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Personal Questionnaire

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JEDE FRAGE IST ZU BEANTWORTEN
 ALLE ANGABEN SIND IN BLOCKSCHRIFT
 ZU MACHEN

EVERY QUESTION MUST BE ANSWERED
 ALL ANSWERS MUST BE IN BLOCK LETTERS

I. TEIL

PART. I

1. **Persönlich**
Personal

Name CECELIA WILCHELM KEIN
 Name Zuname Vornamen Titel
 Surname Christian Names Title

Ausweiskarte Nr. THUIFSCHHEIN NATURAZEUGNIS, FAKULTÄT ZEUGNIS
 Identity Card No. VERMÄCHTSOLDBUCH, NR 208840, CELEBRET NR 8856, UND ANDERE

Geburtsdatum 24. IV. 1909 Geburtsort ST. ILIJA, BEZ. VARAZDIN, KROATIA
 Date of Birth Place of Birth

Staatsangehörigkeit am 1. März 1938 KÖNIGREICH JUGOSLAVIEN
 Nationality on 1 March 1938

Gegenwärtige Anschrift SALZBURG
 Present Address

Ständiger Wohnsitz ZAGREB
 Permanent Residence

Haben Sie einen Reisepaß? JA Wenn ja, Nummer angeben 287/44
 Have you a passport? If so, give number

Beruf RÖM. KAT. PRIESTER
 Occupation

Name des Arbeitgebers ERZBISCHÖFELICHES ORDINARIAT, ZAGREB
 Name of employer

Anschrift des Arbeitgebers ERZBISCHÖFELICHES ORDINARIAT, ZAGREB
 Address of employer

Gegenwärtige Stellung KEINE
 Present position

Zeitpunkt der Anstellung 1. VIII. 1932 Jahresgehalt 5.000 DINARA
 Date Appointed Yearly Pay

Stellungen, die Sie seit 1. Jänner 1932 innehatten KAPLAN, PFARER, STELVERTRETER
 Positions held since 1 January 1932 VON FELDVIKAR.

Glaubensbekenntnis im Jahre 1933 RÖM. KAT. Glaubensbekenntnis heute RÖM. KAT.
 Religion 1933 Religion today

2. **Mitgliedschaft in der NSDAP (NATIONALSOZIALISTISCHE DEUTSCHE ARBEITERPARTEI)**
Nazi Party affiliation

Waren Sie jemals ein Mitglied der NSDAP? NEIN
 Have you ever been a member of the NSDAP?

Seit wann? NEIN Mitglieds-Nr. NEIN
 Since when? Party No.

Haben Sie sich jemals um Aufnahme in die NSDAP beworben? NEIN
 Have you ever applied for membership in the NSDAP?

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Wann?
 When?
 Wo?
 Where?

NEIN
NEIN

Haben Sie irgendwelche Ämter oder Stellungen in der NSDAP innegehabt? Falls ja, geben Sie Titel und Pflichten an.
 Have you held any position or positions in the NSDAP? If so, give title and duties.

NEIN

3. Tätigkeit in NSDAP-Hilfsorganisationen

Nazi Auxillary Organization Activities

a) Waren Sie ein Mitglied der folgenden Organisationen und in welchem Ausmaße haben Sie an deren Tätigkeiten teilgenommen?

a) Indicate whether you were a member and the extent to which you participated in the activities of the following:

| | Mitglied Member | | Dauer der Mitgliedschaft Period of Membership | Ämter bekleidet Offices held | Dauer Period |
|---|--------------------|------------|--|---------------------------------|-----------------|
| | Ja Yes | Nein No | | | |
| SS (Schutzstaffeln) (Falls ja, geben Sie Ihre Mitgliedsnummer an) (If "yes" give your number) | | NO | | | |
| SA (Sturmabteilung) | | NO | | | |
| HJ (Hitler-Jugend) | | NO | | | |
| NSDStB (NS Deutscher Studentenbund) | | NO | | | |
| NSDoB (NS Dozentenbund) | | NO | | | |
| NSF (NS Frauenschaft) | | NO | | | |
| NSKK (NS Kraftfahrerkorps) | | NO | | | |
| NSFK (NS Fliegerkorps) | | NO | | | |
| RDB (Reichsbund d. Beamten) | | NO | | | |
| DAF (Deutsche Arbeitsfront) | | NO | | | |
| KdF (Kraft durch Freude) | | NO | | | |
| NSV (NS Volkswohlfahrt) | | NO | | | |
| NSKOV (NS Kriegsopferversorgung) | | NO | | | |
| NSBDT (NS Bund d. Technik) | | NO | | | |
| NSLB (NS Lehrerbund) | | NO | | | |
| NSD RECHTSWAHRERBUND | | NO | | | |
| NSDAB (NSD Arztebund) | | NO | | | |
| VDA (Volksbund für das Deutschtum im Ausland) | | NO | | | |
| DFW (Deutsches Frauenwerk) | | NO | | | |
| REICHSKOLONIALBUND | | NO | | | |
| RDF (Reichsbund deutscher Familien) | | NO | | | |
| NSRL (NS Reichsbund für Leibesübungen) | | NO | | | |
| NS REICHSBUND DEUTSCHER SCHWESTERN | | NO | | | |
| NS ALTHERRENBUND DER DEUTSCHEN STUDENTEN | | NO | | | |
| RAD (Reichsarbeitsdienst) | | NO | | | |
| DGT (Deutscher Gemeindetag) | | NO | | | |
| NS REICHSKRIEGERBUND | | NO | | | |
| DEUTSCHE STUDENTENSCHAFT | | NO | | | |
| REICHSDOZENTENSCHAFT | | NO | | | |
| DRK (Deutsches Rotes Kreuz) | | NO | | | |
| DEUTSCHE CHRISTENBEWEGUNG | | NO | | | |
| DEUTSCHE GLAUBENSBEWEGUNG | | NO | | | |
| ARBEITSGEMEINSCHAFT NS STUDENTINNEN | | NO | | | |

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Sp.f.Nr. 395

Cecelja WilhelmLeiter des kroatischen Roten Kreuzes.
(Priester)

HAFT

A1772

An die

Amerikanische Militärregierung "CIC"

in

Bad-Aussee, den 16. Oktober 1945.G m u n d e n :N a t i o n a l e :

| | |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| Nachname: | WILJA Celcelja |
| Vorname: | Wilhelm, |
| Name des Vaters: | Augustin Celcelja |
| Dienstgrad: | Leiter des kroatischen Roten Kreuzes |
| Dienststelle: | Altaussee, Oberösterreich, |
| Stand: | ledig, |
| Geburtsdag: | 24.4.1909 |
| Geburtsort: | St. Ilija, Bez. Warasdin, Gemeinde Bischkopetz, |
| Staatszugehörigkeit: | Jugoslawien, Staatenlos seit 15.10.1945 |
| Heimatadresse: | Agram, Voccarska Nr106, Seminar, |
| Letzte Adresse: | Altaussee Nr.160 Fischerndorf, Ob. Öst. |
| Beruf: | Priester, |
| Ausweispapier: | Identitätskarte der Gemeinde Altaussee Nr. 2236 vom 4.9.1945 |
| Mitgliedsnummer der NSDAP: | keine Angehöriger einer Partei, |
| Adresse der nächsten Angehörigen: | Bruder Karl, in St. Ilija, |
| Rassenzugehörigkeit: | arisch, |
| Religion: | rk., |
| Staatszugehörigkeit von dem 12.3.38: | Jugoslawien, (Kroate) |
| Weitere Staatszugehörigkeit: | keine, |
| Schulbildung: | Volksschule, Gymnasium u. theologische Fakultät |
| Sprachkenntnisse: | kroatisch, deutsch, |
| Politische Zugehörigkeit v.1938: | keine, |
| Länge: | 1.70 cm |
| Gewicht: | 56 kg., |
| Haarfarbe: | braun |
| Augen: | braun, |
| Besondere Kennzeichen: | keine, |
| Ohren: | vorstehend |
| Gesichts-u-Hautfarbe: | rötlich, |
| Wie gebaut: | schwächl. |

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Gesichtsform: langlich,
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V e r n e m u n g :

" Ich bin im Elternhause und im Priesterseminar erzogen worden. Das Priesterseminar besuchte ich in Agram. Im Jahre 1932 am 29.6. wurde ich zum Priester in Agram geweiht. Ich wirkte 3 Jahre als Kaplan in Bedenica-Bez. St. Johann-Zelina, in der Nähe von Agram. Vom Jahre 1935 bis 1939 war ich Pfarrer in Hrastovica in der Nähe Petrinja. Vom Jahre 1939 bis 1941 bis Oktober Pfarrer in Kustsija. Von 1941 war ich Stellvertreter von Feldvikar bis zum Jahre 1944 in Agram. Vom 1.5.1944 war ich Fürsorger für kroatische Kriegsversehrte in Wien. Gleichzeitig war ich Leiter des kroatischen Roten Kreuzes in Wien. Ich war im Dominikanerkloster Wien 1., Dominkanerbastei wohnhaft. Am 1.4.1945 kam ich von Wien nach Altaussee. Hier übernahm ich weiter die Fürsorge für kroatische Verwundete, welche sich an verschiedenen Lazaretten in Deutschland befanden. Als Leiter des Roten Kreuzes machte ich Reisen durch ganz Deutschland. Ende Mai 1945 übernahm ich auch die Betreuung der kroatischen Flüchtlinge die aus den von Tito besetzten Gebieten nach Österreich geflohen sind. Ich war nie als Priester in einem KZ.-Lager, da ich niemals die Erlaubnis zum Besuche trotz wiederholten Ersuchens bekommen habe. Sonst kann ich nichts angeben."

Vor mir!

V.g.g.

Bruno Wessely
 Rev. Insp.

Celcelja Wilhelm

Celcelja Wilhelm, wurde am 16. Oktober 1945 um 10.00 Uhr über Weisung der amerikanischen Militärregierung "CIC" dem Gerichtsgefängnis Bad-Aussee bis zur weiteren Verfügung eingeliefert.

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PERSONAL PARTICULARS

CIC File Ref: JA 1772

1. Surname CECELJA ✓ 2. First Name(s) Wilhelm
 3. Surname at Birth CECELJA 4. Name of Father Augustin Cecelja
 5. Aliases not known
 6. Rank and/or Appointment Priest; Chief of 7. Organization/Unit Croatian Red Cross
 8. Married or Single single 9. Name of wife -
 10. Birth: a. Date 24 April 1909 b. Place St. Ilija
 11. Nationality claimed: Yugoslavian
 12. Nationality held stateless since 15 Oct 1944
 13. Official Address: a. Street & No Vocarska No 106
 b. Town Agram, Yugoslavia c. Kreis - d. Gau -
 14. Last Residence: a. Street & No Fischerndorf No 160
 b. Town Alt-Aussee c. Kreis Gmunden d. Gau Oberösterreich
 15. Civilian Occupation Priest
 16. Identity Documents:

| Type | Number | Date & Placed Issued |
|---------------|--------|----------------------|
| Identity Card | 2236 | Alt-Aussee 4 Sept 45 |

ARREST PARTICULARS

17. Unit effecting Arrest 430th CIC 18. Date of Arrest 19 Oct 1945
 19. Place of Arrest: a. Town Alt-Aussee b. Kreis Gmunden c. Gau Oberösterreich
 20. Arrest Category (Strike out whichever inapplicable):
 I Security Case. II Security Suspect Case.
 21. Reason for Arrest Reference NOIC Subject "Ustasha Activity in Land Salzburg" dated 2 Oct 45 from Salzburg CIC Detachment. -CECELJA is
 22. Statement after Arrest (none or attached) attached, alleged to be Ustasha head in this area.
 23. Property Receipt (none or attached) none
 24. Present Place of Confinement USDIC, Gmunden
 25. Remarks See No 21 above. CECELJA sent to USDIC for further interrogation
 26. Person affecting Arrest: John C. Crystal

Signature:

Rank S/A CIC Date 19 Oct 1945

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Wilhelm "Golubar" (The Dove) CECELJA, a Catholic Priest, was born on 24 April 1909 of Croatian parents in the town of Saint Ilia, Croatia. Subject's parents are deceased. He has a brother, Karl CECELJA, age 32. Source's home address is Wocarskast 106, Agram, Croatia, and his last known address is Fischerndorf 160, Alt Aussee, Austria.

He attended the Volksschule from 1914 to 1919 and the Gymnasium from 1919 to 1928. After attending the Theological Faculty in Zagreb, he was ordained a priest in 1932.

Father CECELJA is of small build, weighs 107 pounds, and is five feet eight and one-half inches tall. Source has a long slim face, brown eyes, and black hair. The only scar on his person is from an appendix operation.

Subject speaks both German and Croation and is credited with being very friendly and cooperative.

II. CAREER HISTORY

In 1932 after being ordained a priest, CECELJA was assigned as a Kaplan (chaplain) in Bedenica until 1935. From there he was assigned as a Pfarrer (Pastor) in Hrastovica until 1939, after which he held the same position in Kustosia, a suburb of Zagreb, until 1943. Subject describes the latter parish as a particularly difficult field. The resident population consisted of poor workers, having neither a parish school nor a church. Source states that he volunteered for this job, which had been rejected by other priests, because inherent difficulties made it the more attractive to him. Father CECELJA was able to build both church and parish school, with the help of state funds in the years 1941 to 1943. In October Source was nominated Deputy Chief of Chaplains in the Croation Army, with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. Subject states that he was suggested for this position by his friend, Archbishop Dr. STEPINAC. CECELJA was also personally known to Marshall KVATERNIK, and his nomination was due to his religious qualities and his well known Croation patriotism. Marshall KVATERNIK (now detained at this Headquarters for interrogation) confirms these statements and adds that PAVELIC had nothing to do with this appointment. Source emphasized that he had no supervision over

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or contact with the Ustasha Militia, who had their own representative, a Franciscan, Dr. BERKOVIC, in the office of the Chief of Chaplains. Subject also states that most of the Priests in the Militia were Franciscans whose duties were the usual ones of a military Chaplain; namely, soldiers' welfare and religious services for troops. It should be noted that in spite of his army appointment he held his parish position for two more years. In May 1944 Subject traveled to Vienna to take charge of the welfare of Croatian soldiers and workers in Germany. In June he officially founded the "Croatian Red Cross" and till the end of the war, in addition to his work as a priest, he carried out Red Cross work. Source left Vienna in April 1944 for Alt Aussee, still carrying on his Red Cross activities until his arrest on 19 October 1945.

III. TIME, PLACE, SPECIAL REASONS, AND CIRCUMSTANCES OF ARREST

Father Wilhelm CECELJA was arrested by the 430th CIC agents on 19 October 1945 in Alt Aussee, Austria. Father CECELJA was allegedly the Ustasha head in the area.

IV. CONNECTIONS WITH THE "USTASHA" AND Dr. Ante PAVELIC.

Father CECELJA'S first contact with the Ustasha appears to have been an official occasion in 1941. On 10 April 1941 Marshall Slavko KVATERNIK proclaimed the independent state of Croatia.*

A few days later Source was ordered by the Archbishop, Dr. STEPINAC of Zagreb, to minister at the swearing in ceremony of the new PAVELIC Government. Two more priests, one Protestant and one Mohammedan, participated. Ante PAVELIC had just returned from exile in Italy with the original "Ustasha" government. Subject used this opportunity to ask for support for his parish. Consequently, he received the means to build a church and a school, which were finished in 1943. Source states that this support was mostly due to the fact that his parish was just outside Zagreb, and that churchwork in a laborer district was considered particularly important.

Subject did not meet PAVELIC again until November 1941, when he was received in audience together with other military chaplains. The next time Source, as a member of the Central Committee of the "Croatian

*Details concerning the political development of Ustasha Croatia will be contained in report "The Croatian Independence Movement in Austria", to be issued from this Headquarters.

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Red Cross", met PAVELIC in an official meeting in 1941. Source claims these three occasions were the only personal contacts between himself and PAVELIC. Subject believes that he saw PAVELIC the last time during a military parade in Jelatic Square in Zagreb on 1 January 1944.

As to the allegation of having been Father Confessor of PAVELIC, Subject states that the first Father Confessor of PAVELIC was Father Dionizije JUNICEV, who was allegedly shot by Partisans in September 1943 in Dalmatia. His successor was Father MEDIC, both being of the Franciscan order. As far as Subject knows, PAVELIC met both Priests during his Italian exile in Siena, where the two Priests were studying at that time.

V. THE CROATION RED CROSS.

On 8 May 1944 Subject was dispatched to Vienna to look after the welfare of Croation wounded soldiers and forced laborers in Germany. On 6 June 1944 he founded the Hrvatski Creveni Kriz, Podryznica Bec, I. (Croation Red Cross, Branch Vienna I.) in the Baeckerstrasse N.10/1 in Vienna. The international Red Cross in Geneva recognized this organization in fact only and supported the work with packages, etc. Legal recognition was deferred till the end of the war and final settlement of European sovereignty problems. Source was concerned with the fate of about 1,500 wounded Croats who were scattered in 97 hospitals all over Germany, the Croation laborers who worked in various factories, and the details concerning the burial of deceased Croats in Germany. The means for this work came from the office of the Croat Red Cross in Zagreb, other Croat organizations, and the Ministry of War. This work was carried on in Vienna till the 1 April 1944 when, due to the threatening situation of Vienna, the office was transferred to Alt Aussee. It reopened on 15 April 1944 in Alt Aussee with all its archives and remains there at present.

When the Americans arrived in Alt Aussee in the beginning of May Subject reported to the CIC, which, after a short interrogation, referred him to the Military Government. The latter organization certified a permit to travel to and from Alt Aussee at will. (Original signed Ralph E. Pearson, Major, M.G.O.)

Another certificate dated 12 May 1945 reads: "Permit Wilim CECELJA to go to and from Alt Aussee for purpose of contacting Croats. Ralph E. PEARSON, Major, M.G.O."

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Source then heard of the presence of Croation refugees in Salzburg and traveled there to investigate. In Salzburg Subject found engineer, Ivo BULIC, who represented the Croat interest on a Yugoslav Committee. Source contacted the Head of the International Red Cross, Monsieur MOREAU, who told him that until further notice he should continue his Red Cross work. Subject then appointed Mr. Vladimir BOSILJEVICK, former Croatian Red Cross worker, as Secretary General. A document concerning said BOSILJEVICH follows, dated 19 May 1945:

"Mr. Vladimir BOSILJEVICH, Croatian Red Cross representative, has requested permission to establish a bureau in Salzburg for the purpose of assisting Croatian refugees who are in this area. Their services consist of aiding Croatian refugees in obtaining necessary food, clothing and medical supplies, which is undoubtedly needed. Signed Henry A. EICHMAN, American Red Cross, War Relief."

Meanwhile the Croats received Camp Lehen as their refuge because it was deemed undesirable to have all Yugoslav refugees together, considering the well known antagonism between Serbs and Croats. In spite of this prevention the predictable clashes occurred and in a meeting the Serbs demanded the discontinuation of the "Croatian Red Cross", arguing that there was no state of Croatia and no "Croatian Red Cross". Subject, however, did not wish to discontinue his organization until a legal successor could be found and left the decision to the Red Cross in Geneva. An ensuing exchange of letters finds the final expression in the following document:

Comite International De La Croix-Rouge
Agence Centrale Des Prisonners De Guerre.

Comite International Geneve

Delegation Salzburg
18.9.1945.

This office has been approached by Mr. CECELJA, Wilhelm, who is the President of a Croatian Red Cross Committee in Alt Aussee, Austria, and we are in relations with him. For the present time, International Red Cross cannot recognize officially any such groups but inasmuch as the activity of this Croatian Group is confined in purely humanitarian work, we can but approve it, and recommend it for assistance to anybody willing to help suffering people.

Salzburg Delegation
of I.R.C.C.
Eric de MONTMOLIN, del.

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Source had meanwhile proceeded to take count of the Croats in Austria, most of them being without legal papers and to issue Red Cross Identity cards to them the form of which was approved by the Red Cross Representative in Salzburg. These Identity cards were made out in three Languages (English, German, Croatian). They state clearly that they are issued by the Croat Red Cross and certify that holder is a displaced person. It has been alleged that these cards have been used to draw ration cards, to demand billets, and travel freely. There is nothing on the face of these cards which would entitle to special privileges although they can have been abused only through negligence by Allied authorities. All these identity cards were given out at Camp Lehen by the Yugoslav Colonel ALABANDA, with knowledge of American authorities. As to the allegation that identity cards for former Ustasha members were made out with false names and particulars, no corroborating evidence or material has been submitted.

VI. CONCLUSION:

Subject did not share PAVELIC'S exile in Italy, from which group all the original "Ustasha" came. Moreover, Subject left Croatia in May 1944 and worked in Austria for the rest of the war. The vague and unsubstantiated allegation contained in letter from CIC Salzburg Detachment, USFA, APO 777, Case No. S-S-2055 "October 1945, Subject: Ustasha Activity in Land Salzburg: "Father CECELJA, Croatian priest and former confessor and confidant of PAVELIC", should be disregarded.

Subject is a member of the Catholic Clergy in good standing and holds the "venia celebrandi et praedicandi verbum divinum" from the Prince Archbishop in Salzburg, dated 9 October 1945. He holds a certificate that states he is "approved to administer the Sacraments to Croats in D.P. and P.W. camps in this area", signed by H.F. DONOVAN, Chaplain (Lt.Col.), U.S.A., USFA Chaplain.

As for the Croatian Red Cross, the following may be stated: The above quoted letter from CIC Salzburg dated 2 October 1945 reads in part: "During the course of the investigation it was discovered that an organization which called itself "The Croatian Red Cross" was operating in Austria."

An organization which had been operating before and during the time of American occupation openly under its own name with many official contacts with competent American authorities can not be called a discovery at this late date. It is true that some members of the former Ustasha held positions in the Croatian Red Cross (Report forthcoming). However an entire organization can not be held

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responsible for the political affiliations and activities of some of its members. As long as asylum is granted to Croatian DP's in our zone of occupation, a Croatian Red Cross appears to be the logical solution for welfare problems. Considering the ingrained mutual distrust between Serbs and Croats, the Croatian welfare should not be entrusted to any Serbian-dominated committees like the "King Peter Yugoslavs," etc.

Joseph M. Kolisch
 JOSEPH M. KOLISCH
 Major, Infantry
 Commanding

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26 May 1947

Dear General Huebner:

Receipt is acknowledged of your letter of 14 May 1947 in further reply to our letter of 13 March 1947, concerning the unblocking of the accounts of Dr. Ing Richard Vogt and Dr. Helmuth Pichler with banks located in the British Zone. You state that these accounts were unblocked as a result of form letters issued to dependents of individuals employed under project "PAPERCLIP." You further advise that the issuance of these letters has been suspended pending the preparation of a new form.

There is inclosed for your information a copy of a directive issued by this Headquarters under date of 2 May 1947 (AG 370.2 (ID)) concerning project "PAPERCLIP" which authorizes the issuance of the new form letter you mentioned. This directive affects property located in the U. S. Zone only, and other arrangements must be made with respect to the unblocking of property located in the British Zone. Accordingly, any cases arising in the future in which persons coming within the scope of project "PAPERCLIP" have property in the British Zone should be referred to Foreign Exchange and Blocking Control Branch, Finance Division, this Headquarters with full information for appropriate action.

We are looking into the status of Drs. Vogt and Pichler for the purpose of requesting the British authorities to unblock their accounts in the event it is determined that such action is appropriate under the provisions of the above-mentioned directive.

Sincerely,

1 Incl.: a/s

Copy sent to O/SS

CHARLES K. GAINES
Brigadier General,
Chief of Staff



Lieutenant General C. R. Huebner
Chief of Staff, European Command
Frankfurt, APO 757
U. S. Army

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EUROPEAN THEATER JUDGE ADVOCATE'S OFFICE
WAR CRIMES BRANCH
UNITED STATES FORCES, -EUROPEAN THEATER

DATE 26 November 1945

TO: Central Registry, Counter-Intelligence Branch, G-2 Division, U S Forces,
European Theater, APO 757, U S Army. **ATTENTION: Lt Col Marr**

W.C.B. CASE NO. 000.5 EXT

- REQUEST PRESENT LOCATION OF SUBJECT
- REQUEST ALL AVAILABLE INFORMATION CONCERNING SUBJECT
- REQUEST APPREHENSION OF SUBJECT
- REQUEST NOTIFICATION OF SUBJECT'S APPREHENSION
- REQUEST INVESTIGATION OF LEADS AS INDICATED
- REQUEST INFORMATION AS TO WHERE, WHEN AND BY WHOM SUBJECT WAS ARRESTED

NAME (WITH ALIASES) Andrija ARTUKOVIC X SEX Male

NATIONALITY Croatian AGE _____ SINGLE _____ MARRIED _____

FORMER ADDRESS _____ OCCUPATION _____

DESCRIPTION: DATE OF BIRTH _____ PLACE OF BIRTH _____

HEIGHT _____ WEIGHT _____ EYES _____ HAIR _____ BUILD _____

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS _____

LAST KNOWN ADDRESS OR POSSIBLE WHEREABOUTS Subject is believed to be in custody of the U S Army at SALZBURG, Austria.

REASON WANTED: In connection with war crimes.

PREVIOUS HISTORY AND OTHER DATA Subject was a member of the Yugoslav Government during the German occupation and is alleged to be responsible for numerous atrocities committed against Yugoslav nationals.

WIFE OR HUSBAND _____ NATIONALITY _____ AGE _____

ADDRESS _____

CHILDREN _____

FATHER _____ ADDRESS _____

MOTHER _____ ADDRESS _____

A request has been made by the Yugoslav Government for extradition of subject. Do you object to his being extradited?

(Signature)
C. B. NICKELWAIT,
Colonel, JAGD,

Deputy Theater Judge Advocate.

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(Summary of Information Form)

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~~25 November 1945~~
(Date)

SUBJECT: Artukovic Antrija
TO : War Crimes Branch APO 633cU.S. Army

1. It is requested that the action indicated below be accomplished and that any additional information that you may have concerning the subject be forwarded to this organization.

- Investigation and Report.
- Accomplishment of attached summary of information.
- For your information.
- Appropriate action.
- _____

For the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2.

Duane Seward
DUFRE SASSARD *AWC*
Lt. Col., GSC
Executive Officer

Telephone: FRANKFURT 2-3171

2 Incl (s) :

1. G-2 clearance re Subject
2. Summary of Information re Subject

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| ALIAS CHECKSHEET | | |
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| TO: Chief, Index Section | | RETURN TO: Consolidation Section Duplicate Section |
| SUBJECT: (Name) ARTUKOVIC ANDRIJA | | DOSSIER NR: X8026064 |
| SN: | DOB: 291199 | POB: ZIM |
| Request the following alias names be checked and appropriate consolidation or correction of dossier number be effected: | | |
| NAME | IDENTIFYING INFORMATION (If Other Than Above) | DOSSIER NR |
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MAIN SUBJECT:

Nicholas Muick

CLASSIFICATION NUMBER:

G-2 201 MUICK, Nicholas

To:

Date of Communication: 21 Sept 51

From: FBI

Date of Basic Document:

BRIEF SUMMARY: Subject is active in Yugoslav Relief Organization and has volunteered to pay all administrative expenses connected with this organization. Subject has injected himself into the case of Andrija Artukovic, a political refugee from Yugoslavia, and has incurred the ill will of the Croatian Colony in Los Angeles.

Classifier: 1412

Routed to: File

Typist:

Date of Classifying: 28 Dec 51

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Artukovic, Andrija

Mr. Fisher Howe

Acting Special Assistant to Secretary of State

Dear Mr. Howe:

Reference is made to your letter dated 30 July 1951 concerning Dr. Andrija Artukovic.

A thorough search of records in my office reveals no indication that Army Intelligence Agencies were in any way involved in the entry of Andrija Artukovic into the United States.

Sincerely yours,

(Sgt.) A. R. BOLLING
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Major General, GSC
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FOR THE RECORD:

BACKGROUND: Action previously taken by Requirements Branch, Mr. Tod and Mrs. Matlack, Ext. 75085 - a letter dated 11 July 51 to Major General Bolling from Mr. Isadore Zack of Boston incloses a newspaper article by Milton Friedman from the Jewish Advocate of 28 Jun (Boston, Mass, paper) stating that Anddrija Artukovic had been brought into the US through a "deal" arranged by G-2 intelligence services. Letter dated 27 July 51 from Maj Gen Bolling to Mr. Zack acknowledges receipt of Mr. Zack's letter dated 11 July 51.

Prior to the arrival of Mr. Zack's letter in Requirements Branch for action, State Dept IDC Member had contacted Army Member, IDC to determine if at any time G2 had had any interest in bringing Artukovic into the US. State Dept was checking all intelligence services to determine if such allegations were true. A careful investigation of G2 records did not disclose any arrangements in Artukovic's behalf. However, an FBI report of 4 May 51 on the nephew of Artukovic - one John Ambrose Artukovich, Jr. disclosed the information that John Ambrose Artukovic, Jr. is a distant relative of Colonel Kenneth Desert (an AF Officer) presently assigned to the Pentagon. John A. Artukovich, Jr. (according to 6th Army) visits with Colonel Desert on every given opportunity. This information was given to State Member on an informal basis for whatever action he deemed advisable in exploring the possibility of military interest in Anddrija Artukovic. In 1941 Anddrija Artukovic was Minister of Interior in Yugoslavia, in the latter stages of World War II, Artukovic escaped to Bavaria with Pavelich (Premier of Yugoslavia). According to Immigration and Naturalization files, Artukovich entered the US under the alias of Alois Anich on 16 July 1948 on a temporary visitor's visa issued by the Am. Consul, Dublin, Ireland. FBI records & Sixth Army ltrs of recent date reveal the Artukovich family of Los Angeles as malicious, dangerous & key trouble makers in that area. Drew Pearson's article of 19 May 51 states the Andre Artukovich's application for citizenship has been denied and steps are being taken to deport him. Jewish organizations in this country are anxious that such steps be taken. John J. Knezevich, member of Calif Central Republican Committee is purported to be active in attempting to have Artukovick deported.

Coordination: Survey Section, Capt Quigley - Spec. Procurement Br. Col Brunke - Security Div. Col Cramer - 6th Army, G-2, Col Isaacson.

CURRENT: Letter dated 30 July 51 from Mr. Fisher Howe, Acting Special Assistant to the Secretary of State tp Maj Gen Bolling AC/S G-2 advised that Dept of State had received an inquiry from Senator Lodge regarding Dr. Andrija Artukovic, a Yugoslav National who entered the US in 1948 under a temporary visitors visa using the alias Alois Anich; that Senator Lodge's inquiry referred to an article published in the Jewish Advocate of Thursday, 28 June 1951, entitled "The U. S. Admits a War Criminal" and asked that State Department's reply cover specifically allegations made in the newspaper article; that among these allegations were (1) Artukovic was brought into the US by the Federal Government through a deal arranged by our intelligence services; and (2) Artukovic entered U. S. under a false name, at which time the Government knew his real identity; the letter further requests comments from G-2 regarding the allegations as soon as possible.

Letter 2 Aug 51 from Gen Bolling to Mr. Howe advises that G-2 records have been searched and reveal no indication that Army Intelligence had any connection with Artukovic's entry into the U.S.

G-2 files (Record Section, Library CIC Flag File, Paperclip File) were checked and reveal no information which would link Army intelligence agencies with Artukovic's entry into the U. S. Immigration Service (Mr. Kelly, Code 1237, Ext. 459) and CEC (Major Battenslag, Ext. 52708) files at [redacted] contain no information which would indicate the Army played any part in arranging Artukovic's entry into the U.S. Dr. Robert H. McDowell (Formerally of G-2 [redacted] Chief of Psychological Warfare, Ext. 74577)

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SPECIAL ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

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Artukovic, (undisclosed)

Dear General Bolling:

The Department of State has received an inquiry from Senator Lodge regarding Dr. Andrija Artukovic, a Yugoslav national who entered the United States in 1948 under a temporary visitor's visa, using the alias Alois Anich. In his inquiry Senator Lodge has referred to an article by Milton Friedman in the Jewish Advocate of Thursday, June 28, 1951, entitled "The U.S. Admits a War Criminal" and has asked that the Department's reply "address itself specifically to the many serious allegations contained in this newspaper article." Among the allegations made by Friedman are the following:

1. Artukovic was brought to the United States by the Federal Government through a "deal" arranged by our intelligence services.
2. When Artukovic entered the country three years ago, although he travelled under a false name, the Government knew his real identity.

If the facts are such as would permit the Department categorically to deny the assertions made therein, it would be a great assistance and might serve to allay some of the public agitation concerning the Artukovic case. We would appreciate receiving your comments on this matter as soon as possible.

A similar communication is being sent to the Central Intelligence Agency, A-2 and ONI.

Sincerely yours,

Fisher Howe

Fisher Howe
Acting

Major General A.R. Bolling, GSC,
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2,
Department of the Army

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Mr. Isadore Zack
68 Devonshire Street
Suite 606
Boston 8, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Zack:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of 11 July 1951 and the inclosed newspaper article by Milton Friedman concerning Anddrija Artukovic.

I had not previously seen Mr. Friedman's article and greatly appreciate your interest and effort in sending it to me. I am always interested in receiving information of this nature.

Sincerely,
(sgt.) A. R. BOLLING

MEMO FOR RECORD: Mr. Zack's ltr of 11 Jul 51 inclosed a newspaper article by Milton Friedman from the Jewish Advocate of 28 Jun (Boston, Mass.) captioned that Anddrija Artukovic had been brought into the US through a "deal" arranged by G2 intelligence services. Prior to the arrival of Mr. Zack's ltr in Requirements Br for action, State Dept IDC Member had contacted Army Member, IDC to determine if at any time G2 had had any interest in bring Artukovic into the US. State was checking all intelligence services to determine if such allegations were true. A careful investigation of G2 records did not disclose any arrangements in Artukovic's behalf. However an FBI report of 4 May 51 on the nephew of Artukovic - one John Ambrose Artukovich, Jr disclosed the information that John Ambrose Artukovich, Jr is a distant relative of Colonel Kenneth Desert presently assigned to the Pentagon. John A. Artukovich, Jr. (according to [redacted]) visits with Colonel Desert on every given opportunity. This info was given to State Member on an informal basis for whatever action he deemed advisable in exploring the possibility of military interest in Anddrija Artukovic. In 1941 Anddrija Artukovic was Minister of Interior in Yugoslavia, in the latter stages of World War II, Artukovic escaped to Bavaria with Pavelich (Premier of Yugoslavia). According to Immigration & Naturalization files, Artukovich entered the US under the alias of Alois Anich on 16 July 1951 on a temporary visitor's visa issued by the Am. Consul, Dublin, Ireland. FBI records & Sixth Army ltr of recent date reveal the Artukovich family of Los Angeles as malicious, dangerous & key trouble makers in that area. Drew Pearson's article of 19 May 51 states the Andre Artukovich's application for citizenship has been denied & steps are being taken to deport him. Jewish organizations in this country are anxious that such steps be taken. John J. Knezevich, member of Calif Central Republican Committee is purported to be active in attempting to have Artukovich deported.

CORRD: Survey Section - (Capt. Quigley)
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Maj. Gen. A.R. Bolling
Department of the Army
Office ACOS - G-2
Washington 25, D.C.

July 11, 1951

Dear General Bolling:

Knowing your interest in actions which indicate attempts on the part of individuals or groups to propagandize the public or a segment of it, with vicious and insidious false information regarding our Armed Forces, I am taking the liberty of forwarding to you the attached piece which appeared in the Boston, Mass. Jewish Advocate on June 28, 1951.

The Milton Friedman column is a syndicated article published in many Anglo-Jewish newspapers. This column which makes reference to a "deal" allegedly arranged by our intelligence service is forwarded to you as an item of interest and concern.

Sincerely,

Izadore Zack
Izadore Zack

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JEWISH ADVOCATE, THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 1951

NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT

By MILTON FRIEDMAN

THE U. S. ADMITS A WAR CRIMINAL



WASHINGTON—It appears that a Nazi war criminal has been brought into the United States by the federal government through a "deal" arranged by our intelligence services. This was learned when a thorough investigation was made here by this correspondent of Andrija Artukovic, who was discovered recently in California. The case of Artukovic points up the dilemma of Jewish communal organizations which appear powerless to do much about fascist anti-Semites who have won a new respectability as "anti-communist heroes." Such a "hero" is Artukovic who is defended by influential elements in the government despite the

fact that he enthusiastically served Adolf Hitler.

Artukovic, who is known as the "Heinrich Himmler of Croatia," was the acting fuhrer of the Nazi puppet government of Croatia on December 14, 1941, the day Croatia declared war on the United States.

Just why the U. S. admitted Artukovic and three times extended his temporary visa is a closely-guarded secret in Washington. However, it can be reported on the best authority that Artukovic contacted intelligence officers of the Western Powers in Europe and offered his services as an anti-Communist expert on the Balkans.

What is Artukovic's answer to the charges that he killed thousands and is hiring the most expensive Washington lawyers with money stolen from Yugoslav Jewry? His answer is to defiantly shout that he is only against Communists and that only the Communists are against him. His answer is to seek U. S. citizenship as a displaced person under the section of the DP act which provides for refugees from totalitarian regimes. His answer is that he has money, friends and political connections in Washington.

When Artukovic entered the country three years ago, although he traveled under a false name, the government knew his real identity. He was allowed to enter from the United Kingdom despite the fact that in the House of Commons ten days previously, on July 26, 1948, the undersecretary of state for foreign affairs said, "These men (referring to Artukovic and others) are all persons who by the nature of their official positions rendered such signal service to the enemy that it would be difficult if not impossible for us to justify a refusal to consider surrendering them."

Artukovic insisted in California, told reporters when the story first emerged to ask Washington. He said "Washington knows all about it." The United Press reported on May 5 from Los Angeles that "federal authorities said they were aware Artukovic was living here because the story leaked out."

The government may be reluctant to deport Artukovic. There is little likelihood that he will be sent back to Yugoslavia to stand trial. It is more likely that he will take a luxury liner to Argentina where he will meet with other partners in war crime, such as Croatian Hitlerite Ante Pavelic and high ranking officers of the Gestapo and S.S. J. Knezevich, a member



UNCLE SAM, KEEP HIM OUT!

of the California Central Republican Committee, almost exploded when he heard Artukovic was living in California. Knezevich was commander of the Balkan section of the U. S. Army and Navy Joint Intelligence Collection Agency. He told how U. S. fliers who bailed out over Artukovic's territory were killed and tortured. He cited his personal knowledge of Artukovic's atrocities against Serbs and Jews. He said his agency had evidence to show that when the Germans marched into Zagreb it was Artukovic who personally directed that Jews and Serbs be forced to wear yellow ribbons on their sleeves.

Knezevich said also that he was recently told by several members of Communist and should be deported. The former intelligence agent replied: "Well, damn it! Hitler, Goering, Himmler, Mussolini and the rest of the Nazi league were also enemies of Communism, but they were also enemies of our country."

Jewish defense agencies in Washington are growing less able to do anything really effective because of governmental indifference and actual "expedi-

ent" collaboration by the government with high level fascist anti-Semites who happen to be anti-Communists. In fact, there is a growing fear within our organizations that they will be accused of adhering to the Communist party line if they oppose fascists who are allied with us against Communist imperialism. In the face of the high-level "expediency" developments in Washington, our defense agencies are as defenseless as babes in the woods.

A spokesman for the Yugoslav Embassy said in Washington "we cannot believe the United States will harbor such a person." It was pointed out to the State Department that the U. S. introduced a resolution at the 1947 asking countries to cooperate in the exchange of war criminals. The State Department ignored this and told the Yugoslavs that if they wanted Artukovic they would have to go to court under an American-Serbian extradition treaty of 1907. If Artukovic were a counterfeiter he could be extradited. There is nothing in the treaty, however, about murders and genocide.

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ARTUKOVICH, John A. Jr.,

G-2 201 ARTUKOVICH, John Ambrose, Jr

To:

Date of Communication: 15 June 51

From: 6th Army

Date of Basic Document:

BRIEF SUMMARY: The inclosed letters from FBI, Los Angeles dated 4 and 9 May 51 respectively, concerning subject are fwded for your info. and whatever action you may deem appropriate.
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Date of Classifying: 2 Jul 51

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- FILE 201 ARTUKOVICH, Andrija (brother) *initials*
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- ~~201 ARTUKOVICH, Andre (aka of Ambrose)~~
- ~~201 ARTUKOVICH, John (father of subj)~~
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SUBJECT: ARTUKOVIC, Andrija

On 2 August 1951 Colonel Dale E. Brannon, USAF (Office of Air Force, Director of Intelligence, Ext. 73605) called Major Mills (P&S Sec. 73917) and advised that he had received the action of a letter from State Dept. requesting whether Air Force had anything to do with ARTUKOVIC's entry into the United States. He requested permission to review Army files on ARTUKOVIC. He was advised that review of Army G-2 files by Air Force was handled through accredited representatives from OSI, and was referred to Capt Moon or Maj Redwine (75719) to make arrangements. Colonel Lang called Maj Forsythe to inquire as to whether Col Cramer had any objection to allowing Air Force to review G-2 file on ARTUKOVIC. Col Cramer had no objection, and instructed that Air Force could also be shown G-2 reply to State Dept (dated 2 Aug 51).

On 3 August 51, Maj Redwine (OSI) called Major Mills and requested permission for Col Brannon to review ARTUKOVIC's file direct instead of having to be briefed by a representative from OSI. Lt Col Renwanz approved allowing Col Brannon to review personally G-2 files on ARTUKOVIC. Col Brannon was escorted to Major Mills by Mr. Phelan and identified. Col Brannon was allowed to review ARTUKOVIC's file and briefed on background of the case by Maj Mills. Col Brannon was briefed on use of counterintelligence information and signed the attached certificate. Col Brannon stated that he did not plan to use any of the information in G-2 files and would make a reply to State Dept similar to that G-2 had made. Col Brannon is cleared by AF for access to top secret information.

Action complete

No further coordination or concurrence necessary.

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Artukovic, Andrija

ARTUKOVIC, Andrija

aka Andre, Andrija, Andrija

1. G-2 records reveal the following information concerning

Andrija ARTUKOVIC:

a. HE is the brother of John Ambrose ^XARTUKOVIC, who was suspected of pro-Nazism, and who was investigated by the FBI in 1943 as the alleged leader of the Los Angeles unit of the Directors of the American Committee for Croatian Refugees (subject of a Dies Committee Report). The son of John Ambrose Artukovic was the object of an FBI investigation in May 1951 because of statements made by the father to the effect that his son would never serve in the armed forces, or if he did, would never serve in Korea.

b. SUBJECT entered the United States on 16 July 1948 under the alias of Alois ^XANICH on a temporary visitor's visa issued by the American Consul, Dublin, Ireland.

c. In a letter dated 13 June 1951 from the Sixth Army to the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, it was noted that ARTUKOVIC

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was alleged to have been the right hand man of PAVELIC,

Premier of Yugoslavia during the Nazi occupation.

d. An article in the San Francisco Chronicle dated 19 May

1951 and written by Drew PEARSON stated that ARTUKOVIC had

been Minister of the Interior of Yugoslavia while that country

was under the control of Germany. Pearson further stated that

the Immigration and Naturalization Services had refused ARTUKOVIC's

application for citizenship and was taking steps to deport HIM.

e. Milton FRIEDMAN in the 28 June 1951 issue of the Jewish

Advocate reported that although ARTUKOVIC had entered the United

States under an assumed name, HIS real identity was known to

U. S. officials at the time of HIS entry. It was further stated

that ARTUKOVIC had been brought to the United States in a deal

engineered by the Intelligence services.

A search of the records of G-2 revealed no information concerning arrangements

on behalf of ARTUKOVIC for entry to the United States.

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2. In an informal interview with Dr. Robert H. McDOWELL, Office of Chief of Psychological Warfare, the following background information was obtained:

Dr. McDowell worked behind German lines in Yugoslavia during World War II on an intelligence assignment, and at that time knew ARTUKOVIC.

The Croats and Serbs have been natural and religious enemies for a long time, ~~and~~ Both were included in Yugoslavia after World War I, and have been continuously at odds with each other.

ARTUKOVIC is a Croat and was connected with an underground organization in Hungary during the 1930's. In 1934 HE was alleged to have been one of the planners in the assassination of King Alexander of Yugoslavia at Paris. In 1941, when Germany moved into Yugoslavia, ARTUKOVIC became Minister of Interior in the Hitler puppet Government--which position HE held until the Germans were driven out of Yugoslavia in 1945.

One J. J. KNEZEVICH (a Serb) was assigned to Intelligence duties in Yugoslavia during World War II. He is a naturalized U. S. citizen and now lives in California. He owns a newspaper and

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radio station, and is prominent in the California Republican Party (also reported to be on good terms with Army C/S and several leading Congressmen). Knezevich is doing everything possible to have ARTUKOVIC deported to Yugoslavia where the Tito regime would execute HIM. Knezevich claimed to have seen documentary proof that ARTUKOVIC was responsible for atrocities while Minister of Interior. Dr. McDowell doubts that Knezevich now has or ever has had such proof.

Dr. McDowell expressed the opinion that the question of deporting ARTUKOVIC would cause a political "stink" no matter what action is taken, and strongly recommended that the Army not become involved unless absolutely necessary. He stated that he believes the Republican Party and Jewish elements would like to see ARTUKOVIC deported, and may attempt to use political pressure to achieve it. Dr. McDowell stated he has no knowledge of how ARTUKOVIC was admitted to the United States nor of any military personal promising or arranging for ARTUKOVIC's entry into the country. CIC used some people associated with ARTUKOVIC in some undercover work just after World War II, but does not know whether ARTUKOVIC was personally so used.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Immigration and Naturalization Service

File No. A-7095961 Inv
Date August 2, 1949

Director of Intelligence
Department of Army
Pentagon Building
Washington 25, D. C.

ATTN: Major H.G. Carlan

Please furnish this Service with any derogatory information that may be contained in your files concerning the following person:

Name ARTUKOVIC ANDELIA
(Surname) (Given name) (Middle and other names)

Aliases _____

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Date of birth November 29, 1899 Birthplace Klobuk Croatia (Yugoslavia)
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Marital Status married Name of spouse or former spouse Anna Marija Artukovic

Race Croatian Color White Sex Male Occupation Professor

Complexion _____ Eyes Brown Hair Gray Height 5'9" Weight _____

Visible marks None

Names, residence and nationality of parents:

Places of residence last five years (including street and number):
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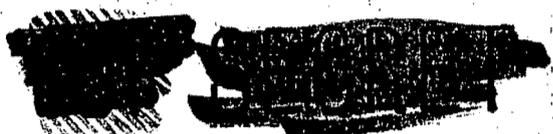
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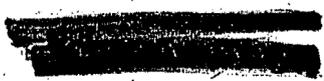
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1. General Reinhard, a former Chef der neuen Kampfmittel, is stated to be the chief of this organisation. The Lindner group in Hamburg appears to have pro-Russian sympathies and may even be a separate organisation from LAMP SHADE. Heinz Lindner himself, which name is believed to be an alias, has been in the Russian zone since May. He is expected to return soon and a member of his organisation has gone to the Russian zone to contact him.
2. Lindner's partner, previously referred to as a Luftwaffe major, is now said to be an Oberstleutnant Winter. He has several addresses in Hamburg, but has recently left for the American zone, together with other members, for the purpose of "starting an action". He claims to have visited Nuernberg in March 46 and to have attempted to release Skorzeny and Doenitz.

OPERATION RADIATOR

(Earlier information concerning this operation was published in circular letters under ref INT DIV/C3/6457 of 23 July and INT DIV/C3/6489 of 9 August).

3. The leader of the SS organisation HAMBURG (RADIATOR) is now known as Etzel. His three principal subordinates are Hans Strandt, Harder (fnu) and Wagner.
4. At a meeting of Etzel, Wagner and the Hamburg source, Etzel spoke of the possible ultimate aims of his organisation and of specific tasks which source may be asked to undertake. He explained that the organisation was firmly established and had widespread connections. He himself had recently visited the American zone, but mentioned no places. Wagner had previously told source that the Hamburg organisation was in contact with others in Hanover, Dortmund and Düsseldorf. It is not clear whether the groups in these towns belong to Etzel's organisation or are separate organisations with similar aims.
5. Etzel stated that he expected a serious British-Russian crisis within the next three months. He proposes to place his organisation at the disposal of the British - without disclosing its SS nature. While he thought the British might win in a war with Russia even without German aid, he maintained that they could not do so if he throw in his lot with the Russians. As far as Germany was concerned it was not a question of a British or a Russian occupation, but only of Germany's freedom and her right to solve her internal problems. He was prepared to assist the side most likely to give Germany the greatest measure of freedom; this he considered to be the British. His hope is that, after a new peace, Germany will be allowed an independent government in which his followers will be able to play a prominent part.

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6. Source states that Etzel seemed to him to be a fanatic, who was not only attempting to give the impression of a very strong organisation, but who had probably brought himself to believe that his organisation is more powerful than is in fact the case.

7. Etzel said that he was considering sending source into the Russian zone, where there was work to be done. In particular he was anxious to discover what the Russians had done to Dr. Harold Magnus Eitle, from whom he had received no reports since January 1946. At that time his address was Berlin, Velden, c/o the firm Genest Elektra. (Note: As source was only able to make mental notes, this address may be inaccurate).

8. Etzel was to have gone to Hanover three weeks ago to visit one Ernst Günther, presumably a member of the Hanover group. An Ernst Günther who answers the description given is at present in CSDIC. Interrogated on SS contacts in Hamburg, he says he has had no contact with SS personalities there since the capitulation. (This has been confirmed by "M"). He knows a Helmut Wagner, whom he last saw in Danzig in March 46. They were both then in the same SS punishment battalion. Wagner at that time gave his address as c/o his parents-in-law Rohlf's - Hamburg, Ellenbogen 18.

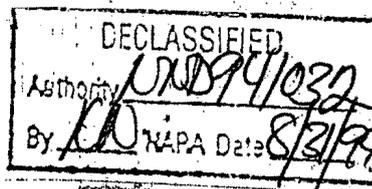
9. Reference Circular letter No. 2. It is not true that Rose's forging group is working for the Communist association. Rose was formerly a member of the forging school, sometime before he joined the Communist group.

10. Additional personality information is given as follows:-

- (a) Etzel Leader of the group. Described as born c 1911, c 1,80m tall, powerful build, slightly round shouldered, hair dark, wavy and rather long. Grey eyes, wears glasses - slightly short-sighted. Thin eyebrows, large thin nose, yellowish complexion. Large mouth, prominent upper lip. Good regular teeth, large in front. Takes small steps and stoops. Wears a wedding ring on left hand. Was seen wearing a brown suit, white shirt, grey tie, brown shoes. Said to have been a member of the LSSAH and an Untersturmführer as early as 1933. No CPI trace.
- (b) Harder Various CPI traces of SS officers. Cannot be identified.
- (c) Leuchten Karl (Circular letter 2). Nicknamed Cuttel. (No aliases).
- (d) Strandt Hans. Believed to be identical with a Hans Strandt, who was arrested by CIC on 23 Oct 45 and subsequently escaped. He has an uncle living in Hamburg.
- (e) Strotmeyer Kurt alias of Ehrenreich (circ No.1).

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11. An informant of 9 AIO has unearthed yet another 8 8 organisation. In this case, however, there are certain points of special interest. Although the informant has a bad past record for fraud, he has furnished names and addresses of personalities, with such things as descriptions, car-numbers and photographs which tend to give a certain ring of authenticity to his story. The inevitable Bormann has appeared, but the description given does not tally in all respects with that of the Reichsleiter. An order of battle has also been provided.

12. The following are the chief personalities known so far; other personalities have been notified to AIO's concerned.

- (a) Bormann, Karl @ Blank, Leo @ Puszar (Puskar) Theodor @ Walewski
Johann @ Pichler, Otto

No permanent address. Description 44-49 years; height 1m75 - 1m80; tanned oval face, blue eyes, strong athletic build, Berlin and Holstein dialect. Speaks English, Spanish, Polish. Scar behind right ear, limp on right foot.

- (b) Hartmann, Hildegard @ Beymann, Ella @ Koppermann, Karin
@ Puszar (Puskar) Elinore

No permanent address. Description 28-31 years, height 1m74 - 1m78, oval face, grey-blue eyes, blond, slim, well-dressed. Speaks with Berlin dialect. Speaks English, French, Spanish. Scar (burn) left upper arm.

This pair are alleged to be travelling in a car bearing a US zone registration number, and to have correct travel documents. They were expected near Kiel on 1 Sep 46.

If located, they should be arrested, and this HQ informed at once.

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13. This organisation, of which LIMPISHADE may form a part, has been penetrated to a certain extent by the Americans. The leader was at one time said to be Martin Bormann, but the odds against this have lengthened recently in favour of Standartenführer Reinbold, a German-American who is at the moment running a business in his own name, said to be licensed by French Military Government.

14. The movement is divided into 8 sections, 4 operational and 4 administrative. A section is composed of Allgemeine and Waffen SS, B Werewolf and HJ., C Amt. VI, D Amt III and IV. E deals with arms and ammunition, F message centres, G finance and H documents. All these sections have a central directorate which is subordinate through several intermediaries to the supreme head. The aims of this organisation are to build up a powerful underground

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force and side with the winning power in a war between East and West. A subsidiary aim is to ferry leading NAZIS who are in danger of arrest into SWITZERLAND.

15. Chief personalities in the British zone are as follows:-
- (a) von Alversleben-Schochwitz. SS Gruf. Recently escaped from 6 CIC.
 - (b) Baumert, Hans @ Bauer, Hans @ Burgel, Hans. Stellvertreter Gauleiter. At present hiding with Vers, but is often in Duisburg.
 - (c) Vers Martin. SS Ostuf. At present serving as a waiter in a restaurant near Göttingen Rly. Station.
 - (d) Kling. SS Ostuf. Ex-regimental commander in LSSAH, at present in Köln.
 - (e) Stieglitz. SS Ostuf. Ex-chief signals officer of LSSAH. Now assistant to Kling in Köln.
 - (f) Friedrichs (Holmut?). SS Gruf? Was deputy to Bormann in the Parteikanzlei. Lives near Osnabrück.

16. The foregoing is for information only. NO action will be taken until instructions are received from this HQ, with the exception that Alversleben should be rearrested if found.

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Operation RADIATOR

7. Etzel, who is leader of this organisation, and Wagner, who is one of his leading subordinates, have decided to dispense with the services of Strandt who is another of the principal members. They plan to collect sufficient evidence against him so that, in the event of his being arrested, he would not be released. They would then submit this evidence to the British authorities through our source and by so doing, they hope that our source would gain sufficient British confidence to guarantee each of them. We have reason to believe that our source enjoys their complete confidence and it appears to be a coincidence that they have chosen him to play this part.
8. Reports on the connections of a possible Russian agent known as Katherina Hodlewsky with Etzel and the organisation are expected shortly.
9. The policy outlined by Etzel, as reported in Int Div Summary Top Secret Annex No. 7, bears a marked similarity to that outlined by Walter in RED LILAC. The primary objects of both organisations is the betterment of Germany through whichever of the occupying powers they consider the most likely to give Germany the greatest freedom. There is no concrete proof of any connection between RADIATOR and RED LILAC as yet, but it is as well to keep the possibility in mind.

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SUBJECT: Operation "Radiator"

TO : See Distribution

1. Forwarded for your information and any necessary action, is a copy of a memorandum on subject operation, which has been originated by the British.

2. Only additional information available on personalities is as follows: (a) LESSING, Kurt may be identical with LESSING, Kurt, arrested 8 June 1946 by 2nd Bn., 26th Inf. Regt. Subject probably at Nuernberg Laugwasser PWE No. 409.

3. Additional correspondence received from the British will be disseminated.

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APPENDIX "B"

OPERATION "RADIATOR"

1. The aim of the organisation was to continue the Nazi programme as it was in 1933 but without the Gestapo. Members are recruited from former SS personnel who had joined since 1930-1932. A small number of Gestapo personnel and PGs from 1933 are also included.
2. Intention is to fight against the British in due course if necessary with Russian aid. Sabotage is scheduled to take place at a more opportune moment. Certain members are known to be armed.
3. Although the organisation is as yet only in its early stages it claims to have several thousand members. The organisation supplies members with false documents and has its own printing works. Card index is kept of German women who associate with the British. Intention is to liquidate them at a later date. The tie up with LAMPSHADE is through LESSING, Kurt.

Personalities:-

- (a) CUTTEL, fnu - lives HAMBURG. Alleged to be member of organisation.
- (b) EHRENREICH, fnu - alleged to be member of organisation. Our CPI gives the following traces:- EHRENREICH, Georg - Austrian; born 2nd April, '03; merchant; arrested at WESTERTIMKE 19th June, '45 as Ortsgruppenkassenleiter (1938); joined Party 1938; released 5th April, '46, to GROSSENDORF, Kreis GIEFHORN bei FISCHER. Married; four children. EHRENREICH, Wilhelm - born 18th November, '16; was Rottenfuhrer 2nd. Lehr Coy. SS Fuhrer Schule des Wirtschaft Verwaltungsdiens, Arolsen.
- (c) KARMIT, Adolf - German living Hamburg, Gross Alle 3 II; stated he was member of organisation and had contacts with WAGNER, EHRENREICH, SAND and CUTTEL.
- (d) JENSEN, Else - Danish; contact with KARMIT; CPI shows women of this name who was employed as a secretary in an unstated capacity in Holland.
- (e) LESSING, Kurt - Details have already been given on this man, in Operation LAMPSHADE circulars. Our latest information is that he is now living in BERLIN.
- (f) SAND, fnu - Alleged to be member of organisation. Lives HAMBURG area.
- (g) WAGNER, Helmuth - SS Ustuf; contact of KARMIT; born 27th April, '10; Lives HAMBURG, OEVELGONNE 17. Joined SS 1930; political agent to REICHSWEHR 1932; Gestapo in Hamburg 1936; September 1939 Sportsfuhrer; applied to be sent to the front; his application was refused and he refused to continue his duties; he was then imprisoned in NEUENGAMME for two years; he later joined SKORZENY's unit and claims to have helped in the liberation of Mussolini. Our CPI gives the following traces:- WAGNER, Helmut, Gustav - born 19th June, 1910 at GELSENKIRCHEN. Married, one child. Arrested at UTRECHT 1st June, 1945 as SS Sturmsharfuhrer in 34 SS Div. Also held the rank of Hauptwachmeister der Schutz Polizei. May still be interned in FALLINGBOSTEL. This is being checked.

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1. SUBJECT: Operation RADIATOR
 Circ. Letter No. 2

1. Ref my INT DIV/C3/6457 dated 23 July, Appdx B. (Lampshade Circ. No. 7)

2. The following further information has now been received.

3. The organisation calls itself the "S.S. Organisation, HAMBURG", and existing evidence suggests that it is; at the moment, independent. Its immediate aim is to place members in all depts of Mil. Gov. and German authorities. The organisation is anti-communist as well as anti-British, but will attempt to work with the British against the communists until it is in a position to come into the open.

4. The organisation prints Birth and Marriage certificates for persons in need of false documents. It possesses Nazi rubber stamps for use on such documents. It produces subversive pamphlets. In June '46, it issued a pamphlet entitled - "Which do you prefer? 20 years starvation under England, or 42 days war with Russia?" These were distributed at GOLDBECK PLATZ, a Black Market centre in HAMBURG.

5. The organisation knows of the existence in HAMBURG of various illegal groups, all anti-British, but some pro-Russian. It is now investigating which of these groups are pro-Russian, with a view to deciding with which groups it can co-operate. Contact was established with one ROSE, Wolfgang, a member of a pro-Russian group, who gave the following details of his organisation. 'It was an illegal communist group. ROSE himself was a member of a group of forgers in BAD SEGEBERG, who specialised in forged documents, and worked for the Communist Group. The Group, consisting of 8 men, worked for 8 days in a villa in WINTERHUDE, HAMBURG, and forged signatures for some 5,000 release documents for fugitives in the British, French, and American zones. The leader of the forgers group appeared to have unlimited means, and paid RM. 25,000 for a single British Rubber stamp.'

6. Personality information obtained is given below.

BOLLER, Hans. Name mentioned by WAGNER (mentioned in Appx B above letter), but may not be in organisation: Known to have been in GÖTTINGEN on 28 May, and to keep WAGNER advised of his movements. Investigations being made to try and identify him with BOHLER, Philip @ BOHLE Hans (Shaef buff 410010), who was Reichsleiter der NSDAP, and an important figure in the Nazi hierarchy. This latter has never been traced.

DANZIGER fnu. Member of RADIATOR. Lives HAMBURG.

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GARTNER, Kurt. Member of organisation. Lives HAMBURG 36, Klopstockstr. 36, bei NIEMEIER.

HERING, Dr. Hans Georg. Name mentioned by WAGNER, but no proof he is in organisation. He is known to be in contact with REICHE, Heinrich.

JENSEN, Else. (Lampshade Circo No. 7, Appx B). Definitely NOT member of organisation.

CUTTEL (Lampshade Circo No. 7 Appx B) Name is now known to be LEUCHTEN, Karl @ CUTTEL, or CULLET. Lives HAMBURG, Gross Alle 4.

NEFF Hermann. May not be in organisation. Owns firm of HANSEAT in HAMBURG. Tel.No. of latter firm is HAMBURG 433673, which is also REICHE's telephone no. Is contact of WAGNER. Lives HAMBURG, Belle Alliancoestr 56.

PAESLACK, Reinhold. Friend of WAGNER, and most probably in touch with LESSING, Kurt (of LAMP SHADE). Owns a photographic studio in BERLIN, & is building up S.S. organisation in that city. An old visiting card shows him to have been at one time at KULMBACH, Webergasse 1.

REICHE Heinrich May be leader of RADIATOR, and is known as "the leader". Alleged to have been connected with KZ. Born c. 1900, powerful build, dark complexion, dark hair greying at temples. Typical officer type, former S.S. Führer, probably Stubaf. According to papers purloined from WAGNER's room, officially he 'died' in 1943. Was at one time living in HAMBURG, Hallerstr. 8. Present tel. no is 433673, and *has contact with WAGNER*, presumably, NEFF. Shaef Pink 44658 gives following details.

HERING, and

June 1937. Appointed Pol. Rat at Polizei Praesidium KOBLENZ.

1939 Krim Pol Rat, and head of Krim pol at Pol Praesidium KOBLENZ.

Apr. 1942 Krim Rat, Leiter Kripo KOBLENZ.

Apr. 1943 Krim Dir. and SS Stubaf with appointment of Leiter, Kripo, OPPELN.

Mar. 1944 Probably partly responsible for shooting of RAF officers at Stalag Luft III.

ROHLFS fnu Lives HAMBURG/SCHLUMP, Ellenbogen 18B, May be cover address for WAGNER Helmut.

ROSE Wolfgang Lives HAMBURG, Peter Marquardtstr 17. Born c. 1925. Ht. 1.70 m. dark blue eyes, large mouth, smooth black hair, small scars round right side of mouth and nose. Law student. Very intelligent. Member of illegal communist organisation in HAMBURG, and belongs to group of forgers working for the organisation.

WAGNER Helmut (Lampshade Circo No. 7 Appx B) Is acquainted with HERING, BOLLER, NEFF, and PAESLACK. Seems responsible for forwarding report on illegal organisations in HAMBURG to his chief - at present unknown. Receives mail c/o ROHLFS at HAMBURG/SCHLUMP, Ellenbogen 18 B.

ZARSKI fnu Lives Oevelgörne 17, HAMBURG, which is where WAGNER, Helmut, resides.

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? _____ ? Leader of the group of forgers in the Communist movement. Appears to have unlimited means. Born in (name unknown) Poland, of German parents, and has German name. Moved to AUSTRIA in 1926, where he obtained German nationality and joined Party. During the war was with SD Dienststelle LUBLIN, where he claims to have organized the Dienststelle's espionage system. At the capitulation, he obtained forms, stamps and several million marks, and was given the task of issuing false papers to political refugees. He reached AUSTRIA, where he obtained Polish passport, and a certificate stating he was a former member of TITO's partisans. He then went to BERLIN, where he obtained work with the Polish Legation. At present in BERLIN, and intends to visit the Eastern part of Germany now controlled by Poland, where he will issue false papers. He is said to have information which will enable him to contact illegal groups in all large towns in Germany.



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107TH COUNTER-INTELLIGENCE CORPS DETACHMENT

AFD 755

14 November 1946

MEMORANDUM TO THE REGIONAL COMMANDER

SUBJECT: Housing investigation;
Investigation of property belonging to former SS Members

1. At the request of the Regional Commander per undated note to ZEHLENDORF S/R the undersigned agent conducted an investigation to determine:

- a) Whether wives of former SS members now interned by MG and/or CIC are entitled to retain their apartments or houses and furnishings, according to German De-Nazification laws.
- b) Whether Property Control (OMGBD) will confiscate these apartments or homes and furnishings.

This investigation was conducted so as to aim at securing either the furnishings or the houses themselves for CIC Operations.

2. The following steps were taken by the undersigned agent in order to investigate the requested information as per Par. 1.

- a) Mr. ORDY, MG Security Review Board and German Denazification security review board, located at BUSSE Allee, phone 2758, was consulted. Subject stated that either the houses and apartments or the furnishings could be requisitioned by clearing and receiving permission through Major MOOR, District Engineers, and Mr. SWEENEY or Major NUBNER of the Property Control OMGBD, phone 13543. Mr. ORDY also stated that according to German Denaz. Laws these persons are entitled to retain their property and quarters until such time that same is needed by the Militaire or for such persons as Victims of Fascism or Refugees and expelled.

- b) In order to check whether Property Control OMGBD will or can confiscate these homes the undersigned agent checked MG Regulations, Title 17-340 to 343 which states in 17-340: "LPCC's are authorized to exercise control over all property except furniture, clothing or other personal effects of persons detained or held in custody by MG".

the property and other personal effects necessary for daily use of the detainees person.
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c) Mr. SALTZMAN of public Safety, Special Branch was consulted by the undersigned and stated that when houses needed for other persons such as evacuees, or victims of fascism, such houses and property as belonging to families where a member(s) is in detention for Party activity or SS membership are the first to be requisitioned.

3. From the information in the above it seems apparent that the homes and furnishings in question will be requisitioned by Property Control (OMGBD) if they are needed and that they can be requisitioned by this Ornstn. for Operational purposes. However from MG Regulations, Title 17-340 to 343 it is not mandatory for Property Control (OMGBD) to confiscate same.

4. Evaluation (A-1)

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 HEADQUARTERS
 COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS
 UNITED STATES FORCES EUROPEAN THEATER
 REGION IV (MUNICH), APO 205
 MEMMINGEN SUB-REGION

24 October 1946

SUBJECT: Records of Forschungsamt of the Luftfahrtministerium
 TO : Commanding Officer, Counter Intelligence Corps Region
 IV, 970th CIC Detachment, APO 205, US Army
 Attn: Operations Officer

1. This office is in possession of a number of records of the former Forschungsamt of the German Luftfahrtministerium. It is believed that these documents would be of value to the Berlin Documents Center.

2. The following are the documents now held by this office:

13 packages Stammkarten
 41 volumes Vergütungsliste folders
 2 volumes Vergütungsliste bound volumes
 4 books Pay roll books
 1 soldiers' address list
 1 folder containing Index Cards

3. This office requests disposition of the above listed books. They will be held by this office until informed of disposition.

Robert S. Taylor

ROBERT S. TAYLOR
 Special Investigator, CIC
 Operations

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Forschungsamt of Luftfahrtsministerium, dtd 25 October 1946)

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D-4986, Forschungsamt

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Headquarters, 970th Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment,
United States Forces European Theater, APO 757, U.S. Army,
6 March 1947.

TO: Commanding Officer, Region IV, 970th Counter Intellig-
ence Corps Detachment, APO 205, U.S. Army, Attn: S-3.

1. Reference is made to the telephone conversations between Region IV Operations Officer and Central Registry, on 19 February 1947 and 3 March 1947.
2. As this is the fourth request for these documents it is required that they be forwarded to the Central Registry at once.
3. The documents are to be divided into packages small enough for convenient courier handling.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

DALE W. GARVEY
Lt. Col., INF
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MR: re telephone conversation between Central Registry and Mr. Steiner on the 19 February 47, and his assistant on the 3 March 47., in which both claimed that the package was too large for convenient handling on the train and that Jeep Courier was impossible because of dangerous roads. In 5th Ind. S-3 Region IV promised the package on 9 Jan 47, would be despatched under separate cover.

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Counter Intelligence Branch
Security Control Section

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MEMORANDUM TO: Chief, Counter Intelligence Branch.

SUBJECT: Status of ~~Confidential Members of the~~ REICHSFORSCHUNGSAMT.

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Date **12 Aug. 1952** **GUY G BITCHIE**

I. DISCUSSION

1. The Reichsforschungsamt of the Reichsluftfahrtministerium was a special signal intelligence agency controlled directly by GOERING. This agency was charged with monitoring radio and telephone messages to collect, decode, and evaluate information of interest to GOERING and other high German officials. While many of the agents in this agency were doing purely routine, non-specialized work, all were carefully selected. Some of the agents were experts and highly trained specialists in breaking codes, including US codes, and in studying secret signal equipment. There have been a few known attempts on the part of the Soviets to exploit these specialists with regard to their knowledge of US codes and equipment. No doubt the Soviets captured and interned some of these specialists themselves, however others are in the US Zone both in internment and at large.

2. The Reichsforschungsamt has never been listed in the automatic arrest categories, although in the early months of the occupation it was considered as part of the German Intelligence Service, partly for convenience and partly from lack of knowledge as to its exact place in the German governmental structure. The change in automatic arrest categories on 2 February 1946 (through the letter "Arrest and Detention-GERMANY" of that date) released the German Intelligence Service from automatic arrest since it was not an organization indicted by the International Military Tribunal.

3. Under the policy now undergoing a study by staff divisions of US Forces, European Theater and Office of Military Government for GERMANY (US), no Germans may be arrested and detained as "security suspects". Arrests may, however, be made for the purpose of interrogation; nevertheless, after such interrogation is completed the arrestee must supposedly be released. No time limit has been set on how long the arrestee may be retained for interrogation.

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4. If the automatic arrest categories were expanded to include the Reichsforschungsamt, it is assumed that members of the agency would be interned for a period of time, tried, and probably sentenced to a period of confinement. At the end of such confinement they would be released and be available to the Soviets. Such a process might prevent possible Soviet exploitation for an estimated period of from two (2) to five (5) years.

5. Under present and future planned directives such personnel can be arrested only for interrogation and then released; they cannot be held in detention.

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Lt. Colonel, GSC
 Chief
 Security Control

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 (Lt. Col. MOSES)

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D-95364, BARTH, Ferdinand (CIC/S-3/OPS)

FILE NO: D-4986, Reichsforschungsamt (CIC/S-3/OPS)

SUBJECT: Request for Policy Decision

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| 1. | CIC | CIB | 23 July 1946 | <p>1. Attention is invited to the inclosed letter, Counter Intelligence Corps, Region VI, dated 15 May 1946, subject: Spot Report, Reichsforschungsamt, Information from Ferdinand BARTH, former employee.</p> <p>2. A study of the existing directives regarding arrest and detention indicates that no provisions exist therein for the disposition of individuals formerly known to have been members of the Reichsforschungsamt. This organization, according to the reports available to this office, was a fully organized, high level type intelligence organization.</p> <p>3. Although evidence exists that the information gathered by the organization was transmitted to RSHA channels, the organization remained under the top direction of GOERING, despite the attempts at its control by HIMMLER and the SS. As such, there is no avenue available within existing directives that provides for the arrest and detention of members of the Reichsforschungsamt. In the past, as a working policy, members of this organization have been taken into custody and interned under the general provisions of former arrest directives that provided for the arrest of all members of the German Intelligence Services.</p> <p>4. Numerous individuals of the Reichsforschungsamt were highly trained technicians in the fields of cryptography, wire-tapping, radio interception and related fields. In view of the fact that this office is currently engaged in Operations MESA and BLOODHOUND, which are concerned with the protection and surveillance of scientists and Signal Intelligence personnel, respectively, and in view of the confirmed fact that steps have been taken by interested foreign powers to obtain the services of such personnel, it is strongly felt that any decision rendered concerning the disposition of members of the Reichsforschungsamt should be weighed in proportion to the current situation and not merely in terms of the role this organization played in the former German intelligence framework.</p> <p>5. It is therefore requested that this office be advised as to the disposition to be made of members of this organization still at large and of those individuals whose cases may be forwarded to this office for review and final disposition.</p> |
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6. Inclosed for reference purposes are the following reports:

a. Letter, 970/99 Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment, Headquarters, Third United States Army, dated 28 September 1945, subject: Forschungsamt.

b. Memorandum for the Officer in Charge, 970/41 Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment, Headquarters, United States Forces, European

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| 3. | Hqs, 970th CIC Det. | CIB | 4 Sept. 1946 | <p>1. Reference is made to the preceding minutes.</p> <p>2. It is requested that this office be advised as to the following:</p> <p>a. Are all members of the Reichsforschungsamt at large to be apprehended and/or interrogated? If so, upon what grounds may such arrests be based?</p> <p>b. Upon completion of the interrogation of these individuals and the dissemination of the reports of interrogation to ASA, what disposition is to be made of these individuals?</p> <p>c. What disposition is to be made of those members of the Reichsforschungsamt who may be currently interned? Is any action to be taken by the Counter Intelligence Corps regarding those individuals who may have been released from internment?</p> <p>d. Is any action to be taken by the Counter Intelligence Corps to prevent the possible exploitation of these individuals by representatives of interested foreign powers?</p> <p>3. Attention is invited to the article titled "The Reichsforschungsamt" contained in the USFET WISUM, dated 14 October 1945, in which the need for disposition instructions regarding members of the organization was outlined.</p> |

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5 September 1945.

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE

Subject: FORSCHUNGSAMT -- REICHSLUFTFAHRTMINISTERIUM

During the "Tally-Ho" Operation in Ruhpolding, Bavaria, on 21 July 1945, troops brought in REBIEN, Hermann, for questioning concerning a large sum of money found in the house which he occupied. Screening cleared REBIEN of connection with the money but brought out contradictions as to his exact employment and activities during the war.

Detailed interrogation developed the fact that REBIEN had been employed by the Forschungsamt as a telephone interceptor. On the basis of information supplied by subject these agents were able to uncover another employee and an official of the Forschungsamt and were able to obtain the information concerning the organization set forth below:

HISTORY

The Forschungsamt was founded in May 1933 in Berlin, Behren Str., Donat Bank. In 1934 it moved across the street and from there to Schiller Str., Berlin. The name Forschungsamt is a cover-title for an independent signal intelligence organization. Its exact position and inter-relation with other German intelligence agencies such as Abwehr and SD/RSHA is yet obscure.

It was originally under Goring's personal authority and later came under the immediate jurisdiction of the Prussian State Secretary and Official Deputy of Goering, KOERNER.

Its first director was Commodore SCHIMPF who died in 1935 under mysterious circumstances; rumored shot by a Czech agent. He was succeeded by Prince PHILLIP von HESSEN who volunteered for the Air Force in 1939 and was killed in aerial combat in 1944. The last director was Ministerialdirektor SCHAPPER. Deputy director, and chief of the top secret Coding and Decoding Section, was Ministerialdirigent SCHROEDER, a former Abwehr Major.

(Agents' Note: Seemingly, the FA retained its status independent of all other German intelligence agencies throughout the war and was not assimilated by Himmler in July 1944 when he consolidated all other intelligence and police functions into the RSHA.)

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ORGANIZATION

Chain of Command

1. Forschungsamt (FA)
2. Forschungshauptleitstelle (FHLS)
3. Forschungsleitstelle (FLS)
4. Forschungsstelle (FS)

(Agents' Note: This organization, it might be noted, bears considerable resemblances to the SD/RSHA.)

1. The Forschungsamt, Berlin, consisted of:

- A. Six Hauptabteilung (departments)
- B. Sixteen Abteilung (sub-departments), and their subordinate Gruppen (sections).

Director (Amtsleiter) of FA, Ministerialdirektor SCHAPPER.
 Deputy to the Amtsleiter, Ministerialdirigent SCHROEDER,
 George.

A. Hauptabteilungen (departments)

I. Organization

Chief, Ministerialrat, BERGGREN
 Councillors, Dr. SCHUMANN, Legal Affairs
 GERKE, Personnel
 Administration, Amtmann BONKE, Procurement
 Oberregierungsrat, KUNSEMULLER, Finance
 (Private Secretary to BERGGREN: Miss WEIDENHOFT)

II. Personnel and Training

Chief, Oberregierungsrat KEMPE
 Secretary, SCHWARTMANN

III. Plans and Operations

Chief, Ministerialrat BREUER
 Secretary, HANNA KLUTH

IV. Decoding

Chief, Ministerialrat SCHROEDER, George (also Deputy
 Director of the FA)

V. Evaluation and Evaluation Schooling

Chief, Ministerialrat SEIFERT

VI. Technical Branch

Chief, Oberregierungsrat STABENOW

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B. Abteilung (sub-departments)

1. Security and Organization
 Chief, Oberregierungsrat ROSENHAHN
2. Personnel
 Chief, Regierungsrat CZWALINNA
 ? Dr. NEUENHOF
3. Evaluation School
 Chief, Regierungsrat FINGERHUT
4. Expansion and New Offices
 Chief, Regierungsrat POPP
5. Operations
 Dr. GRUEL
6. Decoding: Science and Experiments
 Dr. PETZOLD (or PAETZEL)
7. Decoding: Romantic Languages and Swiss
8. Decoding: Anglo-Saxon and Far East
9. Decoding: East
10. Archives of Evaluation
 Chief, Dr. RAKENIUS
11. Evaluation of Domestic Politics
 Chief, Regierungsrat RENTSCHLER
12. Evaluation of Economics
 Chief, Regierungsrat Dr. BLIESCHKER
13. Evaluation of Foreign Politics
 Chief, Oberregierungsrat KURZBACH (also Deputy to Min Rat SEIFERT)
14. Technical Aspects, "A"-FS
 Chief, Regierungsrat Dr. ODEN
15. Technical Aspects, "B", "C", "D", -FS
 Chief, Oberregierungsrat Dr. HUPPERTSBERG
16. General Technical Matters
 Chief, Regierungsrat MUGGERNTHALER

Schematization of the Hauptabteilung and the Abteilung would appear as follows:

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Hauptabteilung:

- I. Organization
- II. Personnel and Training

III. Plans and Operations

IV. Decoding

V. Evaluation and Evaluation Schooling

VI. Technical Branch

Abteilung:

1. Security and Organization
2. Personnel
3. Evaluation School
4. Expansion and New Offices
5. Operations
6. Decoding: Science & Experiments.
7. Decoding: Romantic Languages & Swiss
8. Decoding: Anglo-Saxon & Far East
9. Decoding: East
10. Archives of Evaluation
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12. Evaluation of Economics
13. Evaluation of Foreign Politics
14. Technical Aspects "A"-FS
15. Technical Aspects "B", "C", "D"-FS
16. General Technical Matters.

2. Forschungshauptleitstelle.

This was founded in 1938 to act as a central administrative agency for all subordinate offices. It was dissolved in 1942 and its functions absorbed by the various Forschungsleitstellen.

3. Forschungsleitstelle.

This level in the chain of command had merely administrative functions. Its main task was related to personnel, real estate, finances and procurement. The direktors (chiefs) of the Forschungsleitstelle received their directives from the Forschungsamt, Berlin. The FLS was divided into five sections:

- a. Operations
- b. Personnel
- c. Administration
- d. Liaison, Organization, and Office of the Deputy Chief of the FLS.

4. Forschungstelle.

The Forschungstelle was the operational level and was any one

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of five different types which monitored communications. They were referred to and known by the alphabetical letter indicated below:

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| "A" - FS | Telephone |
| "B" - FS | Wireless |
| "C" - FS | Radio Broadcasts |
| "D" - FS | Teletype and telegrams |
| "F" - FS | Mail Censorship |

"A" - FS Personnel: 1 Chief; 1 Deputy; 2 or more teletypists; 2 Evaluators; 5 to 15 interceptors according to need and language requirement.

Technical Equipment: Up to 2 interceptor boards with 20 switches each. The interceptors, upon the lighting of a small bulb, cut into the conversation by depressing a small lever. When necessary (particularly long or technical conversations), a wire-type recorder (Stahltonmaschine) would be employed. The telephone wires were tapped at the main exchange of the local post office and the wire tap run to the FS office.

Procedure: The interceptor passed the recorded material on to the evaluator who sifted and edited the pertinent facts and passed it on to the FS chief who in turn relayed Dept. V, it to Berlin FA by TWX. All names were recorded by the local file-archives.

"B" - FS Coded and clear radio telegrams were received over short wave sets and recorded on paper strips. These were copied by typewriter and relayed to FA, Berlin. Coded messages were sent by TWX directly to FA, Berlin; intercepted were official foreign radiograms which were in most cases coded.

"C" - FS Radio broadcasts were transmitted by cable from the receivers at Templin and Lubben to Berlin. They were recorded on wire-type recorders (Stahltonmaschine), transcribed on paper, inserted in pneumatic tubes and sent to Dept. V, (Evaluation) FA, Berlin. After Dept. V was bombed out in Berlin, the results of "C" - FS were sent by courier or TWX to Breslau where the FA had moved. Mainly, anti-German propaganda broadcasts and those relating to the allied war effort were monitored.

"D" - FS Designated target-lines were intercepted and results were forwarded to Dept. V, FA, Berlin. Target-lines were mostly German industries and the reports of foreign journalists and correspondents.

"F" - FS This function was organized only after the beginning of the war. Its mission was to supervise mails sent

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by foreigners and also letters pertaining to foreign and domestic trade. Censorship offices were originally maintained by OKW and later were taken over by the RSHA. The FA entered into this field by placing on duty in the censorship offices one or two men who made photostatic copies of pertinent letters and forwarded the print to Dept. V, FA, Berlin.

LOCATION OF OFFICES

Forschungsstelle: "A" - Berlin
 "B" - Templin, Luuben
 "C" - Berlin
 "D" - Berlin
 "F" - Berlin

Forschungsleitstelle: Berlin

Forschungsleitstelle: Hamburg

Forschungsstelle: "A" - Hamburg, Copenhagen (also Danish personnel), Drontheim.
 "B" - Eutin

Forschungsleitstelle: Cologne

Forschungsstelle: "A" - Cologne, Dusseldorf, Paris, Bordeaux, Lille, Bayonne, Nancy, Lyon, Brussels.
 "B" - Cologne, Amsterdam (Principally staffed with Dutch personnel).
 "D" - Dortmund
 "F" - Cologne, Paris

Forschungsleitstelle: Breslau

Forschungsstelle: "A" - Breslau, Litzmannstadt, Posen, Danzig.
 "B" - Breslau, Leba, Reval, Rega, Dorpat.
 "C" - Breslau.

Forschungsleitstelle: Vienna

Forschungsstelle: "A" - Vienna, Prague, Sofia.
 "B" - Gols, Plovdiv.
 "D" - Vienna.

Forschungsleitstelle: Munich

Forschungsstelle: "A" - Munich, Nurnberg, Frankfurt.
 "B" - Oberostendorf, Thalhofen, Aufkirch.

In 1943 the Forschungsamt was bombed-out in Berlin and moved to Breslau-Hartlieb and Klegtondorf, near Breslau. Only SCHOEPPER, STABENOW, BOMKE and ROSENHAHN, with his Abteilung I, remained in Berlin. The "C" Stelle was decentralized and offices set up in Templin, Constanz, Eutin, and Breslau. Ministerialrat BERGGREN,

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with Hauptabteilung I, (Organization) moved to Lubben. There the construction of a new FA had been commenced but due to developments of the war, was not finished. Also, the Breslau offices were evacuated back to Berlin when the Russians overran the former city in 1945. At that time, a number of employees were released into the Wehrmacht.

After an attempt to set up offices in Juterbog, the whole FA was moved to Kaufbauern in March 1945 where it remained for several weeks. SCHAPPER and 120 employees of the Evaluation, Administration and Security Departments moved to Innsbruck, which was supposed to become the new location of the FA. As communications became more and more disrupted, SCHAPPER and his 120 men moved to Stephanskirchen on 30 April 1945 and in a final address to his staff, he informed them that their services were no longer needed and that their oath of secrecy concerning the FA would no longer be binding if any should be interrogated by Allied Authorities.

Ministerialrat SEIFFERT, Oberregierungsrat STABENOW and the central teletype office had moved to Flensburg from Berlin and are supposed to have been taken prisoner in the former city.

OPERATIONS

Commencement and termination of intercept operations on targets was exclusively determined by Dept. III, FA, after liaison and consultation with Dept. V. Only in very rare instances could the local FS chiefs act independently in choosing targets. For example: the Wehrmacht Officer's Putsch and attempt on Hitler's life in July 1944. In such cases, the FS chiefs had to immediately request retroactive permission by TWX from FA, Berlin.

The results of the FS operations were forwarded through the following channels:

- "A" - to Dept. V, FA, Berlin.
- "B" - in code, to Dept. IV, in clear, to Dept. V.
- "C" - to Dept. V.
- "D" - to Dept. V.
- "F" - to Dept. V.

Recipients of information from Dept. V, FA, Berlin, included Hitler, Goering, Koerner (deputy to Goering), all important ministries (e.g.: Economics, Propaganda, Foreign Affairs), Gestapo, and the OKW. The Forschungsamt was originally created to provide an independent source of information covering all stratas of news for Goering. As time went on, it appears that Goering lost most of his personal interest in the FA and it developed into a gathering and evaluating institution serving practically all ministries and agencies of Nazi Germany.

To assure efficient contact with the various ministries and intelligence agencies at headquarter level in Berlin, liaison personnel were maintained by the FA at these offices. The following

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liaison personnel are known:

DR. VOSS, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
 DR. HILLIGARDT, Ministry of Economics
 Von BRAUNSCHWEIG, OKW
 Regierungsrat DR. SCHOLZ, RSHA
 DR. SEVERITT, Propaganda Ministry

These liaison offices were called "VERBINDUNGSSTELLEN",--"VST".

The local FS passed on information within their territories only by specific order of Dept. V, FA, Berlin. In such cases, the FS evaluators acted as local liaison personnel. The number of local recipients was very limited and as a rule consisted only of Abwehr (OKW) and Gestapo. The ministries received their information directly through Dept. V, liaison.

OPERATIONS ABROAD

The FA was informed in advance of all contemplated campaigns as FA task forces were always on hand to follow the advancing Wehrmacht into newly conquered territories. (Compare interrogation of NIEDERMAYER, F). Their mission then dealt with:

- a. economic matters
- b. political targets
- c. intercepting messages to and from neutral and enemy territories.

POLAND

An "A" task force under NIEDERMAYER was activated on 1 Sept. '39. They wore air force uniform without rank insignia. A telephone interceptor service was to be set up in Warsaw but the idea had to be abandoned as Warsaw was too destroyed. It is believed that stations of various types were set up later in various centers of the General Government.

AUSTRIA

Immediately prior to the Anschluss the Munich office was charged with intercepting of traffic to and from Austria and to and from Italy in as much as such communications dealt with the Austrian problem. An "A" office was operating in Vienna 2 days after the occupation. They were given special orders in connection with the Sudeten crisis.

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(a) Sudeten

The Vienna office which had monitored in connection with the political crisis immediately set up a station ("A") in Lundburg from where communications pertaining to the further political developments were intercepted and forwarded to FA, Berlin for evaluation.

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(b) CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Personnel from Ludzburg were dispatched immediately after the occupation to erect stations in Brunn and Prague. More offices were added later on. Besides the intercepting of domestic traffic particular attention was paid to all communications from and to the Balkans especially in connection with the economical tug-of-war between the warring powers in that particular area.

HOLLAND

A special FA unit arrived with the first troops in Amsterdam. No further details are known at this time.

BELGIUM

An "A" station was set up in May 1940 in Bruxelles. It intercepted all kinds of communications especially in connection with certain kinds of or important German industries. It is known that all telephone conversations of the King were monitored by FA (Source: NIEDERMAYER)

BULGARIA

In 1942 two "A" and "B" stations were set up in Bulgaria. Their activities were concentrated on all traffic from and to Turkey which at that time was in the focus of the near-Eastern situation. Later on Bulgarian personnel targets were added and the results forwarded to the Bulgarian War Ministry which had a permanent liaison officer attached to FA offices in Bulgaria.

BALTIC STATES

After the occupation of the Baltic countries the FA set up in Reval, Riga, Dorpat. Besides domestic assignments their mission dealt with the intercepting of signal traffic emanating from Russia.

SCANDINAVIA

Offices in Copenhagen, Euting, Drontheim were mostly engaged in the intercepting of communications relative to economical conditions of (a) the domestic type in connection with the German war industries, (b) economical-political communications from and to Sweden.

FRANCE

Three types of operations must be distinguished in France.

(a) FA Operations

Offices of the known types were erected in Paris, Bordeaux, Lille, Bayonne, Lyon, Nancy, Marseille. They were entrusted with the usual assignments.

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(b) OKH Operations.

In as much as the FA did not have enough personnel at its disposal two Interpreter companies of the Wehrmacht were attached and took over all operations. FA personnel (approx 30 men) remained in an advisory and directing capacity only.

(c) Vichy Operations.

Offices were set up by the Vichy Government in Vichy, Nice, and Marseille. These stations were later on inspected by FA personnel and on the basis of a negative report submitted to OKH they were abolished or taken over by FA/OKH.

ITALY

The FA did not maintain local offices in this country. All important long distance calls to and from Italy were channeled through the Munich switchboard and intercepted there by Italian speaking personnel of the Munich RAS.

SS MEMBERSHIP

The majority of the pre-war employees and officials especially of the Berlin FA belonged to the SS. The FA had organized an SS Sturm of its own (Haus Sturm) in order to relieve personnel from other Party duties as it was the aim of the FA to prevent its employees from having unnecessary outside contacts. The SS Sturm never became very active. At the request of several members of the FA who had been old time SS members (Prince von Hessen, Scholz) the sturm was dissolved in 1938 as it was felt that the spirit in which the SS duties were discharged were not in conformance with the SS standards. All members were given the opportunity of joining other SS units but it appears that relatively few availed themselves of this privilege. The subject of membership in the SS by FA employees was checked rather carefully but it appears that especially after 1938 SS membership was a matter of individual concern whereas the "Haus Sturm SS 1934-38" was organized more or less as a matter of expediency.

The following portion of this report contains the interrogations of four members of the RLM, each a representative for one administrative level of the organization.

1. REBIEN, Herman, telephone interceptor
(an "A"erfasser)

Subject was born in Hamburg, Germany, on 14 September 1901 and after finishing school entered the employ of the Northe German Lloyd where he last worked as an official greeter for American travellers at the port of Bremen. Subject, in 1932, spent seven months at the New York office of the firm. In 1939, January, he attended a two weeks conference (business) in New York. In December 1939, he was ordered to report to the Luftfahrtministerium in connection with an emergency service decree.

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Subject reported with 16 others of whom all but one were released to the Wehrmacht after a three weeks investigation as to their political and educational background. Subject was then sworn in and sent to the "A" office of the FA in Stuttgart where he received his training in intercept operations on telephone conversations. It was only then that Subject became acquainted with the exact nature of his duties because until that time he had been of the opinion that the Forschungsamt dealt exclusively with technical developments.

Two months later, Subject was transferred to the Hamburg office in a similar capacity as telephone interceptor. In 1941, he was transferred to the Munich office at his own request for personal reasons. He stayed in Munich until the end of the war. Subject's main duties consisted of intercepting telephone calls of industrial concerns in the Munich area. (i.e. Bayrische Motor Werke). While Subject could give complete information in identifying the personalities in the Munich office he was not acquainted with the organization or personalities of the higher echelons of the Forschungsamt.

Subject has been a member of the Nazi Party since 1934. He speaks English well. He was the first member of the FA to be interrogated by these agents who had no prior information of the background or nature of the organization. He had no cover-story as such, but at first gave a vague picture of his duties in the FA and gave the impression of having been in a telephone experimental bureau of the Luftwaffe. When pressed further as to his exact duties, because of slight inconsistencies in his story, he mentioned BMW in Munich as being connected with one of his assignments, and confessed to having tapped telephone wires when it was pointed out to him that BMW had nothing to do with the production of telephones.

Subject is presently residing in Ruhpolding, Bavaria, (Z6719) with his wife.

2. RADTKE, Rudolf, Dienststellenleiter, (Chief of Munich "A" FS)

Subject was born 17 February 1909. After graduating from gymnasium, he entered the employ of a life insurance company for which he worked in various cities in Germany and two years in the Paris office. Subject speaks fluent French. In early 1934, Subject submitted an application to the Reichsluftfahrtministerium which was in its formative stages and offered good positions with rapid advancement in prospect. Subject's attention to the ministerium had been invited by a friend who already was working for the RLM. Subject was requested to present himself at the RLM, FA for interview.

He was told that he would be acquainted with the details of

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his work only after being formally sworn in as an employee. Subject then received training in telephones intercept and was assigned to the Berlin office where he tapped wires of French journalists and members of the French diplomatic corps and the embassy. In June 1934, Subject was transferred to the Trier office to intercept telephonic communications to and from the Saar territory in connection with the coming plebiscite. In the spring of 1935, Radtke was ordered back to Berlin to resume his former activities. From January to March 1938, Subject was assigned to Duisburg where he exclusively intercepted calls to and from the Kloeckner Steel Trust. He then was transferred to Munich, and there specialized in the interception of long-distance calls to and from Italy.

In 1939 he was promoted to chief (Leiter) of the Munich office and as such was thenceforth concerned mainly with administrative work. In 1940 Subject became, for three months, office chief in Nancy, France, and in 1942, for about four months, managed the office in Bordeaux, France. Personnel for the French operations was furnished by a Wehrmacht interpreter company. Subject's Feldpost number while he was in France was 36065.

Subject has been a member of the Nazi Party for some ten years. He is presently residing in Munich; his wife and children reside in Ruhpolding, Bavaria. Subject is fairly well informed as concerns telephone operations due to his long service in the organization.

3. NIEDERMEYER, Ferdinand, Regierungsrat (chief of a Forschungsleitstelle)

Subject was born in St. Petersburg (Leningrad), Russia, on 14 January 1903 of a French mother and German father. Subject attended schools in St. Petersburg and when the family moved to Berlin, he finished his schooling there. He then worked for three years for a banking firm. Subject's father had meanwhile become director of a bank in Sofia, Bulgaria, and through his connections Subject found employment in a firm of international tobacconists, and spent the next six years until 1929 mostly in the near east with occasional trips to most every country in Europe.

Subject learned to speak fluent Bulgarian and Turkish and due to his early childhood has a good knowledge of Russian and other Slavic languages. Subject lost his job in 1929 and spent the next four years at odd jobs: poultry farming, and Russian interpreter in the area of Brandenburg.

During the 1931-32 election campaigns, he worked actively for the Nazi ticket, and also in the capacity of an SA guard. He received his membership in the Nazi Party in 1934. In 1933 Subject applied at various ministries for employment as a translator and was requested to present himself at the Forschungsamt of the RLM. (June 1933) Subject's first assignment was with the "A" FS in Berlin. His main targets for intercept were French and Russian dip-

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lomats, Stahlhelm personalities, various suspects and SS Gruppenführer Heydrich. Subject then was assigned to monitoring Russian broadcasts and after the Roehm putsch, became chief of the Forschungsstelle in Glienicke foreign news and propaganda broadcasts with an anti-German tendency were monitored.

Subject remained at this job until 1938 with various interruptions during which he served as "A" FS chief in Nurnberg, Munich and Hamburg. In 1938 he became director of the Vienna office and in connection with the Sudeten crisis, organized an "A" FS in Dundenburg. After Czechoslovakia had been occupied, Subject was charged with setting up an "A" FS in Brunn, Czechoslovakia. From 1934 until 1939 Subject was a member of the Forschungsamt SS unit (Haus Sturm) last holding the rank of Oberscharführer. In May 1939, he was dispatched to Danzig to organize an "A" FS which was charged with intercept of Polish diplomats, journalists and institutions in Danzig in connection with the Polish crisis. On the day of the outbreak of the war, Subject was ordered back to Berlin and charged with the organization of an "A" task force to move into Warsaw after the occupation. Due to the complete destruction of the city no phone communications could be established and Subject was consequently assigned to the Personnel department in Berlin. In May 1940 Subject was to lead an FA task force into Amsterdam but due to his lack of military training was taken off the list and charged with the organization of contemplated operations in France. Subject remained in Paris as chief of all FA operations in France until July 1941 when he was transferred to Sofia in connection with a request from the Bulgarian War Department. Subject organized phone and radio monitoring services in Bulgaria which were mainly directed against Turkey and Hungary. In January 1942 NIEDERMEYER was promoted and became chief of the Forschungsleitstelle Koln which at that time was in charge of operations in western Germany and the occupied countries in the west. He stayed there until September 1944 during which time he also supervised the liquidation of the FA installations in France, Belgium and Holland. In September 1944 the Cologne office was liquidated on account of the air raids and the Subject was transferred in the same capacity to Breslau whereto meanwhile FA Hq. had moved from Berlin.

On September 1, 1944, Subject was appointed Regierungsrat and from then on wore the uniform of a major in the administrative branch of the Luftwaffe. Due to the Russian advance, it became necessary to evacuate the FA from Breslau. Subject and Ministerialrat Siefert were sent to Bavaria to find suitable locations for the establishment of a central office and for new "B" FS. During the rapid advance of the Allied forces in Northern Germany, Subject became Leitstellenleiter in direct charge of operations in Southern Germany and the remaining western provinces. On 29 April, 1945, Subject received a priority call to report at once to Amtsleiter SCHAPPER at Stephanskirchen-Rosenheim. There he met about 150 members of the FA, all of whom were released from

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the service in a farewell speech by SCHAPPER.

Subject received top secret orders to immediately leave for Berchtesgarden with three other officials and approximately 50 employees, one mobile "A"-Stelle, three mobile "B"-Stellen and one mobile "D"-Stelle. At Berchtesgarden he was to report at the Commandant at the Flak Barracks where he would be informed as to his new duties. Schapper informed Subject that he would no longer be an employee of the FA. Due to lack of transportation, Subject arrived at Berchtesgarden with only one "A"-Stelle, and ten men. The Commandant at Berchtesgarden told Subject, "It is useless; you are no longer needed. Go home." Subject rid himself of his uniform and returned to Munich.

He presently resides in Munich at 56 Princeregenten Str. pending directives from higher headquarters as to disposition of FA personnel.

4. SCHROEDER, George, Ministerialdirigent RLM-FA (Chief of Hauptleitung IV)

Subject was born in 1885 in Berlin. After graduation from gymnasium he entered the regular Army. During the WW I, Subject served as capt., Inf and last led a batallion. From 1918-21, Subject was employed in connection with the liquidation of the Imperial German Army. Subject was discharged with the honorary rank of major, INF. 1921-26 found Subject trying to make a living as traveling salesman and representative of a stove pipe factory. Through the intervention of a friend, Subject was hired in 1926 as an employee of the Reichswehrministry. He continued to received his pension as capt. and as employee his pay amounted to the difference between his pension and the pay of an active captain.

Subject first went to a code school and then worked exclusively in the coding and decoding dept. of the Reichswehrministry. He maintained his official status as employee throughout though actually drawing a captain's salary as active duty status would have been contrary of the numerous clauses of the Versailles Treaty. In 1933, Subject was transferred to the RLM-FA where he immediately proceeded with the training of employees in cryptography. In 1944 SCHROEDER was appointed deputy chief of the FA but had little opportunity to discharge the duties of his position.

In 1934, Subject joined the SS Sturm of the FA where he advanced to Obersturmfuehrer. In 1935, Subject left the SS mainly on account of conflicting ideas relative to religious questions. Subject also was member of the NSDAP and several allied organizations.

After the outbreak of the war, Subject wore the uniform of a major-General in the Luftwaffe administration. Subject states that his offices were rather unsuccessful in breaking the more complicated US codes. Codes to be broken were intercepted by either the FA or by intelligence agents of other intelligence branches (RSHA,

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Abwehr) and then transmitted to FA (and probably also RSHA, Abwehr, Foreign Office Decoding Section) for deciphering. In February 1945 Subject moved to Haufbeuren with his staff and from there to Stephanskirchen by way of Innsbruck. All files and indexes of this section were completely destroyed though most had remained in Berlin and Breslau. When the Allied Forces approached, Subject retired to his sister's home near Berchtesgaden where he was arrested.

Agent's Note: Subject initially was not very talkative as he was afraid his statement might be contrary to the "Fatherland's" interests. It is believed that these inhibitions have now been overcome. Subject is presently engaged in writing a detailed report in reference to the more technical details of the work of his section. It is suggested that Subject be evacuated to a place where he can be interrogated by properly trained cryptoanalysts.

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AGENT'S COMMENTS, RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSION:

1. This organization appears to be a hitherto unknown arm of the German Intelligence Service. Interrogation indicated that it was entirely independent of the Abwehr and was not a functionary of the RSHA. It was formed as Goering's private intelligence service. But, it is known that within the past few years, Himmler's influence in the police field in Germany became all-powerful and he knew of the activities of the FA. His reason for allowing the FA to function independently and not assigning it a niche in the RSHA organization has yet to be determined.

Why, even after last July 20th when Abwehr was assimilated by RSHA, it continued intact as it has been from its founding in 1933 is a question that can only be answered by interrogation of officials such as SCHAPPER and the questioning of GOERING and KOERNER.

2. In order to most effectively develop all leads and coordinate information obtained from interrogation, the case should be handled from a central office.

3. The following personnel have been suggested by NIEDERMEYER, Ferdinand, as individuals who are able to present the most detailed pictures of the activities of the departments of the FA:

Evaluation: Assessor WOAS; RENTSCHLER, Erwin
 Telephone and Radio: POPP, Rudolf
 Decoding: SCHROEDER, George
 Technical phases: HUPPERTSBERG, Dr. (fnu)
 Personnel: HEMPE, Rritz

4. A policy should be established defining whether or not personnel of the FA fall within the Automatic Arrest Category (aside from their positions as Ministerialrat, Regierrungsrat, etc.) as do the members of the SD, ABWEHR, and Gestapo.

5. It is known that at least three members of the FA have worked or are working for American Military Government offices in the area of Haufbauern, Bavaria. It is believed that because of language proficiency others are similarly employed. If the FA should be classed as an arm of the German Intelligence, a determined effort should be made to eliminate all such personnel from positions with Allied Military Government.

6. Liaison should be established with CIC personnel in the Berlin Enclave and with British Intelligence Services at Flensburg for the purpose of determining what information concerning the Forschungsamt has been obtained in these localities.

7. If higher headquarters has any information or files on the Forschungsamt, it is recommended that dissemination be made to all CIC units in the field with suggestions as to the procedure to be followed in dealing with members of the organization.

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THE FORSCHUNGSAMT (FA)

The Forschungsamt was originally intended to be one of the sub-organisations and services of the Air Ministry. An interesting sidelight on its activities is the fact that the first Chief of the FA, a Capt in the Navy, was found dead in a forest near BERLIN in the Summer of 33.

When GOERING, in his position as Ministerpräsident of Prussia began to build up the GESTAPO, the FA was also enlarged. When the GERMANY GESTAPO was taken over by HIMMLER, however, the FA still remained under the control of GOERING, and became an independent organisation.

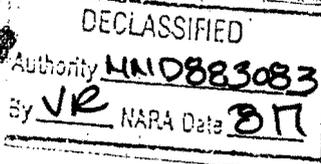
General Mission

The FA had the general mission of intercepting all the telephone conversations of the foreign diplomats, and all guests of the Reich on and during State visits, of prominent foreigners residing or travelling in Germany, of foreign correspondents, and of all hotels, restaurants and clubs frequented by foreigners.

In general, all foreigners were automatically checked. If the Gestapo wished to have "coverage" of a German personality, a request had to be submitted to the FA and approved by GOERING. Until Summer 44 the only Germans exempt from this were General Officers and Gauleiters. Should the Gestapo want anyone in any one of these classifications checked they had to secure the personal approval of HITLER.

The FA was active in tapping all international telephone calls lines crossing Germany, such as those between Switzerland and Sweden, Switzerland and Hungary, Czechoslovakia and Britain etc. In addition, wireless messages, such as those from Berlin to the U.S.A., or Berlin to Japan, were also intercepted. Telegraph and teletype lines were tapped.

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A special section of the FA decoded foreign telegrams. This section worked in close collaboration with the Foreign Office code department. (Geheimrat von SYRCHOW and ORR Hoffmann i/c these activities).

"Coverage" reports of German personalities went only to GOERING, HIMMLER and BORMANN, and to the RSHA, where Krim. Dir. Dr. SHAEFER alone handled these matters. If a German made politically incriminating statements on the telephone, he was usually taken into custody at once and taken to the concentration camp at ORANIENBURG which specialized in such cases. These arrests were given as little publicity as possible, and no legal proceedings ever resulted.

Procedure

All conversations recorded were recorded on steel tapes and film strips. The conversations were typed and ready for distribution in about 48 hrs. of foreigners. All conversations/were reported on brown paper, and they were consequently called "brown friends." Conversations of Germans were reported on blue paper, and were called "blue friends".

The FA maintained special liason with men with the RSHA, with HIMMLER, with the OKW, with the ABWEHR, with the Attaché group in the OKW, with the political department of the OKW, with the Foreign Office, and with the Propoganda Ministry. The Chief of the FA was the Prince of HESSEN, who was a good friend of GOERING.

The Foreign Office received the "Brown friends" (foreigners) only. These reports were sent only to the most limited distribution (Kleiner Verteiler) and reached only the Minister and the State Secretary. Classified as "Top Secret". After they had been read they were immediately returned.

The FA wrote a monthly summary on all personalities who had been covered during the month. This summary contained a character critique, and his private life was described in great detail.

Location

Believed to be located in a villa in GRUNEWALD. Tel. connection with the FA was established by giving a code word to which GRUNEWALD was added.

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THE RSHA AND THE FOREIGN PRESS

The GESTAPO maintained its own Press Department under the leadership of Dr. JAHR. The GESTAPO Press Dept. worked complete^{ly} independently of all other agencies. Foreign correspondents and all employees of foreign newspapers were naturally suspected of being foreign intelligence agents..

Very frequently women, who were Gestapo agents, attended foreign Press Conferences at the Foreign Office in the guise of representatives of some minor publications. Danish SS members were also sometimes present purporting to be Danish newspapermen.

The RSHA manifested particular interest in the possible sources of news for the news broadcasts of the radio stations "ATLANTIK" and "SOLDATENS FENDER WEST". The RSHA took these broadcasts very seriously, and regularly organised special drives to learn something about the source of the information which was used. It is reported that nothing definite was discovered. (Source)

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REICHSSACHE) in red, in the middle of each sheet. These sheets were numbered consecutively, and came in pads of fifty, each of which was also numbered. Every number had to be accounted for.

c) "TU" Reports

Many persons suspected tapping of their conversations, and made sarcastic remarks concerning the monitoring. Such remarks were prepared in the form of a "TU" (TELEFON UEBERWACHUNG) Report in triplicate. "TU" Reports could not be sent to any requesting agency, as they were to be used only within the "A" Section. On the last line, they were marked with a "Z", in parenthesis, which stood for "TELEFON ZELLE", and designated their origin. If such a remark were discovered in a coded message that had been sent to the BERLIN Office for decoding, it would be returned marked with an "E", to indicate "Decoded" (ENTSCHUESSELT).

d) Off Duty Operation

During the night, and on Sundays and Holidays, the FORSCHUNGSSTELLEN operated with a skeleton force, and all incoming messages were electrically recorded, to be played back and evaluated as soon as the entire staff was reassembled. Phonograph records were used wherever the electro-magnetic recording apparatus was not available.

3. Editorial Section

a) The N-Report

The N-MELDUNG was a condensation of the Z-Report (see Para IV-B-2-b above), prepared by an editor (AKTUELLER AUSWERTER). Yellow copies were prepared for interior use by the "A" Section and brown copies for external distribution.

The yellow sheets, prepared in duplicate came in pads of fifty and were numbered similarly to those of the Z-Report. The center of each sheet was stamped "Secret" in red.

One yellow copy went to the Reference File Department where the information was entered on index cards and the copy filed in a folder bearing the suspect's name.

The other yellow copy went first to the teletype operator who transmitted its contents to BERLIN. The teletype operator normally sent N-Reports in the order in which they were handed to him. However, if a report were marked "SSD" (SEHR SEHR DRINGEND - very urgent), it was given priority. This yellow copy was then returned to the Information File Section and filed into the G.M. (GEHEIMES NACHRICHTEN ARCHIV - Archive for secret messages).

One brown copy went to the agency which had requested the telephone tapping. Other brown copies if any were sent to other interested agencies. But all brown copies were delivered personally by a trusted employee of the "A" Section to the local user agency against a receipt which had to be signed and counter-signed by all persons involved. After the agency, and its various subsections (also pledged to secrecy), had finished with the information, the brown copy had to be returned to the "A" Section.

"Brown" copies destined to be read personally by HITLER were prepared with a special typewriter equipped with abnormally large letters, making it possible for him to read them without glasses. According to PW, HITLER was too egotistical to wear glasses, although he was extremely nearsighted.

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b) Receipts for N-Reports

Receipts were made out in triplicate:

The red receipt (the one signed by the receiver) was held at the "A" Section until the brown copy of the report was returned and was then forwarded with it to the FORSCHUNGSAMT, BERLIN to be destroyed.

The blue-gray receipt was retained by the Editorial Section which sent them periodically (every ten days) to the FORSCHUNGSAMT, BERLIN.

The white receipt was retained and filed by the Editorial Section.

c) GNA-Section

This was an index book in which the N-editor entered all N-Reports chronologically. He entered the number, distribution and a few words, covering the contents.

d) "R" Reports
 FORSCHUNGSSTELLE "A" in PRAGUE received R-Reports (RUNDFUNKMELDUNGEN) from the FORSCHUNGSAMT by teletype. PW believed that these Reports originated with either the B or C Sections (see Para V-B below) and contained exclusively coded personal messages in the Czech language broadcasted by the BBC in LONDON. These Reports were prepared by the Editorial Section in triplicate on white sheets and were distinguished by a broad blue band running from the lower left to the upper right corner. One copy went to the user agency concerned, the other to the archives.

4. Information File Section

a) The "N" Report in the "KP" Filing System

One copy of the "N" Report, (see Para IV-B-3-a above), on yellow sheets, would be forwarded to the KARTEI AUSWERTUNG, where the KARTEI AUSWERTER would extract important information and note it on a white insert card, using telegraphic sentences. Entries were typewritten, with the names in red and locations in black, and underlined in black. Continual entries eventually supplied a complete picture of the Suspect's private and business activities.

If the information came from a tapped telephone conversation of the Suspect himself, a number of red dashes were placed in the upper left corner of the card to indicate this origin. These dashes were followed by a condensation of the "N" Report. On the second line, below the red dashes, was stated the date and number of the particular "N" Report.

b) Types of Filing Cards used

i) Personalities Card File

The PERSONEN KARTEI, often referred to by its abbreviation "KP" (initials inverted for security reasons), was a system containing data on all persons in whom the FORSCHUNGSAMT was interested. As soon as a person's name appeared in a report, a white card, approx 8 x 5 inches in size, was inserted. In order to distinguish the card of a "Suspect" (person under surveillance), a small red marker was attached to the top of the card.

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c) Subject Card File

The SACH KARTEI contained all information according to subjects, and was abbreviated "KS". (NOTE: The filing system was standard throughout all offices of the FORSCHUNGSAMT); The Subject Cards enabled the FORSCHUNGSAMT to get, in particular, a clear picture of commercial transactions.

As a security measure, the following code numbers were used to represent various countries:

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| 100..... | GERMANY |
| 110..... | BOHEMIA - MORAVIA |
| 200..... | FRANCE |
| 201..... | BELGIUM |
| 202..... | HOLLAND |
| 210..... | ENGLAND |
| 300..... | ITALY |
| 301..... | SLOVAKIA |
| 302..... | HUNGARY |
| 400..... | RUSSIA |
| 410..... | SWEDEN |
| 500..... | UNITED STATES |

These numbers would be followed by other number groups to indicate subdivisions of subject matter. Thus the number 301 - 24 - 34 might indicate SLOVAKIA, Commerce, Timber, and refer to a commercial transaction involving timber, carried out between GERMANY and SLOVAKIA. Cards were filed according to these numbers.

d) Suspect Cards

cards.

Suspect cards consisted of a cover card containing insert/
1) Cover Cards (See I on Appendix "C")

"MANTEL" Cards, as the name implies, were folded cover cards, used to hold "Insert" (EINLEGE) Cards (see Para ii below) dealing with the suspect in question. They carried the family name, Christian names, profession, date of birth, etc, as well as the reason for surveillance, the requesting agency, and the date of the surveillance.

ii) Insert Cards

NOTE: Periodic shortages of cards occasionally upset the following color system.

(a) Yellow Insert Cards (See II on Appendix "C")

These cards carried information regarding the person's career, family status, etc.

(b) Blue Insert Cards (See III on Appendix "C")

Commercial activities of the Suspect were shown on blue cards.

(c) Additional Cards (See IV on Appendix "C")

"NEBEN" Cards were initiated for other persons whose names appeared in connection with that of the Suspect in the course of an "N" Report.

e) Information Service

If it was deemed advisable to get further information concerning a suspect, such as the date of birth, the police were contacted by means of a direct line to the EINWOHNERMELDEAMT in the

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Police Department. The Official at the Police Department was unaware that the call came from the FORSCHUNGSSTELLE but was under the impression that he was being contacted by a subordinate police unit.

Direct connections also existed with the offices of the STAPO, AST, and KRIPO.

The Reference Filing Section had at its disposal the leading local and foreign newspapers, and filed relevant information concerning important events reported. Hotel Lists, containing the names of persons staying overnight at various hotels, were also available, and were frequently used to check the spelling of names.

5. Strength of various "A" Sections

a) FORSCHUNGSSTELLE "A", PRAGUE (Oct 44)

CO (DIENSTSTELLENLEITER)

Administration Section : 1 x Deputy CO
1 x Clerk
1 x Typist
2 x Teletype Operators

Monitoring Section : 43 Monitors (ERFASSER) working/ in shifts
on 12 Intercept-switchboards

Editorial Section : 3 x Editors (AKTUELLE AUSWERTER)
1 x Assistant
2 x Typists

Information Section : 2 x File Information Selectors
(KARTEI AUSWERTER)
1 x File Clerk
1 x Typist

Postal Liaison Section : 2 x Postal employees

b) FORSCHUNGSSTELLE "A", COLOGNE/DEUTZ (Aug 39)

CO (DIENSTSTELLENLEITER)

1 x Typist
2 x Teletype Operators
20 x Monitors (working in shifts on six to nine intercept-switchboards)

1 x Editor
1 x File Information Selector
1 x Switchboard-repair man
1 x Postal employee

c) FORSCHUNGSSTELLE "A", DANZIG (Feb 43)

CO (DIENSTSTELLENLEITER)

1 x Typist
1 x Teletype Operator
15 x Monitors (working in shifts on six to nine intercept-switchboards)

1 x Editor
1 x File Information Selector
1 x Postal employee

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970TH COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS DETACHMENT
APO 407-A, US ARMY

CSH/ec
4 March 1948

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Haganah

1. The following information was obtained on 27 February 1948 from a casual informant whose position within Jewish circles in MUNICH (M49/Y85) is believed to be well placed.

2. a. Source stated that the Haganah began working in Germany in 1946. The Haganah in Germany appears to be supported by all Jewish parties with every party attempting to play a leading part in the organization.

b. Members of the Haganah are almost all former soldiers or partisans.

c. Every large camp in the US Zone of Germany reportedly maintains a Haganah recruiting center. It is generally believed that Haganah members in the US Zone number approximately four thousand (4,000).

d. Source claimed that it is the belief among Jewish circles that a general mobilization of all male persons up to thirty five (35) years of age will take place shortly.

e. The present military training for Haganah members takes from six (6) to ten (10) weeks. Expenses for such training are believed to be covered by JAFP and AJDC.

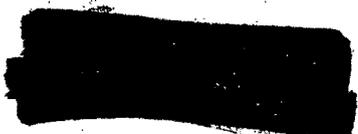
f. The Haganah in the US Zone of Germany is allegedly organized in military units located in various camps. The headquarters of Haganah is believed to be in MUNICH, Moenistrasse 16, room 12.

3. AGENT'S NOTES: This report is being submitted as
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an interim report. Further information will be submitted upon receipt.

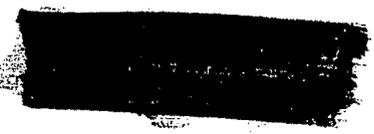
SOURCE: Casual informant

EVALUATION: B-3

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APO 225

25 February, 1948.

FILE NO: V-P-3559

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGESUBJECT: Operation RUMMAGE
RE : HAGANAH Recruitment

1. Reference is made to MOIC this H.Q., dated 2 February, 1948, file V-P-3559, subject as above, with regard to the location of possible HAGANAH training center in the WOLFRATSHAUSEN (M48/Y73) - BEUERBERG (M48/Y72) sector of Region IV.

2. In continuance of investigation, uncarded sub sources of informant P-28-V-P, familiar with the area in question, report the existence of three (3) Jewish centers therein, namely FOHRENWALD, HOCHWALD, and LAGERSTEIN. (F-2)

a. FOHRENWALD, a camp estimated at a 5000 person population, located approximately two (2) kilometers south east of WOLFRATSHAUSEN, which was formerly a Russian P.W. camp and later a German refugee center, does not fit the description of the training center reported in the initial report. (F-2)

b. HOCHWALD, a camp estimated at a 300 to 400 person population, located approximately two (2) kilometers east of KONIGSDORF (M48/Y71), containing Yugoslav and Rumanian Jews in majority, also does not correspond with original reports of the training center. (F-2)

c. LAGERSTEIN, a camp estimated at a 400 person population of mixed nationalities, located four (4) kilometers south-east of WOLFRATSHAUSEN, in a heavily wooded area, does correspond in part to the training center described. (F-2)

d. No details of an actual training program existing within the LAGERSTEIN camp, other than repeated road marches and drilling usually performed in the KONIGSDORF area by well disciplined Jewish members of an as yet unidentified organization, have been forthcoming. (F-3)

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3. Although it is deemed doubtful that further information from the source supplying data contained in the basic report will be forthcoming, investigation is continuing at this office. It is suggested that a copy of the foregoing report be forwarded to Region IV if it be deemed of possible value.

EDWARD J. JACOBS
Special Agent, CIC.

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HAGANAH training center
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Headquarters, 970th Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment, European Command, APO 757, US Army, 5 May 1948

TO: Commanding Officer, CIC Region IV, APO 407-A, US Army

1. Copy of inclosure has been forwarded to higher headquarters for information and any action deemed necessary. Any information received on this matter will be forwarded to you.

2. For your information, the following data is available at this headquarters on one Max LEVINE, who is apparently identical with Raphael LEVIN.

a. Military Entry Permit, valid for six (6) months, was requested of the US Military Attache in PARIS on 31 March 1948. The permit was requested in order to facilitate subject's entrance and exit from Germany in his capacity as medical consultant to PCIRO (AJDC), permanent duty.

b. Subject is an American but was born in Russia, date of birth being 20 September 1904. His US passport number is 139135 and was issued in WASHINGTON on 2 January 1948.

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V-W-3391
File: V-1592/D
C/R : V-3008

4 May 1948

SUBJECT: Recruitment of Jews for Palestine

TO : Commanding Officer
970th CIC Detachment
Hq. EUCOM
APO 757, U. S. Army
(Attn. Capt. K. B. Hale)

1. Attached report from S/A ROZANSKI, Region V Special Squad, (WEIDEN), dated 16 April 1948, subject: Mobilization of Jews for Palestine, was received by this office, but not immediately forwarded to higher Headquarters, because further substantiation from other areas involving larger numbers was awaited.

On 30 April 1948, S/A SHIOK, Region V Special Squad (REGENSBURG), submitted a report, partly dealing with the same locality and personalities as referred to in S/A ROZANSKI's report.

3. Needless to say that HAGANA is not a "Jewish Recruiting Unit," but the unofficial Jewish armed force in Palestine which sends its recruiting agents into countries outside of Palestine to recruit able-bodied persons to join the forces in Palestine.

4. The (fnu) KUZMINSKI referred to in S/A ROZANSKI's report is apparently identical with S/A SHIOK's Lucien KOZMINSKI.

5. This Headquarters has had no confirmation of information contained in paragraph 2e. of S/A SHIOK's report, to the effect that, "this illegal recruitment does not only apply to the Jewish nationals, but to Poles, Germans and Ukrainians, particularly officers who are being hired by the Jewish agencies to act as instructors in Palestine."

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

Ben M. Forby
G. W. GREER Jr.
Special Agent, CIC
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COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS REGION IV
970TH COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS DETACHMENT
APO 407-A, US ARMY

IV-4622

19 April 1948

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Haganah

RE : Illegal Currency Transactions

1. The following information regarding illegal currency transactions in connection with Haganah activities was reported to this agent by a usually reliable uncarded source.

2. a. Raphael LEVIN, employee of AJDC, MUNICH (M49/Y85) is reported to be the AJDC courier between MUNICH and PARIS, France.

b. On 7 April 1948, LEVIN told source that he was leaving MUNICH on 8 April 1948 for PARIS for the purpose of taking 15,000 U.S. dollars to PARIS for the Haganah.

c. LEVIN stated that he makes weekly trips from MUNICH to PARIS on the Orient Express, on which the AJDC charters its own rail-road coach.

3. Agent's Comments:

a. It is believed that along with Haganah money LEVIN might also act as courier for DP's who have not deposited their foreign currencies in the Laenderbank in accordance with Military Government directives.

b. It is recommended that arrangements be made with the proper authorities to have a thorough check made of the AJDC coach on the Orient Express on one of the future trips.

SOURCE: Uncarded source

EVALUATION: B-3

APPROVED:

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14 April 1948

File: V-1592/D
c/r V-3008

SUBJECT: Sundry Jewish Activities

TO : Commanding Officer,
970th Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment,
Hqs. EUCOM, APO 757, U.S. Army
(ATTENTION: Captain K.B. HALE)

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1. The following summary report is compiled from reports received by this Headquarters from Special Agents GOTTLEB and DEVLAMING of the REGENSBURG Regional Special Squad who are working under the Jewish Activities Desk at Headquarters, Region V.
2. According to Mr. FISHER, a Jewish DP on a semi-official status for AJDC, REGENSBURG, the organization of illegal Jewish emigration, as well as recruitment of able-bodied Jewish men for PALESTINE ("GIYUS") is actually done under the auspices of the JAFF. AJDC cooperates with JAFF to the extent of furnishing rations for emigrants, and other facilities.
3. Also, according to Mr. FISHER, there is a Brika-Kibbutz of ten (10) men in REGENSBURG, working directly under and for the REGENSBURG JAFF office. Their job is to guide emigrants from REGENSBURG to the next way station. These men allegedly are living in REGENSBURG unregistered and have entered Germany illegally. They are supplied partly with AJDC rations which, however, do not suffice to feed them fully.
4. Mr. FISHER also indicated that some weapons for HAGANA are purchased in this area; however, he was unable to say how or where they are obtained.
5. According to information received from C-197-V-D, based on an interview with one Roland Jehuda STERKLON, alleged member of Camp Marine Kibbutz, DEGGENDORF, and one Benno KOPEL, alleged member of HAGANA, STUTTGART:
 - a. Several members of the Camp Marine Kibbutz, DEGGENDORF, have left for NEU-ULM to take an advanced course for officers' training in the HAGANA. Their names are: Alfred SALEM, Mischka WIEDER, K. HERSCU and Arie FUCHS.
 - b. All single members of the DP camps around DEGGENDORF, between the ages of 17 and 35 will be sent to a special Marine Training School located near NEU-ULM for a two weeks' course. Up to now thirty (30) members of Camp DP #7, DEGGENDORF, are alleged to have left DEGGENDORF area to attend that school;
 - c. On 28 March 1948, fnu ROSENBERG, reported to be the head of HAGANA in DP Camp #7, DEGGENDORF, returned to the Camp after an alleged trip

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Letter to Hqs., EUCOM, dtd. 14 April 1948, Subject: Sundry Jewish Activities

to LEIPZIG where he is said to have made arrangements for a transport of approximately six hundred (600) Jews from the Soviet Zone of Germany, across the U.S. Zone of Germany towards PALESTINE. The group of six hundred (600) is to cross into this Zone at BERKA (Soviet Zone) and BEBRA (U.S. Zone) within the next two or three weeks.

6. The information contained in paragraph 5 and the following subparagraphs, is evaluated as F-6.

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APO 154, US Army
 2 March 1948

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE

SUBJECT: Jewish Military Training in Germany

RE : Jewish Activities

1. Reason for Investigation.

a. Reference is made to paragraph 282-e, Orientation and Guidance Report No. 6, dated 31 December 1947.

2. Results of Investigation.

a. The Jewish agency, JOINT, STUTTGART (L49/S02), Reins-burgstrasse, has sent out notices for the recruiting of Jewish DP's for military training in Palestine. These notices: "Personen fuer Mitwirkung in Palaestina" (Persons for cooperation in Palestine) were said to have the following content: All Jewish persons of both sexes up to the age of thirty-five (35) should register for military training. In some cases exceptions were made whereby older persons were also taken.

b. This program is supposed to be organized by a Jewish Committee for Palestine under the secretary of the committee, one Rabbi Leon EPSTEIN. He is reported to be conducting his activities in a very discreet manner.

c. The accepted candidates are being sent to three (3) places for military training, only two (2) of which are known. The men are reported to be sent to GERETSRIED (M48/Y72), and the women to a camp in NEU ULM (L49/X67) (Ludendorff Kaserne).

d. The source further reports that many Jewish instructors are in reality former officers of the Russian army. The training lasts from three (3) to four (4) weeks after which time trainees are given a rank, and then sent to a third camp (as yet unknown) where they are given their final training and processed for Palestine. It is rumored that this third camp, referred to as the "Center", is located in the Russian zone.

e. In NEU ULM it is reported that rifle marksmanship is being conducted with wooden weapons in order to learn to sight firearms. Also taught are other phases of military science, tactics, musketry, etc. The instructors for this camp are reported to be Jews who were sent for this purpose from Palestine.

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A.P.O. 512, U.S. ARMY

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5 May 1947

Case No. 4945

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:SUBJECT: JEWISH ACTIVITY.

RE : Summary of Information.

The following information regarding the Subject has been gathered from reliable sources by this Agent and is herewith submitted.

1. The "HAGANAH", clandestine Jewish Organization linked to the IRGUN ZWEI LEUMI, has a cell in Rome at the "Circolo Semitico", Piazza Poli. There it has a part of the "Circolo" assigned to it, where false documents and perhaps arms are distributed.

2. HOENIG, a director of "DELASEM", Via Principe Amedeo #2, is in contact with FISCH, Charles, who has come to the attention of this office because of his illegal activities and communist contacts.

3. Another Jewish contact of FISCH's is WINKLER living at Via Palestro #13, int. CARCELLA-PETRECEA, Genna, tel. 483998.

4. "MERKES" Jewish Central Committee, Via dei Mille #34, is directed by CASSUTO, Augusto Dr. CASSUTO is an Italian with many contacts; he lives at Via Boncompagni #16. At the entrance to that address is a large bronze plaque with only Prof. CASSUTO inscribed.

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WILLIAM E.W. GOWEN,
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1. Reference par 3, IRS your headquarters dated 27 July 1948, subject as above.

2. This branch concurs in the modification of par 3, IRS this branch dated 3 February 1948, subject: "Quasi-Military Forces", to conform with par 1b of IRS, this branch dated 14 July 1948, subject: "Reduction of Coverage by CIC" with the following exceptions:

a. It is recommended that observation of the activities of Ukrainian Revolutionary Army (Ukrainian National Guard) be maintained and that reporting be resumed when UNRA (UNG) appears to be no longer just a paper proposition.

b. Information developed concerning Haganah and Irgun Zwei Leumi pertaining to EEI's as outlined in IRS, this branch, dated 19 August 1948, subject: "Request for Discontinuance of Operation RUMMAGE", should be forwarded on a continuing basis.

MERILLAT MOSES
Lt. Col. GSC
Chief, Operations Branch

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M/R: In par 3, IRS referenced in par 1 above, CIC requested the reduction of CIC coverage of the Ukrainian Revolutionary Army (now known as "Ukrainian Nat'l Guard") Haganah and Irgun Zwei Leumi to conform with par 1b of IRS, this branch dtd 14 Jul 48, subj: "Reduction of Coverage by CIC", this being material which may be needed to meet periodic requests fr other agencies but not required on a current basis. IRS ref'd in par 2 above requested info on Quasi-military forces be fwded on continuing basis. IRS ref'd in par 2 above contained the following EEI's re Jewish activity: (a) Subversive activity directed against the Western powers, (b) Attempts by the Soviets and their satellites to penetrate and control Jewish authority, (c) Collection of weapons, (d) Military training within the US Zone.

COOrd: Capt MAGATHAN, R&A/Capt GOMPF, CIS.

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APO 154

29 July 1948

AGENT'S REPORT:

SUBJECT: HAGANA Recruiting Activity

RE : Jewish Activities

1. Reference Orientation and Guidance Report, No. 7, paragraph 256.
2. Source reports that as of this date Jewish DP men in Sedan-kaserne camp ULM (L49/X68) are being personally presented with notices stating that they will report at the earliest opportunity to the GIUS Mobilization Committee in Sedankaserne for registration for service in the Israeli Army, and that failure to report will bring action by DP police.
3. This is substantiated by H. S. MACNEIL, ULM director of PCIRO, who stated to this agent that he expects increased activity in recruiting due to the possible resumption of hostilities in Israel.
4. Further developments in recruiting activity and the possibility of local incidents of use of force will be watched by this office, and PCIRO officials will report any indications in this direction to the undersigned agent.

Evaluation: B-3.
Source: P-836-I-W.

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1. NAME OF SUBJECT OR TITLE OF INCIDENT

Maurice BIEDERMANN, Re:
Traffic in False Documents in Camp
LEIPHEIM (L49/X88)

2. DATE SUBMITTED

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4. REPORT OF FINDINGS

1. Reference is made to Section IV, Orientation and Guidance Report No. 7, and previous reports of Special Agent H. A. DECK, concerning the suspected illegal documents falsification activities of Maurice BIEDERMANN, Secretary to Valerie PAHLING, IRO Director, Camp LEIPHEIM (L49/X88), and leader of the LEIPHEIM welfare and registration offices.

2. On 31 May 1948, CIC ULM (L49/X88) notified this agent that in the near future, the GUNZBURG (L49/X88) CIC office would be contacted by an IRO investigator who was currently investigating the suspicious activities, concerning document forging, of one Maurice BIEDERMANN. On 3 June 1948, the undersigned agent was informed by W. L. WEDBERT, undercover investigator for IRO, of the latest developments in reference to BIEDERMANN's illegal document forging activities. WEDBERT stated substantially as follows:

a. An increasing number of violations concerning falsification of emigration, birth and marriage certificates, food ration cards and identity documents had been reported to the main IRO Headquarters and that the finger of suspicion pointed directly towards BIEDERMANN.

b. BIEDERMANN, has according to reports, built up a tremendous false documents business and that any document known could be procured by falsification if an exorbitant price was agreed upon.

c. It was the belief of the IRO authorities that BIEDERMANN had a printing press located somewhere in the basement of one of the Camp LEIPHEIM buildings.

d. WEDBERT has two (2) Jewish-featured undercover agents currently operating within Camp LEIPHEIM attempting to ferret out BIEDERMANN's activities. WEDBERT appeared to be extremely apprehensive and fearful for the welfare of his two (2) agents, and strongly expressed his worry in their behalf when he stated that they had not reported for the past ten (10) days.

e. WEDBERT was awaiting further details concerning the case before deciding definitely upon any plan of action or raid upon the Camp. He stated that he would definitely initiate a raid on the camp if his investigation proved fruitful but that it would be with the full knowledge of this office.

3. AGENT'S NOTES:

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Agent's Report dtd 29 June 1948, Subject: Maurice BIEDERMANN,
Re: Traffic in False Documents in Camp LEIPHEIM (I49/X88),
File No: IV-1177, contd.

The illegal documents forging activities of Subject have long been suspected by this office, however, BIEDERMANN has been extremely cautious in his movements. LEIPHEIM Camp inmates have on countless occasions informed the sources of this office as to BIEDERMANN's activities and to the fantastic sums of money charged by him for his services. In addition, it appeared to this agent that the IRO investigator WEDBERT was extremely interested in this agent's coverage of the Camp, in that on three (3) occasions he inquired, in a guarded and subtle manner, as to the degree of CIC penetration within the Camp. It is the belief of this agent, that although WEDBERT has a primary mission in the successful conclusion of the BIEDERMANN case, he may possibly be performing a dual mission in attempting to determine the extent of CIC's intra-camp connections. Investigation continues.

SOURCE: IRO Investigator WEDBERT

EVALUATION: F-6

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SUMMARY REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

SUBJECT: Alleged Formation of a Jewish Army

CROSS REFERENCE: Operation RUMMAGE

1. Reference is made to Orientation and Guidance Report No. 7 dated 28 February 1948, page 96, paragraph 256, sub-paragraph e. Reference is also made to MOIC, this office, subject and file as above, dated 16 January 1948.

2. SYNOPSIS OF PREVIOUS INVESTIGATION: This office previously received information of alleged Jewish training camps at BAD REICHENHALL (M48/Z81) (F-6), REICHENTAL (L49/R41) (F-3), and FULDA (L51/H31) (C-3).

3. SYNOPSIS OF PRESENT INVESTIGATION: This office has received the following information from a Polish Jew DP who has just returned from a Jewish training camp:

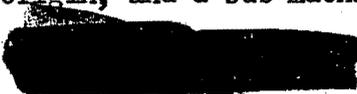
a. The DP, living on the German economy in GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN (M48/D58), was told to report to FULDAWAR near WOLFRATSHAUSEN (M48/Y73) for military training for the Israel Army in Palestine (B-2). Source had not requested the training and had applied for a visa to the United States in October 1946 (B-1).

b. Source reported as instructed and was told that the training would take three weeks and that the trainees would continue to live at their homes but would report to the camp each morning and leave each night. They were to be at the camp by 0830 each morning and leave between 1700 and 1800 each night. A midday meal was to be served at the camp. (B-3)

c. The instruction area consisted of a group of bombed out buildings and the fields adjacent to the buildings. There were approximately 250 men in the group training at the same time as Source. There were about 30 instructors handling the group, of whom 15 were presumed to be Americans and the balance veterans of Polish, Czech and Hungarian Armies. Some of the Poles had fought with the Polish Army under the Soviets. The instructors were addressed by the trainees as "Herr Instructor". The instruction was carried out in German, Polish and English, and if any of the trainees did not understand the language in use, his friends assisted him. (B-2)

d. The training consisted mainly of house-to-house fighting with some open field work. The weapons used were rifles and pistols of German, Czech and Austrian origin, and a sub-machine gun using a 36-shot

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drum magazine which Source thought was of Soviet origin. The trainees were also instructed in the use of grenades but since wooden grenades were used, their origin could not be established. The grenades were not the German stick-type grenade. No live ammunition was fired during the training. All combat firing practice was simulated. (B-2)

e. Source heard of the existence of other training camps located at FELDAFING (M48/Y63) and BAD REICHENHALL (N48/Z81). These camps are similar to the one he attended. There is also supposed to be a camp near KASSEL (L52/C20) which has accommodations for training 10,000 men, including a school for officers. The camp at KASSEL is also supposed to be the gathering point for trained men on their way to Israel. From KASSEL, they go to the French Zone of Germany and then to MARSEILLES, France, for embarkation to Israel. (B-6)

f. Source also heard that the camps were run under the auspices of the American Joint Distribution Committee and that General CLAY's Advisor on Jewish Affairs had visited the camp at FULDAWAR some time ago. (B-6)

g. At the completion of the training, the trainees were warned, under the implied threat of death, not to discuss the training with any American or German authorities. Source was also asked to change his visa application from the United States to Israel but when he refused, the matter was dropped. (B-2)

4. UNDEVELOPED LEADS: Determination of the existence of the camps mentioned in paragraph 3.e. of this report.

5. AGENT'S COMMENTS AND CONCLUSIONS: The source of the above information is a cousin of the undersigned Agent. This relationship is known to displaced persons friends of the Source. In light of the implied threat mentioned in paragraph 3.g. of this report, it is suggested that extreme caution be exercised in using the information contained in this report.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS: It is recommended that Regions III and IV be forwarded copies of this report for investigation of leads in their area. It is also recommended that this case be closed at this level.

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APO 407-A, US ARMY

IV-5511

10 June 1948

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE

SUBJECT: DP Camp at GERETSRIED (M48/Y73)

RE : Military Training

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HQ 65TH CIC GROUP *Robert R. Galt*
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1. On 18 May 1948 information was received from a trial informant of military training and present conditions in the DP Camp GERETSRIED, also called Lager STEIN.

2. The present strength of the DP Camp GERETSRIED is approximately eight hundred (800) Jewish persons. Of these eight hundred (800), about five hundred (500) are Rumanian Jews and Hungarian Jews who have recently arrived in the U.S. Zone of Germany. These Jews were recruited by the Haganah organization in their own countries. The recruits pay the equivalent of \$40.00 to \$50.00 for the trip from their respective countries to the U.S. Zone of Germany. Men and women of fighting age were transported free of charge.

a. The official Haganah channel from Eastern dominated countries into the U.S. Zone is reported to go through Austria to BAD REICHENHALL (N48/Z81). In BAD REICHENHALL, the Jews board U.S. army trucks bearing "A" license plates which take the Jews to barracks 195, 196 or 197 of DP Camp GERETSRIED where they are received and housed pending further transportation. Volunteers for the Haganah either receive training in Camp GERETSRIED or are sent to the HOCHLAND Lager DP Camp (M48/Y73) for training.

b. Trainees in Camp GERETSRIED are isolated. They have a separate mess and rations and receive strict orders not to mess with other Jewish DP's during their training. They are ordered not to reveal any information concerning their training to unauthorized personnel either during or after the completion of this training.

c. The training schedule covers four (4) weeks. The training is conducted mostly at night or in the early morning in a nearby forest or in the eastern section of the camp. During the day theoretic lectures are conducted within the camp classrooms. It is alleged that the officers and non-commissioned officers conducting the school are from a Haganah school at ULM (L48/X68).

(1) The training camp at GERETSRIED is in possession of ten (10) rifles which are used for lesson purposes only. In the field, training sticks are used in placed of rifles.

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(2) Jewish women undergo complete military training along with the men.

d. Upon completion of training at GERETSRIED, the Haganah "soldiers" are transported to MARSEILLES. It is reported that at the present time approximately 9,000 Haganah soldiers are in MARSEILLES awaiting transport to Israel.

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3. Agent's Comments: Investigation continues.

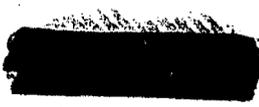
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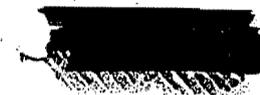
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10 June 1948

SUBJECT: Jewish Migration to Palestine

TO : Deputy Director of Intelligence, Headquarters European Command,
APO 403, US Army

1. Reference Control No. E-931.

2. For the past two weeks recruiting of non-Jewish citizens for the Jewish Army in Palestine has been carried on in Munich and its suburbs. Information received indicates that this recruiting is more of a buying nature. In most cases Russians, Ukraine subjects, and Polish nationals who are living in DP camps are being recruited. The recruiting is carried out by the Jewish organization JAFF, which sends only its trusted members to make all contacts. After the applicant has accepted, they agree to meet on a certain date at 11 Maria-Theresia St, Munich, Germany, and the applicant brings all his identification papers and six (6) photographs. All papers are taken away and destroyed in his presence. Then new papers with different names appearing on them, showing he is a Jewish citizen, are issued to him. He is also given one hundred-fifty (150) dollars (one-half of the promised payment). After these formalities the applicant is not allowed to leave the house, and is transferred by truck transportation to a designated camp, possibly a DP camp outside Stuttgart. From Stuttgart recruits are sent to Palestine. It was also noticed that most of these recruits were not clean politically or criminally, and they volunteer in order to acquire new identities. (Source: 427/20 CIC Det) 8 June 48, (B-3)

a. Illegal Jewish transports consisting of 80% Jewish citizens between the ages of 24 and 30 have increased considerably during the past week. It is said that 3500 Jews were sent to Italy during the period and that larger shipments (both personnel and weapons) will be made after 17 June 1948. At the present time all young Jews are persuaded to join the Jewish Army in Palestine. Also large collections of valuables are being made for the Jewish cause. (Source: 427/20 CIC Det), 8 June 48, (B-3)

3. At camp Fernwald, Munich (Y 8556) it was reported that several Haganah officers have arrived to act as instructors. Most of these instructors speak Hebrew and Russian and were formerly in the Soviet Army. A group of approximately three hundred (300) men and two hundred (200) young women are presently being processed it is reported. This group has been issued uniforms, have been sworn in, and are engaged in drilling and hiking.

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All instructions and commands are given in the Hebrew language. They are told not to write letters to anyone, to follow the instructions of their leaders and to forget their families and friends for the time being. After ten days of training, they are given a three (3) day pass. Upon return from their pass, it is said they are shipped to Marseilles for further shipment to Palestine. This group was due to leave 4 June 1948. New groups are expected to arrive from various other cities and zones. (Source: 7827 MI Co.), May 1948, (C-3)

a. It is reported that another Jewish DP training center is located at the Feldefing DP Camp near Munich (Y 8556). At this camp only members of the "Revisionist Party" are being trained. When the present training class is completed they will be shipped to Palestine and a new class will be formed from members of the "Revisionist Party". (Source: 7827 MI Co.), May 1948, (C-3)

b. In the Jewish DP camp at the Ludendorf Kaserne, Neu Ulm (X 6880) it has been reported that large groups of young people have arrived recently from Poland, Czechoslovakia, the French Zone and from Austria. At this camp all persons between the ages of seventeen (17) and thirty-five (35) years are said to be restricted to the camp. These groups of young people are said to be engaged in drilling and calisthenics every day. They are awaiting shipment to Camp Fernwald near Munich (Y 8556). (Source: 7827 MI Co.), May 1948, (B-2)


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 EUROPEAN COMMAND

AFPO 407-A
 9 June 1948

FILE NO: IV-A-201/4.22 IV-1177

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Plans and Preparations Towards the Movement of Jewish
 Re-inforcements to PALESTINE.

Re: Camp LEIPHEIM (49/X88).

1. Reference is made to Orientation and Guidance Report Number 7, Section IV, entitled Jewish Activity, and previous reports, this office, concerning the preparations of LEIPHEIM Jews for movement to PALESTINE.

2. On 1 June 1948, three (3) well informed sources reported to this office with further information on the plans, preparations, and activities of LEIPHEIM Jews in reference to movement to PALESTINE. Sources stated substantially as follows:

a. On 26 May 1948, a commission of four (4) doctors, GERMAN, JEWISH, and AMERICAN, appeared in Camp LEIPHEIM for the purpose of performing a physical examination on all young LEIPHEIM Jews destined for the PALESTINE battlefield. The commission actually conducted physical examinations until 2200 hours. It is said that the Commission will return within the next two (2) weeks to continue their examinations.

b. The draft for PALESTINE has so depleted the forces of the previously existing LEIPHEIM Special Guard, that it has been declared dissolved. Incoming and outgoing vehicular and pedestrian traffic is now relatively unchecked and undisturbed because of this action.

c. The following is a partial list of volunteers whose names and photographs appear exhibited on the LEIPHEIM Camp bulletin board.

- (1) LESSIG, F.
- (2) WOLF, Isador
- (3) WEISS, Abraham
- (4) GUTMAN, S.
- (5) FREIBRUN, Isaac
- (6) DANNEHAIM, P.
- (7) KANOR, Jakob (In SOVIET uniform; SOVIET medals)
- (8) BUCHBINDER, Frau (Female)
- (9) TUREK, Frau

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d. The following is a partial list of persons who have declined emigration to PALESTINE, and whose names therefore appear on the LEIPHEIM Camp bulletin board branded as traitors and deserters.

- (1) SCHWARZBART, Herdel
- (2) KAGAN, Feivel
- (3) DEUTSCH, Mikles
- (4) KOEGEL, Lazar
- (5) ROSENER, Naftali
- (6) BERGER, Icchek
- (7) SMILOWICZ, Ewzen
- (8) ROSENSTRIN, Izak
- (9) FRKETE, Georg
- (10) BRAUNSTEIN, frau

e. Ewzen SMILOWICZ, one of the LEIPHEIM Jews who has absolutely refused to go to PALESTINE for Military service has been refused and denied the right to leave the campgrounds. A few days ago, SMILOWICZ was incarcerated by the LEIPHEIM police and has been refused liberty.

f. Jakob KANOR, one of the LEIPHEIM volunteers for PALESTINE, accosted a Jewish youth as yet un-identified by this office, who refused to go to PALESTINE and beat him so severely that he necessarily was transported to the LEIPHEIM Camp hospital. KANOR is alleged to have said that a beating was the least that a person could expect if he persisted in refusing to fight for the holy land.

g. All other persons who have thus far refused to voluntarily apply for PALESTINE emigration must pay strict heed to a curfew which commences promptly at 2000 hours each night. These non-volunteers are virtual prisoners within the camp and are daily subjected to ridicule and harsh criticism.

h. On 27 May 1948, a sizeable shipment of young Jews, alerted for PALESTINE emigration, for an undetermined reason were sent back to their barracks and told to wait further instructions. The trucks, sent from MUNICH (M49/Y85) by the JAPP, were recalled by telephone to MUNICH.

3. It is evident that the measures taken against non-volunteers are extremely harsh and brutal. As has been previously stated in reports this office, all necessary steps towards the furthering of the PALESTINE cause, no matter how drastic they may be, are condoned and sanctioned by the numerous Jewish agencies. Investigation and observation continues.

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APO 154

2 June 1948

I-14122

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Illegal Emigration to Palestine

RE: RUMMAGE1. REASON FOR INVESTIGATION:

Reference Orientation and Guidance Report No. 7, dated 28 February 1948 paragraph 256.

2. RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION:

a. Posted prominently in Sedankaserne, ULM (L49X68) is the following notice in Yiddish, which appeared 18 May 1948: "All men and women between the ages of seventeen and thirty-five will be mobilized immediately (for service in Palestine). No exceptions will be made among the men, but pregnant women and mothers of small children will be exempted. The above mentioned people will report to mobilization centers immediately and after a short period of training will be sent to Palestine." Message was signed by the WAAD HACIJONI or Mobilization Committee in MUNICH. (Evaluation B-2)

b. It is said in Sedankaserne that Dr. HABER, Adviser on Jewish Affairs to Gen. Lucius CLAY, announced yesterday that Gen. CLAY has allowed representatives of HAGANA to effect an official mobilization of persons in the above age group, and has promised to help send twelve thousand of these Jewish DPs to Palestine within the next month. (Evaluation B-6)

c. Also circulating in the DP Camps is the story of two young Jews who went to MG in KASSEL (L52/G20) and complained that they had been fired from their IRO jobs and refused quarters because they would not report for mobilization. These men were allegedly kidnapped and disappeared after their visit to MG. (Evaluation B-6)

d. Officials of the Jewish Committee have made petitions to all U. S. Consuls in the Zone to stop emigration of all Jews between the ages of 17 and 35 to any country other than the new state of Israel. (Evaluation B-3)

3. AGENT'S NOTES AND COMMENTS:

a. Evaluation after each paragraph.

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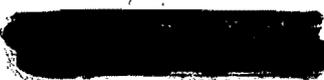
b. It is evident that the Jewish Committee does not intend to halt illegal emigration pending official establishment of a consular service for Israel, but feels that the present military situation demands a continued effort to recruit men and women for HAGANA.

c. Source: P-836-W.

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APO 407-A, US ARMY

IV-4622

1 June 1948

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE

SUBJECT: Illegal Currency Transactions

1. Reference is made to MOIC, this Hq, file and subject as above, dated 13 May 1948, wherein an account is given of the method whereby Raphael LEVIN transports money to PARIS.

2. Raphael LEVIN travels to PARIS on a special railroad car, No. 14160, on each Thursday. The car returns to MUNICH (M49/Y85) each Saturday.

a. The railroad car is chartered by one fnu FARAGO, an employee of AJDC, MUNICH.

b. The railroad car, No. 14160, is attached to the Orient Express L6 in MUNICH. The train departs MUNICH at 1847 hours.

3. Agent's Comments: For your information.

SOURCE: Records, German Railroad Direction,
MUNICH
Records, Railroad Direction, Military
Government for Bavaria, MUNICH

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E/L: Hq, CIC Reg IV, 970th CIC Det, APO 407-A, US Army, File IV-4622, dtd 11 May 48, Subj: Haganah; Re: Illegal Currency Transaction

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HEADQUARTERS, CIC REGION I, 970TH CIC DETACHMENT, EUROPEAN COMMAND, APO 154, US ARMY, 21 May 1948

TO: Commanding Officer, Sub-Region BADEN, CIC Region I, APO 154, US Army

1. For your information and verification of paragraph 2-b. The legality or illegality of the Jewish movement is not of great concern if they have French papers. A check should be made as to whether the two EM are properly performing their duties and what these duties are at KARLSRUHE.

2. For return of NOIC by 21 June 1948.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

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APO 407-A, US ARMY

IV-1177

19 May 1948

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Trends at Jewish DP Camp LEIPHEIM (L49/X88)

RE : Haganah

1. Reference is made to MOIC, this Hq, file and subject as above, dated 26 April 1948.

2. The following information has been reported by P-1029-IV-A and O-1453-IV-A current trend towards immigration to Palestine.

a. The LEIPHEIM Jews estimate the Haganah army strength to be approximately 100,000 persons, women and young boys included. They believe that Soviet Russia will make its influence and power felt after the termination of the British mandate. In the Camp, it is also believed that Soviet Russia's interference in Palestine will be the opening gesture and actual overture for the beginning of a World War III.

b. One K. MARKUS, Block 4 Camp LEIPHEIM, stated, "At KONSTACA on the Black Sea, several Russian ships were to load 80,000 Jews, destination Palestine, on 5 May 1948 so as to arrive in Palestine shortly after the British mandate would end. Of the 80,000 Jews, 30,000 are of Russian nationality whereas the balance originate in Rumania and some of the lesser Balkan states. A total of 50,000 Jews from Germany and 30,000 from Italy have already reached Palestine to swell the ranks of the Haganah. The American policy of attempting to form a custodianship over Palestine is a stupid one as long as the possibility exists for Russia to assume control."

c. fnu ZCYSZYK, a Jewish LEIPHEIM Camp policeman, stated, "The threatenings of the Arabs can not intimidate us. We must remember that we have a strong friend and ally in the Soviet Union and she (Russia) has not had her final say as yet. To date, Russia has been most helpful to our cause as evidenced by the fact that in the week 14 April 1948 to 20 April 1948 two hundred and fifty (250) Russian officers of all ranks left Poland for Palestine. Of these two hundred and fifty (250) officers, one hundred (100) have been designated as partisans leaders and specialists."

3. Agent's Comments: For your information.

SOURCE: P-1029-IV-A
O-1453-IV-AEVALUATION: B-3
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REGRADED BY *Betty C. Scott*

COL W.S. LEROY BY

HQ 66TH CIC GROUP/Lt. HUBERT N. AWACDDT

5 Jan 54

CAPT. INFANTRY

CHARLES J. NESBITT
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Earl S. Browning, Major, Inf, by K.
B. H. Captain, CMP, 28 May 1948.

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SUB-REGION PASSAU
COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS REGION V
970th COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS DETACHMENT
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VP-3559 *B.A. Torrey* by *Capt. W. Arnold* 5 May 1948

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE

SUBJECT: HAGANAH Training Centers

RE : Operation RUMMAGE

D-209146 *K-1993*

1. Reference is made to previous reports (MOICs), this Headquarters, subject and file as above, dated 2 February and 25 February 1948, with regard to the reported existence of Jewish National Army, (HAGANAH), training centers within the U.S. Occupied Zone of Germany, specifically within Jewish Displaced Person's camps in the WOLFRATSHAUSEN (M48/Y73) area of Region IV. Additional data, pertinent to continuance of leads originally from this area, has been received from informants of this office, and is quoted herein as of possible value to Region IV.

2. Uncarded sub-sources of informants of this office, utilized primarily because of their ready access in an official capacity to the camps mentioned in the basic communication, namely LAGERSTEIN, HOCHENWALD and FOHRENWALD, and considered as reliable because of their non-Jewish status and long acquaintanceship with the original informants, were contacted in an effort to continue the original lead obtained in the POCKING (N49/V12) Jewish D.P. Camp. Information received thus far from these sources indicates the following.

a. Continuous training for HAGANAH volunteers is being conducted in both the LAGERSTEIN (Sometimes referred to as STEIN LAGER), and HOCHENWALD Camps. The entire HOCHENWALD Camp is considered as a training area, whereas only a section of the LAGERSTEIN Camp, indicated on informant's sketch included as inclosure No. 1, has been set aside as a "restricted" area, is at present being utilized. This latter area is constantly guarded by trainee guards who have specific orders to permit entrance to no one, including permanent Jewish residents of the camp and non-Jewish workers therein, not in possession of a special type identity pass.

b. Trainees are reported to lead a strictly disciplined military life, with a daily schedule including reveille, calisthenics, troop formations and exercises, road marches, technical lectures and indoctrination courses. Although no evidence of training with weapons or explosives has as yet been forthcoming, the stone barracks of the restricted area of LAGERSTEIN are equipped with huge, deep

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cellars, which could be used for any type training not wished to be shown in public. Especially constructed bunkers are also located within the restricted area, to which only instructors may gain admittance, and which could be suitable for storage of illegal equipment. F-3

c. First training cycle is reported to have been established in the camps during the latter part of October, 1947, with duration of the original course for a period of three (3) to four (4) weeks. However, since the latter part of January, 1948, no training group remains in the camp longer than a period of from ten (10) to fourteen (14) days. Average size of the present training groups attending one course is estimated at slightly over 150, with groups exchanged every two (2) week period. F-3

d. Financial support of the training centers is attributed completely to JAFP and AJDC sources, since the "restricted area" of LAGERSTEIN is reported to contain a completely independent economic section, which is not connected to or subsidiary to, in any way, the IRO administered committees of the larger section of the camp. Food supplies, as well as clothing and equipment, of quality far exceeding that of IRO distribution, is reported to flow into the training areas daily. U.S. vehicles, of both civilian and military type, are frequently observed within the training areas at both camps, with the following plate numbers having been noted by the informants:

- (1) Truck, U.S. Type, German Plate No. BY-803-837
- (2) Truck, U.S. Type, German Plate No. BY-803-801
- (3) Truck, U.S. Type, EC Plate No. A-1018
- (4) Truck, German Type, Plate No. G-019

Truck No. 3 above, Plate No. A-1018, is reported to have transported a group of approximately 35 trainees, out of an influx of 150, to LAGERSTEIN on 19 March 1948, while truck No. 4 above, Plate No. G-019, arrived with 25 additional trainees on 21 March 1948. F-3

e. Although details of the personalities involved in the training programs is sketchy to date, the following have been reported by the informants in both LAGERSTEIN and HOCHENWALD camps as extremely active:

- (1) ACKMAN, (fnu), Polish Jew, operating under several aliases, training instructor at LAGERSTEIN.

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(2) DAVID, (fnu), Russian Jew, operating under several aliases, training instructor at LAGERSTEIN.

(3) SOPIRA, (fnu), alias AMBACH, Leon, Russian Jew, believed to be Chief Training Instructor at LAGERSTEIN.

(4) PRESS, Girsu, Russian Jew, formerly Soviet Army Field Artillery Officer, and formerly the chief of Camp Police in LAGERSTEIN, believed to be supervisor of training at LAGERSTEIN.

(5) RUTTNER, (fnu), Russian Jew, former Soviet General Staff Officer, now employed as Transportation Officer for incoming and outgoing trainee cycles, probably at IRO office at WOLFRATSHAUSEN.

(6) ZBAR, Mischa, Russian Jew, former Soviet Officer, extremely wealthy, believed to be liaison between camps for recruiting activity, residing at LAGERSTEIN.

(7) GUNCZ, Anne, Hungarian Jewess and mistress of ZBAR, residing at LAGERSTEIN, believed to be liaison for ZBAR to the POCKING (N49/V12) Camp, which she visits weekly.

(8) WIELUNSKY, Dr. (fnu), Russian Jew, arrived in FOHRENWALD Camp from Russia in 1946, and is now camp physician. WIELUNSKY is reported to have charge of physical selection and medical care of trainees. WIELUNSKY has access at all times to training areas.

(9) SPEINMAN, Dr. (fnu), Polish Jew, assistant to WIELUNSKY in trainee program, also has access to training areas.

(10) LANDAUER, (fnu), Russian Jew, residing in FOHRENWALD Camp, former Soviet officer, believed to be Chief Physical Training Instructor for trainees; is professional sportsman, believed to have visited the Olympic games in Switzerland, and to have been invited to the summer games in London. F-3

f. A summary of the data thus far supplied by the previously mentioned sub-sources indicates that of the three (3) camps described, LAGERSTEIN and HOCHENWALD appear to be the primary training centers, whereas FOHRENWALD seems to act as the reception center for all Palestine bound groups, serving possibly as a reception center. Approximately 400 persons are reported to leave the three camps monthly for Palestine, via NEU ULM and MARSEILLES, including both trainees and non-military emigrants. F-3

3. a. Although it is believed that continuous information may be forthcoming to informants of this Office utilizing the

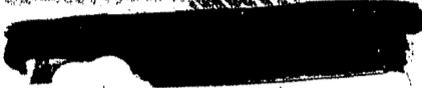
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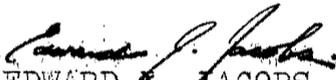

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initially contacted and believed to be reliable, the difficulty encountered in long range contacting and transmittal of information, is believed to overshadow its value. For that reason, it is suggested that the technical specialist of Region IV assume further responsibility for the contacting, investigation, and exploitation of the sub-sources listed in Annex "A" of this report, which in the opinion of this Office may prove to be valuable sources of information, should it be deemed advisable by higher Headquarters.

b. This Office is continuing to exploit leads pertaining to HAGANAH recruitment emanating from the POCKING Camp in this area.

c. Suggest that a copy of the above report be forwarded to Region IV for information purposes.

SOURCE: X-17-V-P


EDWARD S. JACOBS
Special Agent, CIC

Inclosures:

- (1) Annex "A"
- (2) Map of LAGERSTEIN Camp

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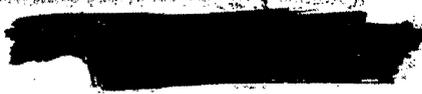
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ANNEX "A"

List of uncarded sub-sources within Region IV, known and considered as reliable by informants of this Office, supplying data for preceding report.

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1. MESZAROS, Dr. Karoly - residence, Munzingerstr 102 $\frac{1}{2}$ WOLFRATSHAUSEN; Hungarian nationality; non-Jewish; born in Abaszalok, Hungary; previous address: Budapest, Nyul u. 5. Former Captain, Hungarian Air Force. At present time is employed as physician in Camp FOHRENWALD. Is brother-in-law of Dr. Ferenc HORVATH, residing in Kunzing Hungarian Camp, near VILSHOFEN near PASSAU, who serves as cut-out for contact by informant X-17-VP of this office.

2. GYORI, Dr. Gusztav - residence Erikastrasse, WOLF-RATSHAUSEN; Hungarian nationality; non-Jewish; former medical officer in Hungarian Army; close friend and collaborator of MESZAROS in supplying data; is employed at Camp laboratory in FOHRENWALD.

3. DORA, Dr. Sandor - residence Munzingerstrasse 102- $\frac{1}{2}$ "Villa VACHE", in WOLFRATSHAUSEN; Hungarian nationality; non-Jewish; Is son of famous BUDAPEST police captain of pre-war time. Is close friend and collaborates with both MESZAROS and GYORI in supplying data to X-17-V-P through HORVATH. Is at present time employed as physician at Camp LAGERSTEIN.

Of the above three mentioned sub-sources, only MESZAROS, through his contact with HORVATH, who serves as cut-out for P-17-V-P is aware of the source directing investigation. Since no actual EEI's have been dispensed to any of the uncarded sources in any form, no debriefing will be necessary should they be found not sufficiently reliable for further exploitation.

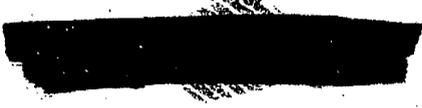
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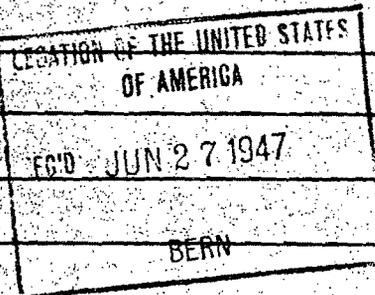
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| ADDITIONAL REMARKS: The attached instruction to the Federal Reserve Bank of New York of June 6 was given by the United States Treasury after consultation with the Department. This instruction has also been forwarded to Brussels for Minister Dorr. | | | | |
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Treasury Department
Office of the General Counsel
Exchange Stabilization

June 6, 1947

Federal Reserve Bank
New York, New York

*File
your gold in bank*

We understand that Bank Nationale Suisse, Berne, in its cable No. 4 dated May 31, 1947 has instructed you to release from its Account "G" with you and hold at the disposal of the Tripartite Gold Commission at your bank not less than 1,659,119.140 fine ounces of gold. You, as fiscal agent of the United States, are hereby authorized and instructed to open and maintain on your books an account, consisting of a dollar account and a gold custody account, for and in the name of "Tripartite Commission for the Restitution of Monetary Gold", and to transfer to such account 4,031 bars containing 1,659,121.321 ounces of fine gold from Account "G" on your books in the name of Bank Nationale Suisse. Pending the receipt by you of the formal documents relative to the establishment and operation of such account in the name of the Commission instructions relative to the operation of such account will be given to you by the Treasury Department.

American representative on Tripartite Commission was requested to sign and to have signed by the other commissioners letter exhibit "A" attached to Tiebout's memorandum to Fletcher and to forward to State Department signed letter for transmittal to Federal Reserve Bank.

(Signed) E.H. Foley, Jr.

Acting Secretary of the Treasury

CRMcNeill:rs 6/5/47

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FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK

INCOMING CABLEGRAM-SERIAL NO. 3374

RECEIVED ON JUNE 2, 1947 8:47 AM

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FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF NEW YORK
NEW YORK
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PLEASE RELEASE FROM OUR ACCOUNT G WITH YOU AND HOLD
AT THE DISPOSAL OF THE TRIPARTITE GOLD COMMISSION WITH YOUR
GOOD INSTITUTION BY ORDER AND FOR ACCOUNT OF THE SWISS GOVERN-
MENT IF POSSIBLE EXACTLY BUT NOT LESS THAN 1,659,119.140 FINE
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CONCERNED AND SWITZERLAND UNDER THE WASHINGTON AGREEMENT OF
1946. FOR AN EVENTUAL DIFFERENCE IN EXCESS OF THE ABOVE AMOUNT
KINDLY CREDIT OUR ZURICH OFFICE DOLLAR ACCOUNT UNDER
CABLE ADVICE TO US. PLEASE ADVISE THE SAID COMMISSION AND
CABLE US EXECUTION. MANY THANKS

BANQUE NATIONALE SUISSE

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NOTE

SEE B.I.S. Press Review FOR Report No. 7

FROM Bank for International Settlements DATED January 11, 1949
TO

REGARDING: excerpt of which reads as follows:

GOLD

Looted Gold WIRTSCHAFTS- U.FINANZZTG, Frankfurt, 31/12, reports that the Western Allies are demanding from Sweden the restoration of 7,000 kgs of gold alleged to have been sent to Sweden by Germany during the war and to be of Belgian origin.

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GOLD IN SWITZERLAND

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TELEGRAM RECEIVED

From: **Department** Date: **September 24, 12 a.m., 1947**
 No.: **1351**
 Code: **Confidential** Received: **September 25, 10 a.m., 1947**



1. British Embassy informs Department that British intend to request Swiss turn over 6.75 million Swiss Francs worth of gold (Legation's telegram 676 July 17) to Tripartite Gold Commission Brussels.
2. You are authorized join British French such request.
3. Please cable results to enable Department inform Gold Commission which will have to decide where it wants gold deposited.

LOVETT

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13/A
Oct. 10. British still without instructions and are wiring to London for info. W&M

Oct. 16. Legg says "London staff waiting further info from Washington" W&M

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From: **Department**

Date: **June 5, 7 p.m., 1947**¹⁻¹¹⁴³

No.: **729**

Code: **Confidential**

Received: **June 6, 11 a.m., 1947**



Per Dorr.

1. **Re Gold Committee Account with Federal Reserve New York. You are requested sign proposed letter exhibit a memo Tiebout to Fletcher (copy carried by O'Flaherty). When Horton and Rueff signatures obtained please send letter to Department by diplomatic air pouch for transmittal to Federal Reserve New York together with other proposed letters being prepared Washington.**

2. **Swiss ready deliver 51,604,380.18 kg gold to new account Federal Reserve New York which agreed accept transfer before receipt documents referred to above.**

Sent Brussels as 778, repeated London 2417, Paris 2056, Bern 729.

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1 Mr. Mamm

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Per Acheson
Assigned
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POUCH

Bern, 20 May 1947.

Dear Orvis:

Subject: Sales tax on gold

It appears that the recent regulation (reported in Legtel No. 384 of May 1, 1947) making gold exports, like domestic sales, subject to the 4 percent turnover tax is subject to varying interpretation. Efforts to elicit an explanation from the Federal Department of Finance have been unavailing, as the official concerned replied evasively. He did state, however, that up to now no bank paid a turnover tax on gold sales at a rate above 4 percent.

As explained by a Zurich banker, a bank selling gold may be regarded, for purposes of this tax, as a retailer or wholesaler, depending on the ultimate destination of the gold. In the former case the banker collects 4 percent turnover tax. However, if the customer of the bank sells the purchased gold to a third party, the bank becomes a wholesaler and the turnover tax rate rises to 6 percent. In such cases the Federal tax authorities may hold the bank liable for the difference. This interpretation has proved a deterrent to the sale of gold, and the bankers have urged the Association of Swiss Bankers to obtain a clear-cut decision to the effect that the turnover tax would not exceed 4 percent.

This office is following the situation and will not fail to report immediately any new developments.

Very truly yours,

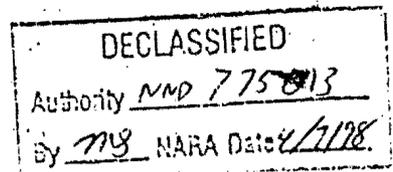
James H. Mann
U. S. Treasury Representative

Mr. Orvis A. Schmidt,
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Division of Monetary Research,
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Washington 25, D. C.

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

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November 10, 1944

VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR POUCH

Mr. Dominic DeFrancis
U. S. Commercial Company
c/o American Embassy
Madrid, Spain

Dear Dom:

"Al" Barth, prior to his departure from Spain, wrote under date of September 26 requesting me to release our hold on the gold that is held by Barclays Bank for our friend.

I had no previous knowledge of this hold, having assumed that delivery of the commodities had been taken by our friend at the time the transactions were consummated. There is no objection here to releasing the hold. Enclosed is a letter to Barclays Bank to this effect which may suffice. If not, it is suggested that you make the necessary arrangements at your end.

With kindest personal regards, I am,

Sincerely yours,

R. P. Furey
Assistant Vice President

Enclosure

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VIA DIPLOMATIC AIR POUCH

Barclays Bank (Dominion, Colonial & Overseas)
Gibraltar

Gentlemen:

There were several transactions consummated in the past whereby several lots of gold, held in your vaults for our account, were transferred to the account of one Cesar Cort. When these transfers were made, it was requested that release of the gold be subject to our instructions.

This will be your authority to disregard our original request and to accept Mr. Cort's instructions as to the disposal of his account.

Yours very truly,

R. P. Furey
Assistant Vice President

Authority NND 775119
By EGP NARA Date 19/6/97

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Foreign Exchange and Blocking Control Branch

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23 December 47
Berlin, Germany

Lt. Col. E. J. Rolin
c/o Danish Military Mission
Berlin, Germany

Dear Colonel Rolin:

We have received a few inquiries from our Land Offices as to when a Danish representative will call on them to collect the gold owned by Danish firms which we have authorized to be returned to the Danish owners.

This is undoubtedly an opportune time to settle the matter, inasmuch as it is still fresh and everybody is familiar with it. Therefore, if you can see your way clear I believe some action should be taken now to make it possible to close the file on this transaction.

I would like to take this opportunity to transmit to you, my dear Colonel, and to Mrs. Rolin, my best wishes for a happy Holiday Season.

Sincerely,

HENRY C. CONRAD
Deputy Branch Chief

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FIRST MILITARY GOVERNMENT BATTALION (SEP)
US ARMY

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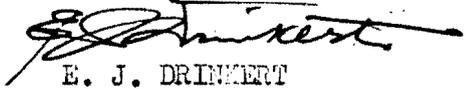
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to Danish Firms

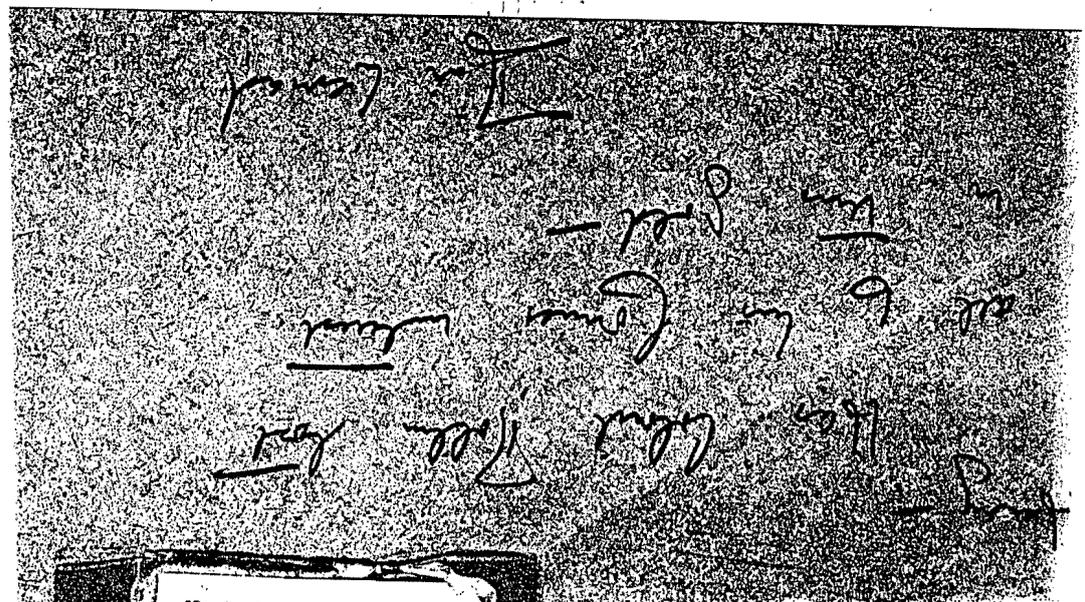
To : Office of Military Government for Germany (U-),
Berlin, Germany, APO 742, US Army
Finance Division
Attn.: Theodore H. Ball, Director

1. This is in reference to your letter of 29 August regarding the above subject.
2. Upon receipt of your letter the undersigned immediately contacted the Land Central Bank at Hforzheim to determine if the gold in question was still in safe keeping there, and to determine in so far as possible, the source of the gold, and whether or not this particular gold was the property of Georg Andersen, Copenhagen, as stated by the Danish Military Mission.
3. An official at the Land Central Bank, Hforzheim, phoned the firm Rodi & Wienenberger, Hforzheim, who verified the fact that 57.70 g finegold was delivered to them by Georg Andersen, Copenhagen, sometime in February 1944. In addition to this verification the Land Central Bank, Hforzheim, has in their files a memorandum dated 23 Sept 1947 signed by Captain Martin I. Turano (the then Property Control Officer there) stating that the bank receive 57.7 gr fine gold from Rodi & Wienenberger, Hforzheim, which the Bank will keep on deposit for the account of Georg Andersen, Copenhagen, so it is quite evident that this gold is the property of Georg Andersen.
4. For convenience, the undersigned deposited the gold at the Land Central Bank, Stuttgart, upon receipt, to be delivered to one Colonel Rollin of the Danish Military Mission or his designee.
5. For your information, we have not heard from Colonel Rollin nor any Danish representative.

Tel: Stuttgart Switch 40756
Ext 564


E. J. DRINNERT
Lt Col CAV
Director, Finance Division

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29 AUG 1947

Spigler

Berlin, Germany

SUBJECT: Gold Deliveries in US Zone Belonging to Danish Firms

**TO : Director
Office of Military Government for Hesse
APO 633, US Army**

Attention: Mr. Spigler

1. As a result of representations made to COMUS by the Danish Military Mission and by the Danish Government to Washington, this Division has been authorized to return Danish commercial gold which was brought into the US Zone of Germany for processing with the intent of re-exporting provided that such gold is identifiable.

2. The following lots of commercial gold have been reported by the Danish Military Mission as having been delivered by Danish firms to German firms situated in Land Hesse:

- a. 411.70 g gold at DEGUSSA, Frankfurt/Main, belonging to the Royal Porcelain Factory, Copenhagen;
- b. 1072.33 g gold at DEGUSSA, Frankfurt/Main, belonging to the Royal Porcelain Factory, Copenhagen;
- c. 341.61 g pure gold at W. C. Hergerus, Hanau/Main, belonging to Bucks & Nissen, Copenhagen;
- d. 1 bar of 546.45 g with fineness 549 gold
175 silver 0/000;
1 bar of 1259.00 g with fineness 86 gold
405 silver 0/000;
1 bar of 596.80 g with fineness 585 gold
210 silver 0/000;
1 bar of 307.00 g with fineness 62 gold
290 silver 0/000
equal to: 695.96 finegold and 819.70 fine-silver at W.C. Hergerus, Hanau/Main, belonging to C.C. Hermann, Copenhagen;

obj.: Gold Deliveries in JI Zone Belonging to Danish Firms,
Fin.Div., OMSUS.

- e. 127 defective gold pens at DEGUSBA, originate-ly Pforzheim, not referring to Frankfurt/Main, 9 Weissfrauenstrasse c, belonging to Miller Pen & Co., Copenhagen;
- f. 87 defective gold pens at DEGUSBA, originate-ly Pforzheim, not referring to Frankfurt/Main, 9 Weissfrauenstrasse, belonging to Miller Pen & Co., Copenhagen;
- g. 2 gold bars - 884.66 g gold and 448 g silver at DEGUSBA, Frankfurt/Main, 9 Weissfrauenstrasse, belonging to Miller Pen & Co., Copenhagen.

3. While your office has already reported to the Foreign Exchange and Blocking Control Branch of this Division on the present status of these gold lots, it is difficult for us to determine here in Berlin, which of these gold lots are definitely identifiable as the property of the particular Danish firms involved. It is, therefore, requested that your office exercise as much care as possible in making this decision. Those gold lots which are determined by your office to be identifiable are to be turned over to Colonel Rollin of the Danish Military Mission or his designee, who will call at your office in person. A receipt should be obtained for those gold lots which are returned and this Division would appreciate being informed of what action is taken in respect of each particular lot. Colonel Rollin, or his designee, will have with him a copy of this letter.

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THEODORE H. BALL
Director

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Berlin, Germany

Silver Gold

SUBJECT: Gold Deliveries in US Zone Belonging to Danish Firms

**TO : Director
Office of Military Government for Wuerttem-
berg-Baden
APO 154, US Army**

Attention: Finance Division

1. As a result of representations made to OMGUS by the Danish Military Mission and by the Danish Government to Washington, this Division has been authorized to return Danish commercial gold which was brought into the US Zone of Germany for processing with the intent of re-exporting provided that such gold is identifiable.

2. The following lot of commercial gold has been reported by the Danish Military Mission as having been delivered by a Danish firm to a German firm situated in Land Wuerttemberg-Baden:

**57.70 g finegold at Rodi & Wienenberger,
Pforzheim, belonging to Georg Ander-
sen, Copenhagen.**

3. While your office has already reported to the Foreign Exchange and Blocking Control Branch of this Division on the present status of this gold, it is difficult for us to determine here in Berlin, if this gold is definitely identifiable as the property of the Danish firm involved. It is, therefore, requested that your office exercise as much care as possible in making this decision. If this gold is determined by your office to be identifiable it should be turned over to Colonel Rollin of the Danish Military Mission or his designee, who will call at your office in person. A receipt should be obtained if this gold is returned and this Division would appreciate being informed of what action is taken. Colonel Rollin, or his designee, will have with him a copy of this letter.

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THEODORE H. BARR
Director

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28 February 1947

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RETURN TO EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT

SUBJECT: Gold Deliveries in US Zone Belonging to Danish Firms

TO : Chief, Finance and Property Control Division,
Office of Military Government for Wuerttemberg-
Baden, APO 154, US Army.

1. Finance Division has been requested to ascertain the present status of gold delivered during the war by Danish firms to German firms in the US Zone for processing.

2. The Danish Military Mission has furnished information on that part of the gold which was delivered to German firms in Land Wuerttemberg-Baden. Will you, therefore, please contact the firm concerned and obtain a detailed statement of what disposition has been made of the gold, as listed below, and the present location of the gold or the gold products resulting therefrom. This statement is to be forwarded at the earliest possible date to Foreign Exchange and Blocking Control Branch, Finance Division. The amount of gold by lot and the firm involved is as follows:

57.70 g finegold at Rodi & Wiensenberger, Pforzheim, belonging to Georg Andersen, Copenhagen.

BHB
JACK BENNETT
Director

Telephone: BERLIN 43797

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Status of Gold Delivered to German Firms by Danish Firms.
(U.S. Zone)

| | <u>Amount (Grams)</u> | <u>Located</u> | <u>Owner</u> | <u>Remarks</u> |
|-------------|--|---|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Claimed: | 411.70 (Gold) | Degussa, Frankfurt/Main | Royal Porcelain Factory, Copenhagen | — |
| Reported: | 411.60 (Gold) | Reichsbank (Law No.53) | Credit to Metal Account | Loss quota not known |
| 2. Claimed: | 1072.33 (Gold) | Degussa, Frankfurt/Main | Royal Porcelain Factory, Copenhagen | — |
| Reported: | 1072.2 (Gold) | Reichsbank (Law No.53) | Credit to Metal Account | Loss quota not known |
| 3. Claimed: | 341.61 (Gold) | W.C.Heraerus, Hanau/Main | Bucka & Nissen, Copenhagen | — |
| Reported: | 341.61 (Gold) | In Vaults of above Co. | Bucka & Nissen | Remainder of delivery of 590 g |
| 4. Claimed: | 100.00 (Gold) | Dietz, Beierl and Co., Nurnberg | Bucka & Nissen, Copenhagen | — |
| Reported: | 100.00 (Gold) | " | " | Reported To Reichsbank on 9/1/45 |
| 5. Claimed: | 4 bars (695.96 (Gold)) (819.70 (Silver)) | W.C.Heraerus, Hanau/Main | C.C.Herman, Copenhagen | — |
| Reported: | 4 bars (695.96 (Gold)) (819.70 (Silver)) | W.C.Heraerus, Hanau/Main | Held on behalf of C.C.Herman | Separated from other metals |
| | 12.10 (scrap platinum) | " " " " | " | " |
| | 45.30 (platinum wire) | " " " " | " | " |
| 6. Claimed: | 57.70 (Gold) | Rodi & Wienenberger, Pforzheim | Georg Andersen, Copenhagen | — |
| Reported: | 57.70 (Gold) | Pforzheim Br., Landes-zentralbank (Law No.53) | | |

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Status of Gold Delivered to German Firms by Danish Firms.
(U.S. Zone)

| | <u>Amount (Grams)</u> | <u>Located</u> | <u>Owner</u> | <u>Remarks</u> |
|--------------|--|-------------------------|--|-----------------------------|
| 7. Claimed: | 1300 gold pens from 325.558 (Gold) | I.S.Staedtler, Nurnberg | Georg Andersen, Copenhagen | — |
| Reported: | " | Reichsbank " | | Delivered on 14 June 1945 |
| 8. Claimed: | 576 gold pens from 132.172 (Gold) | I.S.Staedtler, Nurnberg | August Kjeldsen, Odense | — |
| Reported: | " | Reichsbank " | | Delivered on 14 June 1945 |
| 9. Claimed: | 127 defective gold pens | Degussa, Frankfurt/Main | Miller Pen Co., Copenhagen | — |
| Reported: | 127 repaired gold pens | Degussa, Frankfurt/Main | Miller Pen Co., Copenhagen | Available to Miller Pen Co. |
| 10. Claimed: | 87 defective gold pens | Degussa, Frankfurt/Main | Miller Pen Co., Copenhagen | — |
| Reported: | Believed to be included in a shipment of 4,250 gold pens in February 1945 to A.S.Degussa, Copenhagen on behalf of Miller Pen Co. | | | |
| 11. Claimed: | 2 bars (884.66 (Gold)) (448.0 (Silver)) | Degussa, Frankfurt/Main | Miller Pen Co., Copenhagen | — |
| Reported: | blanch No. (837.5 (Gold)) 1846/1045 (268.0 (Silver)) | Degussa, Pforzheim | Credited to Metal Account of Degussa, Copenhagen (not confirmed) | — |

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Den danske Militaermission ved
den allierede Kontrolmyndighed
i Tyskland

List of gold deliveries in the US Zone belonging to
Danish firms

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1. 411.70 g gold at DEGUSSA, Frankfurt/Main,
belonging to the Royal Porcelain Factory,
Copenhagen.
2. 1072.33 g gold ditto
3. 341.61 g pure gold at W.C.Heraerus, Hanau/Main,
belonging to Bucka & Nissen, Copenhagen.
4. 100,00 g pure gold at Dietz, Beierl & Co., Nürnberg,
belonging to Bucka & Nissen, Copenhagen.
5. 1 bar of 546,45 g with fineness 549 gold 175 silver o/ooo
1 " " 1259,00 g " " 26 " 405 " o/ooo
1 " " 596,80 g " " 585 " 210 " o/ooo
1 " " 307,00 g " " 62 " 290 " o/ooo
equal to: 695.96 finegold and 819.70 finesilver
at W.C.Heraerus, Hanau/Main,
belonging to C.C.Hermann, Copenhagen.
6. 57.70 g finegold at Rodi & Wienenberger, Pforzheim,
belonging to Georg Anersen, Copenhagen.
7. 1300 gold pens, made of 325,558 g finegold
at I.S.Staedtler, Nürnberg,
belonging to Georg Andersen, Copenhagen.
8. 576 gold pens, made of 132.172 g finegold
at I.S.Staedtler, Nürnberg,
belonging to August Ejeldsen, Odense/Denmark
9. 127 defective gold pens at DEGUSSA; originately Pforzheim,
now referring to Frankfurt/Main, 9 Weiss-
frauenstrasse,
belonging to Miller Pen & Co., Copenhagen.
10. 87 ditto ditto
11. 2 gold bars = 884.66g Gold and 448 g Silver
at DEGUSSA, Frankfurt/Main, 9 Weiss-
frauenstrasse,
belonging to Miller Pen & Co., Copenhagen.

Status of Gold Delivered to German Firms by Danish Firms.
(U.S. Zone)

| | <u>Amount (Grams)</u> | <u>Located</u> | <u>Owner</u> | <u>Remarks</u> |
|-------------|---|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. Claimed: | 411.70 (Gold) | Dogussa, Frankfurt/Main | Royal Porcelain Factory, Copenhagen | - |
| Reported: | 411.60 (Gold) | Reichsbank (Law No. 53) | Credit to Metal Account | Loss quota not known |
| 2. Claimed: | 1072.33 (Gold) | Dogussa, Frankfurt/Main | Royal Porcelain Factory, Copenhagen | - |
| Reported: | 1072.2 (Gold) | Reichsbank (Law No. 53) | Credit to Metal Account | Loss quota not known |
| 3. Claimed: | 341.61 (Gold) | W.C.Heraerus, Hanau/Main | Bucka & Nissen, Copenhagen | - |
| Reported: | 341.61 (Gold) | In Vaults of above Co. | Bucka & Nissen | Remainder of delivery of 590 g |
| 4. Claimed: | 100.00 (Gold) | Diets, Baierl and Co., Murnberg | Bucka & Nissen, Copenhagen | - |
| Reported: | | | | |
| 5. Claimed: | 4 bars (695.96 (Gold)) (819.70 (Silver)) | W.C.Heraerus, Hanau/Main | C.C.Herman, Copenhagen | - |
| Reported: | 4 bars (695.96 (Gold)) (819.70 (Silver)) | W.C.Heraerus, Hanau/Main | Held on behalf of C.C.Herman | Separated from other metals |
| | 12.10 (scrap platinum) | " " " " | " | " |
| | 45.30 (platinum wire) | " " " " | " | " |
| 6. Claimed: | 57.70 (Gold) | Hedi & Wiemenberger, Pforzheim | Georg Andersen, Copenhagen | - |
| Reported: | 57.70 (Gold) | Pforzheim Br., Landeszentralbank (Law No. 53) | | |

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| Amount (Gross) | Reported | Owner | Remarks |
|--|--|--|-----------------------------|
| 7. Claimed: 1300 Gold pens Reported: from 325,578 (Gold) | I.S. Staedtler, Nuremberg | Georg Andersen, Copenhagen | - |
| 8. Claimed: 576 Gold pens Reported: from 132,172 (Gold) | I.S. Staedtler, Nuremberg | August Kjeldsen, Odense | - |
| 9. Claimed: 127 defective gold pens Reported: 127 repaired gold pens | Degussa, Frankfurt/Main Degussa, Frankfurt/Main | Miller Pen Co., Copenhagen Miller Pen Co., Copenhagen | Available to MILLER Pen Co. |
| 10. Claimed: 87 defective gold pens Reported: Believed to be included in a shipment of 4,250 gold pens in February 1945 to A.S. Degussa, Copenhagen on behalf of MILLER Pen Co. | Degussa, Frankfurt/Main | Miller Pen Co., Copenhagen | - |
| 11. Claimed: 2 bars (384.66 (Gold)) Reported: 443.0 (Silver)) Blanch No. (837.5 (Gold)) 1846/1045 (268.0 (Silver)) | Degussa, Frankfurt/Main Degussa, Frankfurt/Main | Miller Pen Co., Copenhagen Credited to Metal Account of Degussa, Copenhagen (not confirmed) | - |

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Ltr, Finance Division, OMGUS, dtd 7 May 1947, Subject:
Gold Deliveries in U.S. Zone Belonging to Danish Firms

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Office of Military Government for Hesse, Finance Division,
Wiesbaden, Germany, APO 633, U.S. Army, 21 May 1947

TO: Director, Finance Division
OMG (U.S.)
APO 742, U.S. Army

1. The percentage loss quota applicable to gold held in metal accounts at Degussa was fixed at 31.019% in accordance with the findings of the Revisions- und Treuhand-Gesellschaft (Auditing and Trusteeship Company). The Metals Section, Economics Division, Office of Military Government for Hesse, concurred in this settlement.

2. Degussa is of the opinion that the 87 gold pens claimed by the Miller Pen Company, Copenhagen, were included in the shipment of 4,250 gold pens sent to A.S. Degussa, Copenhagen, under commission No. 40 in February 1945. No further information can be obtained due to the fact that most of the records and vouchers have been destroyed.

3. No specific bullion is held for credit of a given customer at Degussa. The metal received has been processed in the aggregate, and therefore the gold bars delivered to the Reichsbank represent the claims of all customers concerned. The percentage loss quota stated above would therefore apply.

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OFFICE OF MILITARY GOVERNMENT FOR GERMANY (U.S.)
Finance Division
APO 742

7 MAY 1947

SUBJECT: Gold Deliveries in U.S. Zone Belonging to Danish Firms

TO : Chief, Finance Division,
Office of Military Government for Greater Hesse,
APO 633, U.S. Army

1. In confirmation of a recent conversation on the above subject between Mr. Spiegler of your office and members of the Foreign Exchange and Blocking Control Branch, Finance Division, the following information was requested for transmittal to Finance Division, OMGUS:

- a. The percentage loss quota which applies to the Gold belonging to the Royal Porcelain Factory, Copenhagen.
- b. A further check on the whereabouts of 87 gold pens belonging to the Miller Pen and Co., Copenhagen.
- c. The status of the two (2) gold bars at Degussa, Frankfurt/Main, belonging to the Miller Pen and Co., Copenhagen.

2. As this information is required in order to reach an understanding with the Danish Military Mission, will you please do your utmost to determine the exact situation in respect to the gold referred to in paragraph 1 above as soon as possible.


THEODORE H. BALL
Director

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OFFICE OF MILITARY GOVERNMENT
FOR GREATER HESSE
Finance Division

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APO 633
18 Mar 47

SUBJECT: Gold Deliveries in U.S. Zone Belonging
to Danish Firms

TO: Director, Finance Division
OMG (U.S.)
APO 742, U.S. Army

Attn: Foreign Exchange and Blocking
Control Branch

Statements obtained from Degussa, Frankfurt/Main,
and Heraeus, Hanau, pursuant to your TWX, ~~0309002~~,
March 1947, subject as above, are submitted herewith
with investigator's report of this case.

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1. Investigator's Report
2. Ltr, Degussa, 6 Sep 46
3. Ltr, Degussa, 7 Mar 47
4. Ltr, Degussa, 10 Mar 47
5. Ltr, Heraeus, 7 Mar 47
6. Ltr, Heraeus, 7 Mar 47

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Chief, Finance Division

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10 Mar 47

SUBJECT: Gold Deliveries in US Zone
belonging to Danish Firms.

1. Investigations of the Heraeus Plant Hanau and the Degussa Plants Hanau and Frankfurt/M disclosed the following facts with respect to the precious metals mentioned by Finance Division OMG'US Berlin, request of 3 March 1947:

2. a) On 2 Feb 1945, Degussa, Ceramic Colors Dept. received from Degussa Copenhagen on behalf of Royal Porcelain Factory, Copenhagen

411.6 grams of fine gold

This amount is credited to a metal account which, however, will have to share the losses due to confiscation (deliveries pursuant to Military Government Law No. 53, removal by Allied troops etc), or as a result of air raid damages, loss during transportation and looting. The loss quota is not yet known. ✓

The gold is not in possession of the firm Degussa which delivered all precious metals in bullion to the Reichsbank pursuant to MG Law No. 53.

b) 1,072.2 grams of fine gold

were delivered to the Firm Degussa by the Royal Porcelain Factory Copenhagen on 29 Nov 1944 and right now represent a credit on metal account under the same provisions as mentioned above.

c) W.C.Heraeus GmbH Hanau/M acknowledged a claim upon

341.61 grams of fine gold

of the Firm Bucka & Nissen, Copenhagen.

This gold is held in the vaults of Heraeus and represents the remainder of 590 grams of fine gold, delivered shortly before the cessation of fighting, after deduction of 42.1 % share in losses as described in section a) above.

d) A delivery by C.C.Herrmann, Copenhagen, shortly before the surrender of Germany has been kept separated from other precious metals at W.C.Heraeus GmbH, Hanau, where ^{are} held on behalf of C.C.Herrmann:

| | | | | | | | | |
|--------|---------|---------|----------|-----|-------|-----|--------|------|
| Blanch | 546.45 | gramms, | fineness | 540 | gold, | 175 | silver | o/oo |
| " | 1,259.- | " | , | " | 26 | " | , 405 | " " |
| " | 596.80 | " | , | " | 585 | " | , 210 | " " |
| " | 307.- | " | , | " | 62 | " | , 290 | " " |

with a yield of 695.96 gramms of fine gold and 819.70 " " " silver.
Furthermore 12.10 " scrap platinum and 45.30 " of platinum wire are safeguarded for C.C.Herrmann.

e) The 127 defective gold pens claimed by Miller Pen & Co Copenhagen, have been repaired and are now available at Degussa Plant Dossenheim.

f) Degussa Plant Dossenheim on February 1945 shipped 4,250 gold pens, commission no. 40, to A.S.Degussa, Copenhagen, on behalf of Miller Pen & Co Copenhagen. It has not yet been learned whether or not the shipment arrived there. Since most of the records at Dossenheim have been destroyed, it cannot be proved with absolute certainty that commission no 40 included the claimed 87 gold pens.

g) Degussa Branch Pforzheim has received from Miller Pen & Co, Copenhagen, a blanch no. 1846/1045 of

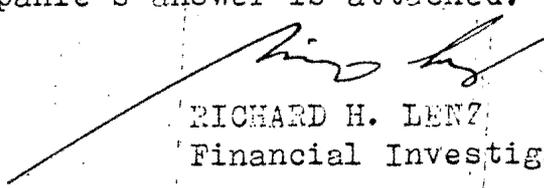
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| 1,451.5 | gramms | brut weight, containing |
| 837.5 | " | of fine gold and |
| 268.- | " | " " silver. |

These amounts would be credited to metal account, Degussa Copenhagen

A statement of Degussa Pforzheim concerning this account has been required and not yet obtained.

3. By letter of 28 Jul 46 the Danish Military Mission Berlin contacted Degussa Frankfurt/W on behalf of Miller Pen & Co Copenhagen. Copy of the company's answer is attached.

Encl.


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Financial Investigator

Col. Allen
Adler

R E S T R I C T E D

26th September 1947

DFIN/P(47)214

ALLIED CONTROL AUTHORITY

DIRECTORATE OF FINANCE

SUBJECT: RESTITUTION TO VICTIMS OF NAZI PERSECUTION

Draft Submission to the Co-ordinating Committee

1. BASIC PURPOSE OF THE PAPER

To request the Co-ordinating Committee to reconcile certain differences of principle which have arisen in discussions which have taken place in Finance Directorate on the draft law on restitution to victims of Nazi Persecution. If these differences can be removed it is anticipated that other comparatively minor differences which exist will also be overcome in the Directorate.

2. HISTORY

During the past year the Finance Directorate has been preparing a law, operative in the four Zones, under which victims of Nazi Persecution can recover the property of which they were wrongfully dispossessed. The present text, which was prepared by the American Delegation, has, after a great deal of discussion and modification, received a very considerable measure of agreement.

3. STATEMENT OF POINTS OF DIFFERENCE IT IS DESIRED THAT THE CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE SHOULD ATTEMPT TO RECONCILE

The draft Law, having defined "victims" provides the machinery by which claims can be filed and adjudicated and restitution of tangible identifiable property can be made. It is based on the conception of property under American and German Law. It allots to the victim, considered as a wrongfully dispossessed proprietor, all those property rights which in American and German Law go with the recovery of wrongfully transferred property. This includes the right to recover mesne profits, indemnification for tort, and the acquisition by the restored proprietor of all lawful rights acquired by the wrongful possessor. The draft law seeks to allow for the anomalies, which must naturally arise by providing for the arrangement of amicable settlement and accounting methods as between parties.

Point 1

As between possessors the American text distinguishes between the wrongful proprietor who did the wrong, the proprietor who knew of the wrong, and innocent purchasers. In each of these cases the text provides for restitution, but whereas the wrongful original possessor becomes liable for every indemnification known to the legal doctrine relative to unlawful possession, the innocent party is liable for little beyond mere restitution.

In the opinion of the British, French and U.S.S.R. Delegations the American conception is too simple and too narrow. They believe that its application would result in injustice. They therefore seek modification, though there is some difference of degree between the modification acceptable to the British and French and those acceptable to the U.S.S.R.

R E S T R I C T E DDFIN/P(47)214Point 1 (Cont)

The U.S.S.R. bases itself merely on the right of the victim to recover his property, where he can identify it, leaving all other sorts of indemnification to be dealt with under a future and general scheme of compensation, including compensation for war damage. It further considers that a distinction must be drawn not between one victim and another, but between victims who have abandoned German nationality and those who have not. The principal difference, however, is in the treatment of mesne profits. The American delegation regard them as an integral part of the property to be restituted. The U.S.S.R. delegation consider that mesne profits, either in the form of dividends, or ploughed back, should be put to a Trust for the benefit of all victims. Any accretions from other sources (e.g. further capital investment not from profits) should be distributed between Länder Governments.

The British and French consider that whereas the unlawful possessor should certainly not be allowed to retain mesne profits, it would be wrong that one victim should have large amounts in addition to his original property, because the business had continued at a profit, whereas another victim would obtain no more than his original property because his business had been operated at a loss. Further, they feel that no individual victims should benefit by the acquisition of war profits, such as arose in the case of Borsig. This was taken from a Jew by Goering and sold engines of war at great profit. The British and French delegations would, therefore, be willing to see a Trust founded for a term of years, with remainder to Länder Governments, its funds being derived from the sum total of all mesne profits under an A.C.A. enactment and used (a) for resettlement of all victims

- (b) for compensation to some degree for loss of mesne profits to all victims, and
- (c) for the payment, at a figure to be agreed upon, of monies in lieu of depreciation.

They are in sympathy with the view that persons who have severed all connection with Germany by taking new nationalities should not benefit under this Law.

The U.S.S.R. agree to a preliminary examination of the proposal to found a Trust.

Point 2

The American draft law provides that any transaction by any claimant would be presumed to have been confiscatory unless

- (1) the transaction would have taken place in the absence of National Socialism, or
- (2) the transferor had protected the interests of the claimant.

The Soviet Delegate's views were that this would permit normal commercial transactions to be avoided and as a general principle he felt that no claim could be submitted except where the property had been sold for a deliberately low price. The French and British Delegates were of the opinion that neither the American nor the Soviet positions were correct, and that the question of fair price should be left to the discretion of the Restitution Court.

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R E S T R I C T E DPoint 2 (Cont)

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After further discussion, there was general agreement that the period should be divided into two parts:-

1. The U.S., U.K., and French Delegates agree that for the first few years after the Nazis came into power, the presumption of confiscation could be rebutted by showing that a fair price had been paid, unless the claimant could show that he did not have the free disposal of the proceeds.

The Soviet Delegate felt that no commercial sale should rank for restitution in this period. (Text to be provided).

2. The U.S., U.K., and French Delegates agree that for the last part of the period there should be a greater degree of presumption of confiscation permitted to the claimant, and that the existence of a fair price should only be one element among many to be considered by the Restitution Court. The U.K. and French Delegates felt that the date for this period should be from June 1938, or at any earlier date when the claimant's commercial activities were subject to discriminatory laws. The U.S. Delegate felt that the date should be from 1935, when the first Nuremberg Laws discriminating against classes of people were enacted.

The Soviet Delegate felt that in this period property should only be restituted where the difference between the price paid and the actual value was greater than a given percentage, yet to be worked out.

Point 3.

It is generally agreed that where there is property to which there is no heir and no successful claim is made, that such property should be used for the benefit of victims. The difference of opinion is as to the method by which that benefit should be obtained.

The U.S.S.R. desire that it should escheat to the State. The British hold no very strong views between conveying the property to the State, prescribing its use, and conveying it to a Trust for the benefit of all victims, but dislike the proposal in the American text on the grounds that it is discriminatory. The French are opposed to such property escheating to the State, but feel that it should go to a non-denominational Trust. The American Delegation cannot accept that, in any circumstances, such property should escheat to the State; the American text proposes that such property should be vested in successor organizations with the intention that they should be mainly denominational.

It is thought that the volume of such property will be small and there is no difference of opinion that its use should be for the benefit of residents in Germany and that the investment should be in a purely German corporation.

The American Delegation suggested, as a compromise, that the matter should be left to the discretion of each Zone Commander and this was acceptable to three delegations but not to the U.S.S.R.

Briefly, decisions by the Co-ordinating Committee are requested upon the following points:-

R E S T R I C T E DDFIN/P(47)214

- ✓ (1) Shall victims who have acquired a new nationality benefit by the Law for restitution?
- (2) Shall property include the right to mesne profits and other indemnifications as proposed in the text? If not, shall the principle of a Trust be adopted?
- (3) Shall the payment of a fair price rebut a presumption of confiscation in the years before the discriminatory laws but not thereafter?
- ✓ (4) Shall heirless property escheat to the State or to a successor organisation to be designated by the Allied Control Authority or the Zone Commander?

4. CONCURRENCES AND NON-CONCURRENCES

Nil.

5. ACTION RECOMMENDED

Consideration of points enumerated in 3.

R E S T R I C T E D

Authority NND 775 117
 By CAF NARA Date 19/6/57

RESTRICTED17th September 1947DFIN/MLSC(47)78ALLIED CONTROL AUTHORITYDIRECTORATE OF FINANCE

SUBJECT: Restitution to Victims of Nazi Oppression (Articles 14-17
- Proposed Treatment of Profits)

TO: Property Control Committee.

The Finance Directorate in the course of its 77th and 81st Meetings considered under DFIN/P(47)164 the Property Control Committee's Memorandum DFIN/CB/Memo(47)6 in which the Committee had set out the major points of difference arising on the draft Law on Restitution to Victims of Nazi Oppression (DFIN/CB/P(47)11/2).

As a result of its discussions on item 6 of DFIN/CB/Memo(47)6 relating to Articles 14-17 of the Law and dealing with the question of rents, profits and accretions, the Finance Directorate came to the following decision (DFIN/M(47)27, Conclusion 3080 III):-

- "a. to refer to the Property Control Committee the preliminary proposition outlined in (b) below, instructing them to study these proposals and to fill in any possible gaps in them; to draw the Finance Directorate's attention to any possible discrepancies that have been overlooked; to examine the administrative implications of the proposals, and to produce a redraft of these recommendations for the Directorate's consideration.
- b. These preliminary proposals are as follows:-
- (i) Profits accrued during the illegal possession of the property by the present owners will not be returned directly to the previous owner, but will be assessed and realised, and turned over to a fund. The task of assessing and realising the profits may possibly be charged to the Restitution Courts.
 - (ii) The management of the fund mentioned in paragraph (i) above may be charged to, for example, a 'trust' organised for this purpose. This trust might consist of 5 people, one nominated by each Zone Commander and one by the Control Council to represent the victims.
 - (iii) The trust will be charged, by a Control Council law, with the management and disposal of these funds. The trust will have a limited life; 10 years is suggested.
 - (iv) As preliminarily suggested by the Finance Directorate, the above fund should be used in the first place for full assistance to victims of Nazism living in Germany who have suffered damage, e.g. by direct assistance to the indigent in resettling them; in reconstructing property damaged, otherwise than by war damage, which has lost its value through mismanagement in the meantime, or reconstructing property which has been lost and cannot be traced, or in any other way that the Property Control Committee may recommend. It is to be clearly understood that no account is to be taken of war damage either directly or indirectly, nor of damage in connection with reparations.

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- (v) The Directorate considers that the above fund, if resources permit, could be used for partial compensation to victims of profits on their property received in the interim, on the basis of a definite percentage per annum of the capital of the property at the time of its seizure.

The Soviet delegate, while agreeing with this question for the purposes of discussion, doubted the possibility of using this fund for the payment of interest on capital.

Bearing in mind the fact that as a rule in restituting property, depreciation is not compensated, the question of partial compensation to victims for the physical wear and tear of the property during the period of its seizure could be contemplated only in certain cases, and as an exception to the general rules accepted for restitution. However, the decision of the question of such compensation should be considered as depending on the possibility of levying charges for compensation upon the persons who owned the property in the interim period, or depending upon the resources of the fund.

- (vi) When the period set for the trust expires, any property remaining in its possession will be devolved on Laender Governments, either geographically or any other equitable basis such as an equal division.

- c. To record that it is only a preliminary recommendation of the Directorate that profits should be used in this way, and that a final decision will be taken when the Property Control Committee has reported back to the Directorate."

Your attention is drawn to this decision of the Directorate for appropriate action.

D. J. TURNER

Duty Secretary.

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American Embassy, London

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March 12, 1948.

No. 651

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Subject: ~~Letter to the United States Commissioner~~
on the Tripartite Commission for the
Restitution of Monetary Gold.

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Russell H. Dorr
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The Honorable
The Secretary of State,
Washington.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose copy of a letter to
the Honorable Russell H. Dorr, United States Commission-
er on the Tripartite Commission for the Restitution of
Monetary Gold, which the Charge d'Affaires signed this
morning.

It is assumed by the Embassy that this letter was
to be sent in addition to the letters referred to in
the Embassy's despatch No. 487 of February 26, 1948
and not "in lieu" thereof as suggested in the Depart-
ment's telegram 784 of March 5, 1948.

Respectfully yours,

For the Chargé d'Affaires ad interim:

F. P. Bartlett
First Secretary of Embassy

Enclosure:

Copy of letter to the
Hon. Russell H. Dorr,
dated March 12, 1948.

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By MR. NARA Date 2/23/98

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Enclosure 1 in despatch No. 651 from the Embassy
in London, dated March 12, 1948.

(COPY)

American Embassy, London

March 12, 1948.

Dear Mr. Dorr:

The Governments of the United States, the United Kingdom and France have decided that for purposes of facilitating the distribution of the pool of monetary gold established by Part III of the Paris Agreement on Reparation, that portion of the pool presently held by their several representatives in Germany should be removed to the Bank of England, London, England, and to the Federal Reserve Bank, New York, New York, U.S.A.

These three Governments have decided to entrust to the Tripartite Commission for the Restitution of Monetary Gold the responsibility for determining which elements in the pool of monetary gold presently held by their representatives in Germany should be transferred to each of the designated repositories and for making the arrangements necessary to effect the transfers.

You are, therefore, authorized, in concert with the representatives of the United Kingdom and of France to issue delivery orders to the custodians of the gold in the several Zones of Occupation, to execute receipt forms in the name of the Commission and to enter into other arrangements appropriate to the purposes indicated.

Yours sincerely,

W. J. Gallman

The Honorable Russell H. Dorr,
Minister Delegate,
Inter-Allied Reparations Agency,
American Embassy,
Brussels, Belgium.

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Bern, Switzerland

Attn: Miss MacMillan

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American Embassy,

London, February 26, 1948.

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No. 487

MAR 10 1948

Subject: ✓ Letters to the United States Commissioner
on the Tripartite Commission for the
Restitution of Monetary Gold.

The Honorable
The Secretary of State,
Washington.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose copies of two letters
to the Honorable Russell H. Dorr, United States
Commissioner on the Tripartite Commission for the
Restitution of Monetary Gold which the Ambassador signed
this morning. (Reference is made to Embassy telegram
731 of February 26.) The purpose of these letters is:

- (1) to authorize Mr. Dorr and his deputy,
Mr. Alexander B. Despit, in conjunction with
the representatives of the United Kingdom and
France, to operate an account in the Bank of
England in which will be deposited some of the
monetary gold available for distribution under
the Paris Agreement on Reparation; and
- (2) to request Mr. Dorr, with representatives
of the United Kingdom and France, to keep aside
all gold allocated to Italy up to the amount
required to discharge Italy's obligations to
France and Yugoslavia under the Peace Treaty with
Italy.

Similar letters are being sent to their respective
Commissioners by the United Kingdom and France and the
enclosed letters themselves have been checked with the
British Treasury and the French Embassy in London.

Authority to sign these letters was contained in
the Department's telegrams Nos. 463 of February 12 and
486 and 497 of February 13.

Respectfully yours,

For the Ambassador:

Copies to:

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Brussels
F. P. Bartlett
First Secretary of Embassy

Enclosure:

Two letters dated February 25, 1948,
to the Honorable Russell H. Dorr.

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By MS NARA Date 2/23/98

Enclosure to Despatch No. 487 of February 26, 1948.

American Embassy, London

February 25, 1948

Dear Mr. Dorr:

In accordance with Paragraph 4 of the Protocol signed on December 16, 1947 between the Governments of the United States, United Kingdom and France and the Government of Italy, all gold up to 23, 279 kilograms allocated to Italy by the Tripartite Commission for the Restitution of Monetary Gold must be deposited with the Governments of the United States, United Kingdom and France until the Italian Government has discharged its obligations to France and to Yugoslavia pursuant to Article 75, Paragraph 8, of the Treaty of Peace with Italy.

The three Governments have decided to ask their representatives on the Gold Commission to set aside all gold allocated to Italy up to 23, 279 kilograms, being the amount established by the Protocol as the claims of France and Yugoslavia.

Will you, therefore, please arrange with the representatives of the United Kingdom and France to keep this gold set aside in one of the accounts to be operated by you in the name of the three governments until you are given further instructions.

Every faithfully,

L. W. Douglas

The Honorable Russell H. Dorr,
Minister Delegate,
Inter-Allied Reparations Agency,
American Embassy,
Brussels, Belgium.

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American Embassy, London

February 25, 1948

Dear Mr. Dorr:

The three Governments of the United States, United Kingdom and France have decided that in order to facilitate the distribution of monetary gold and in accordance with Part III of the Paris Agreement on Reparation of January 14, 1946, some of the gold available for distribution shall be deposited in the Bank of England in London. This gold will be held in a British Treasury account in the name of "Governments of United States, United Kingdom and France."

You as United States Commissioner on the Tripartite Commission for the Restitution of Monetary Gold, and Mr. Alexander B. Daspi as Deputy Commissioner are hereby authorized to act as representatives of the United States Government, and in conjunction with the representatives of the United Kingdom and France to operate this account as may be required by the Gold Commission. All instructions to the Bank of England must be authorized by either you or by Mr. Daspi and by a representative of the United Kingdom and a representative of France. The first communication sent by the three representatives should be sent through the British Treasury, which will introduce the representatives to the Bank of England.

Ever faithfully,

L. W. Douglas

The Honorable Russell H. Dorr,
Minister Delegate,
Inter-Allied Reparations Agency,
American Embassy,
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E:FN - C & C Branch - Mr. R. H. Stern

Handling of Gold Coins Offered for Purchase.

Attached you will find correspondence from the Bank deutscher Laender concerning the handling of gold coins offered for purchase and a covering memorandum from Mr. Furst.

In view of the fact that you should complete the gold coins program shortly, I would suggest at this time we should permit the Bank deutscher Laender and the Land Central Banks to purchase gold coins, such as those, in subject letter from the depositors.

I would appreciate to have your comments as soon as possible so that I can advise the Bank deutscher Laender.

Enclosures:

1. Ltr fr BdL to ABC dated November 30, 1950,
2. Office Memorandum from Mr. Furst to Mr. Stern dated December 7, 1950.

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FOR INFORMATION TO Dr. Joerges

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30 November 1950

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Allied Bank Commission
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| ALLIED BANK COMMISSION |
| 6 DEC 1950 |
| FILE NO. <u>660/2</u> |
| REF.: |

Subject : Handling of Gold Coins Offered for Purchase.

Ref. : Conversations between Mr. Stern and Mr. Furst and our Dr. Joerges on 23 and 24 November 1950.

Dear Sirs,

In July 1950 Herr Otto Reichert of Burg Stettenfels, Kreis Heilbronn, offered to the Land Central Bank of Württemberg-Baden five gold coins, viz.

- 1 coin at sfrs. 20.-,
- 2 coins at sfrs. 10.- each,
- 1 coin at ffrs. 10.-,
- 1 coin at M 10.-.

According to the list compiled by the Allied High Commission, Finance Committee, Property Sub-Committee, dated 19 July 1950, these five coins have to be considered as monetary gold. The statements made by Herr Reichert reveal that these coins had been given to him prior to 1945 by a relative in the United States, so that they should have been surrendered by Herr Reichert according to the first version of Military Government Law No. 53.

With reference to our repeated inquiries regarding similar cases we would ask you for a ruling as to the way in which the Land Central Banks are to treat the offered five coins. Up to the present the Land Central Bank has been holding the coins in custody. We should appreciate it if a licence permitting

CTION-MR. Furst

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20 November 1950

Allied Bank Commission

the purchase of these coins could be granted by way of exception, for we are afraid that otherwise the public, who is not familiar with the details of the relevant exchange regulations, would become suspicious regarding the proper implementation of the new regulations governing registration and tendering of foreign exchange values. The inevitable result would be that in future such values will be sold in the so-called free market rather than being offered to the Land Central Banks.

Very truly yours,

BANK DEUTSCHER LÄNDER

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| Subject: <u>Over-Delivery of Gold Coin to Hungarian Govt by Foreign Exchange Depository</u> | Date <u>9.11.46</u> Origin <u>Finance</u> |
| Digest: | |
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| Action: <u>Cable to USFET requesting that they despatch cable to ACC Hungary advising subject gold should be returned to FED, Frankfurt</u> | |
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- Dir of Info Control _____
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Action by B. H. Brown Phone No. 43068

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OFFICE OF MILITARY GOVERNMENT FOR GERMANY (U. S.)
Economic Division
Restitution Branch
APO 742

*Please return to:
James Thomas,
Restitution Branch*

31 July 1946

*orig from
Klaus copy
to [unclear]*

PROPOSED PLAN FOR MOVEMENT OF HUNGARIAN GOLD

Problem: Restitution shipment of thirty three (33) tons of Hungarian gold in bars and about five hundred (500) pounds in coin from Frankfurt to Budapest.

Situation: Instructions have been received from WAR from JCS to make restitution of the above mentioned gold, which is presently stored in the Reichbank, Frankfurt, in U. S. custody. Shipment is to be effected as soon as possible. Hungarian officials with proper credentials are presently in Frankfurt to accomplish preliminary processing, agree on receipt forms, and arrange for shipment.

Responsibility: Finance Division, OMEUS, will make the identification, count and check, together with the Hungarian officials, and will prepare the packing list or other schedule that will accompany the receipt. On request of Restitution Control Branch, acting for Restitution Branch Economic Division OMEUS, it will release the gold to the Hungarian officials when the latter have signed the required receipts.

Restitution Control Branch, acting for Restitution Branch Economic Division OMEUS will request the Finance Division OMEUS representative at the Reichbank, Frankfurt to turn over custody of the gold to the Hungarian officials, and will prepare, have executed and obtain all necessary receipts from said officials.

The Hungarian Government will take title to the gold in the Reichbank, Frankfurt.

USMFP will provide the necessary guard and be responsible for security from the time the gold is receipted for in the Reichbank, Frankfurt until the train arrives at destination in Budapest and the gold is delivered to the proper Hungarian authorities there.

USMFP will also provide necessary troops, security, special vehicles,

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**Proposed Plan for Movement of Hungarian Gold
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and facilities to transfer the gold from the Reichbank to the train, in Frankfurt, and to load it on the train.

USNET will also be responsible for effecting coordination necessary with all interested parties, including Zone Constabulary, Third U. S. Army, USFA, and AGO Hungary. (Note: Radio message has already been dispatched to Allied Control Council Hungary (Gen. Weems) requesting clearance be obtained for the train and personnel through Hungary).

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USNET Public Relations Officer will control all publicity, and will arrange for coverage and photographs at Frankfurt, en route, and in Budapest. No publicity of any kind will be given until after safe arrival and delivery in Budapest.

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will be done that way.*

Transportation Division ONUS will provide a special train and a railroad crew. The train will be spotted at Frankfurt, at hours, August 1946, to receive the gold.

The train will be composed of:

- 1 Locomotive and tender
- 3 Baggage cars
- 1 Diner
- 2 Sleeping cars
- 1 Coach

The train personnel will consist of:

- Guards - Clearance has been requested for 2 officers, 30 enlisted men
- Train Crew - 12 men (includes emergency repair personnel)
- Transportation officers - 2
- State Department official - 1
- Hungarian officials - 2-3
- Russian Transportation officer - 1
- Public Relations officers - 4

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The route of the train will be: Frankfurt, Vienna, Budapest. Probable running time, 17 hours. At Vienna, the locomotive, tender, sleepers and diner will be detached, and a locomotive and tender provided by Hungary will be attached.

The train crew from US Zone Germany will return to proper station from Vienna.

The train will be met at the Hungarian border by a combined USSR and Hungarian officer guard, who will accompany the train to Budapest.

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FROM : USFET SIGNED MCNARNEY
TO : ACC HUNGARY FOR BRIG GEN WEEMS
INFO : OMGUS FOR ECON DIV FOR REST. BR.
REF NO : S-1038 CITE: OMGRE

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1041 Hungary
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Nyaradi wishes to transmit following message to Finance Minister Gordon:

Hungarian National Bank Delegate states that gold stock being returned is whole or looted gold reserve of the Bank. The receipt Nyaradi has to sign before loading on trains contains among others following term "The Hungarian Government in signing this receipt waives all claims which it may have for losses arising out of looting or otherwise wrongful removal of monetary gold from Hungary during the war." Regarding that all of National Bank's gold is now being restituted and that according verbal assurances above clause does not effect Hungarian claims to the Jewish monetary gold there is practically very little possibility of the existence of other looted monetary gold. Therefore Nyaradi believes that above mentioned term has no great importance. Nyaradi wishes to transmit to Hungarian National Bank Delegates the following message: "Special train carrying three baggage cars scheduled to leave Frankfurt on 5 August arrival Budapest due on 6th. Request send two authorized delegates to meet train at Megyeshalom who will take over consignment enroute to destination and direct unloading." Cable agreement through American Military Mission.

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INCOMING MESSAGE

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FROM : AGWAR FROM JCS

TO : OMGUS

REF NO : WX-95940

BOOK MESSAGE

The following, received from the State, War and Navy Departments, is furnished for your guidance reference your CC-9827 dated 27 July 1946:

"You will request Hungarian Representative to sign waiver substantially as follows on behalf of his government and the Hungarian National Bank upon delivery of gold described in WX-93530 dated 4 July 1946.

"Hungarian Government, in consideration of restitution of gold as described in annex hereto attached, waives any and all claims which it may have against Germany, Austria, and neutral powers with which agreements regarding looted monetary gold are reached, arising from losses of monetary gold through looting and wrongful removal from Hungary."

"If obtaining Hungarian consent to such waiver involves changing present plans for delivery of gold you are authorized to deliver against customary restitution receipt as proposed by you and you will advise Hungarian Representative that the proposed waiver nevertheless represents the understanding of your government."

CC-9827, 27 July 46, Econ
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TO : AGWAR FOR JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
 INFO : WBS FOR LEWIS
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 ACC HUNGARY FOR KEY
 FROM : OMGUS SIGNED CLAY
 REF NO : CC-8592 T00: 091525B Jul 46/leh

Re your WX-93530 and US Legation Budapests 78.

We expect arrival Hungarian financial experts here between 10--15 July pursuant to invitation from POLAD here 27 June. Gold can be restituted promptly in Frankfurt upon execution of proper receipts by those empowered to receive gold.

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FROM : AGWAR FROM JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
 TO : OMGUS FOR CLAY,
 INFO : WBS FOR LEWIS
 USFET FOR MCNARNEY
 USFA FOR CLARK
 ACC HUNGARY FOR KEY
 REF NO : WX-93530

The following, prepared by the Department of State and received from the State, War and Navy Departments, is furnished for your information and guidance:

"Memorandum handed Prime Minister of Hungary by Acting Secretary of State June 14, 1946 contained following paragraph regarding restitution of gold:

"In view of the urgent request of the Hungarian Government for the return of the Hungarian gold now in the custody of the US Forces in order that this gold may be used for the stabilization of the Hungarian monetary system and economy, the US Government is prepared to proceed with the return to Hungary of this gold. This return is conditioned on the receipt of assurances from the Hungarian Government that it will undertake to return to the rightful owners any part of this gold which may later be established to have been looted."

"American Legation Budapest has received from Hungarian Fonmin under date June 27 requested assurances in respect of gold to be returned by US authorities to Hungarian Government in accordance this memo. You are accordingly instructed to proceed immediately with return gold and, in this

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connection, to consult with Hungarian representative mentioned American Legation Budapest's 78 June 27 in Berlin with view expedition arranged to that end.

"For your information, gold intended is gold of Hungarian National Bank removed by Szalazy Government from Hungary found by US Army in Austria now in Reichsbank depository Frankfurt, valued at approximately 32,000,000 dollars."

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FROM : AGWAR SIGNED NORSTAD
TO : USRET FOR BULL
INFO : WB PARIS TO GEN LINCOLN, USFA VIENNA
FOR CLARK, ACC HUNGARY
RELAYED TO : OMGUS (250900B for info)

Following is paragraph for paragraph reply to your OCD-11-18 June 1946

A. Restitution directives already provide for Restitution on a unilateral basis.

B. State Department prepared to submit memorandum to SWNCC covering restitution of gold on notification that Hungary approves certain stipulations proposed by State.

C. JCS 1570/5 approved 28 March 1946, and dispatched as AF 82436, same date, suspends restitution of Danube River Craft. WK-91742, 19 June 1946, authorized General Clark and General Clay to invite soonest small restitution Missions to enter US Occupation Zones in Germany and Austria for purpose locating, identifying and expedition shipment identifiable property looted by Germans. Message also presents Secretary of State's request from Paris that Hungarian Restitution Missions be allowed entry as a matter of urgency.

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MEMORANDUM

File No. 910.35

21 October 1946

SUBJECT: Special Inventory Procedure on S.S. Loot

1. Due to the necessity for keeping all items of this nature together, the following divergences from the S.O.P. procedure will apply.

(a) All currency will be placed in the same container irrespective of country of issue.

(b) Coin will first be examined and divided into the following categories

1. gold
2. silver
3. other

(c) Each category will then be divided into denomination and country of issue.

(d) Each denomination will then be counted, placed in a bag (or envelope) and an inventory tag attached.

(e) Bags of the same category (see "b") will be placed in the same container.

(f) Jewelry, scrap gold, silver and other valuable items (including gold coin) will be inventoried by jewel experts.

(g) As far as possible there will be separate containers for various classes of assets - ~~fe~~ - precious stones, watches, scrap gold, scrap silver, scrap metal etc.

(h) The experts will dictate their inventory in French. A translator will take their inventory sheet and on a separate work sheet will translate same into English. The two work sheets will be given to the Section Head for examination and classification. Both copies will be retained in the Depository Section files.

(i) All other assets will be sorted and divided into such categories as postage stamps, bank books, securities etc.

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Special Inventory Procedure on S. S. Loot

(j) After sorting postage stamps will be counted numerically only (with no attempt to classify) and a single work sheet made out for the total number of stamps.

(k) Bank books and securities will be inventoried as fully as possible.

(l) Worthless paper, receipts etc. will be counted numerically only - at end of inventory of Shipment.

(m) As far as possible inventoried items will be kept in the same vault compartment.

(n) In all other respects regular inventory procedure will apply.

EDWIN P KELLER
Head, Depository Section

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Cancel existing accounts and substitute the following:

Source

| | |
|-----|---------------------------------------|
| 50. | Assets Acquired - Markers Mine |
| 51. | " " From Neutral Countries |
| 52. | " " M.G. Law 52 |
| 53. | " " M.G. Law 53 |
| 54. | " " From German Banks |
| 55. | " " From German Firms and Individuals |
| 56. | " " From United Nations Countries |
| 57. | " " From Enemy Countries |
| 58. | " " " |
| 59. | " " From Other Sources |

Category

60/9 (Nomenclature pending clarification restitution and reparation policies)

Assets Released

70-9 Assets Released to Countries, Individuals, Agencies etc. (Nomenclature to be determined later)

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The following addition is made to Accounts Section S.O.P.:

Add the following new accounts, to be Chart of Accounts:

- 7 Precious Metals Scrap
 - 7.1 " " " Silver
 - 7.2 " " " Gold
 - 7.3 " " " Platinum
- 8 Precious Metals Mixed Bullion
- 26 Other Assets Collections
- 27 *Other Assets - SCRAP METAL*

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Chart of Accounts

Credit Accounts

Source

- 50. Assets Acquired - Merkers Mine
- 51. Assets Acquired
- 52. Assets Acquired - M G Law 52
- 53. Assets Acquired - M G Law 53
- 54. Assets Acquired - From German Banks
- 55. Assets Acquired - From German Firms and Individuals
- 56. Assets Acquired - From United Nations Countries
- 57. Assets Acquired - From Enemy Countries
- 58. Assets Acquired - From Neutral Countries
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Inspection Tours.

A. The following points of interest will be visited in inspections:

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| <u>No.:</u> | <u>Name:</u> | | <u>Conducted by:</u> |
|-------------|---------------|------------------|----------------------|
| 1. | Counting Room | Experts | Keller |
| 2. | Strong Room 2 | Silver | Keller |
| 3. | Strong Room 3 | Currency | Angotti |
| 4. | Strong Room 4 | Air Raid Shelter | Keller |
| 5. | Counting Room | Currency | Angotti |
| 6. | Counting Room | Experts | Keller |
| 7. | Counting Room | Currency | Keller |
| 8. | Main Vault | Various | Keller |

B. Procedures:

1. At the beginning before the inspection Keller, Angotti and the Chief Security Officer will report to Colonel Brey.
2. Keller will conduct the party to point No. 1 and then No. 2, Angotti will open up the front and rear door to Strong Room No. 3 and wait at the rear door. Chief Security Officer will open up Strong Room No. 2 and wait there. Other Security Officers may open up the Air Raid Shelter and wait there.
3. When the party comes from Strong Room No. 2 Angotti will conduct them through Strong Room No. 3. An assistant to Angotti will lock the rear door when all of the party is in Strong Room No. 3.
4. When the party comes from Strong Room No. 3 Keller will take over and conduct them through the Air Raid Shelter, only including the main rooms and excluding room No. _____
5. When party leaves Air Raid Shelter Angotti will conduct them to Currency Counting Room and when finished here,
6. Keller will conduct party to Counting Rooms (Experts and Currency) and then into the Main Vault.
7. When party leaves Main Vault, Keller and Angotti will accompany party to Colonel Brey's office.

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Frank C. Gabell
 FRANK C. GABELL
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Restitution
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File Nr 9/10.14

AHR UNCLASSIFIED EUCOM 178/17
TOO 162450Z ROUTINE TOR 171212Z

FROM : ACC HUNGARY SGD STOKES
TO FOR ACTION : EUCOM
TO FOR INFO : EUCOM FOR RESTITUTION CONTROL BRANCH FRANKFURT
REF NO : ZC-1457 16 OCT 47

Request permission for Dr Laszlo GRUSZ, Louis JORDAY, Valentin HIRKO, Tibor KREPUSKA, all Hungarian citizens, representatives of the Hungarian National Bank to enter US Zone GERMANY FRANKFURT to contract Foreign Exchange Depository to locate for restitution purposes business books of Hungarian National Bank. In April 47 clearance was granted to same persons for same purpose in telephone conversation with General WEEMS.

Received 27 Oct 47

*Swanson file
via Tol from CTB
21 Oct 47*

ACTION : AG
INFORMATION : AG RECORDS
OMCUS FRANKFURT AREA

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TOO 101749Z

TOR 110613Z

FROM : HQ DEPT OF THE ARMY FROM CHIEF CIVIL AFFAIRS DIV

TO FOR ACTION : OMCUS

TO FOR INFO : EUCOM

REF NO : WX-83573 10 JUN 48 CITE OSCAD-ECON

Reured May CC 4432. NETHERLANDS looted gold is subj.

Treasury and State Depts consider data requested by SCHWARTZ on first and second Dutch guilder smelts essential in order to furnish evidence already pledged in past negotiations and to provide basis forthcoming negotiations during next few months. Treasury plans send Harry HESSE next week to Foreign Exchange Depository, Frankfurt, to help prepare data.

Reurtel Para 4. Request that arrangements made immediately for Albert THOMS to begin preparation data and continue work full time if possible with HESSE after his arrival. Assume OMCUS will make arrangements for pmt THOMS salary.

Request necessary stenographic and photostatic svcs be avail to expedite work during HESSE stay Frankfurt.

Cable will fol advising date HESSE arrival.

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RECD 150028Z June 48
CN-16/14/gww

FROM : DEPT OF THE ARMY FROM CSCAD
TO : OMGUS
INFO : EUCOM
REF NO : WX-83820 CITE: ECON

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Reurad May CG-4432 and ourad June WX-83573.

Netherlands looted gold is subj.

Hesse Treasury Dept arriving Frankfurt 0925 hrs Wed
16 June 48 on flight No 164 American Airlines.

CG-4432, 24 May 48, OFF FIN ADV
WX-83573, 11 June 48, 1s AGC IN 6242, OFF FIN ADV

ACTION : OFF FIN ADV

INFORMATION : C/S

NO ACTION REQUIRED
AG RECORDS

Received 17 June 13 45 hrs J.G.

AGC IN 6578

15 June 48 GEH/gww

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ROUTINE

- : ADJUTANT GENERAL WAR DEPARTMENT
- : OFFICE OF MILITARY GOVERNMENT FOR GERMANY (US) FOR FINANCE DIVISION
- : US FORCES EUROPEAN THEATER SIGNED MCNARNEY
- : REF NO: S-2159 CITE: ETGEC TOC: 231430A Feb

Reference WGL-47035, 15 Feb 1946.

Since valuables in depository have not been segregated, classified, or inventoried a detailed inspection cannot for security reasons be permitted. See cables S-37657, 17 Jan 1946, and S 34738, 12 Dec 1945.

Representatives of BELGIAN WAR CRIMES COMMISSION can be permitted to view items in bulk and to examine such detailed records as are now available.

The FRENCH representatives were granted no greater privilege.

- WGL-47035 SMC IN 8211 MG (US ZONE) 15/2/46
- S-34738 SMC OUT 2497 MG (US ZONE) 12/12/45
- S-37657 SMC OUT 1781B MG (US ZONE) 17/1/46

ORIGINATOR : MG (US ZONE)
AUTHENTICATION: C L ADCOCK, MAJ GEN

INFORMATION : MG RECORDS

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TO : AGWAR
FOR INFO : ONGUS
FROM : HQ US FORCES EUROPEAN THEATER
SIGNED MCNARNEY
REF NO : SX-6222 CITE: ETGAP T00: 191200B
CLASSIFICATION : C-1

In reply to your WX-85000, 7 November. Rate of exchange for encashment of German prisoner of War pay instruments is subject.

Your position on encashment rate as stated in WX-93572, 5 July, is appreciated. Must however present the following for your further consideration:

A. As you state article 23 is the only convention article on the subject of conversion. However it applies only to officer pay. Since the bulk of payments are for labor credits, believe article 34 should be considered. Article 34 states that prisoners shall be paid, in the absence of agreements, "according to a tariff corresponding to work executed". Civilian laborers here receive approximately reichmark 6 per day. A dual rate seems to be indicated. However that is undesirable, and it is the view here that article 23 does not preclude payment at a more favorable rate.

B. British have already begun to make payments against sterling amounts at rate of 15 marks equals 1 pound, which is equivalent to 27 cents per mark. Undesirability of such a wide divergence as payment at 41 cents by UNITED STATES and at 27 by British will be recognized by you.

C. Payment at a pre war rate can probably not be followed as a policy outside of GERMANY and AUSTRIA, because of political implications. Certificates of credit have been issued to approximately 35 different nationalities, and are presently held in many other countries principally FRANCE, BELGIUM, HOLLAND, THE BALKANS, and SCANDANAVIA.

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REF NO: SX-6222 CITE: BEGAP TOO: 191200B

We recommend use of 30 cent rate... Sufficiently close to British practice to avoid unfavorable effect on German attitude towards UNITED STATES... logical if we are to have 30 cents as an interim rate... Most equitable rate based on the same considerations as have caused us to recommend 30 cents as an interim rate.

We appreciate your realization of the urgency of this matter but feel we must present the above considerations for your attention. This is a joint reply from OMCUS and USPFI.

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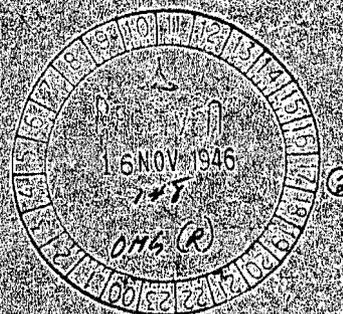
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FROM : ACC HUNGARY SOD WEEMS

TO FOR ACTION : USFET

FOR INFO : OMBUS

REF NO : Z-4593 15 NOV 46



On subject of returned HUNGARIAN gold (see ourad 4500 of 2 Nov) this Headquarters is now in receipt of communication from US Minister in BUDAPEST referred to in Para 2 urad SX 6049 of 14 Nov.

HUNGARIAN National Bank stated to Minister that following non-HUNGARIAN property gold coins were included in the gold returned to HUNGARY from FRANKFURT, 2252. 50 Turkish pounds, 504.95 Japanese yens, and 1207.00 Colonial pesos.

As requested in urad CC-6395 of 29 October Finance Officer of this mission will take possession of monetary gold listed above for the purpose of returning same to the Foreign Exchange Depository FRANKFURT. Advance notice will be given on the expected date of delivery to FRANKFURT.

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| Z-4500 | SMC IN 837 | 2 Nov 46 | G-5 |
| SX-6049 | SMC OUT 644 | 14 Nov 46 | G-5 |
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