refused to register voluntarily for the Palestine conscription.

(2). In the past three (3) months, between sixty (60) and eighty (80) Rumanian Jews arrived in Camp LEIPHEIM with no papers. These Jews were issued papers belonging to persons who had already immigrated to Palestine. The persons holding these documents are forced to go to Palestine under the threat of exposure to prosecution for carrying false identity papers.

b. All former Polish and Russian army officers and non-commissioned officers are being pressed into service with the Palestine army because of their past military experience. These persons must go to Palestine regardless of family responsibilities.

(1) Pinkas STEINGRUB, former Russian Signal Corps officer, present Chief of LEIPHEIM Camp Police, is scheduled to leave for Palestine in May. His wife and small child will follow at some later date.

c. On 8 April 1948, the LEIPHEIM Jewish administration officials received an order from Haganah to the effect that they were to prepare for immediate immigration to Palestine for the purpose of assisting in the administration of the Palestinian government. Families are to follow at some later date.

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d. In addition to the general courses of training for Haganah as reported previously, i.e., assembling and cleaning of firearms, unjamming automatic weapons, tactics, first aid, map and compass reading, signals, basic procedure, pyrotechniques, and close order drill, a new course of instruction started 3 May 1948. This is a course in unarmed defense against armed antagonists, which is given in the LEIPHEIM gymnasium and sport club.

e. The Russian and Polish Jews in Camp LEIPHEIM favor the conscription while the Hungarian, Rumanian and German Jews do not.

(1) The Russian and Polish Jews desire to immigrate to Palestine.

(2) The other nationalities desire to immigrate to the western hemisphere or to Australia.

(a) It is stated publicly that in order to immigrate to South America a person must have been an active member of the Communist Party at some time.

(3) Other attitudes among the camp inmates are influenced by a belief in future Russian domination of Europe.

(a) Ladislaus KUENSTLER, who, with his wife Marta and two (2) children, is returning to Hungary, stated, "It will be better for us in Hungary when the Russians take over Germany. If we go back to Hungary now, the Russians will think better of us than if we did not."

3. Agent's Comments: Investigation continues.

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26 May 1948

FILE NO: IV-A-201/4.18

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Mass Movement of LEIPHHEIM (L49/X88) Jews to PALESTINE.

Re: Jewish Activity.

1. Reference is made to TWK spot report, this headquarters, dated 17 May 1948, concerning the movement of two hundred (200) Jews from Camp LEIPHHEIM to PALESTINE.

2. On 15 May 1948, P-1025-IV-A and P-1029-IV-A reported to this office concerning a planned movement of two hundred (200) young Jews from Camp LEIPHHEIM to PALESTINE. P-1025-IV-A and P-1029-IV-A, reported substantially as follows:

a. On 15 May 1948, at about 1800 hours, HERESZ, Isak, Block #25, Camp LEIPHHEIM, confidentially told P-1029-IV-A that "On this day, 15 May 1948, a great feast was held in camp in celebration of the termination of the BRITISH mandate in PALESTINE. Tomorrow morning, 16 May 1948, between 0400 and 0600 hours, two hundred (200) of our finest young fighters will leave here on the first leg of their journey to PALESTINE. This group, the first of two (2) transports being planned for the month of May 1948, is the first great mass movement from here for many months. On or about 20 May 1948, or a few days thereafter, the second transport comprised of approximately two hundred (200) young male and female Jews, will leave from here by train for PALESTINE. These groups have been made up of volunteers from the since disbanded MAKABI Sports Club, policemen, and former partisan fighters of the RUSSIAN Army who have considerable battle experience".

b. HERESZ further stated that the most modern weapons are being furnished by all countries sympathetic towards the Jewish cause. He added that within the last twenty (20) days twenty (20) tanks consigned from RUSSIA arrived in PALESTINE; in POLAND, a Jewish Legion is awaiting transportation to the PALESTINE battlefields. Most of the aid that PALESTINE is receiving stems from RUSSIAN and RUSSIAN dominated states. According to HERESZ, RUSSIA is contributing a great number of soldiers and sufficient small arms and mortars, while from CZECHOSLOVAKIA, the latest type fighter aircraft are being received.

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c. Fran HENATE, Sarah, Block #3, Camp LEIPHEIM, told Source that in reference to the PALESTINE money collection campaign now being conducted in LEIPHEIM, there was a great deal of verbal opposition voiced by the black-marketeers of Block #25. The majority complied with instruction, however, rather than have their name entered in the so-called Black Book, being ostracized, isolated, and forbidden to deal further in black market activities. The MUNICH (M49/Y55) and STUTTGART (L49/S02) central collection centers, have each received an approximate five hundred thousand (500,000) dollars. In Camp LEIPHEIM, everyone was required to contribute at least five dollars. HENATE claimed that a sum of over two million dollars has been forcibly collected from the Jewish Displaced Persons of GERMANY alone. This money, in Reichsmarks, is converted into dollars and will be used solely to purchase the necessary supplies to effect the continuance of the PALESTINE war effort.

d. KOPOLOVC, Ma, Block #4, Camp LEIPHEIM, stated that on 5 May 1948, several RUSSIAN warships loaded with approximately eighty thousand (80000) PALESTINE immigrants, left the harbor of CONSTACA, on the BLACK sea, bound for PALESTINE. During the remaining days of the month of May 1948, an approximate eighty thousand (80000) more Jews will be loaded for shipment from that port. From many harbors in FRANCE and ITALY, another thirty thousand (30000) are being briefed and loaded onto waiting transports. KOPOLOVC added that in the CONSTACA harbor are five (5) RUSSIAN warships which have been stationed there on a permanent basis to be used on the behalf of the Jews in the event of any interference on the part of other foreign nations.

e. KOPOLOVC stated that PALESTINE Jews recently bought from the GERMAN owner-settlers in PALESTINE, a complete town and lands adjoining, near TEL-A-VIV, for the sum of eighty million (80,000,000) BRITISH Pounds Sterling.

f. During the Pentecost holidays, a transient Jewish representative from PALESTINE, visited Camp LEIPHEIM and held a mass meeting in reference to voluntary immigration to PALESTINE. His speech, brief and serious, extolled the virtues of the fighters and immigrants who had gone on before.

g. On Thursday, 18 May 1948, at about 0900 hours, two vehicles arrived at Block #14, Camp LEIPHEIM. These vehicles, one of which was a U. S. Army type 3/4 ton Weapons Carrier, bearing STUTTGART IRO markings and number #10671, and the other, a GERMAN commercial livestock truck, red-brown in color, bearing license number AW-26-5007, loaded young male and female passengers and luggage and departed Camp LEIPHEIM at about 0930 hours. An unidentified Aryan language teacher, having dyed blonde hair, and approximately forty to forty-five years of age, occupied the seat next to the driver of the GERMAN commercial vehicle. NOTE: These two (2) vehicles and occupants were observed by the undersigned agent on the morning of 18 May 1948 on the Autobahn between GUNZBURG (L49/X58) and AUGSBURG (M49/Y37) during the space of time, 0945 to 1015 hours. A GERMAN Landpolizei check point, situated approximately seven or eight kilometers

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from AUGSBURG in the direction of GUNZBURG, was in the process of check-
the identification of vehicle number AN-26-5007 and occupants at the
time of observance. The vehicle believed to be a Weapons Carrier, number
10671, was observed parked alongside the autobahn, approximately ten
kilometers in the direction of AUGSBURG from GUNZBURG. The occupants of
both vehicles possessed unmistakable semitic features.

h. On or about 0845 hours, 18 May 1948, an AMERICAN vehicle
(type not known) bearing STUTTGART IRO markings, Area number 4, carrying
seven passengers from the vicinity of STUTTGART arrived in Camp LEIPHEIM.
The vehicle was loaded with a total of approximately thirty persons with
luggage, and departed for NEU-ULM (L49/X67) on or about 0913 hours.

3. Informants have been instructed to continue to report informa-
tion on this case. Investigation continues.

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HEADQUARTERS
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AFD 407-A
11 June 1948

FILE NO: IV-A-201/4.19

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Jewish War Loan in Camp LEIPHEIM.

Re: Camp LEIPHEIM (L49/X88).

- 1. Reference is made to Section IV, Orientation and Guidance Report No. 7, and previous reports, this office, concerning a forced money collection campaign in Camp LEIPHEIM.
- 2. On 26 May 1948, this office received new information on the current Jewish money collecting campaign now taking place within Camp LEIPHEIM. Source reported substantially as follows:

a. A WAR LOAN program has been initiated within Camp LEIPHEIM and other Jewish Displaced Persons camps throughout the AMERICAN Zone of Occupation. All residents of all camps automatically fall into categories numbered from one (1) to fifteen (15). Persons included within the higher income bracket are placed within the range of the higher categories whereas persons employed in lesser positions of importance are grouped in the lower categories. In Camp LEIPHEIM, Engineer Ernst GRUBER was required to pay for himself and his stepson, the sum of 2750 Reichsmarks and Policeman Kalman REISNER was charged the sum of 400 Reichsmarks. Pinkas STEINGRUB, Police Chief of LEIPHEIM, has been designated as the responsible person who decides upon which category a person will be placed. A War Loan receipt must be produced by all persons before he is allowed to purchase or receive AJDC foodstuffs and other welfare supplies.

3. The forced money collection campaign previously conducted within Camps LEIPHEIM and LUBENDORFF had relatively little success in that the goal decided upon was not reached. Every person was charged according to his income, yet in spite of this, a great deal of opposition was experienced mainly through the large scale black marketeers. In their effort to raise finances for the PALESTINE cause, the combined Jewish Agencies have hit upon the War Loan Plan with denial of necessary staples and supplies as the penalty for refusal. Investigation continues.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Jewish Activity Concerning Movement to PALESTINE.

Re: Camp LEIPHEIM (L49/X88)

1. Reference is made to Section IV, Orientation and Guidance Report No. 7, and previous reports, this office, concerning Jewish preparations in reference to movement to PALESTINE.

2. On 26 May 1948, two sources reported on the further activities of the residents of the LEIPHEIM Jewish Displaced Persons Camp. These sources reported substantially as follows:

a. The collecting points for military trained Jewish Displaced Persons, enroute to PALESTINE, are BERGHEIM-BELSEN (L53/X57), KASSEL (L52/G20), STUTTGART (L49/S02), HEU-ULM (L49/X67), and JEWISH AID FOR PALESTINE (JAAP) Headquarters in MUNICH (X49/YE5). The total capacity of the above mentioned collecting points in regard to training facilities is approximately five thousand (5000) persons. Upon arrival at the above mentioned collecting points, the Jewish immigrant recruits are given a hurried course in theoretical military training and hand to hand combat by a competent HAGANAH instructor. The immigrants bound for PALESTINE from Camp LEIPHEIM receive their last minute training at Camp LUDWIGSBORF in HEU-ULM.

b. The LEIPHEIM Jews now maintain that secret training programs will no longer be necessary inasmuch as the Jews have received the green light from sympathetic high post AMERICAN Army and Military Government Officials to conduct their training schedules openly in all camps.

c. On 26 May 1948, nine (9) young Jews from Camp LEIPHEIM boarded a train in GUNZBURG (L49/X88) and departed for an unknown destination in order to escape forthcoming shipment to PALESTINE. For this reason, all young Jews must now before leaving Camp LEIPHEIM, produce a certificate of draft registration.

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d. Great fanfare and acclaim is being paid to LEIPHEIM male and female residents who actually have volunteered for PALESTINE immigration without the benefit of duress. Exhibited on the Camp LEIPHEIM bulletin board is a large poster with the photographs of thirty-two (32) persons thereon, who are scheduled to leave on the next group shipment on or about the first of June 1948. One of the photographs portrays a one Jacob MOSKOWITZ attired in RUSSIAN uniform and heavily benedaled with RUSSIAN decorations.

e. Posted near the above mentioned poster on the Camp LEIPHEIM bulletin board, is a black bordered list of names of persons, who have thus far refused to volunteer for PALESTINE Army duty. The list, signed by UNITED KUBICINS, brands these people as traitors and deserters, and urges all Jews to hereafter treat them with contempt.

f. The new government of ISRAEL has, according to LEIPHEIM Jews, secretly maintained that it will punish by death, all Jews who refuse to voluntarily immigrate to PALESTINE. These Jews, whose names have been previously entered in the so-called Black Book, are being labeled as traitors, deserters, and criminals. Because of this ultimatum, the great majority of Jews in EUROPE, estimated at seventy (70) percent by J. STERN, Camp LEIPHEIM, realizing that their opportunity for immigration to AMERICA and other countries has crumbled, are reluctantly volunteering for immigration to PALESTINE.

g. President TRUMAN is being called a sly and clever trickster by the LEIPHEIM Jews in that by proclaiming ISRAEL a free and sovereign state, the Jews in the future will have no right to immigrate to any country other than their own.

h. On 20 May 1948, amidst farewell speeches, music, and flowers, a combined group of approximately one hundred (100) trained Jewish fighters from Camp LEIPHEIM and Camp LUDENDORFF, left the LUDENDORFF Kaserne in NEU-ULM for the FUNK Kaserne in MUNICH by means of truck and automobile. From MUNICH, the Jews are scheduled to travel via PARIS to MARSEILLES and thence to PALESTINE.

i. On 20 May 1948, a GMC truck with obliterated markings, was refueled with gasoline at the Camp LEIPHEIM garage, loaded with luggage from block six (6), and made ready to depart for a seemingly long trip. The truck actually left Camp LEIPHEIM in the direction of NEU-ULM on or about 0920 hours.

j. During the week 20 May 1948 to 25 May 1948, a total of thirty-five (35) persons left Camp LEIPHEIM for PALESTINE.

k. On 19 May 1948, at or about 1845, two (2) GMC trucks, bearing numbers E-1465 and E-1672, arrived in Camp LEIPHEIM, refueled, loaded with luggage, and departed for the LUDENDORFF Kaserne.

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3. The morale of the rank and file of Jews in Camp LEIPHEIM as well as those of the other Jewish Displaced Persons Camps throughout the AMERICAN Zone of Occupation, has struck a new low since it has become certain as to the determination of the JAPP, HAGANAH, and other Jewish affiliated agencies to enforce PALESTINE immigration. Heretofore, influence and money were the determining factors as to whether or not the Jews could immigrate to new homes. During the past few months, the Jews have at last realized that they are fighting a losing battle in reference to the countries within the western hemisphere. A sizeable percentage of Jews have expressed fear of forced impressment into the HAGANAH Army, but have accepted this probability rather than be branded as a traitor and thereby suffering the eventual consequences. As has been stated in previous reports, this office, the LUDWIGSMAYER Kaserns in NEU-ULM has in the past, acted as a central collecting and training point for PALESTINE bound Jews from the SCHWABIAN area. It is the belief of this Agent that inasmuch as open military training in all Camps has been more or less sanctioned by the AMERICAN authorities, the previously used central collecting points will lose their importance in regard to the training aspect. Investigation continues.

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