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In May 1946, a key German [illegible] agent working for this detachment reported the existence of an underground movement in Germany. This movement [illegible] to assist still fugitives from international [illegible]. These diffused [illegible] joining together in group to form a group capable of resistance to the occupation forces. [illegible] considered the success of the [illegible] groups [illegible] in Germany after the first World War [illegible] fighting [illegible] Germany. It was from these [illegible] groups that the Nazi Party had evolved and it was the idea of [illegible] officers that a new [illegible] should be built to bring back the [illegible] and power of the Reich.

Since the source of our information was still connected with some of these leaders and since his [illegible] with certain Intelligence Corps [illegible] covert, he was instructed to remain a member of the group and to report on its activities. [illegible] as a check and to obtain more information, an operative agent was placed in an underground cell and introduced into the organization. This agent, [illegible] of the old [illegible] Counter Intelligence Corps [illegible] was well qualified [illegible] and [illegible] political [illegible]. He introduced himself as a [illegible] sympathy [illegible] a German believer in the cause of German [illegible] had come to Germany to aid in the building of a new Nazi Dispensation which would again put Germany in her rightful position in the world. [illegible] claimed to be [illegible], the group could not [illegible] of the skill he exhibited in placing his party [illegible] by a [illegible] inner circle.

The six months from December and the [illegible] agent [illegible] group. In this time there were many difficulties for the [illegible] post-1919 days, illegal groups were hard enough to organize. For the [illegible] agencies of the occupation powers were constantly on the alert for [illegible]. There were no large numbers of Germans willing to be recruited [illegible] resistance against the occupation forces. The occupation forces [illegible] shown that it would not tolerate trifling with the control of the [illegible]. On the contrary, the young Nazi forces had shown itself to be trying [illegible] Germany to restore itself to a normal life.

The leaders of the group about this time began to [illegible] officers in other areas - particularly in [illegible] and in the [illegible]. Their contacts turned out to be of higher caliber than themselves. [illegible] cases they were persons of intellectual stature - in fact some of [illegible] brains of the Nazi Party.

Discussions were held among all these people and it became evident to them that resistance, terrorism or sabotage were out of the question as methods of gaining power. They then decided on a more subtle approach. They

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would go to the occupation powers, both British and American, and put up a proposition more or less as follows:

The British and American authorities, now that the political situation in Europe had become clear, were really not so much interested in punishing Germany or preventing her from becoming powerful as they were in setting up nations in Central Europe which would act as bulwarks against communism. These fugitives believed this to be a desirable thing, both for the Western Powers and for Germany. However, they felt that the present leaders in the German Civil Administration were of such poor caliber (according to them, all the capable people in the old German administration were good Nazis and hence now barred from office or interned) that they were not able to build a strong Germany. Therefore, the British and American authorities should take their group and place it in control of the German Administration for the two zones, and at the same time release other former Nazis from internment camps and lift restrictions on others so that a strong, efficient government could be built.

Fantastic as this idea may seem, it made sense to these people and they believed that the British and American authorities would accept it. They then decided to make the supreme effort. At the risk of certain imprisonment if their plan failed, they sent five of their leaders to make contact with the authorities, reveal their identity as fugitives and make their proposition.

From the time that contact had been made by the group with persons in the British Zone, Counter Intelligence Headquarters had maintained complete liaison with the British Intelligence Service in Germany. When it became evident that the group intended to approach someone in authority, a prominent member of the group was introduced by our German source to a British officer who pretended to be a British Fascist and a secret sympathizer with the Nazis. This officer agreed to call a meeting of leaders of the group with a "British Foreign Office expert" who would be sympathetic to their proposition and who would have influence in getting it accepted by the Foreign Office.

Such a meeting was held and the leaders of the group put forth their proposition. The "Foreign Office Specialist" appeared favorably impressed by the proposal but asked for more details on the caliber of personnel and so forth. By so doing, he uncovered the names and whereabouts of numerous other persons connected with this group, who were unknown to our sources.

Future meetings were scheduled and plans made for the transmittal of the proposal to London and to Washington, D.C.

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This was the last large organized group of Nazis to be formed in the Western Zones of Germany. It was completely broken up, its activities were publicized, and its story now serves as a reminder to the German people of the futility of nationalistic action outside the scope of the existing democratic processes now in operation in Germany.

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File: 152585, Subj: Warning Letter,
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OPERATION SELECTION BOARD

In May 1946, a key German underground agent working for this detachment reported the existence of an underground movement in Bavaria. This movement was supposed to be made up of former SS officers still fugitives from internment camps. These officers were joining together in order to form a group capable of resistance to the occupation forces. They remembered the success of the "Freikorps" groups which came into being in Germany after the first World War as irregular troops fighting to form a strong nationalistic Germany. It was from these Freikorps groups that the Nazi party had evolved and it was the idea of these Elite Guard officers that a new Freikorps should be built to bring back the ideology and power of the Nazis.

Since the source of our information was well connected with some of these leaders and since his connections with Counter Intelligence Corps were covert, he was instructed to become a member of the group and to report on its activities. To act as a check and to obtain more information, an American agent was placed in an undercover role and introduced into the organization. This agent, typical of the old war-time Counter Intelligence Corps Agents, was well qualified since he had spent several years in Switzerland as a student and spoke perfect Swiss German. He introduced himself as a Swiss of German ancestry who was a fervent believer in the cause of German nationalism who had come to Germany to aid in the building of a new Nazi Organization which would again put Germany to her rightful place in the world. Since he claimed to be Swiss, the group could not check on his background, and because of the skill he employed in playing his

part, accepted him as a member of their inner circle.

For six months the German and the American agent played with the group. In this time there were many difficulties for the movement. Unlike post-1919 days, illegal groups were not easy to organize. Top law enforcement agencies of the occupation powers were constantly on the alert for fugitives. There were no large numbers of Germans willing to be recruited for active resistance against the occupation forces. The occupation force had repeatedly shown that it would not tolerate trifling with its control of the American Zone. On the contrary, the occupation force had shown itself to be trying to help Germany to restore itself to a normal life.

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B/L: Ltr Reg. 111, S/R Marburg, [illegible] Subversive Activities, 2 Jan. 47

111-1805 3rd Ind.

Headquarters, Counter Intelligence Corps Region 111, 370th CIC Detachment, APO 757, U. S. Army, 7 February 1947

TO: Commanding Officer, Sub-Region Marburg, CIC Region 111, APO 757, US Army

Attention is invited to preceding indorsement.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

R. B. KIRKPATRICK
Special Agent, CIC
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Name: BARBIE, Claus

Status: Ostuf
Leiter, Abt IV, SD Kdo Lyon

Address:

Description: Age 35. Ht. 1.6[illegible]m. Relatively large head. Slightly bald. Grey cold eyes, thin lips, stocky build. Big toe missing [illegible]

Misc:

Career: Long a member of the SD.
Worked in the region of Gex in 1942.
A dangerous conspirator.
Last heard of in November and December of 1944 in a hospital in Baden-Baden

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Headquarters, 970th Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment, United States Forces, European Theater, APO 757, US Army, 31 January 1947

TO: Commanding Officer, CIC Region III, APO 757, US Army.

1. Reference is made to telephone conversation, Mr. [illegible] Captain FRAZIER, of [illegible] January 1947, which this informement confirms.

the lines already pursued.

3. The following additional information is available concerning personalities involved:

[illegible], Gunther, [illegible] and/or [illegible], born around [illegible] [illegible] Hans Blond Heir.
[illegible], Heinrich, born 1[illegible] June 1[illegible], former Triesfachberater der Landwirtschaft; [illegible] since 19[illegible].

4. BARDIE, Klaus, is possibly identical with the Central Personalities Index Card concerning a person of the same name, a copy of which is inclosed.

BY ORDER OF [illegible]:

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Captain FRAZIER/cf/Telephone [illegible]

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HEADQUARTERS
970th COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS DET.
UNITED STATES FORCES EUROPEAN THEATER

APO 757
9 February 1947

D-(152563) Operation SELECTION BOARD
383 CIC/S-3/OPS

SUBJECT: Warning Letter

TO : CO, CIC Region I, APO 154, US Army
CO, CIC Region III, APO 757, US Army
CO, CIC Region IV, APO 407A, US Army

1. This headquarters has been instructed to arrange, in connection with British authorities, a so-called swoop operation in order to arrest and detain all persons connected with SS subversive movements in this and the British zones.

2. It has been agreed that, within this zone, the action will include only those persons coming within the scope of Operations GOPHER and GLOBETROTTER, plus those persons connected with Operation BRANDY who have definite SS connections. Should any Regional Commander have additional targets, such names should be forwarded immediately to this headquarters for consideration.

3. Attached is a preliminary target list. Targets have been classified as one star, two star or three star according to their importance. Each target has been assigned a number in order to make possible reference in telephonic and teletype messages.

4. 0200 hours, 23 February 1947, has been decided on as M-hour and D-day.

5. Each target should be reconnoitered discreetly in order to confirm his location. Reports of such location should reach this headquarters by 19 February 1947. It is realized that locations for many targets are extremely vague and it is anticipated that many will not be located.

6. A master target list will be forwarded to you as soon as practical which will include as much necessary information as possible and a concise brief of subject's connections.

7. In all cases, a search will be made of the place of arrest for documents, lists, weapons, etc. Documents will be given a rapid check by the arresting agency and all material believed revelent or needed for interrogation forwarded with the prisoner.

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8. One star targets will be interrogated on the spot to determine [illegible] these accusations since this [illegible] consists only of those [illegible] persons whose names were gathered in notebooks or [illegible] is unknown. Should a connection not be made, or suspicious documents, lists of other items are found, targets will be placed in [illegible] and will not be evacuated [illegible] where suspicious activity is indicated, targets will be [illegible] to one star.

9. One star targets will be given a brief interrogation on the spot or as soon after arrival as practicable in order to determine [illegible] targets [illegible]

10. No interrogation will be made of three star targets.

11. All prisoners will be evacuated to the British Zone for detailed interrogation. [illegible], [illegible], has been tentatively selected as the collecting point for prisoners. It is anticipated, however, that prisoners from Sub-Regions KASSEL, [illegible] and FULDA of Region III will not be brought to MISC but will be collected by the transferring party along the way.

12. It will be appreciated that many of the details contained in this letter are tentative and incomplete, due to the sudden notification of this operation to this headquarters. More complete information will be passed on as soon as practicable.

13. Communication by teletype or telephone is authorized within the limits of security. With the exception of those matters requiring the personal attention of Col. Inskeep or Col. Garvey, telephones 23303 (Capt. Frazier) or 28937 (Mr. Julin or Mr. Dreifuss) should be used. Teletype messages should be addressed "For the attention of Capt. Frazier." Due to the distance between offices teletype conferences should be arranged in advance except in matters of urgency.

14. Receipt of this warning letter should be acknowledged by telephone or teletype.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL INSKEEP:

/s/ Dale M. Garvey

DALE M. GARVEY
Lt. Col., Infantry
S-3

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as stated

Capt. Frazier/rlf/Telephone 23303

A true copy.

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CARL J. KUEHNERT
Special Agent, CIC
Operations Officer

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1. ALVERSLEBEN-SCHOCHWITZ, Werner or Ludolf
??? Alias NEUMANN, Friedrich
Wheresbouts unknown

2. BARKHAUSEN, Curt Alias SCHNEIDER Alias MUELLER, Fritz
III or IV Barsfelde bei KASSEL
Marburg, Barfussstrasse 35 bei SCHMIDT
MUNICH, Inhofstrasse 10 bei HUBER

3. BARBI, Claus Alias BECKER, Claus Alias MERTENS, Heinz
III SS Stubaf
*** MARBURG, Barfussstrasse 35 bei SCHMIDT

4. BECKER, Fridolin
III KASSEL, Augusta-Viktoriastrasse 7
**

5. BECKER Alias SCHNEIDER
III KASSEL, Friedrichstrasse 7
**

6. BERNDT, Ernst
IV SS Hstuf
** Agnesstrasse 6, MUNICH

7. BETTEE, Siegfried
III SS Hstuf
** Poliklinik, Giessen

Nordeck #80
Marburg

8. BRAZEL, Erich
I STUTTGART, Neue Weinsteige 51
**

9. BUCK, Felix
III FRANKFURT
**

10. DWINGER, Edwin Erich
IV SS Ustuf
** WIESENGUT, Hedwigshof bei SEEG/Allgan

11. EBELING, Annemarie
IV Neuhaus, SCHLIERSEE
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IV MUNICH-SCHWABING, Kaulbachstrasse 85 or 86
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13. FISCHER, Walter
IV MUNICH, Aussere Prinz Regenten Strasse 10
**

[illegible] GERLACH, [illegible]
III SS Hstuf
** JUGENHEIM, Forststrasse

15. GERLACH, Trudel
I STUTTGART, Richard Wagnerstrasse 62
**

16. GILBERT, Joseph
IV MUNCHEN - Ohlmuellerstrassee 5/I bei STRUECKER
*

17. GLASS, E. H.
IV Markt Grafing, MUNCHEN
*

18. HASS, Manfred
III SS Ostuf
** Weschnitz

19. HAMANN Alias KLEIN
I SS Ustuf
** HEILBRONN

20. HENKEL, Erika
III KASSEL, Bluecherstrasse 6
*

21. HERMANN, Hilde and HERMANN, Maria
I or IV ROSENHEIM
** MUNICH
HEILBRONN, Cleversulzbach

22. HILLER, Edward
III SS Staf
*** FRANKFURT

23. HOFEL, Eberhard
??? Rosenheimstrasse 38, Town Unknown
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24. HOFFMANN, fnu
III MARBURG, Julius August Minergasse 1
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25. HUBER, Fnu
IV MUNICH, Imhoffstrasse 10
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26. HUBER, Hans
III DARMSTADT
*

27. JOHANNSEN, Gerda
IV GRAFING
***

28. KATISCHKEF, Vera
III FULDA, Frankfurterstrasse 30 or 80
*** or DP Camp, FULDA

29. KUEHN, Fnu or HIRSCHMANN, Fnu
??? Kroetengasse 3
*

30. KULZER, Fnu
??? Fremdenheim, Eulenstrasse 95
*

31. LAUCHS, Graf Donau zu
IV MUNICH
**

32. LOSS, Erika
III MARBURG
**

33. MASSOT, Fnu
III Erfelden, Rheinstrasse 15
*

34. MENDRZYK, Johannes
IV MUNCHEN-SCHWABING, Swizbachstrasse 9 or 11
** Bottom floor right bei REICHART

35. MUESSE, Thea
IV FISCHEN vei SONTHOFEN
* Hauptstrasse 94

36. NAUMANN, Frau
IV FISCHEN bei SONTHOFEN
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37. [illegible], Dr.
IV SS [illegible]
** Berchtesgaden

38. OPALKA
IV MUNICH, Imperstrasse 8
**

39. PAVEL, Hans
IV MUNICH, Agnesstrasse 6
**

40. RIEDESEL, Anneliese
III Castle near ALSFELD
**

41. ROEPKE, Hans
III FRANKFURT, Hotel Viktoria
**

42. ROTH, Max
III KIRCHHEIM, Kreis Marburg
**

43. [illegible], Else
IV Benedickt Buern-Ried
**

44. SANE, Karl
III Lauernau 175 Town Unknown
**

45. SCHILLING, Dr.
III Ohrenklinik, Marburg
**

46. SCHIMMELPFENG, Walter
IV SS Hstuf
*** NEUHAUS, Kreis Miesbach

47. SCHMELZ, Karl
III KASSEL, Mauer Strasse
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52. STIEGLIDER or STIEGLITZ
KASSEL, Frankfurterstrasse 129

53. STOHLHOFER, Fau
SS Stubaf
MUNICH, Siegfriedstrasse 3

54. WEIBL, Lilly
Seeg bei FUESSEN

55. WIEDEMANN, Mellitz
MUNICH, Mittenwaldstrasse 61

56. WEISS, Gunther Alias KESSEL
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OPERATION SELBSTSCHUTZ BOARD

INTERROGATION BRIEF

1. For the sake of convenience in interrogation, the personnel of the group have been divided into 5 groups, labeled A to E. The members of each group are connected with one another. Groups A, B and C may be said to form one organization. Groups D and E are neither related to one another nor to groups A, B and C.

Group A & B - These two groups may be said to form the operational apparatus of the organization (see above.) Their principal efforts have been directed toward making propaganda, in which work they have repeatedly approached British and American authorities for the purpose of legalizing their activity.

a. The head of group A was SS Brigadeführer Bernhardt MÜLLER who was arrested in November 46. Since that time the group has lacked a leader and has therefore drawn increasingly close to group B.

b. The leading figure in group B is SS Oberführer Kurt ELLERSIEK. Among the members of this group are quite a number of former members of the German Propaganda Ministry.

Group C - If groups A and B can be compared to the G-3 part of the organization, group C may be termed the G-2 and G-4. This group concerns itself with the procurement of supplies for the organization and the establishment of an intelligence network throughout the British and American Zones. The leader of this group is SS Hauptsturmführer Klaus BARBIE.

Groups A, B and C have been in contact with each other at the top level and can be said to form one organization. On lower levels, however, the groups have been kept apart.

Group D - Group D is composed of Brandy personalities. Operation BRANDY concerns itself primarily with former members of the SS Brandenburg Division and the SKORZENY Jagdverbände. The Brandenburg Division trained personnel for high-grade intelligence work while the SKORZENY Jagdverbände were trained for action behind the enemy lines. The main activity of this organization consists at present in aiding some of its leading members to escape from American internment camps.

Group D is distinct and has no relation to groups A, B and C or to group E.

Group E - This group was essentially a British operation to investigate a suspected escape route from one of their CIC's. The operation revolves around the escape of SS Stubaf HEILINGER and the contacts he made until recaptured as well as the activity of these contacts.

Group E is distinct from groups A, B and C and group D.

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D-152-283 Operation SELECTION BOARD
383 CIC/2-1/GPS

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SUBJECT: Master Target List

TO: See Distribution

1. Reference is made to warning letter, this Headquarters, dated 9 February 1947, and to Supplementary Target List, this Headquarters, dated 23 February 1947, concerning Operation SELECTION BOARD.

2. Inclosed is a Master Target List for this operation. This list is still subject to change as new information is discovered or as new agreements are reached with British authorities, but such changes will be held to a minimum. It will also be noted that numerous changes have been [illegible] arrestees.

3. The following change has been made concerning the instructions set forth in the warning letter: Most personalities will be interrogated by MISC instead of being evacuated to the British Zone. All two and three star personalities will be sent to MISC for preliminary screening. Instructions will be issued on later concerning transportation of prisoners. Prisoners will be segregated, or, if this is not practical, will not be permitted to communicate with one another.

4. This Headquarters should be notified immediately of any targets who have connections with Military Government, German Government or the Denazification system. Such targets will be considered for differential treatment, downgrading of classification or other action as deemed appropriate.

5. Counter Intelligence Branch, G-2 Division, has instructed this Headquarters that the appropriate Regional Commander will acquaint the Military Government of the Länder concerned with the outline of the operation within 24 to 30 hours before H-hour.

6. Emphasis should be placed on the discovery of new targets for preliminary interrogation. For one week after H-hour new targets should be transmitted by teletype unless considerable reason exists to transmit

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the message by more secure means. Direct communication between regions is authorized. Regions V, VI and IX will be briefed by this Headquarters.

7. Reports of persons arrested will be forwarded by teletype between 0900 and 1700 Sunday 23 February 1947. Reports of preliminary interrogations and interrogations of one star categories will be forwarded as soon as practicable by courier.

8. The following paragraphs contain general information concerning the personalities listed. For convenience in interrogation, they have been divided into groups of persons more or less connected. Group "C" is connected with Group "B" only by contact between their leaders. Groups "B" and "E" are not connected with each other or with the other groups as far as is known.

9. The personalities formerly dealt with in Operation GOPHER can be divided into three groups centered around three personalities. These groups have been in contact with each other at the top level, and may be said to form one organization. However, on lower levels, the groups have to all appearances, been kept deliberately apart.

10. SS Brigadefuehrer [illegible] the supposed leader of Group "A", which had headquarters in the ROSENHEIM-BAD AIBLING area, with contacts to FRANKFURT, COLOGNE, MUNICH and HAMBURG.

11. Group "B" is guided by SS Oberfuehrer ELLERSIEK, Kurt, who maintains headquarters in DORTMUND and FULDA, with contacts to HAMBURG, KASSEL, MARBURG and MUNICH. Among the members of this group are quite a number of former members of the German Propaganda Ministry.

12. Groups "A" and "B" have become closely allied during the last three months, mainly due to the efforts of the principal informant and the arrest in November of SS Brigadefuehrer MUELLER, which left Group "A" without a potential leader.

13. The dominant figure in Group "C" is SS Hauptsturmfuehrer BARBIE, Klaus. The members of this group are people who have been connected in the past with one or more of the German Intelligence organizations, such as the Amts. III VI and VII, RHSA.

14. A number of the targets listed are marked "Notebook". This indicates a person whose name was found in the notebook of BARBIE when he was arrested briefly in HAMBURG in November. These persons should be interrogated for information concerning BARBIE, SCHAEFFER and WILKENING (see TMX, this Headquarters No. 1274, dated 22 November 1946 and cable SX-6577, dated 26 November 1946).

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15. The organization as a whole is best compared to an illegal right-wing party. Groups "A" and "B" are concentrating in an effort to have this party legalized. In connection with that, they have approached or tried to approach American and British officials in suitable positions and have, when given the chance, outlined their political program to them in an effort to "sell" it. They have also issued a manifesto in various propaganda pamphlets which they have cleverly placed in the hands of American and British officials. If Groups "A" and "B" can be compared to the G-3 part of the organization, Group "C" can best be protrayed as the G-2 and G-4. The group led by SS Hauptsturmfuehrer BARBIE has concentrated on the establishment of an intelligence network throughout the United States and British Zones, and possibly farther. This latter group takes care of the procurement of money, radio equipment, printing presses, etc. Centers of this group are in MARBURG, MUNICH and HAMBURG.

16. Group "D" is composed of BRANDY personalities. It is believed the Region concerned is already sufficiently briefed on the background of these persons. Target 18, Manfred HAAS and target 10, Edwin DWINGER have been eliminated since they are not believed to be of sufficient counter intelligence importance.

17. Group "E" constitutes the wind-up of Operation GLOBETROTTER. Operation GLOBETROTTER was a British Operation, originally set up with the purpose of investigating a suspected escape route of prisoners from British Civilian Internment Camp No. 6 (NEUENGAMME). Actually, the operation concerned only the escape of SS Sturmbannfuehrer Heinrich SPRINGER, former Adjutant of HIMMLER, the subsequent contacts of SPRINGER until recapture and the activities of these contacts. It has never been proved definitely that a well organized route existed; however, numerous persons have been located who gave aid and comfort to at least one escapee. SPRINGER's contacts include one HJ Gefolgschaftsfuehrer Werner STENDER, who was active in supply false D-2 forms apparently to all comers. STENDER is reported to be at large in the MUNICH area, although thorough search has failed to trace him. SPRINGER, after a thorough interrogation by British authorities, revealed a fairly large number of contacts who aided him.

18. For use other than during normal business hours, the following billet numbers are furnished: FRANKFURT 14633 or HOECHST 633 (Captain FRAZIER) and FRANKFURT 21337 (Mr. DREIFUSS).

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MASTER REPORT LIST — Operation SELECTION BOARD

1. ALVENSLEBEN-SCHOCKWITZ, Werner of Ludolf
III ** AIXEL BEHLMER, Friedrich
SS Gruppenführer — Whereabouts unknown

Former Adjutant to HIMMLER. Arrested by British authorities sometime in 1946 and escaped. Reported to have been in contact with SS BRIF MUELLER, Eberhardt (arrested). May be living in SWITZERLAND. Wife, Juliana, is presently living at PFRONTEN-WEISSBACH, Landkreis Fuessen, house number [illegible], c/o SPEISER. (Group A).

2. BARKHAUSEN, Curt Alias SCHNEIDER Alias MUELLER, Fritz
III ** Bersfelde bei KASSEL
Marburg, Barfuesslerstrasse 35 bei SCHMIDT
IV ** MUNICH, Imhofstrasse 10 bei HUBER

Probably SS USTUF with SD or Gestapo. Close associate of BARBIE. See No. 3. Member of Group B. Travels as courier between MUNICH and HAMBURG under the name of SCHNEIDER. In September 1946, took [illegible] between leaders of Group B and C in DORTMUND. (Group C).

3. BARBIE, Claus Alias BECKER, Claus Alias MERTENS, Heinz
III ** SS Sturbaf
MARBURG, Barfuesslerstrasse 35 bei SCHMIDT.

Reference report Sub-Region MARBURG, subject: BARBIE, Claus, dated 30 December 1946, teletype, this Headquarters, No. 1272, daily, 22 November 1946 and cable, this headquarters, No. [illegible], dated 26 November 1946. According to latest information, living at MARBURG, Barfuesslerstrasse 35 with BECKER, No. 5, under the name of SPEER. (Group C).

4. BECKER, Fridolin
III ** KASSEL, Augusta-Viktoriastrasse 7
Considered a center and leading personality of Group C. Exact connections unknown. (Group C).

5. BECKER, Alias SCHNEIDER
III ** KASSEL, Friedrichstrasse 7. Second address, MARBURG, Barfuesslerstrasse 35 c/o SCHMIDT. Former member of SS. BARBIE, alias BECKER, No. 3, has been using MARBURG residence of subject as his hideout. (Group C).

6. BERNDT, Ernst Alias BRANDHOFFER, Ernst
IV ** SS Hstuf
Agnesstrasse 6, MUNICH.

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Sub-Region Marburg
APO 807, U.S. Army

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20 February 1947

SUBJECT: Operation Selection Board

TO : All Special Agents, Sub-Region Marburg 970th CIC Detachment, APO 807, U.S. Army

MISSION: Appropriate action as indicated in basic letter, Headquarters 970th CIC Detachment, U.S. Forces European Theater, file D-152853, 383 CIC/5-3/ops.

TARGET DATE: 0200 hours, 23 February 1947

COMPLETION OF OPERATION: To be indicated by Headquarters, Region III, (Bad Nauheim).

1. Purpose of swoop operation is to apprehend certain persons who have been known to have had connections in the past with one SS Hauptsturmfuhrer BARBIE, Klaus. BARBIE was apprehended by this Sub-Region in August and escaped. He was later apprehended by the British authorities in Hamburg and once again managed to escape.

2. BARBIE, Klaus is known to bea dominant figure in a group of people (for purposes of this operation known as Group "C") who have in the past been connected with one or more of the German Intelligence organizations such as the Amts III, VI, and VII, RHSA.

3. Group "C" under BARBIE, Klaus is known to have connections with other groups, inthe American as well as the British Zones.

4. This Sub-Region has at present eight (8) targets which are divided in two star (++) and one star (+) categories. Four of our targets are of the two star (++) category and four of the one (+) category.

a. The two star (++) targets are personalities which are to be apprehended at the appointed hour, briefly interrogated as hereinafter described and held for evacuation to MISC, OBERURSEL for detailed questioning.

b. The one star (+) targets are to be interrogated as hereinafter described and held under town arrest until

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5. TARGETS: For purposes of Communicating by telephone or teletype during period of operation the following are target numbers assigned to personalities to be apprehended:

a. TARGET No. 7. BETTGE, Siegfried, SS Hauptsturmfuhrer. Dr. working at Poliklinik GIESSEN, residing at NORDECK, 80, Kreis MARBURG. Contact of KLING, Jean SS Ostubbof and of FREDRICKS, Helmut, SS Gruf. both members of Group B.
(++)

TARGET No. 24. HOFFMAN, Julius listed as living at Gutenbergstr 35, Hinterhaus, Bei familie MAI. A person named HOFFMAN (Fnu) believed to be above named personality was found in BARBIE's notebook when apprehended in HAMBURG. Although this person is listed as a one (+) star target, observance of his activities has indicated that he should be carefully interrogated. He is regarded by the local police authorities as a shady and suspicious character.
(++)

TARGET No. 32. LOS, Erika, presently located at Kreuzplatz 9, RUPPERTSBURG, Kreis GIESSEN. Subject has been interrogated frequently about her connection with BARBIE, whom she denounced. She has been threatened by BARBIE. She should be interrogated about her recent trip to ESSEN in the British Zone.
(+)

TARGET No. 40. RIEDESEL, Anneliese, listed as Castle near ALSFELD, Kreis ALSFELD. Interrogation should be directed towards her affiliations with Bishop OLDENBURG.
(++)

TARGET No. 42. ROTH, Max presentlyliving at Bruckenstrasse 423 KIRCHAIN kreis MARBURG is one of the persons that BARBIE planned to "eliminate".
(+)

TARGET No. 45. SCHILLING, Wilhelm is presently living at 13 Deutschhaus str. MARBURG, Kreis MARBURG. Subject was also on BARBIE's list to be eliminated. He should be courteously interrogated on Sunday 23 February 1947 at a reasonable hour.
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TARGET No. 57. ZINZI, Martin, Alias SCHIFFER,
(++) SS Sturmbahnfuhrer listed as CASTLE near ALSFELD, Kreis ALSFELD.

TARGET No. 67. PREISS, Fritz, Dr. is presently
(++) living at 8 Schucking str. bei HEINEMANN, MARBURG Stadt, Kreis MARBURG. British reports that he is in contact with leader of Group B. (KLLERSIEK). He is supposed to have furnished people with false discharge papers.

6. TEAMS:

Teams for apprehension are outlined below:

(a) TEAM No. 1. Agent in Charge Leslie E. DOAN
Special Agent Fred BIKL
Special Agent Xavier VASSEUR
Special Agent Reinhardt KIEFFER
Subject team will handle targets No. 40,57, both targets residing in same building. Prisoners will be brought to MARBURG.

(b) TEAM No. 2. Agent in Charge Rudolph SCHEIBER
Special Agent Ralph HIEB
Special Agent Warren E OSENBERG
Subject team will apprehend target No. 32 perform interrogation at GIESSEN Field Office. Notify Sub-Regional Headquarters by courier. Place target under town arrest!

(c) TEAM No. 3. Agent in Charge Thomas E EVANS
Special Agent Mario S DE PILLIS
Special Agent Herbert RUGE
Subject team will apprehend Target No. 7. Subject team will use two jeeps equipped with chains as reconnaissance indicated difficulty of terrain due to snow drifts.

(d) TEAM No. 4. Agent in Charge Vadja KOLOMBATOVIC
Special Agent Mostyn DAVIES
Special Agent Ray TILLMANT
Team will apprehend Target No. 67 in MARBURG, Kreis MARBURG

(e) TEAM No. 5. Agent in Charge Arthur D WHEELER
Special Agent Joseph BIRNEAUX
Special Agent Mike TRIPELS
Team will apprehend Target No. 24 in MARBURG, Kreis MARBURG

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(f) TEAM No. 6. Agent in Charge Charles A LINGO
Special Agent Guy D'HOEDT
Special Agent Mario DE PILLIS
Team will interview Target No. 42 at 0800 hours on Sunday 23 February 1947. No necessity for house search is required. He should be interviewed as to the possible reason why BARBIE desired to eliminate him.

(g) TEAM No. 7. Agent in Charge Vadja V KOLOKBATOVIC
Special Agent Thomas E EVANS
Special Agent Arthur D WHEELER
Team will interview Target No. 45 at 0800 hours on Sunday 23 February 1947. No necessity for house search is required. He should be interviewed courteously as possible concerning BARBIE.

7. ACTION

a. All targets will be hit simultaneously where possible.

b. One and two star targets will be interrogated immediately at target address with view of getting more targets.

c. While two star targets are being interrogated the search unit will conduct a thorough search of premises with following search targets as a guide:
(1) Documents, codes, letters, literature, pamphlets, identity documents, organicational insignias, photos, note-books.
(2) Weapons, demolition equipment, ammunition, etc.
(3) Radio transmitters
(4) All U.S. Government equipment and items, including scrip, large sums of German or foreign currency.

d. All items of evidence will be receipted for in triplicate, signed by agent and countersigned by prisoner. Small items to be sealed in envelopes Larger items to be labelled or tagged.

e. Upon completion of search, team with evidence and prisoner will proceed to collecting point which is Sub-Region MARBURG Headquarters.

f. Further interrogation will be done at Sub-Region Headquarters to disclose further targets

g. Should targets not be at home (one) agent will remain to await return of target. Such agent will be relieved at intervals.

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h. The Commanding Officer of Sub-Region [redacted] will arrange for guarding of prisoners until morning of 24 February 1947 when they are to be evacuated.

i. Regular Counter Intelligence arrests reports will be accomplished showing as reason for arrest "operational intelligence" No fingerprinting or photographing need be accomplished.

8. Interrogation: (a) Interrogation of targets will be performed to obtain a complete and detailed picture of subject's background

b. To obtain complete information on any and all targets that may have had at any time connection with BARBIE, Klaus or any of his associates. Interrogations showed he performed firmly but with no violence or unauthorized methods.

c. It is to be stressed that the purpose of this operation is to obtain information and leads on future targets

9. Special Agents TAMEZEWSKI and JOHNSTON are held as reserve agents for guards, telephone and teletype operators at Sub-Regional Headquarters

10. The Commanding Officer Sub-Region MARBURG is the coordinator of subject operation. He may be reached during all hours of operation at Marburg 2838 and 2104

Tel: Marburg 2838

R.J. LAVOIE
Special Agent, CIC
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SUBJECT: Supplementary Information

TO: See Distribution

1. Reference is made to previous letters, this Headquarters, concerning this operation, dated 9 February and 13 February 1947 (Regions V, VI and IX read 13 and 17 February).

2. This letter adds additional information and instructions, and confirms details previously set forth by teletype.

3. The following targets are added:

75. FUCHS, Frau Fnu
IV Schliersee, Telephone 305, Bei Frontier Police
** Contact of SLIM and WIEDEMANN (No. 55)
(Group A)

76. EBELING, Guenther, alias SLIM, alias [illegible], Guenther
??? Principal informant
*** Disappeared in HAMBURG 20 January 1947
(Group A)

4. All interrogations of Group A and Group B personalities should include questioning as to EBELING's whereabouts.

5. The following targets are downgraded to one star category.

12. FESTERMANN, Frau von

43. RUST, Else

54. WEIBL, Lilly

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6. Target 37 NONNENBRUCH, Dr., is reassigned two star category.

7. Target 13, FISCHER, Walter, has been eliminated from the list.

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8. The address Barfuesslerstrasse 55, MARBURG, will not be raided in order to protect a source of information. This does not imply any lack of interest in capturing any of the supposed inhabitants. Target 3, Claus BARBIE, is especially desired.

9. Target 40, RIEDESEL, Anneliese, is a two star target.

10. Arrest reports for persons obtained should read "Intelligence Interest" for reason for arrest. Under no circumstances will the phrase "Security Suspect" be used in any report.

11. Segregation of prisoners is to be emphasized so that maximum benefit may be obtained from interrogations. Prisoners should be blindfolded when in the presence of other prisoners of the same group.

12. Transportation for prisoners will be furnished by MISC from three collection points. These points will be MARBURG, STUTTGART and MUNICH. Sub Regions FRANKFURT and DARMSTADT of Region III will transfer prisoners directly to MISC. Guards, drivers and vehicles will arrive 22 February 1947 at the collecting points and will return the afternoon of 23 February 1947 or the following day as deemed practical by you. Regions should be prepared to quarter and feed these details. (Three (x) men at MARBURG and STUTTGART, six (6) men at MUNICH).

BY ORDER OF COLONEL INSKEEP:

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SUBJECT: Operation SELECTION BOARD

TO: Commanding Officer, CIC Region IX, APO 751, US Army
Commanding Officer, CIC Region V, APO 225, US Army
Commanding Officer, CIC Region VI, APO 139, US Army

1. This headquarters has been instructed to arrange, in connection with British authorities, a swoop operation in order to arrest and detain all persons connected with the SS subversive organization observed under the code names GOPHER and GLOBETROTTER and certain persons connected with Operation BRANDY who have definite SS connections.

2. Attached is a copy of the Master Target List for this operation. It will be noted that no targets are located within your regions. However, it is considered possible that some of the targets may suddenly move into your areas or that preliminary interrogation may reveal the location of new targets in your areas.

3. Targets have been classified as one star, two star or three star according to their importance. Each target has been assigned a number in order to make possible reference in telephonic and teletype messages.

4. 0200 hours, 23 February 1947, has been decided on as H-hour and D-day.

5. One star targets will be interrogated on the spot to determine their connections since this classification consists only of those persons whose names were contained in notebooks or whose exact status is unknown. Unless a connection can be made, or suspicious documents, list or other items are found, targets will be placed in town arrest and will not be evacuated. In those cases where suspicious activity is indicated, targets will be upgraded to two star.

6. Two star targets will be given a brief interrogation on the spot or as soon after arrest as practicable in order to determine new targets.

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7. No interrogation will be made of three star targets.

8. All prisoners will be evacuated to MISC for interrogation.

9. Communication by teletype or telephone is authorized within the limits of security. With the exception of those matters requiring the personal attention of Colonel INSKEEP or Colonel GARVEY, telephones 23303 (Captain FRAZIER) or 22937 (Mr. FULTZ or Mr. DREIFUSS) should be used. Teletype messages should be addressed "For the attention of Captain FRAZIER". Due to the distance between offices teletype conferences should be arranged in advance except in matters of urgency.

10. The following changes have been made since the publication of the inclosed letter:

No. 3 BARBIE, Claus
The address given here will not be raided.
Subject will be arrested if found elsewhere.
No. 12 ELSTERMANN, Frau von
Downgraded to one star
No. 13 FISCHER, Walter
[illegible]
No. 43 RUST, Else
Downgraded to one star
No. 54 WEIHL, Lilly
Downgraded to one star

11. The following additional target has been assigned:

75. FUCHS, Frau Fmu
IV SCHLIERSEE, Telephone 305
** Bei Frontier Police
Contact between WIEDEMANN (No. 55) and SLIM

12. It is anticipated that British authorities will contact Region IX in connection with this operation if they have not already done so. It has been agreed by this headquarters and Intelligence Division OCG (US) that any requests for necessary action would be passed on direct to Region IX by British liaison. Prisoners will be turned over to British authorities for their disposition.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL INSKEEP:

Dale M. Garvey

DALE M. GARVEY
Lt. Col., Infantry
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Master Target List, Operation SELECTION BOARD, dtd 13 Feb 47, with 1 Incl (in dup)

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UNITED STATES FORCES, EUROPEAN THEATER
REGION III - (BAD-NAUHEIM)

SUB-REGION MARBURG
APO 757 17 February 19 47

III-3796
III-M-598

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SUBJECT: Operation Selection Board

TO: Commanding Officer, 970th CIC Detachment, CIC Region III, APO 807, U.S. Army

1. Reference is hereby made to letter Headquarters USFET dated 9 February 1947 as amended by letter Headquarters USFET dated 13 February 1947, D-152583, subject as above.

2. Report is hereby made of reconnaissances performed by this Sub-Region of targets indicated in Subject operation.

Target No. 2. Reconnaissance revealed on target no. 2 that there is no person listed by the name of BARKHAUSEN, Kurt, alias SCHNEIDER, Alias MUELLER, Fritz living at 35 Barfussstrasse bie Schmidt. Target is possibly negative. No

Target No. 3. [illegible], Claus, alias BECKER, Claus alias MERTENS, Heinz, SS Sturmfuhrer is not listed as living at 35 Barfussstrasse bie Schmidt. Target is negative. yes

Target No. 7. BETTGE, Siegfried SS Hauptsturmfuhrer is not presently at Pellink GIESSEN. A person named BOETTGE, Edmund is presently living Nordecke 1, Kreis MARBURG. He is possibly the man in question. yes

Target No. 24. HOFFMAN, Fnu, August, Minergassel, MARBURG Stadt. A person under the name of HOFFMAN?, Julia born November 19, 1904 was formerly living at Augustiner Str. 1, and presently living at Guttenberg Str 1, MARBURG Stadt, is possibly the target in question. yes

Target No. 32. LOSS, Erika listed as MARBURG Stadt is presently located at Kreuzplatz 9, Ruppetsburg Kreis GIESSEN. Target is positive. yes

Target No. 40 [illegible], Anneliese, listed as Castle near ALSFELD is presently located as listed. Target is positive. yes

Target No. 42. ROTH, Max listed as Kirchheim Kreis MARBURG is presently located at Brukenstate 423 Kirchain Kreis MARBURG. Target is positive. yes

Target No. 45. SCHILLING, Dr. listed as Ohrenkilink MARBURG is presently living at 13 Deutsch haus Str. MARBURG. Target is positive. yes

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Target No. 37. KIESE, Martin, alias [illegible] SS Sturmbahnfuhrer listed at CASTLE near ALSFELD is presently residing as listed. Target is positive.

Target No. 67. PRIESS, Dr. Fritz, born February 20, 1912 is presently living at 8 Schmiding Str. bei KRINGHAUSEN. Target is positive.

Target No. 69. Riedesel, Baron presently listed at CASTLE near ALSFELD. Husband of target 40. KIRCHNER, Anneliese is repeatedly not married. This target appears to be negative.

3. With the exception of Dr. SCHILLING, Target No. 45 who is presently Vertretender der Sprechstunner in Stadt MARBURG none of the targets are in any administrative position for NSDAP. None of the targets are leading officials of any political party or belong to any organization whose arrest would be embarrasing to United States Agencies. In additionto targets listed in warning letter it is requested that the below listed names be added to the target list:

FRIEDRICH, Fnu about 25 to 35 years old, blond hair, blue grey eyes, height 168 m (5'6") weight 110 lbs, thin build presently presiding at Kllinghausen (L52/B80) Kreis WALDECK.

VON MUHLHAULEN, Fnu possibly an alias (Fnu) no discription avialable. Presently located at Kllringhausen (L52/B80) Kreis WALDECK living with a Herr WELLE, a farmer.

WELLE, Fnu 55 to 60 years old, thick set and stocky build. He is the owner of the farm at Kllringhausen (L52/B80) Kreis WALDECK.

4. [illegible] telephone communication with BAERI, Claus.

5. Personnel: In order to comply with letter of instructions dated 13 February 1947 which indicates that three agents will be assigned for each target it is requested that ten qualified German linguistsbe assigned this sub-Region for duration of operation.

6. Although the three names which are requested be added to this list are located in Kreis WALDECK Sub-Region KASSEL, request is hereby made that these targets be assigned to Sub-Region MARBURG as agents in Kreis MARBURG are familiar with this target.

7. Progress reports of any development or change of address of target will be made immediately upon receipt of such information.

Tel: Marburg 2838

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE

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SUBJECT: SS Activities

Re: Operation SELECTION BOARD

1. Pursuant to request of letter Headquarters, 970 Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment, United States Forces European Theater, APO 757, U S Army, dtd 9 February 1947, File D-152583, Operation "Selection Board", 383 CIC/S-3/OPS, Subject: Warning Letter, the following information is herewith submitted.

2. Through discreet investigation and check of all available files, these Agents were able to obtain a limited amount of data concerning these individuals mentioned in above Operation who reside in this area.

a. BECKER, Hans
Born 15 April 1904 in KASSEL
Resides at Friedrichstrasse 7, Kassel
Occupation: Handelsvertreter
[illegible]
Lives with BREDE, Maria nee PECENA at Friedrichstrasse 7
Kennkarte #195751

b. BECKER, Martha
Born 28 November 1898 in Bad Sachsa im Harz
Resides at Auguste Viktoriastrasse 7, Kassel
Occupation: None
No information concerning political history known
Kennkarte #102290

c. SCHMELZ, Karl
Born 14 February 1906 in KASSEL
Resides at Kaiserstrasse 76, Kassel
Occupation: Upholsterer
NSDAP 1931, SA 1932 Obertruppfuehrer, DAF 1935 Ortsverteiler fuer Moebel, NSV 1943-1945
Kennkarte #129675

d. BECKER, Fridolin
Born 21 July 1896 in KASSEL
Resides at Augusta Viktoriastrasse 7, Kassel
NSDAP 1 May 1937, SA Sturmbannfuehrer as of July 1944, DAF Betriebsobmann, Former employee of Oberfinanzpraesidium, Kassel.
Kennkarte # 135632

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e. BECKER, Karola
Born 26 June 1926 in KASSEL
Resides at Augusta Viktoriastrasse 7, Kassel
BDM 1943-1944 Schaftführerin. Employee of Oberfinanzpräsidium during 1944. Is present secretary for Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals.
Kennkarte #[illegible]

f. BECKER, Maria nee FECHER
Born 28 November 1900 in HEINRICHSOHN/Thuringia
Resides at Friedrichstrasse 7, Kassel
Vhi employee, NSF 1933 to 1943, 1937-1942 employee of City Administration Kassel
Kennkarte #[illegible]

g. BRINS, Gunther
Born 9 September 1925 in KASSEL
Resides at Rotenburgerstrasse 24, Kassel
1941-1943 Jungvolk or HJ Kameradschaftsführer, 1943-1945 SS Kraftfahr Abteilung 2 (last known rank in SS was Sturmann).
Last known occupation was that of employee at Oberpraesidium in Kassel.
Kennkarte #[illegible]

h. BINKEL, Erica nee SCHMITZ
Born 14 December 1917 in HAMM/WESTPHALIA
Resides at Mauerstrasse 6, Kassel
Occupation: Housewife
Kennkarte #[illegible]

i. STINGLITZ, Hans
Born approximately 1883 in OBERVORSCHUTZ
Resides at Frankfurterstrasse 129, Kassel
Occupation: Tailor

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j. GERHARD Drogerie
No Apothecary or drug store by this name can be located on or in the vicinity of Hohenzollernstrasse, Kassel. According to available files, no such apothecary is listed in Kassel.

1. Investigation further disclosed that BECKER, Hans, former SS Obersturmführer had been arrested, interned, and is now released. This is the same case as that of BECKER, Friedlin, who was an SS Sturmbannführer and who has also been released from internment.

In the case of STINGLITZ, Hans, Frankfurterstrasse 129, a previous case had been investigated. A STINGLITZ, Fan, was listed on the named operation and is probably identical to STINGLITZ, Hans, or is the son of HANS whose name is KAM, and who is allegedly missing. No other information concerning STINGLITZ was available.

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3. All possible sources of information were utilized by these Agents to obtain the data presented in this report. However, in the limited amount of time given to obtain this information, these Agents were unable to ascertain the present political affiliations of forementioned persons. Data pertaining to political affiliations other than the NSDAP and its affiliates does not appear on any available record. As far as determinable, none of the listed persons are employed by Military Government.

The evaluation of this report is B-2.

Milton J. Hartoch
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Special Agent CIC

William H. Eitner
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UNITED STATES FORCES, EUROPEAN THEATER

D-152583, Operation SELECTION BOARD
383 CIC/S-3/OPS

APO 757
13 February 1947

SUBJECT: Warning Letter - Additional Preliminary Target List

TO: CO, CIC Region I, APO 154, US Army
CO, CIC Region III, APO 757, US Army
CO, CIC Region IV, APO 407A, US Army

1. Reference is made to letter, this Headquarters, dated 9 February 1947, file and subject as above.

2. It is requested that you add the attached names to your Preliminary Target List.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL INSKEEP:

Dale M. Garvey
DALE M. GARVEY
Lt. Col., Infantry
S-3

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Additions to Preliminary
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Mr. Dreifuss/mfh/Telephone 22937

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ADDITIONS TO PRELIMINARY TARGET LIST - Operation SELECTION BOARD

58. BREDE, Frau, fnu
III. KASSEL, Friedrichstr. 7.
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59. ELLERSIEK, Kurt Alias EHLERS, Konrad, Dr. SS OF.
III. FULDA, Rhabanustr. 32 c/o JOST or
*** FULDA, Frankfurter Str. 80 c/o KATISCHEFF, Vera C-28

60. GEBHARD, Drugstore
III. KASSEL, Hohenzollern Str.
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61. GROB, Heinz, and/or his wife
IV. Ludendorf Chalet, GARMISCH
**

62. KREFB, Eugen
I. STUTTGART Im Alten Park 4
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~~63. LANG, Josef — woodcarver~~
IV. OBERAMMERGAU. Acted the part of Jesus in the Passion Play.
**

64. MALETZKI, fnu
IV. MUNICH
**

65. MITTERBEGGER, fnu
IV. BRUCKMUEHL. Garage owner.
**

66. MOSSMAN, fnu
IV. MUNICH
**

67. PRIESS, Dr. fnu
III. Home for the Blind, MARBURG
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68. REITMEYER, hubi
IV. MUNICH, Bismarkstr. 37
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69. RIEDESEL, Baron, husband of No. 40
III. See No. 40 for address.
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III. Ex-Legationsrat with French Intelligence, NURTTEMBERG
** Owns a soap factory.

71. TODENHOEFFER, fnu
I. STUTTGART, Hohenwielstr. 4 or 48.
** Resides with his in-laws.

72. VERS, Martin, SS OSTUF
IV. TEGERNSEE
**

73. WENZEL, Otto alias WENZEL, Peter, SS HSTUF
IV. MUNICH SUBURB
**

74. Blind Poet Nobleman, name unknown
I. BRUCHSAL
**

According to latest information, No. 3, BARBIE, Claus, is living at Barfusstrasse 35 bei SCHMIDT, MARBURG, under the name of SPEER.

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Unknown man arrived in NEUHAUS last night from HAMBURG. He met the wife of long legs there and she told him she would return to MUNICH some time today. Up to this point she has not returned. Two pals of long legs left last week, approximately the 12th of February. They are reportedly looking for a new place of residence. They told their families they would return this coming Thursday. They are reported to be extremely nervous and worried.

Phoned in by Mr. STEINER from Region IV

Tell him to have the copy of our preliminary list on hand in order to facilitate references. The person who is to be left off is over the 3 on that list. The other people are over the 2 [illegible] 4 and the [illegible]

TARGET [illegible] ARRESTD BY [illegible]

COVER ADDRESS OF TARGET NR THREE FOR MAIL PURPOSE

[illegible] MARBURG CMA WILDELMSTR FIFTEEN CMA

[illegible] CMA [illegible] YOU [illegible] DISCREETLY CHECK THIS

TO SEE WHAT YOU CAN FIND PD

[illegible] IS NOT [illegible] MOMENT PLS

[illegible] DO [illegible] DO ANYTHING [illegible] PLS KKKK

YES PD WE ARE STILL NOT ALLOWED TO DO ANYTHING OVERTLY ABOUT [illegible]

NR THREE PD

TAGET NR [illegible] EIGHTY ONE HAS V ANN AT [illegible] PHONE [illegible]

FOURTEEN RPT NR FOURTEEN PD SEE WHAT PERSON LIVES THERE IF POSSIBLE [illegible]

[illegible] ON THAT PD KKKK

[illegible] IS SPEAKING PLEASE KKK

THIS IS [illegible]

[illegible] THIS AFTERNOON [illegible] KKK

HERE IS SBME MORE COLOM WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOE ABOUT THE

ADRESS COLON FULDA FRANKFURTERSTR EIGHTY PD IS THIS A [illegible]

OR A REGULAR PLACE OF RESIDENCE OF TARGET NR TWENTY EIGHT PD

[illegible] KEEP A SRONG SURVEILLANCE ON PLACE IN MARBURG WITH

OVERTYPED IMI PLS KKKK

LAST WORD READABLE IN IS M A R B U R G KKKKK

WITH STREET NR THIRTY FIVE PD WHO LIVES THERE AT PRESENT ETC PD

DO YOU KNOW THE PLACE I AM REFERRING TO QUERY

LIKE THE BACK OF MY HAND ISSAT ALL [illegible]

THAT IS ALL FOR THE MOMENT UNLESS YOU HAVE SOMETHING NEW FOR ME PD

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REFERENCE IS MADE TO SUGAR BAKER PD HERE ARE THE FINAL RESULTS FROM

REGION THREE :

TARGET NUMBER	STATUS
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20	TOWN ARREST
21	ARRESTED
[illegible]	NOT LOCATED
24	NOT LOCATED
28	ARRESTED
32	TOWN ARREST
38	[illegible]
40	ARRESTED
41	ARRESTED
48	INTERVIEWED
45	INTERVIEWED
47	ARRESTED
52	ARRESTED
56	ARRESTED
57 AND WIFE	ARRESTED
58	TOWN ARREST
59	ARRESTED
60	NOT LOCATED
67	ARRESTED
69	NOT LOCATED

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SUB-REGION MARBURG
APO 757

X-105-48

24 February 47

III-3796
III-M-598

SUBJECT: Operation Selection Board Cross Reference Report

Case Classification: Subversion, Political

1. Reason for investigation: Reference is hereby made to letter Headquarters USFET dated 9 February 1947 as amended by letter Headquarters USFET dated 11 February 1947, file D-152561 subject as above.

2. Synopsis of previous investigation: No previous investigation has been performed.

3. Synopsis of present investigation:

a. In accordance with instructions contained in subject operation this office was assigned eight (8) targets, four (4) of which were of the two (2) star category and four (4) of which were in the one (1) star category. On H hour, 4 of the targets (two star) were apprehended and 2 (one star) were interrogated. [illegible] due to their sensitive nature, were not interrogated at H hour but were interviewed that morning at 0800 hours.

b. The following were the targets assigned this office:

Target No. 7. [illegible], Siegfried
Target No.24. [illegible], Julius
Target No.32. [illegible]
Target No.40. [illegible], Wilhelm
Target No.42. [illegible], Max
Target No.45. [illegible], Wilhelm
Target No.57. [illegible], Martin
Target No.67. [illegible], Fritz Dr.

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c. Find attached individual [illegible] covering each separate target.

d. In addition to targets listed above [illegible] were either apprehended, interrogated or interviewed [illegible] a CIC special target [illegible], Charlotte alias [illegible], Christian alias [illegible] (Target No.57) [illegible] apprehended after clearance had been obtained from Regional Headquarters

e. Address 39 Barfüsserstrasse, [illegible] (151/074) which embraced targets 2,3, and 5 was not raided.

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4. Undeveloped leads: See attached MOICs for lists of personalities and addresses.

5. Agent's comments and conclusions: None

6. Recommendations:

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a. It is strongly recommended that 35 Barfuesserstrasse MARBURG (L51/G74) be kept under surveillance so that the activities of BARBIE, Klaus and associates which have not been apprehended be ascertained.

b. Another prospective target, farm in Ellringhausen (L52/B80) Kreis [illegible] belonging to one [illegible] (Fnu) and which is believed to be a contact point for BARBIE, should also be surveilled for possible future action.

Tel: Marburg 2838

R.J. LAVOIE
Special Agent CIC
Commanding

9 Incls: No. 1 MOIC dtd 23 Feb 47
(DIEDERICHSEN, Christian)
No. 2 MOIC dtd 23 Feb 47
([illegible], Fritz, Dr.)
No. 3 MOIC dtd 23 Feb 47
(HOFFMANN, Julius)
No. 4 MOIC dtd 23 Feb 47
(ROTH, Max)
No. 5 MOIC dtd 24 Feb 47
(DIEDERICHSEN, Charlotte)
No. 6 MOIC dtd 24 Feb 47
(BAUGE, Siegfried)
No. 7 MOIC dtd 24 Feb 47
([illegible], Angelica)
No. 8 MOIC dtd 23 Feb 47
(LOSS, Erika)
No. 9 MOIC dtd 24 Feb 47
([illegible] Wilhelm)

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HQ 66TH CIC DET. 14 JULY 1950

MEMORANDUM TO THE [illegible]

SUBJECT: Brief on Operation SELECTION BOARD

1. Reference is made to the inclosed statistical analysis of Operation SELECTION BOARD.

2. It should be emphasized that the large number of persons not yet broken is to be expected at this time. Until now interrogators have been busy obtaining material for Preliminary Interrogation Reports, sizing up prisoners and deciding on methods of interrogation.

3. Interrogation to date has obtained leads on one old target not arrested and on seven new targets. In addition, certain details of connections between several of the present prisoners have been discovered. This should lead to the breaking of some of these prisoners not now giving information.

4. While it is yet too early to give a forecast of the results of these interrogations, it is believed that the personalities will fall into four groups.

a. Those originally connected with SLIN and [illegible] in the ROSENHEIM area. Little of intelligence interest is expected, but prisoners may be of value in breaking others.

b. Those connected with ELLERSIEK and his political group. Again, little intelligence interest is expected from the political personalities themselves, but their contacts with more active personalities will be of considerable interest.

c. Those followers of BARBIE. BARBIE (not yet arrested) still has a large number of contacts at large who are believed to be active in procurement of false papers, in sheltering of fugitives and in giving aid to politically active persons who have ideas similar to ELLERSIEK. This group should provide the most information of value. British authorities are known to have considerable information available on this group. This information has been requested and should aid materially in the interrogation.

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4. MAYFLY. Interrogations of these personalities, connected with Bacteriological Warfare, has been limited to brief preliminary's since little material is available to brief interrogators. Early transfer of these prisoners to British authorities is contemplated.

ROBERT L. FRAZIER
Captain, Field Artillery

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APO 154
20 March 1947

File No. USFET-D-95246

SUBJECT: Operation FLOWERBOX. Cross Reference Previous Reports - Subject: FLOWERBOX dtd: LCIC, 6 March 47; LCIC, 7 March 47; Summary Report dtd 20 Feb 47, and 20 Dec 46; letter dtd 3 Jan 47.

Case Classification: Subversion, Political.

1. Reason for investigation: Reference is made to previous reports on Subject. (see cross references listed).

2. Synopsis of Previous investigation: a. Penetration of various German underground groups widely scattered over the US and British Zones of Germany has been the object of the principal informant. Only one contact with the Russian Zone [redacted] as been made. A cross check on the informant was accidentally developed by Sub Region Goeppingen; use of this check has indicated that the principal informant has been cooperating rather well and has not been using his position to hood-wink CIC. S-L

[redacted] b. The principal informant contacted [redacted] and AUGSBURG, Emil, approximately the middle of February 1947. A report on conditions within the Russian Zone was obtained from [redacted] and has since been forwarded to 970th CIC Detachment. [redacted] a new personality who seemed to have a dominating posi[redacted] the others, was introduced. [redacted] again refused to fuse their groups with the one supposedly represented by the principal informant; and [redacted] reiterated his claim of having made contact with British elements which would support him. As usual, he refused to elaborate or give evidence to support this statement. (See LCIC, subject as above, dtd 8 March 1947.)

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3. Synopsis of Present Investigation: [redacted] was established by X-3-I Sp Sqd with Target 73 of Operation SELECTION BOARD in connection with underground groups supposedly existing in HAMBURG (L54/G5[illegible]) and MARBURG (L51/G74). Further meetings between X-3-I Sp Sqd and Target 73 resulted in contact with two personalities named [redacted] and [redacted]. S-L

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b. NAUMANN now resides in MARBURG (L51/G74). There are hints that he was formerly chief of the SD in LEIPZIG (N52/E21). BECKER claimed contact with a group in KASSELL (L52/C20). 8-3

c. BECKER later visited X-3-I Sp Sqd and revealed his true identity as that of Target 3, Operation SELECTION BOARD. He claimed contact with other personalities carried on the SELECTION BOARD target list. (See Incl 1). 8-2

d. After the execution of Operation SELECTION BOARD Target 3 again contacted X-3-I-Sp Sqd and indicated his desire to move to the area of SCHORNDORF (L49/E32). 8-2

e. At the same time, X-3-I Sp Sqd has learned of the possible existence of a Russian agent or courier center in [redacted] This information is very difficult to evaluate as yet. No connection exists between it and the personalities mentioned above, but it is reported at this time because of points which will be covered in the following sections of this report. 8-4

4. Undeveloped Leads:

a. Little is known of NAUMANN and his connections with the GOETTINGER University. (See par 3 a, b, and Incl 1 above).

b. Baron von [illegible] has been reported on by Sub-Region [illegible] (see Incl 4) and mentioned by BARBIE but little other than background is known at present.

c. The supposed Russian net in existence in [redacted]) has only recently come to the attention of the undersigned and has not been investigated as yet. This phase of the Operation deserves quite a bit of attention in the future.

5. Agent's Comments and Conclusions:

a. [illegible] result of SELECTION BOARD Target 73 has become dependent on X-3-I Sp Sqd for funds and a new cover address in BAVARIA. [illegible]

b. His (Target 73) contacts, some of which were on the target list for Operation SELECTION BOARD, indicate that he is an active organizer. He has also indicated that he had contact with a former Sturmbannfuehrer of the SS Hauptamt who was liaison officer to the Ukrainian Groups who, at one time at least, had contact with [illegible]. A detailed report on these points is impossible at the moment, but during the course of the coming week (24-29 March 1947) it is expected that more information will become ava[illegible]

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c. BARBIE (Target 3 of SB) may well be a good source of information on personalities connected with SELECTION BOARD who have not yet been apprehended. The same pertains to Baron von MENZINGEN. In addition, due to his background and experience with the GIS, it is very possible that BARBIE might be useful in penetrating the supposed Russian center in [redacted] mentioned in paragraphs 3-e and 4-c above. He has indicated to X-3-I Sp Sqd that he (BARBIE) would not be unwilling to collaborate with X-3-I Sp Sqd in such a venture. BARBIE has also mentioned that von MENZINGEN would be willing to connect himself with a movement of anti-Russian nature.

6. Recommendations:

a. It is recommended that 970th CIC Detachment, Headquarters, check its file for any available information on NAUMANN (see par 4-a above) and that same be forwarded to CIC Region I. A check with CIC Region III might also be of value. It is further suggested that an attempt be made to determine the state of penetration of GOETTINGER University by NAUMANN's group.

b. It is recommended that any background information on von MENZINGEN available to 970th CIC Detachment, Headquarters, be forwarded to this office and that further surveillance be maintained on Subject, both through Sub-Region KARLSRUHE and sources available to X-3-I Sp Sqd.

c. It is recommended that BARBIE not be interned as yet, but that he be used in an attempt to penetrate the supposed Russian-inspired group at [redacted] It is at present believed that a tight enough control over him can be maintained so that his arrest could easily be effected should such action become desirable. Using him for the purpose outlined here would be an excuse to keep him under surveillance.

d. It is recommended that no action be taken against WENZEL (Target 73) as yet until 970th CIC Detachment, Headquarters, has had an opportunity to study the forthcoming report which outlines the use made of him in an attempt made to locate BANDERA.

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APO 154

20 March 1947

SUBJECT: Operation FLOWERBOX

TO : Commanding Officer, 970th CIC Detachment, Headquarters, European Command, APO 757, US Army

1. Your attention is invited to the attached SRI re subject operation.

2. Due to the connections with Operation SELECTION BOARD evidenced by the attached SRI, it is suggested that this report also be brought to the attention of Captain FRAZIER and Mr. DREIFUSS.

3. Your attention is invited to the fact that the principal informant, WALTER, will hereafter be referred to as X-3-I-SP SQD.

4. It is requested that your headquarters furnish this office with all available information on BARBIE, WENZEL, and von MENZINGEN (characters discussed in the attached report).

5. Attention is invited to Paragraph 5-c, attached SRI. If there are any personalities of Operation SELECTION BOARD who were not apprehended and on whom your headquarters desires information, it is suggested that a list of the same with background information be sent to this office.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

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APO 154

20 March 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Operation FLOWERBOX

RE : Progress Report

1. REASON FOR AND OUTLINE OF INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITY:

Reference is made to TOP SECRET Summary of Information 20 February 1947, paragraph 3-c, and attached inclosure 1 of attached SRI.

2. RESULTS OF INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITY:

a. The swoop Operation SELECTION BOARD was completed on 23 February 1947. BECKER, Fridolin was listed as having been apprehended in KASSEL (L52/C20). Since BARBIE used the alias BECKER, Fridolin, it was assumed that he had been apprehended. X-3-I SP SQD who was surprised by the swoop operation, was informed to be on the lookout for a possible return of BARBIE. (B-2)

b. BARBIE had promised X-3-I SP SQD to pay a return visit on 4 March 1947. BARBIE kept this appointment and arrived on 4 March 1947. He stated that he had been in KASSEL (L52/C20), Augusta Victoria Strasse 7 when the raid took place but was able to slip into the bathroom and later into a waste dump escaping detection. After the raid he reentered his room and slept the rest of the night. The man arrested was also named BECKER, SA Sturmbannfuehrer, who had some contact with the ELLERSICK group, but he is not the real BARBIE. BARBIE had used the name of BECKER so that he could at times use the room of the real BECKER. (B-2)

c. He commented on the swoop operation as being of no great consequence; that actually no real underground existed but that the action undertaken to apprehend known personalities was dictated by British politics and not because of threatened action by a subversive group. (B-3)

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d. It is of special interest to note that BARBIE and WENZEL, Peter, were contacted by X-3-I SP SQD after the swoop operation. WENZEL who was not at his MUNICH residence but in vicinity of BAD WOEHRISHOFEN, BAVARIA (M49/Y13), exact address is unknown, was notified via telegram by his mother in MUNICH that a raid had taken place and that he was not to return. He is at present in this small Bavarian settlement and can be contacted whenever deemed necessary. (B-2)

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e. BARBIE is now leery of returning to KASSEL (L52/C20) and is spending his time between BRUCHSAL (L50/B65) and SCHOENDORF (L69/B32). Since he has no real residence he has requested X-3-I SP SQD to arrange for his being properly registered by the German police so that he can draw ration cards. This agent will accomplish the proper registering of BARBIE so as to be able to keep tab on his whereabouts. He is using the name of SPIER, Claus. (B-3)

f. It is the intention to use BARBIE in penetrating what appears to be a Russian agent or courier center i[redacted] (A) [redacted]. (For information on this Center see MOIC, Inclosure 3, attached) BARBIE has expressed his willingness to undertake this task. It is felt that the use of BARBIE would serve a two-fold purpose; keep him under surveillance and utilize a man of some experience to penetrate this center. He has become relatively dependent upon X-3-I SP SQD for funds and ration cards. It is believed that a tight control over him can be maintained. (B-3)

g. WENZEL appears to have a contact that leads to BANDERA. He has indicated that he had contact with a former SS Sturmbannfuehrer of the SS HAUPTAMT, who was a liaison man to the Ukrainian groups. It is felt that he should be exploited in this direction and also to bring within the scope of this Operation his contacts with subversive groups in Bavaria. (B-3)

3. AGENT'S NOTES, COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

a. It is recommended that BARBIE not be apprehended but that this Headquarters be allowed to exploit him with the aim of getting more complete information on that portion of the organization driven underground by Operation SELECTION BOARD. To utilize him for the penetrating of a possible Russian inspired courier center in [redacted]

b. It is recommended that WENZEL not be apprehended. His contacts, some of which were on the target list of SELECTION BOARD indicate that he is an active organizer. He has become dependent upon X-3-I SP SQD for funds and a new hide-out in Bavaria making it relatively certain that he is under the control of this Operation. It is intended that his acquaintance with a former SS Sturmbannfuehrer who appears to be in contact with BANDERA be fully exploited.

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Special Agent CIC

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APO 154

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20 March 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Operation FLOWERBOX

RE : Investigation of Supposed Russian Courier Center

1. REASON FOR AND OUTLINE OF INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITY:

This investigation was undertaken to clarify vague reports that a SED or Russian courier center existed in [redacted] (B-3)

2. RESULTS OF INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITY:

a. X-3-I SP SQD has brought to the attention of this agent what appears to be a meeting spot for personalities connected with subversive activities. The center of activity is in [redacted] It has been observed that a Herr PETERSON of that town has been transporting unknown personalities in and out of his residence in the early morning hours. He is a known Communist and active in communistic affairs. (B-3)

b. It has been observed that the personalities in contact with PETERSON do not appear to be Germans and that his activities in the early morning hours is suspect. It is believed that every four weeks a courier arrives from BERLIN with large sums of allied marks and printed matter; that upon the arrival of this individual a noticeable increase in the activities of Herr PETERSON is apparent. (B-3)

3. AGENT'S NOTES, COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

a. The information on what may be a meeting point for Russian inspired couriers is very sketchy. This agent does not have sufficient basis for making a positive statement. However, the principal informant feels strongly that PETERSON is the focal point of a Russian courier center and should be investigated.

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b. It is suggested that BARBIE be used to penetrate this center. It is felt that he (BARBIE) can be of use to the Operation in this matter and has stated his willingness to do so. This will also result in a reasonably tight control being maintained over BARBIE in the event higher headquarters desires his apprehension.

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20 March 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Operation FLOWERBOX

RE : Progress Report

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1. REASON FOR AND OUTLINE OF INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITY: Reference is made to TOP SECRET Summary of Information this Headquarters dated 20 February 1947, Paragraph 3-f.

2. RESULTS OF INVESTIGATIVE ACTIVITY: Informant WALTER, hereinafter designated as X-3-I Sp Sqd, in his efforts to penetrate an underground organization in HAMBURG (L54/S55) was placed in contact with a group with its center in MARBURG (L51/G74). The first information that such a group existed came from [redacted] of HAMBURG. (Listed in report 20 December 1946 - [redacted] died in February 1947 of a heart attack in a cafe in HAMBURG) X-3-I Sp Sqd was informed that a WENZEL, Peter, former SS Obersturmführer, residing at Boettengerstrasse 7, near Dachaustrasse, MUNICH (M49/Y85) was a contact man with this group. B-2

b. WENZEL was first contacted by X-3-I Sp Sqd on 3 January 1947. It was not possible to establish his identity beyond information received from [redacted]. He was reticent to mention the names of personalities in the MARBURG group but agreed to pay a visit to X-3-I Sp Sqd in SCHORNDORF (L49/S32). Upon his visit to SCHORNDORF it was agreed that X-3-I Sp Sqd be brought into contact with the leading members of this group in MUNICH during the second week of February. B-2

c. This meeting took place on the 13 February 1947 in the home of WENZEL. X-3-I Sp Sqd accompanied by AUGSBURG, Dr. Emil were introduced to a BECKER and a MAUMANN. BECKER claimed to be in contact with a group in KASSEL (L52/C20) and MAUMANN with a group in MARBURG (L51/G74). The real identity of these two personalities was not revealed; however, it was hinted that MAUMANN was the former SD chief of LEIPZIG (N52/E21) and that both of the groups mentioned were part of a larger organization in the British Zone. Further organizational plans or information regarding personalities were not divulged. B-2

d. On 20 February 1947, BECKER visited X-3-I Sp Sqd in SCHORNDORF. He appeared to be impressed with the ability of X-3-I Sp Sqd and willing to reveal more information about himself and his contacts. He stated that his real name was BARBIE, alias BECKER, Fridolin and SPIER, Klaus; that he was in the SS ABWEHR in LYON, France, and is at present wanted by the British. He claimed that he had recently

been arrested in MARBURG but jumped out of the CIC jeep and escaped. He can be reached in KASSEL at August Victoriastrasse No. 7 under the name of BECKER, Fridolin; in BRUCHSAL (L50/R65) with Baron MENZINGEN, Telephone No. 15. (Note: Real name BARBIE used in remainder of this report.) He claimed to be in loose contact with a man named SCHAEFFER, purportedly former adjutant to DeGRELLE; WILKENING; and one ELLERSICK, all located in the British Zone. X-3-I Sp Sqd was unable to get more complete information as to the size, location, and intentions of this group. B-2

e. He further stated that the MARBURG group was being led by NAUMANN, fnu, former SD Chief of LEIPZIG; that he (BARBIE) was in close contact with NAUMANN but could not give his first name or actual address in MARBURG. NAUMANN and his group were supposed to be fairly active in having placed most of its members in the GOETTINGER University where they had taken up contact with some extremely nationalistic professors. B-2

f. BARBIE agreed to return to SCHORNDORF for another visit with X-3-I Sp Sqd on 4 March 1947. He was in need of a notice of employment (Arbeitsausweiss) which was promised to him upon his return. B-2

g. The above information was received by this agent too late to have any effect in the execution of Operation SELECTION BOARD.

3. AGENT's NOTES, COMMENTS, AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

a. It is recommended that, since BARBIE is a high priority on the target list of SELECTION BOARD, his possible return to visit X-3-I Sp Sqd be closely watched. If he should not be on the list of personalities listed as apprehended then X-3-I Sp Sqd will be instructed to gain some control over BARBIE so that he will be available for arrest if deemed necessary.

b. It is also recommended that Target 73 SELECTION BOARD be brought under the control of X-3-I Sp Sqd in case he is not apprehended. It appears that this Operation has now come into contact with several personalities of SELECTION BOARD. In the event that the two personalities listed in this report are not apprehended, it may be advisable to further penetrate the remnants of the SELECTION BOARD group by tying them in with this Operation.

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D-10736 Operation GOPHER
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16 April 1947

SUBJECT: Operation GOPHER

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

1. Reference is made to report, CIC Region I, Sub Region KARLSRUHE, file No. I-K-0539, dated 17 March 1947, subject: Operation SELECTION BOARD and to report, CIC Region I, file USWET, D-95246, dated 20 March 1947, subject: Operation FLOWERBOX.

2. This is to confirm conversations held in FRANKFURT and STUTTGART between representatives of Region I and this Headquarters.

3. It is agreed that BARBIE, Klaus, SS Hstuf, be arrested as quickly as feasible, bearing in mind the security of Region I informants.

4. It is further agreed that the Baron von MENZINGEN not be apprehended at this time pending investigation by Region I.

5. The hunt for OTTO, Wolfgang, alias WENZEL, has been called off and Region IV has been informed.

6. The following information on NAUMANN, fnu, is available at this Headquarters. This information was secured during Operation GOPHER. There is no previous record at this Headquarters.

a. NAUMANN, Christoph or Max, alias Cornelius, formerly lived at TREYSA, near MARBURG. He is presently residing at OEDELSHEIM near BOENFELDE/WESER. (Region III has been keeping his home under surveillance but NAUMANN has not been home lately.) According to BARKHAUSEN, Kurt, (Target No. 2, Master Target List, Operation SELECTION BOARD) NAUMANN is a former N.S. Fuehrungsoffizer of Army Group Süd, with a rank of Captain i. G. The following can be quoted as some of NAUMANN's past contacts.

(1) BARBIE, Klaus (Target No. 3, Master Target List, Operation SELECTION BOARD)
(2) BARKHAUSEN, Kurt (arrested)

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(3) BECKER, Fridolin (arrested) (Target No. 4, Master Target List, Operation SELECTION BOARD)
(4) ELLARSIEK, Kurt (arrested) (Target No. 59, Master Target List, Operation SELECTION BOARD)
(5) PRUESS, Fritz, (arrested) (Target No. 67, Master Target List, Operation SELECTION BOARD)
(6) MIATEL, Kurt (arrested by British)
(7) Dr. TRUESTEDT, Fnu, of the "Merkur Buro" in DETMOLD (arrested by British)
(8) SAILER, Irene (further details unknown)
(9) One GUDE, Fnu, who reportedly travels back and forth from the Russian to the American and British Zones

NAUMANN is known to have been in KASSEL on 16 February 1947, where he visited BECKER, Fridolin.

7. Pertinent information reaching this Headquarters regarding NAUMANN will immediately be forwarded to your Headquarters for information.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL [illegible]:

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TO : CO, CIC Region IV
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X-3-1 SPECIAL SQD LEFT HERE 1 MAY 47 for MOERISCHOFEN (M49/Y13) AND KAUFBEUREN (M48/Y12) AND MAY ALSO VISIT MURNAU AND STARNBERG IF ATTEMPT TO ESTABLISH THIS CONTACT. HE WILL REPORT TO THE NEAREST CIC OFFICE IN YOUR REGION IF HE LOCATES TARGETS. REF IS MADE TO X-3-1 SPECIAL SQD OF OPERATION FLOWERBOX OF WHOM WERE SUBJECT OF A DISCUSSION BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF YOUR OPERATIONS OFFICE AND MR DERMER OF THIS OFFICE AT MUNICH, APPROXIMATELY 14-15 APRIL 47. X-3-1 SPECIAL SQD HAS HAD CONTACT WITH TARGETS THREE AND SEVEN THREE OF OPERATION SELECTION BOARD. HIGHER HQS HAS INDICATED A DESIRE TO HAVE TARGET THREE ARRESTED CMA BUT SINCE THAT TIME X-3-1 SP SQD HAS BEEN UNABLE TO ESTABLISH CONTACT.

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TO: C. O., Counter Intelligence Corps Region IV, 970th CIC Detachment, APO 407-A, U. S. Army
ATTN: Operations Officer

1. Transmitted herewith is MOIC, Hdqs. Sub-Region Memmingen, dated 15 April 1947, Subject: Subversive Organization Amt VI [illegible].

2. Par. 3a, Agent's Notes is strongly emphasized. Indiscreet handling of this report might ruin a valuable informant net which has taken months to build up.

3. Peterson has the full confidence of this office.

C. J. KRAMER
Special Agent, CIC
Commanding

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15 April 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE

SUBJECT: Subversive Organization Ant VI F, NSDA

RE: : PETERSON, Walter

1. For request Region VIII, MOIC, VIII-6145, dtd 20 Jan 47, and MOIC, Reg VIII, dtd 19 Mar 47; MOIC, Reg I, I-[illegible]-D410, dtd 4 Mar 47; EUCOM Ltr, D 125551, dtd 3 Apr 47; and 1st Ind. Reg IV, IV-879, dtd 3 Apr 47; all Re Subject, this Agent forwards the following report to clarify the status of Walter PETERSON and his relation to OIC, Region IV, Sub Region Kaufbeuren (formerly Memmingen).

2. For clarity's sake it is felt necessary by this Agent to state the entire story of relations between PETERSON and this Agent.

a. PETERSON, Walter, is a cover name for Informant [illegible]-IV-K. His real name is [illegible], Kurt Josef. For simplicity he will be referred to as PETERSON in this report.

b. PETERSON was arrested by this Agent in February 1946 as an automatic arrest - Abwehr - and also for suspected subversive actions. Subsequent investigation by this Agent and by [illegible] Sub Region, Region I, cleared PETERSON of the subversive charges. PETERSON, through the action of this Agent, was released from a PWE en route to a CIE because the G.I.S. no longer fell under the automatic arrest category.

(Comment: Reference is made to Summary of Information, Reg I, dtd 19 Jan 46, Re [illegible], Kurt, and to MOIC's, Memmingen Sub Region, dtd 6 Mar 46 and 28 Mar 46, Re [illegible].)

c. Realizing PETERSON's possible value as an informant due to his background and training, this Agent placed him on a probationary status for several months as a minor informant. It should be mentioned here that he was considered one of the best Counter Intelligence men in France during the German occupation.

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(Page two, [illegible], dtd 15 Apr 47, [illegible])

d. In August 1946, PETERSON brought to this the information included in [illegible], 3 Sept 46, he h[illegible] VI [illegible], and gave it quite freely and of his own vol[illegible] over he requested that, if he was to work for this would rather not work on cases pertaining to [illegible] sive movements. This agent agreed and directed [illegible] field of Soviet and French Intelligence.

(Comment: The word "unwillingly" was [illegible] Agent in original report of 3 Sept 46 to describe surrounding the report. This was perhaps an error; was merely meant to indicate that he would rather such cases -- although if ordered to do so, he woul[illegible]

e. It is perhaps necessary here to summari[illegible] personality. He is a Bavarian and a German, not [illegible] schooled but intelligent from experience. He is in[illegible] honest and sincere to the point of being painful. [illegible] a member of a political party, he would fit into [illegible] of the OSS. Neither a militarist nor a Nazi, althe[illegible] of the [illegible], he is interested in the future of [illegible] The [illegible] to him is a colossus bent on the destruct[illegible] world. He has, as he admits, intelligence work in [illegible] and will always have an interest in it. In his re[illegible] ernest, exhaustive and possesses foresight. He has [illegible] utely loyal to this Agent. He is classified as a [illegible] informant, because this Agent does not believe a [illegible] be an "A" informant.

f. Concerning PETERSON's connections to pe[illegible] mentioned in the reports from Region VIII and Regi[illegible] the following clarification is made:

(1) [redacted] PETERSON knew her during the war when she was in the office of the Oberzahlmeister in DIJON, Fr[illegible] SON states that he used her merely for the introdu[illegible] [redacted] and has not had contact with her [illegible] time. He states that he would not trust her in [illegible] work.

(2) [redacted] explained in par. f (1) above, and [illegible] this agent, dtd 3 Sept 46, attached. Since that [illegible] with the knowledge of this Agent, has guided [redacted] point where she has become a valuable and trusted [illegible] In early 1947, [redacted] wanted to visit her mother,

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[redacted] Possibly again with the knowledge of this Agent, suggested to him that the radio contact with [redacted]

(3) [redacted] see par. f (2) above. Contact was suggested with [redacted] because it was felt that he, working in the Soviet sector of BERLIN, could furnish incidental information of interest. PATERSON himself has had no personal contact with [redacted].

g. Concerning other personalities mentioned in original report of this Agent, dtd 3 Sept 46, the following items are of interest:

(1) [redacted] that asked PATERSON if he could also work in the group. PATERSON refused, and so informed this Agent, because he felt that [redacted] had been too deeply involved in the NSDAP and, although, definitely a anti-Communist, was encumbered in Nazi ideology. [redacted] according to PATERSON, was last heard of in HAMBURG (154/355). Neither PATERSON nor [redacted] have had any contact with [redacted] since early Fall 1946.

(2) [redacted] that believed to have been arrested by British authorities in the British Zone.

h. Although most of the answers to MOIC, Region VIII, are included in the above paragraphs, for clarity each point under par 3 a of that report is answered specifically in the following paragraphs:

(1) PATERSON is identical with the Abwehr captain mentioned in original report of this Agent, dtd 3 Sept 46.

(2) This Agent and this Sub Region are aware of PATERSON's activities. It is not felt that any possibility exists as to his building up a subversive organization, despite his contacts with [redacted] and [redacted].

(3) PATERSON is not a CIC Agent.

(4) The "firm" is used in two connections: 1 as a cover for PATERSON's informant net; 2.as a legitimate business transaction in radio tubes. Letters intercepted by Region VIII and Region I concerning radio tubes are possibly concerning radio tubes. [redacted] husband of [redacted], works in a radio shop in [redacted].

(5) See (4) above. The "chief" is PATERSON.

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(6) [illegible] is working for this Agent and has been since April 1946. Any connections he may have to "Operation Lusty" (MIRO) is without the knowledge of this Agent. Knowing [illegible]'s personality this Agent does not believe he would divide his loyalties.

3. AGENT'S NOTES:

a. It has not been the intention of this Agent to make investigations in other Regions. [redacted] was recruited for work she could do within the confines of this Region. [redacted] was contacted, as stated, for incidental information and with a view to long range intelligence work. Both were contacted because of their known anti-Communist attitude and possible previous knowledge of Soviet methods and activities.

b. Because of the completeness and content of the above report, it is requested by this Agent that only those persons working on this case be allowed to read it.

ROBERT S. TAYLOR
Special Agent, CIC

APPROVED:
C. J. [illegible]
Special Agent, CIC
Commanding

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D/L: Ltr Hq Reg. III, S/R Marburg, 9 May 47, re: BARBIE, Claus (Target No. 3)

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Headquarters, Counter Intelligence Corps Region III, 970th CIC Detachment, APO 757, U. S. Army, 16 May 1947

TO: Commanding Officer, 970th Counter Intelligence Corps Det., European Command, APO 757, U. S. Army. (Attn: Capt. FRAZIER)

1. Inclosed SRI, Sub-Region Marburg, subject: BARBIE, Claus (Target No. 3), dated 9 May 1947, is forwarded for your information in connection with Operation SELECTION BOARD.

2. Attention is particularly invited to par. 3bi, which indicates home of BECKER, Maria, mother of Subject, as located in DUESSELDORF (L52/F39).

3. Surveillance of SCHMIDT residence at Barfuesserstr. 35, MARBURG (L51/G74) continues.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

CARL J. KUEHNERT
Special Agent, CIC
Operations Officer

Incl: as stated (4)

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UNITED STATES FORCES, EUROPEAN THEATER
REGION III (BAD NAUHEIM)

SUB-REGION MARBURG
APO 7~~XX~~ 872

9 May 1947

XII-M-598

SUBJECT: BARBIE, Claus (Target No. 5)

TO : CHIEF, COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS, REGION III (BAD NAUHEIM), APO 757, U.S. ARMY.

[XX] FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

[ ] FOR APPROPRIATE ACTION.

[ ] FOR INVESTIGATION.

[ ] REPORTS OF INVESTIGATION TO BE SUBMITTED TO THIS OFFICE.

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Incl: Agent's Rpt in Quint
dtd 9 May 1947

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R. J. LAVOIE
SPECIAL AGENT, CIC
COMMANDING

TEL: MARBURG 2838

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SUB-REGION MARBURG
COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS REGION III

APO 672

III-M-598 9 May 1947

SUBJECT: BARBIE, Claus (Target No. 3)

Cross Reference: Operation Selection Board

Case Classification: Subversion

1. Reason for investigation: Investigation was instigated in compliance with instructions contained in subject operation dated 13 February 1947, and 1st Indorsement Headquarters Region III dated 15 February 1947, III-3796. On original date set for operation, this office was advised not to contact Barfusserstrasse No. 35 bei Schmidt which was reported as a meeting place for BARBIE, Claus. Verbal instructions received from Commanding Officer, Region III, 970th CIC detachment, gave clearance for a raid on subject address on 12 April 1947. On 17 April 1947, subject raid on 35 Barfusserstrasse was completed and report of subject raid is hereby submitted.

2. Synopsis of previous investigation: See pertinent reports this Sub-Region "Operation Selection Board."

3. Synopsis of present investigation:

a. At approximately 2000, on 17 April 1947, this office conducted a raid of a building located on Barfusserstrasse 35, MARBURG (L51/G62), Kreis MARBURG, Sub-Region MARBURG. A thorough search was made of the 3rd floor of the building for possible leads and additional information on Operation Selection Board. All persons found at Barfusserstrasse 35 during the raid, were subsequently interrogated. They are as follows:

1. SCHMIDT, Dora
2. SCHMIDT, Else
3. SCHMIDT, Margarete
4. LUDWIG, Martha
5. SCHMUELLING, Heinz

b. During a cross interrogation of SCHMIDT, Dora and SCHMIDT, Margarete, the following information was obtained concerning BECKER, Claus, alias BARBIE, alias BEHRENS:

1. Sometime in the Winter 1945, one Frau Kathe GROSS, residing at Liebigstrasse 32, MARBURG, Kreis MARBURG,

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introduced BECKER, Klaus to the SCHMIDT family and asked the SCHMIDTS to give lodging to BECKER, who had come from KASSEL to study at the University of MARBURG. Furthermore Frau GROSS stated that BECKER, had just been released from a Prisoner of War Camp. SCHMIDT, Robert took a liking to BECKER and accepted him into his home, where BECKER stayed until August 1946. Prior to his departure, BECKER told SCHMIDT, Dora that he was going to KASSEL (L52/C20) first and that after a short stay there, he would leave for DUSSELDORF (E52/F39), where his mother BECKER, Maria was living. The exact address in DUSSELDORF is unknown, however SCHMIDT Dora remembers BECKER mentioning that his mother was staying in a small room on Reihmallee or Reitallee. Since his departure from MARBURG in August 1946, BECKER has visited the SCHMIDT family once in October 1946, once in December, 1946, twice in February 1947 and his last visit to the SCHMIDT house was on 16 April 1947. During every visit to the SCHMIDT family BECKER stayed overnight and would leave the next morning. BECKER mentioned to SCHMIDT, Dora that he was either coming from KASSEL and going to DUSSELDORF or vice-versa. SCHMIDT, Dora also stated that during BECKERs stays at their house, she had seen lebensmittelkarten and other identification papers that had been made out to the name BECKER, Klaus and that they had been issued to BECKER in KASSEL. Furthermore, she believed that his mother is registered in DUSSELDORF with the name of BECKER, Maria, born in BRESLAU.

2. During the time BECKER stayed at Barfussserstrasse 33 MARBURG, numerous visitors would come to see him, some of whom would also spend a night or two there. Among his acquainteness are the following persons:

a. PRIEHS, Fritz Dr. alias PRUESS, met BECKER during the first months of 1946; Saw BECKER quite often, the last time being at the beginning of February 1947. Dr. PRIEHS was arrested during Operation Selection Board.

b. OTTO, Wolfgang, alias WENZEL, came to see BECKER, twice in MARBURG during the summer of 1946. He stayed over night at the SCHMIDT house, and then left without reappearing again.

c. SCHMUELLING, Heinz, residing at Barfussserstrasse 32, MARBURG, Kreis MARBURG, Marburg University Student, met BECKER at the SCHMIDT home in the summer of 1946. He saw BECKER the last time on 16 April 1947, but did not admit this fact.

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d. GROSS, Kathe, residing at Liebigstrasse 32, MARBURG, Kreis MARBURG, Originally introduced BECKER TO THE SCHMIDT family sometime in the Winter of 1945.

e. LUDWIG, ~~Magda~~ Martha, residing at Rotengraben, MARBURG, Kreis MARBURG, presently employed as a nurse at the Deutschhausstrasse hospital, met BECKER at the SCHMIDT house, however refuses to admit it.

f. SCHNEIDER, Kurt, approximately 20-24 years of age, visited BECKER in various occasions, stayed overnight at the SCHMIDT house in Summer of 1946.

g. BECKER, Klaus usually visits a farmer at HIMMELSBERG (L51/G85), from whom he obtains food, which is rationed. BECKER, usually takes this food to DUSSELDORF to his mother. The farmer is supposedly some friend which BECKER met during World War II.

d. During the last visit which BECKER made to the SCHMIDT house on 16 April 1947, he stated that he was on his way to KASSEL, where he is to meet some friends. No identity was revealed. Further-more BECKER mentioned that he would come back to MARBURG in 6 or 8 weeks on his return to DUSSELDORF. BECKER left MARBURG on 17 April 1947 at approximately 1230.

4. Undeveloped Leads: See Paragraph 3b1 and 3e and 3d.

5. Agents comments and conclusions: None.

6. Recommendations: None.

Vadja V. Kolombatovic

Tel: Marburg 2838

VADJA V. KOLOMBATOVIC
Special Agent CIC

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Headquarters, Counter Intelligence Corps Region IV, 970th CIC Detachment, APO 407-A, US Army, 3 June 1947

TO: CO, 970th CIC Detachment, EUCOM, APO 757, US Army

1. The inclosed report is submitted in compliance with EWX dated 22 May 1947 requesting clarification of paragraphs 56 and 57 of Top Secret Tri-Weekly Report No. 8, Hq. CIC Region IV, re Subject.

2. This office concurs with the requests contained in paragraph 3a. It is emphasized that Subject's value as an informant cannot be overlooked (note paragraph 2e).

3. It seems highly probable that personalities involved in Operation Selection Board were in contact with the British Intelligence Service. This situation may have been an operational necessity. It is requested that the inclosed statements by the Subject be verified or denied. Such information will assist us in evaluating subsequent reports.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

for CHARLES R. JAMES
Special Agent, CIC
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Enclosure XIII

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HEADQUARTERS
SUB-REGION MEMMINGEN
COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS REGION IV

Received
DATE: 23 MAY 1947
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APO [redacted] 407-A
28 May 1947

File No.: IV-K-942.5

SUBJECT: Letter of Transmittal

TO : C. O., Counter Intelligence Corps Region IV, 970th CIC Detachment, APO 407-A, US Army
ATTN: Operations Officer

1. Transmitted herewith is MOIC, Headquarters, Sub-Region Kaufbeuren, CIC Region IV, dated 27 May 1947, Subject: HOFFMANN, Emil.

2. Forwarded.

C. J. KRAMER
Special Agent, CIC
Commanding

Incl:
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SUB-REGION MEMMINGEN
COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS REGION IV

APO [redacted] 407-A

File No. IV-K-942.5 27 May 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE

SUBJECT: HOFFMAN, Emil

1. Per request coded T W X, ltd 22 May 1947, Hqs, 970th CIC Det., EUCOM, signed MINSKEEP, requesting clarification of pars. 56 and 57 of Top Secret Tri Weekly Report VI, Hqs., Region IV, Re Subject, the following report is submitted.

2. Source of this information was listed in report as Informant X-4-IV-K. Real source of this information was Klaus BARBIE (Reference Operation SELECTION BOARD and Orientation and Guidance Report No. 2, par. 5 (1) (a)). It is to be noted that the information was evaluated "B-3". Klaus BARBIE is now listed and registered as Informant X-22-IV-K.

a. It is felt necessary at this point to make some clarification of BARBIE's relations to this Agent. On approximately 10 April 1947, Informant X-4-IV-K reported to this Agent that he had met, quite by accident, an old friend of his from France (X-4-IV-K was an Abwehr Officer in France) named Klaus BARBIE, who had excellent connections to sources of CIC Information. The name was immediately recognized by this Agent as being that of one of the chief personalities of Operation SELECTION BOARD. Informant X-4-IV-K mentioned at that time that BARBIE knew something of British attempts to recruit unapprehended Selection Board personalities for intelligence work.

b. After conversation with Colonel Garvey, Commanding Officer, Region IV, on 14-15 April 1947, it was decided to used BARBIE as an informant. His use, however, would be subject to two conditions:

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(1). That he clarify concerning British use of Selection Board personalities.

(2). That he break off any connections he may have with illegal SS elements and Selection Board personalities.

c. On approximately 18 April 1947, this Agent met BARBIE personally in MEMMINGEN (L48/X83). BARBIE agreed to write a report concerning the first point above, in clarification of British interest in Selection Board figures (See inclosures 1 and 2 attached to this report). The second

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point above was also agreed to by BARBIE because, as he pointed out, his connection with SS elements was necessary only to retain his own personal freedom.

d. BARBIE impressed this Agent as an honest man, both intellectually and personally, absolutely without nerves or fear. He is strongly anti-Communist and a Nazi idealist who believes that he and his beliefs were betrayed by the Nazis in power.

e. Since BARBIE started to work for this Agent he has provided extensive connections to French Intelligence Agencies working in the US Zone, to Banat German circles, to high Ranking Rumanian circles, and to high Russian circles in the US Zone. The following reports are directly or indirectly due to BARBIE's use as Informant:

(1). IV-K-1208.03 Re French Intelligence Activities from Lindau into the American Zone.

(2). WRENCH-K Report 13 K, Re Resettlement of Banat Germans (Rumanian Volksdeutsche) in France and in the Saargebiet.

(3). IV-K-1277, Re Russian Anti Soviet Underground Youth Movement.

3. AGENT'S NOTES:

a. In reference to Orientation and Guidance Report No. 2, par. 5 (1) (a), it is stated that BARBIE should be arrested. It is requested that BARBIE be allowed to retain his freedom as long as he works for this Agent. It is felt that his value as an informant infinitely outweighs any use he may have in prison. Control over BARBIE's activities is obvious. It is felt that BARBIE will answer more fully and freely any questions concerning SS groups or Selection Board groups desired by higher headquarters, if he be allowed to retain his freedom. This opinion is based on this Agent's personal contact with BARBIE and the trust that BARBIE has placed in this Agent.

b. It is to be noted in Inclosure 2, Re Dr. Kurt ELLERSIEK, that BARBIE himself does not know ELLERSIEK personally, but knew of him through the SS grapevine and from reputation.

APPROVED: Claude J. Kramer
CLAUDE J. KRAMER
Special [illegible]
Commanding [illegible]

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ROBERT S. TAYLOR
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Headquarters, 970th CIC Detachment, EUCOM, APO 757, US Army, 29 October 1947

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

It is desired that subject be apprehended and remanded to ECIC for detailed interrogation under the code name of Paul HUDNICH. This headquarters should be informed beforehand of subject's approximate time of arrival in FRANKFURT so that his reception by ECIC may be effected.

BY ORDER OF LIEUTENANT COLONEL [illegible]

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APO 407-A
US Army

17 October 1947

IV-1065

SUBJECT: Claus BARBIE

T-5254

TO : Commanding Officer
970th CIC Detachment, EUCOM
APO 707, US Army

1. Reference is made to letter Headquarters, 970th CIC Detachment, EUCOM, dated 12 February 1947, subject: Operation Selection Board, file D-152583, 383 CIC/S-3-OPS, Target #3 Claus BARBIE.

2. Special Agent HAJDU has informed this office that X-3067-IV-K has been in contact with Subject and knows his present location. Subject has been furnishing information to X-3067-IV-K.

3. Request instructions as to what disposition should be made of Subject, who can be reached through X-3067-IV-K.

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COL D. G. ERSKINE, BY [signature]
1ST LT, HQ 66TH CIC DET, 14 JULY 1950

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1. Subject will be remanded to your custody for detailed interrogation. It is requested that he be interrogated on the following general points:

a. To complete his history.

b. To establish the extent of the group.

c. To establish the activity conducted by the group.

d. To establish whereabouts of those persons affiliated with the group presently at large, and activities in which they engaged.

2. Also it is requested that the following specific points be clarified:

a. The extent of the aid given by SCHMITT to BARBIE and other fugitives, with a view towards prosecuting SCHMITT. (Request this be reduced to a signed statement by BARBIE for use in Military Government court.)

b. The details of BARBIE's escape from British authorities on 13 November 1946.

3. The following references may be of value in the interrogation:

a. CI FIR #158, subject: FRUEHS, Fritz, dated 1[illegible] January 1947.

b. Letter, Hq. Int. Div. BAOR, dated 19 October 1[illegible] (293/BR).

c. Dossier 153204, BARBIE, Claus.

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Incl
1. History of BARBIE from [illegible] 1945 to present.
2. BARBIE's group.
3. Personalities associated with BARBIE.
4. OTTO's group.

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History of BARBIE, Klaus

Winter 1945:
Arrested in GROSS GERAU by Military Government, sentenced to 14 days imprisonment. Sentence served in DARMSTADT.

Winter 1945:
BARBIE was introduced by Frau Kathe GROSS, MARBURG, Liebigstrasse 52, to the SCHMITT family, MARBURG, Barfuesserstrasse 35, as a discharged POW intending to study at the University of MARBURG. BARBIE lived with the SCHMITTs until August 1946. (S: SCHMITTs)

February 1946:
Visited LOOS, RUPPERTBURG, Kreuzplatz 9, Kreis Giessen, whom he met at the MARBURG rail station during the latter part of February. There was a second meeting of the two one week later at the rail station, and a third meeting at EUROPEAN HOF, MARBURG. (S: LOOS)

August 1946:
Left SCHMITT family, stating that he would visit KASSEL, then DUESSELDORF to see his mother, Maria BECKER. (S: SCHMITT)

BARBIE-OTTO-PRIENS were engaged at this time in obtaining false D-2 forms. (S: HAAS)

About 30 August 1946, BARBIE escaped apprehension from CIC MARBURG. (S: Region III)

October 1946:
Visited SCHMITT's, probably en route from KASSEL to HAMBURG. (S: SCHMITT) Approximately 20 October to 12 November, BARBIE was in HAMBURG. (S: MOUSE)

November 1946:
Arrested by British at HAMBURG 12 November, escaped 13 November.

December 1946:
Visited SCHMITT's.

February 1947:
Reported in SCHWAEBISCH-GMUEND. Visited SCHMITT's twice during the month.

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April 1947:
Visited SCHMITT's on 16 April 1947 for the last time.

10 April 1947, BARBIE approached Region IV through MERK for employment. Approximately at the same time he approached Int Div, BAOR, through Emil HOFFMAN for employment. (S: Region IV and HOFFMAN)

From 15 through 24 May, BARBIE was reported as in MUNICH or BAD REICHENHALL associating with SS HSTF WENZEL (HOFFMAN).

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October 1947:
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BARBIE's Group

PURPOSE:

1. (1) Reorganize secret police, (2) resist occupation and new German authorities, (3) establish escape systems from CIE's, (4) establish contacts with Allied personnel through female agents. (S: LOOS)

2. The forming of Neo-Nazilem based on SS principles without political aspirations (Date Jan 47, S: HOFFMAN)

3. Combining these elements "persecuted" by the Allies into a nationalistic organization. (Date Oct 46, S: MOUSE)

DEVELOPMENT:

1. Apparently BARBIE's group was an independent group or a subsection of ELLERSIEK's "Organization fuer den deutschen Sozialismus."

2. Phase of development w as in a preliminary build-up stage when it evidently disintegrated through the arrest of key persons during Operation Selection Board, or through the scare caused by the operation. (S: varied)

FINANCE:

1. MARBURG black market activities; mostly dealings in soap. One sale was made in HAMBURG of a DEGRELLE's carpet (?). (S: HOFFMAN)

2. Counterfeiting in HAMBURG. (Date Oct 46, S: MOUSE)

3. HAMBURG black market deals in jewels obtained from the Soviet Zone through one HEINZEL, fam. (Date Oct 46, S: MOUSE)

ARMS:

1. Arms were buried in an airraid shelter near HAMBURG. (Date Oct 46, S: MOUSE)

2. During the 12 November 46 meeting of MOUSE and BARBIE, BARBIE's bodyguards were armed - one showed a .635 pistol to MOUSE stating that the other bodyguard was armed also.

ACTIONS:

1. Obtained false D-2 forms (Date Aug 46, S: HAAS)

2. Frl AHRENS obtained 100 D-2 forms complete in MUNICH. (Date Oct 46, S: MOUSE)

3. A German Wehrmacht "F-GORANT" radio was employed by BARBIE's group. (Date Oct 46, S: MOUSE)

4. Printing presses were at HANNOVER & DORTMUND for printing false D-2 forms, ration cards, and money. (Date Oct 46, S: MOUSE)

5. BARBIE planned three murders in MARBURG. (Date Nov 46, S: British, through MOUSE)

6. (Also, see MOIC, Region I, dated 19 November 1946, subject: The DANUBE Affair.)

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Personalities Associated with BARBIE

PRIESS, Fritz, Dr., alias PRUESS, visited BARBIE at SCHMITT's, summer 1946, stayed overnight.

OTTO, Wolfgang, alias WENZEL, visited BARBIE at SCHMITT's, summer 1946, stayed overnight. - Hauptstf, W SS.

SCHMUELLING, Heinz, Barfuesserstrasse 32, MARBURG, student at MARBURG University, met BARBIE at SCHMITT's, summer 1946, last visited BARBIE on 16 April 1947.

GROSS, Kathe, Liebigstrasse 32, MARBURG, introduced BARBIE to SCHMITT's, winter 1945.

LUDWIG, Martha, Rotengraben, MARBURG, nurse at Deutschhausstrasse hospital, met BARBIE at SCHMITT's.

SCHNEIDER, Kurt, approximately 20-24 years old, visited BARBIE at SCHMITT's during the summer of 1946, staying overnight at SCHMITT's.

SCHMITT, Robert, MARBURG, Barfuesserstrasse 35, accepted BARBIE into their home from late 1945 until August 1946, received his visits from August 1946 until 16 April 1947 -- NSDAP 1930 - 1945; Scharf 33 - 37, Blockleiter NSDAP 43 - 44, SA 30 - 37; income 1938 - 3300 RM, 1943 - 471,708 RM.

HOFFMAN, Emil, BERLEBURG, Poststrasse 53 with GIS BUKAREST. Introduced to BARBIE by SCHMITT's, school chums of HOFFMAN. HOFFMAN was SS Oschf in a propaganda company at the end of the war (see BARBIE's statement, 1 June 1947) - British informant in the case, reporting BARBIE's activity to them. Presently held by the British.

KELLERSIECK, Kurt, alias EHLERS, FULDA, chief of SS Mannschaftshaeuser. (See BARBIE's statement, 1 June 1947)

HAAS, Ludwig, alias LAMPE, Ludwig, MARBURG.

LOOS, Erica, MARBURG, affiliated with BARBIE's groups - Gestapo secretary, ESSEN.

[illegible], Heinrich, ELLRINGHAUSEN, Kreis Waldeck, provided BARBIE with food, February 1946. (S: LOOS)

GLOEDE, [illegible], HAMBURG. BARBIE's lieutenant in HAMBURG. (S: MOUSE)

HEINZEL, fnu, HAMBURG, BARBIE's black market contact in HAMBURG. (S: MOUSE)

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OTTO's Group

PURPOSE:

1. To form an underground group to remain passive until action could be followed.

2. The group was to be organized along German general staff formation to include tactics and strategy (Abt 1A), supply (Abt 1B), signals and communication (Abt 1C).

DEVELOPMENT:

1. Apparently, development did not pass the planning stage.

2. OTTO's group may not have existed as such; rather, it may have been a part of BARBIE's group.

FINANCE:

ARMS:

ACTIONS:

1. Obtained false D-2 forms. (Date Aug 46, S: HAAS)

MEMBERS:

1. OTTO, BARBIE, FRIKES, HAAS.

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D-155204, BARBIE, Klaus 1st Ind S: 29 Dec 47

Headquarters, 970th CIC Detachment, EUCOM, APO 757, US Army, 1 December 1947

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

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1. It is desired that subject be immediately transferred to 7707 ECIC under the provisions of 1st Indorsement, this headquarters, dated 29 October 1947, to your letter dated 17 October 1947, file and subject as above.

2. Upon completion of his interrogation, providing the interrogation provides no information which would demand subject's imprisonment, he will be returned to your custody with instructions for future disposition. Information, although indicative that subject has in the past engaged in subversive activity, is not of the nature to demand his imprisonment. However, it is believed that he has knowledge of the subversive activity of persons who should be imprisoned. It is this latter point on which he will be interrogated.

3. Paragraph 2 of the basic letter states that "BARBIE has been in the important position of establishing a long range penetration of French intelligence installations in the French Zone." This is in contravention of paragraph 14c, Top Secret letter, this headquarters, subject: Coverage of CIC Targets, dated 29 July 1947. In this respect, it is desired that the following be clarified:

a. Who are the members and what is the nature of the net "run" by X-3067-IV-K?

b. Where does this net operate? If it operates in the French Zone, under what authority does it so operate?

c. What material has the net, and particularly subject, produced? (Cite reports which contain the material.)

4. Information requested in paragraph 3 above is desired by 29 December 1947.

BY ORDER OF LIEUTENANT COLONEL [illegible]

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EARL S. BROWNING, JR.
Major, Infantry
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97CTH CIC DETACHMENT
EUROPEAN COMMAND

Date: _____

TO: Captain Glass

1. Several questions hit you in the face:

a. What net is being run by X-3067-IV-K for Taylor? Who are the members?

b. Where does this net operate?

c. What material has the net and particularly BABBIE produced?

d. What authority does Region IV have for operating a net that extends into the French Zone.

e.

PMC,
7.5 Ltr., this Hqs., file 310(CIC/S-2), [illegible] of CIC targets, dated 29 July 1947.

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SUBJECT: BARBIE, Klaus

TO : Commanding Officer
970th CIC Detachment, EUCOM
APO 757, US Army

1. Reference is made to letter Headquarters, CIC Region IV, dated 17 October 1947, subject as above, and 1st Indorsement thereon from Headquarters, 970th CIC Detachment, EUCOM, dated 29 October 1947, subject as above, file D-153204. The attached MSIC concerning the status and activities of Klaus BARBIE is forwarded per verbal request of Captain GLASS (EUCOM) in telephone conversation with Mr. BRUEHL (Region IV), on 17 November 1947.

2. This headquarters strongly concurs with Special Agent HAJDU's comments relative to the probable loss of trust on the part of informants of the net of X-3067-IV-X if Subject is arrested. However, if some assurance can be given to BARBIE that he will be permitted to return to his work in this Region, as well as given some type of preferential treatment during the period of his interrogation at EUCOM, it is the opinion of this headquarters that there would be no loss of prestige or trust by this organization in its relation with these informants. It is believed that any treatment other than that outlined above would result in material damage to the informant net. BARBIE has been in the important position of establishing a long range penetration of French intelligence installations in the French Zone, which is beginning to consistently show excellent results.

3. It is requested that this headquarters be advised of the disposition of this case desired by Headquarters, 970th CIC Detachment, EUCOM.

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COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS REGION IV

970TH COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS DETACHMENT

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21 November 1947

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE

SUBJECT: BARBIE, Klaus, alias BECKER, BEHRENDTS, MERTENS, SPEHR and HOLZER.

1. Reference operation SELECTION BOARD. Following information is herewith submitted regarding subject, as directed by S-3, Headquarters Region IV, CIC.

2. a. Subject was originally contacted by Special Agent ROBERT S TAYLOR, on 18 May 1947 through informant X-3067-IV-K, who was running a network of informants for Special Agent Taylor. After an interview with Special Agent Taylor, subject was integrated into the network of X-3067-IV-K

b. Subject, who has extensive connections with high level former German intelligence circles, immediately began exploiting these contacts and furnished this organization with extremely good material.

c. In July 1947, subject was designated by X-3067-IV-K as his assistant and as such took over that portion of the net which specializes on French intelligence activities in the French and US zones of Germany. In this capacity subject has so far demonstrated exceedingly successful results.

d. Since taking over Special Agent Taylor's net, this agent has had several conversations with subject and has scrutinized subject's work very carefully, and it is believed that subject has devoted all his efforts to his work.

e. Although it is fully realized that as a member of operation SELECTION BOARD, subject's interrogation would reveal information of value, it is also felt that his arrest and possibly his delivery to British authorities would damage considerably the trust and faith which informants place in this organization.

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3. AGENT'S COMMENTS:

a. It is strongly recommended that subject not be arrested.

b. It is further recommended that, inasmuch as subject has in the past shown his willingness to answer any questions, subject's interrogation be conducted on a voluntary basis.

c. In accordance with above recommendations, it is requested that subject's interrogation be conducted by Headquarters Region IV, or that arrangements be made to avoid that subject be incarcerated or in any way treated as a prisoner while being interrogated.

d. It is believed that if above recommendations are taken into consideration, subject will voluntarily submit to any interrogation and that subject's services to this organization will not be lost. Furthermore the prestige which this organization enjoys with its informants will remain undamaged.

Camille S. Hajdu
CAMILLE S. HAJDU
Special Agent, CIC

APPROVED:

Paul O. Bruehl
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Special Agent, CIC
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for Eastern Research (Amt VII, RSHA).

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(4) Klaus BARBIE, residing KEMPTEN (L48/X90), former Hauptsturmfeuhrer in Amt VI of the RSHA. Worked with MERK in intelligence capacity in France. Trained intelligence officer with violent anti-communist ideas.

(5) [redacted]

(6) [redacted]

b. MERK and his sub-informants operate exclusively in the CIC Region IV area. However, MERK has been fortunate in being able to renew his contacts with several of his old intelligence acquaintances whose permanent addresses are in the French Zone of Germany. They are as follows:

(1) [redacted]

(2) [redacted]

(3) [redacted]

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COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS REGION IV
970TH COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS DETACHMENT
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SUBJECT: Klaus BARBIE

TO : Commanding Officer, Hq 970th CIC Detachment, EUCOM, APO 757, US Army

1. Reference is made to letter, Hq CIC Region IV, subject as above, dated 25 November 1947, and to paragraph 3, 1st indorsement, Hq 970th CIC Detachment dated 1 December 1947.

2. In compliance with instructions contained in above referenced indorsement, preparations are being made by this headquarters to have Klaus BARBIE transferred for interrogation to ECIC by 12 December 1947.

3. This headquarters is fully aware of the provisions of directives cited in above referenced 1st indorsement regarding scope and limitations of coverage of CIC targets. It is emphasized that it is not the desire of this headquarters to violate in any manner whatsoever the spirit or intent of these directives. It is felt that the wording of the basic letter (CIC Region IV) with reference to BARBIE's French penetration was somewhat vague, and the following information is submitted in order to clarify any misunderstanding.

a. Kurt MERK (X-3067-IV-K) has been employed as an informant for this Region since March 1946. His work has been mainly directed toward uncovering Soviet influences in German as well as displaced persons groups. His endeavours have been considered very satisfactory by this headquarters. MERK's success has been due chiefly to his excellent connections to former German intelligence personnel, as well as to the general high caliber of the men he has been using as sub-informants. His main sub-informants are as follows:

(1) Dr. Emil AUGSBURG, residing in KEMPTEN, former chief of the BERLIN-WANNSEE Institute

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These men have worked their way into intelligence positions in the French Zone, where they have access to classified information of counter intelligence interest (including leads on suspected Soviet and French agents who are crossing into the US Zone at border crossing points believed to be in the CIC Region IV area). These acquaintances visit MERK and BARBIE periodically at their homes in KEMPTEN (CIC Region IV) and pass on this information to them. They, in turn, occasionally receive minor favors in the form of cigarettes or food from MERK and BARBIE. In view of the proximity of MERK's residence in KEMPTEN to the French-US border, and the fact that the leads obtained are of counter intelligence interest, this headquarters has always encouraged him to accept information of this nature. It is emphasized that these sub-informants were never given any relevant EEI's of any importance other than to question closely the information which they submitted. Their information is merely accepted. This headquarters has no knowledge of any provision in current counter intelligence directives which prohibits the accepting of information of counter intelligence interest (particularly information which affects US interests in the US Zone of Germany) which is submitted voluntarily by persons who reside within the US Zone.

c. Since it would be very difficult to recite all reports which have been compiled of information submitted by MERK and his sub-sources in the past twenty (20) months, the following reports which have been forwarded by CIC Region IV to Hq 970th CIC Detachment, EUCOM, are listed for the months September 1947 through November 1947:

(1) Soviet Documents, dated 17 November 1947.

(2) Operation Sector BERLIN, of the MGB, dated 14 October 1947.

(3) Soviet Agent School, Tri-Weekly Report #12, Hq CIC Region IV, paragraph 7.

(4) French Communist Party, 3 December 1947.

(5) Italian Commission in FREIBURG in BREISGAU, dated 23 October 1947.

(6) Dr. Gerhard von MENDE, dated 3 December 1947.

(7) French Communist Party, dated 27 October 1947.

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(8) French Intelligence Activities from LINDAU into US Zone, dated 17 November 1947, 30 October 1947 and 3 November 1937 (three (3) reports).

(9) Italian Commission, dated 23 October 1947.

(10) Soviet Military Identity Documents, dated 31 October 1947.

(11) LEBED, Nikolaus, dated 18 November 1947.

(12) ZOELDNEGYI, Elemer, dated 30 September 1947.

(13) HRYNIOCH, Ivan, dated 18 November 1947.

(14) Structure of Soviet Government, dated 30 September 1947.

It is believed that these reports cover material requested continually in Orientation and Guidance Reports from Hq 970th CIC Detachment, EUCOM.

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CI ARREST REPORT

10 December 1947

Name: BARBIE, Klaus, alias BECKER, BEHRENDTS, MERTENS, SPEHR, HOLZER.

Nationality: German.

Born at: GODESBERG, Germany. Date: 25 October 1913.

Height: 5' 9", hair: dark, eyes: brown, build: medium, scars on right cheek.

Residence: Schlossstrasse 94, OBERSTAUFEN (L48/C78).

Occupation: Professional officer.

Identity documents: Kennkarte in name of HOLZER.

Arrested at: KEMPTEN (L48/X90). Date: 11 December 1947.

Unit making arrest: CIC Region IV, 970th CIC Detachment, APO 407-A.

Reason for arrest: Arrested upon orders of Captain Glass, Hq 970th CIC Detachment, EUCOM. (reference 1st indorsement, Hq 970th CIC Detachment, EUCOM, dated 29 October 1947, file: D-153204.) Arrested for interrogation at ECIC.

Statement after arrest: None.

Witnesses to acts leading to arrest: None, since Subject was arrested upon orders of Hq 970th CIC Detachment, EUCOM.

Property: Separate statement attached.

Transferred to: 7702nd ECIC. Date: 11 December 1947.

Signature of person authorizing arrest:

Thomas Zabski

THOMAS ZABSKI
Captain Infantry
S-3, CIC Region IV

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CONSOLIDATED WANTED LIST - PART 1 (A—L)

GERMANS ONLY

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CROWCASS
ALLIED CONTROL AUTHORITY
APO 742,
U.S. ARMY

TELEPHONE: BERLIN (TEMPELHOF) 5336, 5775
TELEPRINTER: BERLIN / STATION DHBP.

MARCH 1947

CONSOLIDATED WANTED LIST (PART I - GERMANS)

IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOU READ THIS !

1. This List is the first part of the Consolidation of the names of all persons in CROWCASS Records who are wanted in connection with War Crimes and includes all Wanted Reports received up to 31 Jan.1947 plus a few additional names not published in previous lists.

2. This list contains the names of all persons stated to be of German nationality who according to the information passed to CROWCASS are still wanted by the Allied Nations in connection with War Crimes. Persons who are stated to be of nationality other than German will be listed in the second part of this Consolidated List, which is in course of preparation and will be distributed shortly. All persons of UNKNOWN name will also be included in the second part.

3. This list also includes the names of all persons stated to be of German nationality who have been listed in the United Nations War Crimes Commission Lists Nos. 1 - 50 who, so far as CROWCASS is aware, are still wanted.

4. It is considered probable that some of the persons listed have been detained, some tried, some sentenced and others may be no longer wanted. If that is so, CROWCASS has not been informed and the various Allied Authorities who can supply such information are requested to do so immediately in order that CROWCASS Records may be adjusted. It is also possible that some Wanted Reports went astray during the move of CROWCASS from Paris to Berlin and the names are therefore not included in this list. If such is the case new Wanted Reports should be submitted immediately and the names will be published in a supplementary List.

5. Names of persons known to be detained, and where the Wanting Authority has been informed accordingly, are not included in this list.

6. It is hoped that by now all authorities receiving a copy of this List will also have received and read the pamphlet entitled "What is CROWCASS?" in order that a better understanding may be reached concerning the functions of this organization and the service given to and required from all using agencies.

7. All recipients of this List are reminded of the following requirements as previously set out in the frontispieces of CROWCASS Wanted Lists:

   (i) If any person listed should be located and detained the CROWCASS Detention Report (to be invariably submitted in respect of all Detainees) should be completed showing Reason for Arrest as "CROWCASS Consolidated Wanted List (Part I) CR.NO. ..." or "Possibly CROWCASS Consolidated Wanted List (Part I) CR.NO. ...". If a Wanted Person is located only and not detained as full a description as possible of the person located should be set out in letter form and forwarded to CROWCASS including the reason for non-detention.

   (ii) In the event of CROWCASS thus receiving information of a match or possible match between a Wanted Person and a Detained or located Person the wanting nation is immediately informed, even although the Detainee may be held in the custody of that nation. In some cases where the persons name has not been listed by the UNWCC and where extradition is applied for considerable delay may be unavoidable. (See page (ii)). If and when the extradition of a CROWCASS Wanted Personality has taken place CROWCASS should be informed immediately.

   (iii) If a Detaining Authority receives instructions to Release or Transfer any Detainee who is possibly or definitely a CROWCASS Wanted Personality a check should first be made with that Authority's War Crimes Group HQ. and a copy of the communication endorsed to CROWCASS.

   (iv) The information given in this list about each person is all that is contained on the Wanted Reports filed with CROWCASS. The descriptions given are <u>not</u> summaries.

8. <u>It is particularly requested</u> that the War Crimes HQ.'s of all the Allied Nations endeavour to make special arrangements to have this List distributed to all Detaining Authorities, Prisoner of War Information Bureaus (or the equivalent) and all other HQ.'s or Formations which may be able to assist in locating the persons listed.

9. No doubt the Inter-Allied National policy as regards the probable duration of the Investigation of War Crimes will depend to quite a considerable extent upon the number of Alleged War Criminals "still at large" in the sense of not being in the custody of the nation who wants them. To help to reduce this period of duration and the enormous expenditure and man power involved all Allied Nations are again requested to exploit every means within their power to reduce this List as quickly as possible.

10. Pages 266 to 271 of Volume A-L include the names of persons (also A-L), especially listed under different headings owing to a lack of detailed information suitable for listing under the normal headings.

11. At Appendix "A" of Volume M-Z will be found a table showing the total number of persons included in this List who are wanted by each of the Allied Nations.

12. At Appendix "B" of Volume M-Z will be found a list of persons (herein listed as wanted) regarding whom Detention Reports have been received since the preparation of this List for publication was commenced.

13. CROWCASS has a teleprinter station in its office. It is "Station DHBP - Berlin". Using agencies are requested to make use of it as it greatly speeds up replies to requests for information.

14. CROWCASS holds large stocks of Blank Wanted and Detention Reports and they can be had on application by TPM, Signal or letter.

15. Whilst every effort has been made to eliminate error from this List there may still be left a few discrepancies which although unavoidable are regretted.

CONCERNING THE UNITED NATIONS WAR CRIMES COMMISSION.

The following is quoted from Section X of Information Paper No. 1 issued by the Reference Division of the United Nations Information Organisation, London:

INTER-ALLIED DECLARATION OF DECEMBER 17, 1942

On December 17, 1942, a Declaration was made simultaneously in London, Moscow, and Washington in connection with reports that the German authorities were engaged in exterminating the Jewish people in Europe. In this Declaration, the Governments of Belgium, Czechoslovakia, Greece, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, the United States of America, the United Kingdom, the Soviet Union and Yugoslavia and the French National Committee reaffirmed their solemn resolution that those responsible should not escape retribution and their intention to press on with the necessary practical measures to that end.

There was some delay in setting up the United Nations War Crimes Commission, but it was eventually brought into being by a meeting of Government representatives at the British Foreign Office on October 20, 1943.

COMPOSITION OF THE COMMISSION

The Commission consists of seventeen members: the representatives of the Governments of Australia, Belgium, Canada, China, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, France, Greece, India, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, the United Kingdom, the United States of America and Yugoslavia. The representatives are all distinguished lawyers or diplomats.

If a representative is unable to act, or for some other special reason, he may be replaced.

The Commission may hear experts.

The first Chairman was the United Kingdom representative, Sir Cecil Hurst, Vice-President of the Permanent Court of International Justice, formerly legal Adviser to the Foreign Office. After his resignation on account of illhealth, he was replaced by the Right Hon. Lord Wright, Lord of Appeal in Ordinary, who represents Australia on the Commission. Lord Wright has been Chairman since January 31, 1945.

TERMS OF REFERENCE OF THE COMMISSION

The Commission has limited functions. It is primarily a fact-finding body, though it has also advisory functions.

Its terms of reference were defined in the Lord Chancellor's statement of October 7, 1942. Its purpose, he said is to investigate war crimes committed against nationals of the United Nations, recording the testimony available, and to report from time to time to the Governments of those nations cases in which such crimes appear to have been committed, naming and identifying wherever possible the persons responsible.

After its creation, it was entrusted with advisory functions, namely to make recommendations to the Governments on the methods to be adopted to ensure the surrender or capture of the persons wanted for trial as war criminals and on the tribunals by which they should be tried.

HOW THE COMMISSION OPERATES

The United Nations War Crimes Commission prepares lists of war criminals on the basis of evidence submitted by National War Crimes Offices which have been set up to detect, investigate and record evidence of war crimes committed against the citizens or subjects of their own countries.

The lists are furnished to the apprehending authorities - at present the military authorities - in order that the persons accused of crimes against people or property may be sent back to the country against which they have offended. This was the procedure contemplated in the Moscow Declaration on Atrocities by President Roosevelt, Mr. Winston Churchill and Marshal Stalin which was issued on November 1, 1943 and by the Foreign Secretaries of their three countries, who had been attending the Moscow Conference of October 16 to 30.

After referring to the atrocities, massacres and mass executions which were being perpetrated by the Hitlerite forces, the Declaration said:

"The United Kingdom, the United States and the Soviet Union ....

"... speaking in the interests of the thirty-two United Nations ... solemnly declare and give full warning of their declaration as follows: At the time of the granting of any armistice to any Government which may be set up in Germany, those German officers and men and members of the Nazi Party who have been responsible for or who have taken a consenting part in the above atrocities, massacres and executions will be sent back to the countries in which their abominable deeds were done in order that they many be judged and punished according to the laws of these liberated countries and of the Free Governments which will be erected therein. Lists will be compiled in all possible detail from all these countries ..."

Offences against members of the Allied armed forces will be dealt with summarily by military courts, in accordance with international custom.

The following is a Statement issued by UNWCC especially for incorporation in this Consolidated Wanted List:

"All Allied Authorities concerned are reminded that in order to secure extradition they should submit to the United Nations "War Crimes Commission in London dossiers with charges concerning the offences committed by persons wanted. The United "Nations War Crimes Commission in accordance with its terms of reference decides whether there appears to be either prima "facie evidence sufficient to justify the handing over for trial of individuals accused of War Crimes or else sufficent "ground to consider the wanted persons as suspects or material witnesses"

NAME	C.R.FILE NUMBER	SEX	NATIONALITY	DATE OF BIRTH	RANK	OCCUPATION	UNIT	PLACE AND DATE OF CRIME	REASON WANTED	WANTED BY
BARAN,Stanislas	150755	M				Civilian,Lauf (Ger.)			WITNESS	U.S.
BARANOWSKI,Hermann	58	M	Ger.			SS-Osturmfhr.,C.C.Dachau,Sachsenhausen (Ger.) 40-45			PILLAGE	FR.
BARBARINO,Friedrich (or BARBA-RENO)	140774	M	Ger.			Oberstlt.,Army,(It.)			MISC.CRIMES	U.S.
BARBE (see MEYER,Josef)	254684									
BARBI	256982		Ger.			Leader of the Crim.Secr.,Sipo,Amsterdam (Neth.) 2.45			SUSPECT	NETH.
BARBIE (see BARBIER)	57									
BARBIER Klaus (or BARBIE or BARBY or MAYER or PLEIN or VERITE)	57	M	Ger.	04.09.15		Hptsturmfhr.or Osturmbannfhr.,Gestapo-official (SD) Leiter of Abt. IV and K.K. (Aktion Jerzy Fichte),Lyon,Strassburg,Rhone,Paris (Fr.) 43-44			MURDER	FR.
BARBIERION (or BARRION)Friedrich	262154	M	Ger.			Pvt.,Unit L 50656 A,Oteene (Fr.) 5.44			MURDER	FR.
BARBY (see BARBIER)	57									
BARCZYK,Georg	131275	M				C.C.Kapo,Jawischowitz,Auschwitz (Pol.) 42-44			MURDER	U.S.
BARD	200044	M	Ger.			Gendarm,Unit Russia-Germany Div."Oberland",Massif du Vercors,Isere and Drome (Fr.) 7.-8.44			SUSPECT	FR.
BARDAS,Friedrich	250042	M	Ger.	21. 1.14		Civilian,Member,SD,Olomouc (Czech.) 38-45			BRUTALITY	CZECH.
BARDIG	26673	M	Ger.			Gefr.,Ldsch.Bn.714,Falkenberg,Modlin,Bromberg (Ger.) 6.43-1.44			MURDER	U.K.
BARDKOFF,Anton	157132	M				Civilian,Bad Neustadt (Ger.) 9.44			WITNESS	U.S.
BARFIS	257367	M	Ger.			Oberd,Sgt.,SS slave labour camp,Beisfjord,Narvik (Nor.) 6.-11.42			BRUTALITY	YUGO.
BARGITS,Peter	131157	M				Member of Camp Personnel,Mauthausen (Aust.) 41-45			MURDER	U.S.
BARGTSKI	195809	M	Ger.			Pvt.,Blockfhr.,SS,C.C.Auschwitz (Pol.) 40			MURDER	FR.
BARFUSS	132535	M	Ger.			Oberlt.,Army,Ville-le-Marclet (Fr.) 8.44			MURDER	FR.
BARFUSS (or BARFUS)	250640	M				Pvt.,Camp Ellrich,Nordhausen (Ger.)			MURDER	U.S.
BARHOFMANN,Max	72641	M				LNS 2 Coy,Lyon (Fr.) 8.44			MURDER	FR.
BARIEFERS	256861	M	Ger.			Schfhr.,SD,Pontivy (Fr.) 44			MISC.CRIMES	FR.
BARIS (see BARCS)	258215									
BARITE (see BARCS)	258215									
BARK (or BORK)	168632	M	Ger.			Leader,Abt.Forsten,Amt des Gouverneurs,Lwow,Galizie (Pol.)			MISC.CRIMES	POL.
BARK	300011	M	Ger.			Member,SD,Groningen Drente (Neth.) 43-45			MISC.CRIMES	NETH.
BARKE	72638	M	Ger.			Lt.,Army,Coy Brandenburg,Pont St.Esprit (Fr.) 3.44			MURDER	FR.
BARKE (also:BARKEN)	261473	M	Ger.	07		Senior S.O.,Waffen SS 02836 D.near Libourne and Castillon,Dordogne (Fr.) 9. and 11.43			MURDER	FR.
BARKER (see BECKE)	170767									
BARKER	185399	M	Ger.			Lt.Col.,Army,Art.Rgt.,Boukola (Gre.) 2.44			MURDER	GRC.
BARKER	196146	M	Ger.			Adj.,Waffen SS,Vercoiran (Fr.) 3.44			MURDER	FR.
BARKHAUS (see BACHAUS)	250081									
BARKHAUSEN	62149	M	Ger.			Lt.General,Army,War Economics Board			MISC.CRIMES	U.N.W.C.C.
BARKHOUS (see BACHAUS)	250081									
BARKOW	121068	M	Ger.			Capt.,Army,C.C.Sulfen (Ger.) 3.45			MURDER	U.S.
BARLAN	250032	M				Sturmmann,Camp Rottleberode,Nordhausen (Ger.)			MURDER	U.S.
BARNAK	166944	M	Ger.			Staff Fwt.,Army,Bechivillers (Fr.) 8.44			WITNESS	FR.
BARNARD	174551	M	Ger.	95		Capt.,354 Ldsch.Bn.,C.C.Stg.XX A,Kleine Bartelsee (Pol.) 2.43			WITNESS	U.K.
BARNBECK (or BARNBECK)	194933	M	Ger.			Schfhr.,SA,C.C.Epe and Vreden (Ger.) 10.44-2.45			TORTURE	NETH.
BARNEKERS	300012	M	Ger.			Sonderfhr.,SD Pontivy,Morbihan. 4.-8.44			MISC.CRIMES	FR.
BARNETALD (see BARNEWALD)										
BARNEWALD	191158	M				Hptsturmfhr.,SS,C.C.Mauthausen (Aust.) 41-45			MURDER	U.S.
BARNEWALD (or BARNWALD)	133760	M				Sturmbannfhr.,SS,C.C.Buchenwald (Ger.)			TORTURE	U.S.
BARNEWALD	131794	M	Ger.	87		Sturmbannfhr.,SS,KL S III Thueringen (Ger.)			TORTURE	U.S.
BARNICKEL	193675	M	Ger.			Lt.,Army,Sulmona (It.) 9.45			MURDER	U.K.
BARNICKEL	305816	M	Ger.			Lt.,1 Aufbl.Abt.3 Coy 2 Col.XV Afrika Corps,St.Leger (Arlon) 9.44			MISC.CRIMES	BEL.
BARNICKEL,Paul	261115	M	Ger.	5.85		Senior Public Prosecutor,People's Court,Supreme Court,Berlin,Leipzig (Ger.)			SUSPECT	U.S.
BAROFEY,Paul	162933	M	Ger.			Civilian,Ostend (Bel.)			PILLAGE	BEL.
BARON	307036	M	Ger.			Uschfhr.,Serving at the Sub-Section of Gestapo Niort,Chatellerault, Charente (Fr.) 40-45			MURDER	FR.
BARON,Johann	173332	M	Ger.			Volksgruppenfhr.,Zentral Abt.Kultur,Maribor (Yugo.) 4.41-44			MURDER	YUGO.
BARON,Michael	250033	M				Fwt.,C.C.Bodungen,Nordhausen (Ger.)			MURDER	U.S.
BARONYCH	124505	M	Ger.			Fwt.,Ldsch.Bn.439,Coesfelmen (Ger.) 1.45			TORTURE	U.K.
BAROS (or BARTIS,BARITS,BARIS)	258215	M		01		Member,Caucasian Volunteer Bde.,Udine (It.) 4.45			MURDER	U.S.
BAROW	259408	M	Ger.			SS-Oschfhr.,Gestapo Poitiers,Antenne of Niort, (Fr.) 40-45			MISC.CRIMES	FR.
BARR	72634	M		14		Lt.,SS,Schirmeck,Eierwart-Mesur.(Bel.,Fr.) 41 and 9.44			TORTURE	FR.,BEL.
BARSA	300359	M	Ger.			Schreiber,C.C.Buchenwald (Ger.) 42-45			MURDER	FR.
BARSDORFF	301379	M	Ger.			Crim.O.Asst.,Oslo (Nor.) 5.42			MURDER	NOR.
BARSTUHLE	121069	M	Ger.			Cpl.,SS,C.C.Thekla (Ger.)			MURDER	U.S.
BART	157152	M	Ger.			SS Das Reich & Rgt.,Osturmfhr.,Gradour-Glane (Fr.)			MURDER	FR.
BART (or BARTH)	188439	M	Ger.			Osturmfhr.,SS Div."Das Reich" "Der Fuehrer" 3 Coy,Gradour-Glane,6.44 (Fr.)			MURDER	FR.
BARTE	165937	M	Ger.			Officer,Landwacht,Capestang (Fr.) 44			MISC.CRIMES	FR.
BARTE,Adolf	187452	M	Ger.	11.11.08		Employee,SD and Gestapo,Brno (Czech.) 39-45			MURDER	CZECH.
BARTECZYO	58	M	Ger.			Lager Deputy Commandant,C.C.Belzec (Pol.) 42-43			MURDER	POL.
BARTEL	138305	M	Ger.			Uschfhr.,SS,Gestapo,Lyon (Fr.)			MURDER	FR.
BARTEL	173344	M	Ger.			Lt.,Army,C.C.Graudenz (Pol.) 7.44			MURDER	U.K.
BARTEL	250446	M	Ger.			Osturmfhr.,84 Rgt.Landsturm,Rhenen (Neth.)			PILLAGE	NETH.
BARTEL,Erich	157133	M	Ger.			SS-Pvt.,SS Arbeitskdo.418,Kl.Stengendorf,Marienwerder (Ger.,Pol.)			TORTURE	U.K.
BARTEL,Johann	250448	M		30. 1.99		Pvt.,Camp Ellrich,Nordhausen (Ger.)			MURDER	U.S.
BARTELES	157135	M	Ger.			Cpt.,Gestapo,Brive (Fr.) 44			MURDER	FR.
BARTELI	195115	M	Ger.			Lt.,Army,Inf.,Graudenz (Pol.)			MURDER	U.K.
BARTELL,Heinz	166277	M	Ger.			Arbeitskdo.,Stalag II B,C.C.Grepitz (Ger.) 8.43			MURDER	U.S.
BARTELS	206100	M	Ger.	09		SS-Oschfhr.,Crim (Nor.)			TORTURE	NOR.
BARTELS,Otto	149357	M	Ger.			Civilian,Dornbusch (Ger.)			TORTURE	FR.
BARTELS,Rolf Ludwig August	185284	M	Ger.	29.12.07		SS-Mann,Quartermaster,C.C.,Terezin (Czech.) 39-45			WITNESS	CZECH.

CENTRAL REGISTRY OF WAR CRIMINALS AND SECURITY SUSPECTS
ALLIED CONTROL AUTHORITY
APO 742, U.S. ARMY

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WHAT IS CROWCASS ?

1. It is apparent both from the personal experience of the members of the Staff of this Organization, and the official documents and inquiries transmitted to this Office, that a complete answer to that question is required by all interested authorities of the Allied Nations.

2. C.R.O.W.C.A.S.S. stands for The Central Registry of War Criminals and Security Suspects.

3. This account is divided into two parts:

Part I OBJECT
Part II SYSTEM
AND Appendix "A" -- Requirements from all Allied Authorities, with notes on Common Errors made in Submission of Data.

PART I - THE OBJECT OF C.R.O.W.C.A.S.S.

The end of the war in Europe gave the Allied Nations the opportunity thoroughly to consider the problem of tracing and bringing to justice War Criminals. Each Nation had its own particular, ever-increasing list of Wanted Criminals. Each Nation had in custody either as Prisoners of War, or Internees, persons who might possibly be wanted in connection with War Crimes by some other Nation.

The combined territory occupied by the Allied Nations was very large, and even if Allied H.Q. were able to co-ordinate information as to all persons Wanted and Detained by their individual Nations, the transmission of the information to each other would have been a most laborious and confusing undertaking.

To meet the necessity for some Central Inter-Allied Information Bureau, the Central Registry of War Criminals and Security Suspects was formed by SHAEF and began effectively functioning in Paris, approximately 20 months ago.

In the first instance, the Central Registry dealt with three types of persons: Wanted Persons, Detained Persons, and Prisoners of War, but subsequently the P.O.W. committment was abandoned, leaving the Registry free to cope with Wanted and Detained only.

Efforts have been made, with fair success, to cover possible War Criminals amongst P.O.W., by maintaining close liaison with Allied Prisoner of War Information Bureaus circulating CROWCASS Wanted Lists to P.O.W. Camps.

The Object, then, of CROWCASS is to provide a pool into which information regarding Wanted and Detained persons can be poured, this information to be set up as a Register available to all Allied Nations, and at the same time, to provide the subject matter for the publication of Lists of Wanted and Detained persons.

SYSTEM

CROWCASS must be served in order to give service. CROWCASS, as a Registry only, cannot produce any information by the efforts or inspiration of its Staff.

The onus is therefore on all Wanting or Detaining authorities to provide both timely and efficient information to CROWCASS, in order that their opposite numbers of all the Allied Nations may be similarly served. For this purpose, two forms have been devised upon which to originate reports of Wanted or Detained persons - the CROWCASS Wanted Report, and the CROWCASS Detention Report. Particular notes regarding the completion of these will be found at Appendix "A".

The Operations Branch of CROWCASS is divided into the following Sections:

a. Operations Control and Correspondence.
b. Searching Section.
c. Name Index Section.
d. Publications Section.
e. Report Filing Section.

Upon receipt of Wanted and Detention Reports, Operations Control scrutinizes them, records statistics, and passes the report to Searching Section.

The Searching Section compares each Report with the Name Index, which is sub-divided into Wanted and Detained, and contains the names of all subjects of Wanted and Detention Reports received previously. If a match, or possible match is made between a Wanted Report and a Detention Report, this information is conveyed immediately to the Wanting Authority via Operations Control and Correspondence. Whatever the result of searching, all reports are then passed to Name Index Section.

Name Index Section registers Wanted and Detention Reports, writes out Name Index Slips, and files them into the Name Index. With the exception of newly received Wanted Reports definitely matched with Detention Reports, all reports are then passed to Publications Section.

Publications Sections prepares typewritten lists of Wanted Persons and Detained Persons which are then reproduced as CROWCASS Wanted Lists and CROWCASS Detention Lists with an approximate distribution of 4.000 and 600 respectively.

When Publications Section have finished with Wanted and Detention Reports, they are passed to Report Filing Section where they are filed numerically and are available for future reference.

The foregoing paragraphs deal with the Routine System followed in dealing with Wanted and Detention Reports. In addition, CROWCASS received inquiries from all Allied Nations by letter, wire, or telephone, and transmits extracts from CROWCASS records as desired.

Notifications of persons no longer Wanted and Detainees who have been released, extradited to another Allied Nation, died, escaped, sentenced, or acquitted are also entered in CROWCASS records.

Security Suspects:

CROWCASS Wanted Lists Nos 1-3, Consolidated into the large printed Wanted List published in two parts (A-L and M-Z) dated July 1945 contained the names of some 80.000 Security Suspects. Although all Security Suspects listed were shown as such, considerable confusion arose as the result of these persons being listed as "Wanted". A person termed a "Security Suspect" is not known to have committed any specific crime nor has his name been quoted as a witness. He cannot therefore be properly classified as a Wanted Person. As the term implies, a Security Suspect is merely one whose past status, employment or associations classify him as one who may possibly become an active or passive sympathiser with any subversive effort to disturb the security of the post-war peace.

It was undoubtedly an initial error on the part of CROWCASS to publish the names of Security Suspects in a Wanted List. The realization of this has lead to the setting up of a completely separate Name Index and Report Filing for Security Suspects. Extracts from this Index are now only transmitted in two instances:

(a) If a Detention Report is received upon which the sole Reason for Arrest is shown as "identical" or "Possibly identical" with a Security Suspect listed in the above-mentioned Wanted List. In such a case, a letter is sent to the Detaining Authority pointing out that the Detainee is a Security Suspect only and in so far as CROWCASS Records show is of no particular War Crimes interest.

(b) In reply to inquiries received from Public Safety Authorities who may perhaps be interested in the history of a Security Suspect.

Requirements from all Allied Authorities with notes on Common Errors made in Submission of Data.

WANTED REPORTS.

To be completed and forwarded to CROWCASS in respect of all Nationals of ex-enemy countries who are wanted either as Alleged War Criminals, Suspected War Criminals, Witnesses to War Crimes, or for interrogation in connection with War Crimes. It is important to note that a Wanted Report should be filed with CROWCASS even if the filing authority is aware of the address or place of detention of the Wanted Person, as thereby an official claim is made on that person.

DETENTION REPORTS.

To be completed and forwarded to CROWCASS in respect of all Nationals of ex-enemy countries who are Detained as Alleged War Criminals, Suspected War Criminals, Witnesses to War Crimes, Automatic Arrestees, or for interrogation in connection with War Crimes.

A Detainee may be either a person who has been arrested in the first instance for one of the reasons stated above, or an ex-POW who has been re-classified as a Detainee as the result of Screening against Lists of Automatic Arrest Categories or Lists of Wanted Persons. In both instances, the CROWCASS Detention Report should be completed. It is important to note that this includes all cases of Detainees who are Wanted by the Nation detaining them, as the filing of Detention Reports will ensure that any other Allied Nation wanting these persons will be informed and that CROWCASS records will be properly adjusted.

COMPLETION OF WANTED REPORTS AND DETENTION REPORTS.

GENERAL:

Speciment copies of CROWCASS Wanted and Detention Reports are attached. At first sight, the lay-out of the reports any appear unnecessarily complicated, but there are very definite reasons for this.

a. An authority completing a Wanted Report is generally in possession of very limited information concerning the Wanted Person. Conversely, an authority completing a Detention Report has the Detainee himself and a mass of information concerning him which has to be summarized. The Wanted Report is therefore devised to extract every possible piece of information which may be available about the Wanted Person while the Detention Report provides what has been found to be the most useful and informative pattern into which the description and history of the Detainee can be summarized.

b. Although Allied Officers and Other Ranks assisted by English-speaking Germans supervise the processing of Wanted and Detention Reports, the work of Searching, Name Index. Slip writing and typing Publications Lists is carried out by a German Staff, few of whom speak much English. It is therefore necessary to work by "Rule of Thumb", so that information is available in a set form for Searchers, Name Index Slip-writers, and Publication Lists Typists. For these reasons, the following list of common errors made by compilers of Wanted and Detention Reports will be readily appreciated.

WANTED REPORTS

Section	Remarks.
Date of Birth) Weight &) Height)	Generally left blank. Although exact details will rarely be known, approx. ones may assist in tracing, and should be shown.
Details of physical description contained in main panel of the face of the Report	Include almost every physical possibility and should be used more frequently. If characteristice are known other than those shown in panel, these should be indicated in the blank section surrounding the word "Characteristics", and not in the Section headed "Particulars" of Crime and Reason for which Wanted.
Particulars of Crime etc.	Often left blank or completed inadequately. This Section should include a brief statement of the crime (if any) in accordance with the directions contained in the Wanted Report. As a check it is also desirable that at the top right hand corner of this Section one of the following classifications (as applicable to the Wanted Person) is clearly set down. ALLEGED WAR CRIMINAL, SUSPECT, WITNESS, FOR INTERROGATION ONLY.
Wanted by (Country)	Often omitted.
Occupation and Rank	Frequently left blank even although one or other may have been included in "Particulars of Crime" Section. It is essential that these sections of the report are completed as fully as possible.
Town, Province, and) Country Crime Committed) in and Date of Crime)	Often left blank, although they may have been mentioned in "Particulars of Crime". Should invariably be completed.
Details of Filing Authority	Often left blank.

DETENTION REPORTS

Section	
Main panel giving Details of Physical Description	Often completed carelessly, sometimes not completed at all.
Reason for Arrest	Frequently omitted altogether, renderin the report useless. Reason for arrest must be one of the following: Alleged War Criminals, Suspected War Criminal, Witness to a War Crime, Automatic Arres category, Wanted for Interrogation in connection with a War Crime. If the Detainee is considered to be identical with a person found in a CROWCASS Wante List, the List No and the CROWCASS File No. should be indicated in this Section
Where Detained:	Often omitted, or imperfectly completed In all instances, the full designation and postal address of the place of Detention should be shown.
Occupation at time of Arrest and Previous Occupations or positions held, etc.	The correct completion of these section of the Reports is of great value in comparing the records of Detainees and Wanted Persons, also to provide a useful history of every person listed in CROWCASS Detention Lists. The mistakes made in completing these section of the Report are many and varied, ranging fro leaving the section blank to typing a mass of information which in not intelligible to the CROWCASS processing staff. It may assist completing authorities if a Detention Report is compared with CROWCASS Detention Lists, from No. 11 onwards, in which it will b found, that the sections of the report dealing with Occupation are listed unde the following headings. 1. Rank (Or Status) 2. Unit (Or Occupation) 3. Place. 4. Date.

Rank (or Status) should be easy to complete, Unit (or occupation) is meant to cover either Military, Naval, or Air Force Unit (if a member of the Armed Forces), nature of appointment and division if a Nazi Party member, or civilian Occupation. Place (town and country stationed in) and Date should present no difficulty. If the full history of the Detainee from 1 Jan 39 to time of arrest cannot be conveniently completed in the four sections provided, blank paper should be used to add any additional information which can be summarized under the four headings mentioned above.

RELEASES

A difficulty which often arises when Detainees are released, is that the Detaining Authority, who may have received the Detainee as a Transfer, may be unaware whether Detention Reports have previously been filed in respect of the persons released. Allied War Crimes H.Q. have been asked to make some provisions to cover this difficulty by an endorsement of the Detainee's documents being made whenever a Detention Report has been submitted.

Assuming that this procedure has now been adopted by all concerned, the notice of release need only include the full name of the person, his date of birth, the date of release and to where dispatched.

TRANSFERS

In view of the frequent transfers which must take place between camps in the same Zone, CROWCASS need only be informed of inter-zonal or international transfers. Requirements and comments are as for Releases.

DEATHS AND ESCAPES

As they occur.
Requirements and comments are as for Releases.

SENTENCES AND ACQUITTALS

Notices of these are invariably required, but only after confirmation. It is known that several Allied Nations have not informed CROWCASS as to sentences passed by their Military Tribunals, and these should now be listed retrospectively and forwarded.

GENERAL: 1. Language.

It will be appreciated that it is necessary for all correspondence and Reports to be originated in one language (English), in order that all Allied Authorities may receive equally efficient and speedy service from CROWCASS.

2. Submission of Wanted Lists to CROWCASS

It is considered that except for special internal reasons it should not be necessary for any authority other than CROWCASS to publish Wanted Lists. What is perhaps not fully appreciated is that a Wanted Report filed with CROWCASS constitutes not only an initial check against persons detained but the inclusion of the Wanted Persons name in CROWCASS Name Index provided a permanent guarantee that any Detention Report filed for the same person subsequently will be matched with the Wanted Report. Although it is not the function of CROWCASS to search other Wanted Lists against Records, this work has been undertaken by CROWCASS in order to be of as much service as possible to all Allied Nations. It is hoped that after perusal of this account, a clearer understanding of the CROWCASS organisation will lead to the elimination of other Wanted Lists.

It should be noted that when searching such lists, it is invariably found that a large proportion of the persons listed have not been made the subjects of CROWCASS Wanted Reports. This is particularly true of UNWCC listed persons. However UNWCC Lists are being checked against CROWCASS records and where a report on a person has not been filed with CROWCASS (and has therefore not been published by CROWCASS) necessary steps are being taken to publish the name and put it in the CROWCASS Name Index. Any information resulting from the check of UNWCC lists against CROWCASS records will be forwarded to the appropriate authorities.

All Allied Authorities concerned are reminded that in accordance with the decisions reached by the United Nations Conference held prior to the inauguration of the United Nations War Crimes Commission all Allied Authorities initiating Wanting Reports should invariably submit to UNWCC an account of the alleged charges with which the wanted person is concerned. The Commission then publishes lists of all persons wanted as perpetrators, witnesses or suspects in connection with charges which in accordance with the Articles agreed and laid down by the Allied Nations constitute Crimes against the Peace, War Crimes or Crimes against Humanity. If a wanted Person is not listed by UNWCC it may be found that his extradition from another nation's custody is difficult to obtain. Therefore CROWCASS and UNWCC should be served simultaneously.

IDENTIFICATION OF POSSIBLE MATCHES

After CROWCASS has informed a Wanting Authority of a Possible Match between a Detainee and a Wanted person, the Wanting Authority is invariably asked to inform CROWCASS whether identity can be established. It is very rare that this information is passed to CROWCASS whose records cannot therefore be adjusted.

Not Wanted by CROWCASS

The following matter is frequently sent to CROWCASS but is not required

1. Screening Reports: -- these should be submitted as Detention Reports.

2. Transfers, Releases, and other data concerning POWs. These are no longer required as records of POWs are no longer maintained by CROWCASS. The exception to this rule is the valuable assistance which can be given by Allied Prisoner of War Information Bureaus in screening CROWCASS Wanted Lists against their Indexes of POWs.

3. Any extraneous matter concerning Nazi Party members or War Crimes generally which has no direct reference to a Wanted Person or a Detainee.

4. Application for the extradition of a Detainee. - The function of CROWCASS is solely that of a Registry and does not include the authority to order or arrange extraditions. Such application should be made through the proper Liaison Channels.

IN CONCLUSION: --- Once again it is stated that CROWCASS exists for the service of All Allied Nations whether large or small and that only by following out the injunctions conveyed in this account can all be served fairly and equally.

This account is being published and distributed to all authorities on CROWCASS Distribution List and it is requested that all H.Q. who receive a number of copies for further distribution, will insure that every lower unit or formation interested in CROWCASS is duly served.

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[illegible] COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS GROUP
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D-[illegible] 353100-D

APO 75V
7 June 1949

SUBJECT: Brief and Policy for the Interrogation and Exploitation of Gestapo Personnel

TO : See Distribution

1. This Headquarters has noted that insufficient attention has been paid to the interrogation of former Gestapo specialists on the KPD. EEI's cited under Paragraphs 111 B (1), 121 B (4, e, f), 121 B (3) of the O & G Report and the top priority list of the Target List have been either ignored or given cursory treatment by certain Regions. It is desired that appropriate attention be devoted by those Regions which have been delinquent in answering the cited EEI's.

2. Discussions with Regional operations personnel have indicated a certain amount of confusion regarding that which was desired and the policy of this Headquarters regarding further handling of ex-Gestapo personnel.

3. The inclosed brief is forwarded for your information and [illegible] Political Subversion sections of this Headquarters.

4. Matters or situations not covered by the inclosed brief should be referred to this Headquarters for decision.

[illegible]:

Earl S. Browning Jr.
EARL S. BROWNING, JR.
Major, Infantry
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I Purpose: The purpose of such interrogations is the following:

A. To determine the history of the KPD in a particular area against which the current activities of the party may be evaluated.

B. To learn the methods and techniques used by the KPD which may be used in the future.

C. To determine exact background information regarding key personalities in order to evaluate their current importance or potential to perform "illegal" or clandestine activities.

D. To determine the identities of former Apparat personalities, Moscow-trained members, secret KPD members who have deliberately remained under cover since 1945.

E. To determine which sources of the [illegible] may be possibly exploited as sources of this organization.

II Whom to Interrogate

There were three major sections of the Gestapo of key interest:

A. Section IV A1 (also called IV A1a): This section concerned itself with Communism and Marxism.

B. Section IV A2: [illegible] itself with Sabotage and espionage matters, including Soviet agents.

C. Section IV F: This section, set up in 1941 under orders of Gestapo Chief [illegible], was very similar to our own Technical Specialist section. It concerned itself with recruiting and control of sources. (Additional background data on the organization of the Gestapo should be available in your local reference libraries or files.)

On the basis of interrogations conducted thus far, no hard and fast rule can be laid down [illegible] which section was most knowledgeable regarding matters of primary concern to this Headquarters. It depends solely on the ability and background of the person interrogated. Thus, it has been found that in some cases the F Referent was better informed than the A1 Referent. In some cases the A2 Referent was better informed than the A1 or F Referent. Where possible, A1 should be interrogated. By and large, the most knowledgeable persons were those who had been former members of the 1a section of the German police, i.e. the Political Police prior to its absorption into the RSHA. These individuals generally had long backgrounds in police and anti KPD work and were the most capable of the Gestapo personnel.

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III The Interrogation

A. Rationale. [illegible] the interrogation should not be [illegible] during the [illegible] 1952 period. The agent is [illegible] him with information. [illegible] the agent is [illegible] 20 year period [illegible] gations conducted in [illegible] Gestapo; which any professional [illegible] was made to [illegible] the [illegible] until the War Criminals [illegible] job.

Ideologically it might be stated [illegible] has nothing against the political activities of any group, [illegible] the [illegible] of that group would deny or limit the freedom of other [illegible] groups. On the other hand, the U.S. is fully aware of the [illegible] of the KPD as an espionage [illegible] of the Cominform and the USSR and such activities are of interest in order to protect the newly founded German State. It is to combat this menace to both Germany and the U.S. that the Gestapo man's cooperation in sharing his experiences is desired.

[illegible] that the [illegible] authorities have not relaxed for one minute their moral rejection of War Criminals. From a professional point of view, if an individual had to "work with his hands" or hold threat of a KZ over a person in order to obtain information, such actions were indicative of stupidity and lack of ability and training for the job. (It has been found that Gestapo personnel take to this rationale quite well and use it to flatter their egos as well as to mentally disassociate themselves from the criminal stigma attached to the Gestapo as a whole.)

[illegible] the previous paragraphs is merely suggested [illegible] Variations, depending on the [illegible] local circumstances, are obviously necessary.

B. [illegible] of Subject

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(1) Penetrations accomplished

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[illegible] and knowledge.

C. [illegible]:

1. Outline of General History of [illegible] for the particular area.

   a. Size and organization

2. Principal personalities

   a. Background data

   b. Evidence of illegal actions

   c. Moscow Training

   d. Trips abroad, particularly USSR, Czechoslovakia, Switzerland, Scandinavia, U. S., etc.

   e. Trials and convictions, places of incarceration

   f. Defections by Gestapo

      (1) Quality of information

      (2) Persons arrested as result of information

(It may be found desirable to read a list of names to subject of leading KPD personalities to help his memory.)

3. Any evidence of apparent activities in the particular area.

   a. Personalities

      ([illegible] above)

   b. Specific examples

      (1) Sabotage

      (2) Espionage

      (3) Communications and Couriers

      (4) Police and Wehrmacht penetrations

      (5) Double agents, i.e., penetration of Gestapo, SD, [illegible]

      (6) Weapon Procurement

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5. Any evidence of Comintern relations

a. Communications abroad

b. Funds

c. International correspondence

5. Mission agent operation

(Same [illegible]'s as above)

6. At each point where practicable when a point of information is mentioned, subject should be queried as to how Gestapo learned of the facts, i.e. can the source or informant be cited ?

7. Request subject to explain in extreme detail his use of the following words in describing KPD activities:

Apparat

Illegal

8. Summarize [illegible] sources used by the [illegible]

a. [illegible]

b. Type [illegible] information furnished

c. [illegible] bouts and post-[illegible] with subject

[illegible] bility of [illegible]

[illegible] the [illegible]

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[illegible] the use of [illegible] except in un- [illegible] man for the [illegible]

1. [illegible] personnel

2. [illegible]

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[redacted] 1 and [redacted] project involving [redacted] 1 or 2 [redacted] nel be [redacted] ters. [redacted] complete use of your existing facilities and techniques before the request will be approved.

B. Under no circumstances should the impression be created that CIC is attempting to put the Gestapo back in business. Proposals will undoubtedly be made by Gestapo personnel indicating their desire to set up nets or effect penetration of the LPD for CIC. These should be politely listened to, but in no way indorsed or supported.

C. [illegible] politically [illegible] professional polic[illegible]. Should this [illegible] extreme care should [illegible] any form of political [illegible] directly or through [illegible] sources. Missions assigned must [illegible] this type of activity.

V. Miscellaneous

A. [illegible] whose greatest fund of knowledge pertains [illegible] liaison should be effected to [illegible]. Inquiries should be made of this Headquarters in [illegible] information is uncovered whose value cannot be immediately [illegible].

B. [illegible] of those who are serving [illegible] possible, arrangements should be made with [illegible] from the Camp for the period of [illegible]. [illegible] should be taken to prevent his escape. [illegible] to assist in effecting the re- [illegible].

C. Extreme care must be [illegible] approaching former Gestapo sources. No [illegible] can be given for the conduct of such an approach. It has been found that the [illegible] threat of exposure as a Gestapo "Spitzel" is a very incomplete and unsure basis upon which to develop a relationship. The [illegible] should be [illegible]. In each case detailed investigation should [illegible] prior to any approach.

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D-155204
BARBIE, Claus

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1. Hq. 970th CIC Det. 7707 ECIC Attn: Mr. Willms 19 Dec 47

1. Reference is made to our IRS, file and subject as above, dated 30 October 1947, the interrogation brief concerning subject.

2. Request that subject be not interrogated at the present time concerning his employment by this detachment.

JOHN L. INSKEEP
Lt Col Cavalry
Commanding

AMG/McK/telephone 7381

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8 Dec 50
Col BA
Capt CAC

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CI SPECIAL INTERROGATION REPORT 60

BID Nos. 1000.0700; 3164.0600; 0203.1000; 1000.0100

Prisoner: BARBIE, Klaus — Waffen SS Hauptsturmfuehrer (Capt), member of the SD
@ BECKER, Klaus;
@ BECKER, Heinz;
@ BEHRENS, Klaus;
@ MERTENS, Heinz;
@ SPIER, Klaus
@ HOLZER, Ernst

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4. IRS, Hq 970th CIC HUCOM, Subject: BARBIE, Claus, File No D-153204, dtd 19 December 1947

1. BARBIE's Affiliation With an Alleged Soviet Agent

a. BARBIE Contacts Frl. KUHN on His Visit to HAMBURG With GUSTMANN

Early in February 1946, BARBIE accepted the invitation of a certain Wolfgang GUSTMANN*, one of his associates, to accompany him to

* BARBIE became acquainted with GUSTMANN during September 1945 in BURSFELDE (near KASSEL) through Kurt BARKHAUSEN, a former Waffen SS Unterstrumfuehrer (2nd Lt).

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HAMBURG. GUSTMANN intended to call on his relatives, from whom he hoped to obtain clothing. Immediately upon their arrival in HAMBURG, BARBIE contacted Frl. Ellen KUEHN**, a former Secretary in the PARIS office of the RDS (Chief of Security Police and Security Service in a Service Command touching a frontier of the Reich) and with whom he had become acquainted in PARIS in 1944. BARBIE had thought that they would be able to find lodging by contacting Frl. KUEHN. She refused, however, and they were forced to live in a nearby rooming house (BARBIE does not recall the name and address).

Before he left, Frl. KUEHN asked BARBIE if he was in possession of discharge papers and all other papers necessary for assuming normal civilian status. When BARBIE answered in the negative, Frl. KUEHN replied that she might be able to help him, as she had recently become acquainted with a former SS officer who might be in a position to help. This man, whose name was JOHNY (BARBIE states that this is the only name he has heard used in reference to the man), and was a former officer of the Waffen SS Division Leibstandarte Adolf Hitler, had a friend by the name of WINTER, a former Oberstleutnant (Lt Col), who had excellent connections in the City Billeting Control Office and the City Labor Control Office. BARBIE says that he told Frl. KUEHN that he was very much interested in meeting this person, and that he requested her to arrange a rendezvous as soon as possible.

Frl. KUEHN had become acquainted with JOHNY through her sister Frau WORSCH, (wife of Allgemeine SS Hauptsturmfuehrer (Capt) Dr. WORSCH, Moorweiden Strasse), with whose friend, a certain Frau PEHUSS (102 B Zallingberstelerland Strasse), JOHNY was living.

b. BARBIE's First Meeting With WINTER

On the second day of BARBIE's stay in HAMBURG, he was contacted by Frl. KUEHN, who requested that he meet WINTER that same evening at 2000 hours in a cafe (BARBIE has forgotten the name, as he visited the cafe only once) near the Sternschanse Station(S-Bahn). BARBIE appeared at the cafe at the appointed hour, and when he found that there was no one waiting for him, he questioned the barkeeper as to the whereabouts of WINTER. The bartender pointed to a table in one of the corners where three men and two women were sitting. It was apparent that they were all intoxicated.

BARBIE approached this table and introduced himself as BECKER, saying that he had been sent there by Frl. KUEHN. WINTER rose and greeted BARBIE with a pat on the back and a "Heil MOSCOW". He then introduced the other two men as HEINTZEL (HEINZEL ?) and JOHNY and the two women as friends of Frau WORSCH.

HEINTZEL, who seemed to be somewhat more sober than the others, immediately asked BARBIE if he had been an SS officer; BARBIE answered affirmatively.

HEINTZEL then informed BARBIE that he was a former Waffen SS Sturmbannfuehrer (Maj), and that he had worked with WINTER in the Abwehr in the East. WINTER at that time was an Oberstleutnant (Lt Col) in FAK 101 (espionage field unit). Nothing more was said about such matters that evening. BARBIE was quite surprised when they started to sing the International, and immediately asked HEINTZEL the meaning of such conduct. HEINTZEL replied that they were doing that in order to camouflage their true status. Before departing, HEINTZEL and WINTER asked BARBIE to meet them on the next day at 1400 hours, to which he agreed.

c. Details of the Meeting Between WINTER, HEINTZEL, JOHNY, GUSTMANN, the Former Stepo Secretary, and BARBIE

BARBIE had become very suspicious of WINTER and his associates because of their behavior in the cafe the previous night. In order to

** Frl. KUEHN's address was made known to BARBIE on or about 22 August 1945 when Otto ILGER/FRITZ, a former Obersturmfuehrer (1st Lt.) of RDS PARIS, took BARBIE to her home.

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minimize the danger, he requested GUSTMANN to accompany him to the point of rendezvous and to stay with him.

That afternoon, BARBIE and GUSTMANN went to the designated place, the Hoheluft-Bruecke subway station. WINTER, HEINTZEL, and JONNY arrived about three-quarters of an hour late, and after a brief introduction and exchange of greetings, WINTER requested that they follow him to a house nearby, where they could conduct their meeting. On the way to this house (see Annex I), WINTER told BARBIE that it belonged to an old friend of his who was formerly a secretary of the Stapo (State Police).

Upon entering the building, WINTER led them to a room on the first floor, where the former Stapo man was waiting. BARBIE was introduced as BECKER by WINTER, who omitted the name of the host. The meeting lasted about two hours.

WINTER began the meeting by inquiring into the political background of GUSTMANN and BARBIE, and it was necessary for them to give a short review of their activities while with the SS. After that had been done, WINTER introduced himself as a former Oberstleutnant of FAK 101, and said that he had become acquainted with HEINTZEL while engaged in intelligence work in the East. BARBIE believes that he also stated that he was of Russian descent.

WINTER questioned BARBIE on the subject of illegal groups and whether he was a member of one of these groups. When BARBIE answered in the negative, WINTER asked him if he would like to become a member of his (WINTER's) organization. WINTER stated that he was the chief of an organization doing intelligence work and composed of former Wehrmacht and SS officers. WINTER further stated that he (BARBIE) would be able to improve his position, obtain a decent place to live for his family, and earn a good salary.

BARBIE states that he told WINTER that he would have to consider his offer first and that he could not be expected to make a decision on such an important matter on the spur of the moment.

WINTER in turn told BARBIE not to worry about it too much, since in the past he (WINTER) had helped a great number of former members of the SS, such as HEINTZEL.

When BARBIE insisted that he be given time to consider the matter, WINTER started to question him on his political convictions in regard to the current rift between East and West. When BARBIE replied that a conflict between the US or the Western powers and Russia was inevitable, and that it was just a matter of choosing the advantageous side for Germany, WINTER seemed quite pleased. He then interrupted BARBIE by saying he was of the same opinion and that he saw a great opportunity in working for both sides: selling intelligence to the Americans and British on the one hand and to Russia on the other. WINTER claimed that he had, or could have, a sufficient number of agents to carry out this venture without either side becoming aware of the duplicity.

BARBIE told WINTER that this was a very dangerous game, and that it would be very difficult to establish contact with the Americans, British, and Russians.

WINTER immediately answered that this presented no problem, as he was already in contact with the Soviets. He said that he was at present in contact with an MVD agent in LUEBECK, and that he had visited this man on several occasions in that city and had had missions assigned to him. WINTER also said that he had initiated contact with the British. He further stated that with the help of the KPD in HAMBURG he had penetrated Military Government and the Vehicle Control Pool, claiming this to be a big step towards his desired goal.

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After a short pause, WINTER asked BARBIE if he was willing to collect information for him on the following matters in the US Zone:

(1) Name, type, and strength of all US units in all the larger cities.

(2) Numbers of divisions and names of their staff officers.

(3) Tactical information.

(4) Names of leading US military and civilian personnel in Military Government.

(5) Data on all troop movements.

(6) Markings of all US Army vehicles.

WINTER told BARBIE that he would be paid generously for his services, and that he (WINTER) was going to LUEBECK the following week for funds. When BARBIE stated that he definitely needed more time to consider the entire matter, the meeting was brought to a close by WINTER and BARBIE and GUSTMANN left together.

COMMENTS

BARBIE states that his lack of interest in working for the Soviets and his mistrust of WINTER caused him to sever connections with him. BARBIE claims that he neither heard from nor talked to WINTER after the meeting, which took place in February 1946.

HEINTZEL attempted to contact BARBIE on two different occasions in July 1946, once in MARBURG through SCHMITT, and once through Frau BREDE in KASSEL, but on both occasions BARBIE was absent. (SCHMITT is the name of the family with whom BARBIE lived in MARBURG, while Frau BREDE's is a cover address used by wanted persons and black marketeers). Before leaving KASSEL, HEINTZEL borrowed 300 marks from Frau BREDE, which BARBIE had to repay later.

BARBIE contacted HEINTZEL in HAMBURG in August 1946 for the first time since the meeting. The purpose of this visit was to have HEINTZEL sell a stolen watch for BARBIE on the black market. During BARBIE's visit, HEINTZEL never mentioned WINTER, his activities, nor did he say anything about their last meeting. Later, BARBIE gave HEINTZEL's address to CLOEDE [redacted] so that CLOEDE could pick up 1000 marks, part of the sales money for the watch, from HEINTZEL. CLOEDE had intended to purchase a radio with this money (this will be covered in detail in a forthcoming report).

BARBIE states that while in HAMBURG in August 1946, HEINTZEL told him that he had reason to believe that JONNY had been arrested while reporting to the Russian Zone, but did not go into further details.

BARBIE knows that in September 1947, PETERSEN*, a CIC informant, had heard from one of his sub-agents, a certain [redacted] that a man by the name of WINTER was operating in the US Zone, where he was attempting to build up a radio net. WINTER was supposedly accompanied by a man named FRITZ.

The descriptions given were identical to those of WINTER and HEINTZEL. BARBIE further stated that, to the best of his knowledge,

* Kurt MERK @ PETERSEN is presently working for CIC as an informant; he is not in the automatic arrest category. Following information is available in regard to MERK on SHAEF Card No. 460211 and 118581; Name, MERK, Kurt (German); Lieutenant (Abwehr); @ KAYSER; @ PAPA; @ KAISER, Jacques or Jack, @ Van MERCK, Kurt; @ THEOBALD, @ SCHNEIDER.

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WINTER was still living at 27 Freilegrath Strasse, HAMBURG - BLANKENESE in October 1947 in spite of the fact that his connections with Selection Board personalities were known to CLOEDE.

BARBIE has cooperated willingly. It is not believed that he has willfully withheld information or that he is in any way affiliated with WINTER other than indicated in this report.

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For the Commanding Officer:

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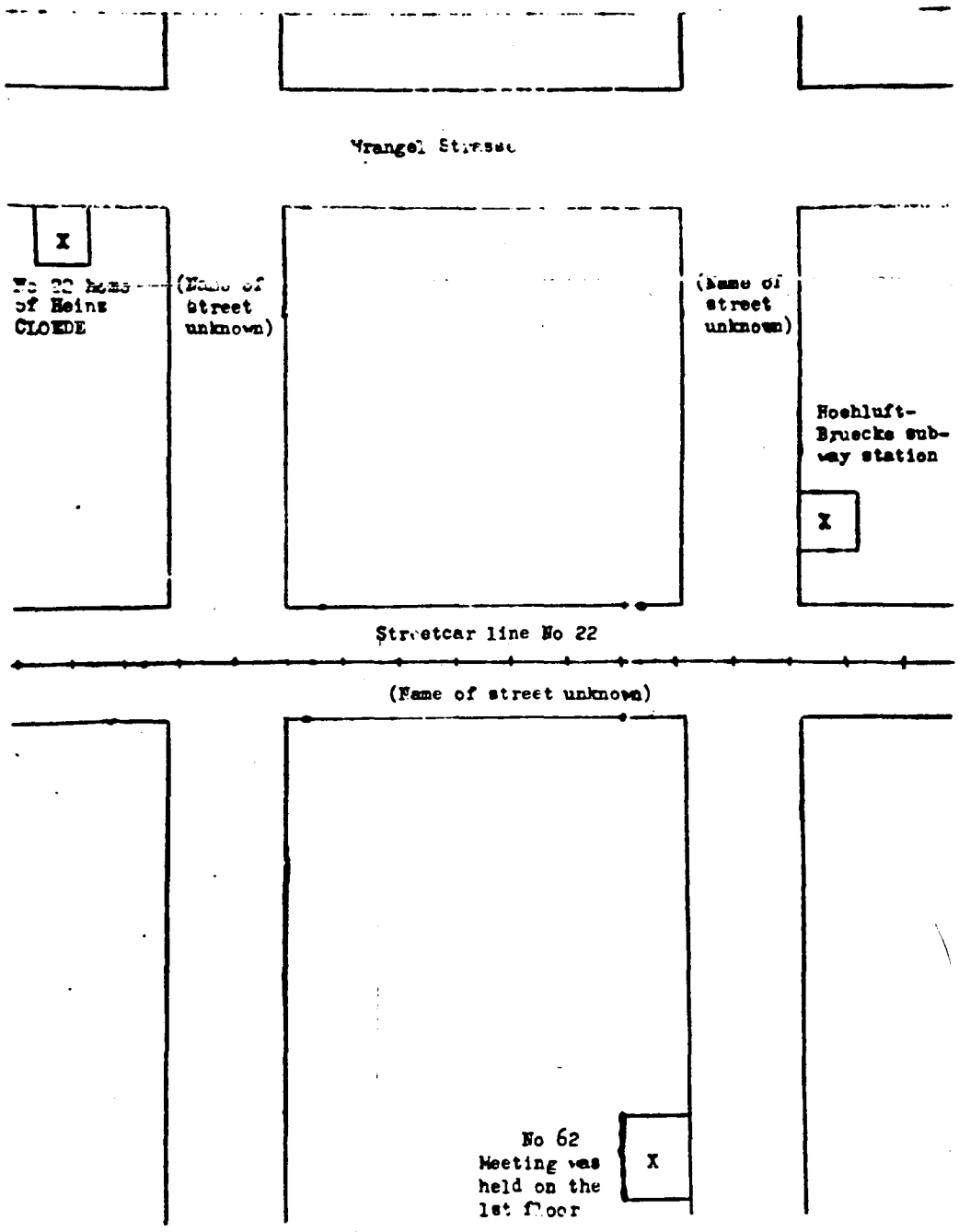
ANNEX I

SKETCH OF LOCATION OF HOUSE IN HAMBURG WHERE MEETING WAS HELD



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MR VIDAL HAS AN INFORMAL MESS FOR

CPT EXXXXXXX E T K I N

GA PLS KKKK DOES HE WANT THE CAPT TO BE HERE TO ANSWER KKKKK NO JUST DELIVER THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE CLN

THIS IS VIDAL MAX REFERENCE TO OUR TWX CONVERSATION THIS MORNING PD WE WOULD LIKE TO FIND OUT IF THE OTHER PERSONS MENTIONED IN OUR TWX SIX ONE FOUR EIGHT ARE ALSO HOLDING THE SAME STATUS AS THE KEY MAN IN QUESTION PD IT IS DESIRED THAT INFORMATION RELATIVE TO THE OTHER TWO INDIVIDUALS MENTIONED IN REFERENCE TWX BE EXPEDITED TO THIS HEADQUARTERS PD IF NEED BE AN INTERVIEW OF THE KEY MAN

IS DESIREABLE IN ORDERT TO ESTABLISH THE VERACITY OF THE ALLEGATIONS I EXPRESSED IN TWX SIX ONE FOUR EIGHT PD IN SHORT IS THE ALLEGATION TRUE OR NOT PD IF IT IS ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE WHEREABOUTS OF THE OTHER INIDIVIDUALS IS DESIRED PD KKKKK

IS THAT ALL KKK NO ON A DIFFERENT MATTER LT HUGHES WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO CAPT STEINER PD KK AS AND IS I WILL CALL HIM KKKK CAPT STEINER HAS GONE TO SUB-REGION AND WILL BE BACK TOMORROW AND WILL CALL YOU AND ALO ALSO ANSWER THE OTHER QUERY KKKK PLEASE HAVE CAPT STEINER CONTACT LT HUG DENAZIFICATION CASE HE DISCUSSED PREV AR AND CLR HE HAS THE MSG ON THAT SWER FIRST THING TOMORROW KKKK SD AS I WANTED TO KNOW ~~IF ANYONE~~ 6167 WE CANT BREAK IT KK

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MR VIDAL HERE WOULD LIKE TO SPEAK TO CAPT ETKIN PLS KK

AS PLS KKK

ANT LOCATE HIM RITE NOW WOULD SOME ONE L ELSE DO PLS KKKK

I WOULD LIKE TO GET AN ESTIMATE AS TO WHEN WE CAN GET AN ANSWER TO OUR TWX THIS HEADQUARTERS NUMBER SIX ONE FOUR EIGHT PD THE INFORMATON IS NEEDED PD KKK I WILL SEE HIM AND GET HIS ANSWER AND SEND IT UP JUST AS SOON AS I CAN ANY AS HERE IS THE CAPT NOW KKK

MOMENT BITTE THIS IS MAX HERE THE REPLY HAS ALREADY BEEN SENT TO YOUR HEADQUARTERS IT WENT OUT H YESTERDAY BY TWX PD KKK

HIYA MAX PD SWELL IM GLAD TO HERE IT PD I HAVENT RECEIVED IT YET NOR HASE MAJOR BROWNING PD WILL CHECK TELETYPE RECORDS

VOTHE REFERENCE NUMBER FROM OUR HQS IS 2031 I CAN REPEAT IF IF YOU DESIRE PD KKKKK

DORFOØ REMEMBER IF IT WAS A POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE ANSWER

THE REPLY WAS POSITIVE X - 3067 -IV - K PD I GET YOU THAT IS WHAT I SUSPECTED PD THANKS VERY MUCH MAX PD HOW IS EVERYTHING DOWN THERE I ALREADY HAVE SEEN AN IMPROVEMENT PD CONGRATS PD KKK

IM GLAD TO HEAR IT BY THE WAY THERE WILL BE OME CORRESPONDENCE FOR YOUR ATTENTION RE YOUR PARTICULAR FIELD PD WE ARE CLEANING HOUSE ON THE CARDS AND THE INDIVIDUAL CONCERNED PD YOU WILL PROBABLY BE INTERESTED TO HEAR THAT PD KKK

INTERESTED HELL I LL GO OUT AND GET DRUNK FOR JOY PD KKKK

HAVE ONE FORME ANYTHING ELSE KKK

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NOTHING ELSE THANKS FOR EVERYTHING PD AR AND GLD

OK CA PL AS PLSKK

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FDD NR 09

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FM UFPFD 14/CO CIC REGION IV MUNICH

TO CO 970TH CIC DET HQ EUOM APO 757

WD GRNC

REF NR 2031/OPERATIONAL/REFERENCE YOUR TWX NUMBER 6148 PD WE REFER YOU

TO X-3067-IV-K/X-3065/

X-3067-IV-K REGISTERED WITH YOUR OFFICE PD

NO RECORD OF OTHER PERSONALITIES INO OUR FILE CITE ZABSKI SIGNED GOLDEN

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Subsky from Region IV Munich, called you at 0915 hours, in reference to TWR #6148, our office, and imparted the following information regarding same:

1) Subj. was interviewed on 24 Feb. 1948 by S/A Hafgre. Subj. stated that he was never in the org. in that particular alleged city (Stuttgart). He also denies any knowledge of the other personalities mentioned.

2) The other personalities mentioned in the TWR have not and are not connected with Region IV - No further knowledge is available.

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a complete report will follow. This telephone call was only to supply an immediate answer, as they felt you were in a hurry.

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SUB-REGION TÖLZ
COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS REGION IV

APO 407 - a

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Operations
18 February 1948
From: EUCOM
Ref. Nr. 6148
Group Count 21

The following purportedly INFORMANTS of CIC are wanted by the French War Crimes: LT MERCK German connected with ABWEHRSTELLUNG in Stuttgart; MLLE ANDREE RIVES; PECCQUIQNOT mother of RIVES. Request immediate notification of present whereabouts of same. Desire immediate notification of the existence of same and the veracity of allegation. Cite Vidal SECRET Signed ERSKINE

Decoded by Foehl

Merck is

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DATE TIME OF ORIGIN 181400 February 1948

TO FOR ACTION

-- Commanding Officers - ALL REGIONS

FOR INFO. (W)

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)
INFORMANTS	CIC.	LT.	MERCK	ABWEHRSTELLUNG	MLLE.	ANDREE	RIVEZ	PECQUIGNOT	SECRET

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TO CO CIC REGION IX BREMEN

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REF NR 6148-0/OPERATIONAL/THE FOLLOWING PURPORTEDLY (ONE) OF (TWO) ARE

LT. MERCK

WANTED BY THE FRENCH FOR WAR CRIMES: (THREE)(FOUR) GERMAN CONNECTED

ABWEHRSTELLUNG MLLE. ANDREE RIVEZ PECQUIGNOT RIVEZ

WITH (FIVE) IN STUTTGART; (SIX) (SEVEN)(EIGHT); (NINE) MOTHER OF (EIGHT)

PD REQUEST IMMEDIATE NOTIFICATION OF PRESENT WHEREABOUTS OF SAME PD

DESIRE IMMEDIATE NOTIFICATION OF THE EXISTENCE OF SAME AND THE VERACITY

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OF ALLEGATION PD CITE VIDAL (TEN) SIGNED E R S K I N E

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SUBJECT: Informants Net

TO: Technical Specialist Region IV

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1. The following information is submitted regarding the net of informants presently run by Kurt MERK.

2. Background: The net of Merk was originally established in 1946 by S/Agt. Robert S. TAYLOR. Through 1946 and 1947, Merk built up his net to include some sixty five persons, scattered all over the four zones of Germany, Poland, Yugoslavia, Czechoslovakia, Switzerland and Greece. S/Agt. Taylor ran the net through Merk who acted as the key man. Although Taylor had personally met approx. eight to ten members of the net, his control was exercised entirely through Merk. The relationship between Taylor and Merk was one of mutual confidence extending into personal friendship. For example Taylor was in the habit of spending almost all his weekend off duty time with Merk at Markt Oberdorf (M48/Y11). The relationship between Taylor and Merk gradually moved to the plan of a firm friendship established between two equals, rather than the relationship which should have existed between the American CIC agent and his informant. Late in June of 1947, when this agent was assigned to the Kaufbeuren sub regional office at Kempten (L48/X90), S/Agt. Taylor, who at that time was in the process of marrying a German national and was consequently making preparations to return to the ZI, approached this agent and offered to turn the net over. At that time Merk's net produced approx. 90% of all intelligence received in Sub Region Kaufbeuren (M48/Y12). The net was known to subregional commander Capt. KRAMER as well as to most other operational agents in that sub region, who held the net in high opinion. Similarily, S/Agt. Taylor received many encouragements from Region IV and was often praised for his superior work in connection with the net. When the top secret SOP regarding the running of nets was forwarded to Sub Region Kaufbeuren, S/Agt. Taylor made a staff study and a special trip to Region Hqs, where during an interview with Lt. Col. GARVEY, it was decided that the net would be allowed to function as it then was, owing mainly to the high level of information which was produced by the net. The net at that time composed itself of approx. fourty eight to fifty two persons. Shortly after the interview with Lt. Col. Garvey S/Agt. Taylor, whose departure date from the EC was rapidly approaching, decided to turn the net over completely to this agent. Upon taking the net over, this agent after several conferences with Merk decided to cut the net down to a reasonable size simultaneously with moving the remaining members into the US zone of Germany, and possibly into Region IV, so as to concentrate the activities of this net within the regional

[redacted]

area. In the course of approx. four months the net was cut down to its present strength of fourteen persons, who represent the most productive elements. Simultaneously, the relationship between this agent and Merk has been switched to a more healthy basis, whereby a more businesslike attitude prevails without, however, a complete curtailment of the necessary human relationship. It is natural that in the course of this change Merk has to some extent resented the fact that his status is no longer that of a bosom pal, who shares the private life of the agent for whom he works and who exerts a great deal of influence on that agent, even in his most private affairs. Despite this fact, however, it is considered that Merk has done far more efficient work than in the past and has produced much better results, especially with respect to the basic mission of this organization, namely the counter intelligence coverage. On the other hand, however, it can not be said that Merk has adapted himself completely to his new status as he retains a certain amount of independence, which, it is felt, is definitely detrimental to this organization. Merk for example does not hesitate to violate specific orders whenever he believes that he is right and the agent is wrong. It is believed that Merk as an individual represents no other value to this organization than that of being the key man of a good net. It is further believed that the net as it stands now, with possibly some minor changes, would become an extremely valuable source of information but that, however, Merk will have to be discharged within the next few weeks. His recent activities connected with the procuring of a radio in Berlin (N5[illegible]/275), the fact that he concealed these activities from this agent and many other smaller violations of principles and of order directly given him, indicate without any doubt that Merk is not capable of adapting himself to a professional like standard of work. In fact, his recent activities have already caused a great deal of embarrassment to Region IV and it is not felt that he will in any way curtail those activities which are detrimental to this organization. With respect to the possibility of Merk being also associated with some foreign intelligence agency, a possibility which has also been envisaged, it must be stated that there exists to-date no evidence or even indications that such might be the case. Arrangements are presently being made to double up Merk in order that another informant may take his job over whenever the time will have come to terminate his connections with this organization. Simultaneously, arrangements are being made to split the net up into three different groups, headed by three different informants, unknown to one another, so that the removal of Merk will coincide with the breaking up the organization of this net. As regards Merk's status after his removal, it is urged in the strongest possible way that Merk be transferred to ECIC for a thorough and extended interrogation, after his removal. The reasons for this recommendation are a) the conviction that the interrogation of Merk would reveal information of extreme value regarding intelligence activities in the US zone b) the fact that the debriefing of Merk could not possible be successfully undertaken

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here unless he was continued in his present position for a considerable length of time c) the debriefing of Mark, if done here and over a considerable period of time, would simultaneously cause the debriefing of his net d) Mark's presence in this area after his removal would be a constant security threat to the net, and finally, e) the firm believe that Mark, in his resentment of being removed would turn to a foreign nation for employment and would present a definite security threat to the United States.

8. Personalities: The net is presently composed of the following individuals, besides Mark :

a. [redacted]
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Camille S. Hajdu
CAMILLE S HAJDU
Special Agent, CIC

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HEADQUARTERS
COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS REGION IV
970th Counter Intelligence Corps Detachment

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APO 407-A
US Army

8 March 1948

SUBJECT: Kurt Josef MERCK

TO : Commanding Officer,
970th CIC Detachment, EUCOM,
APO 757, US Army
ATTN: Mr. VIDAL

1. Reference is made to MOIC originating from Region VIII, BERLIN, dated 16 February 1948; Subject: "Informant Recruiting in BERLIN by Region IV", classified Secret, with file no. VIII-9991. Copies of the MOIC referred to have been forwarded to this headquarters and to Headquarters 970th CIC Det., Hqs. EUCOM, APO 757.

2. Concerning the allegations against this Region by Region VIII, it is necessary to review the past history of the informant and his worth to Region IV.

a. Informant has been an informant of Region IV since shortly after the cessation of hostilities and was carded with the code number of I-5037-IV-K.

b. Your headquarters is aware of his Abwehr background. (Ref. TWX your Hqs. dated 18 February 1948, Ref. No. 6148).

c. The informant has been running a net of Sub-informants. Five months ago the net consisted of approximately sixty-five (65) Sub-informants and was handled by Special Agent TAYLOR of this Region. TAYLOR was redeployed and the Informant with his net was taken over by Special Agent HAJDU. HAJDU, knowing the SOP concerning the running of nets by Abwehr personnel, presented the problem to Lt. Col. GARVEY, who was then Commanding Officer of Region IV. GARVEY suggested the continued use of the Informant with his net. HAJDU immediately started to reduce the size of the net and to concentrate their efforts within the American Zone of Occupation, something that had as yet not been done. In five (5) months the net has been reduced to sixteen (16) Sub-informants, all carded: I-5037-IV-K/X-5058-IV-K/X-5059-IV-K/P-5060-IV-K/X-5077-IV-K/X-5079-IV-K/P-5081-IV-K/P-5089-IV-K/P-5093-IV-K/P-5100-IV-K/P-5101-IV-K/P-5104-IV-K/P-5111-IV-K/X-5069-IV-K/O-5024-IV-K.

d. An acquaintance of MERCK is a radio repair man in BERLIN whose name is [redacted] was not a Sub-informant of MERCK's.

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5. Several months ago (approximately in November 1947), MERCK approached HAJDU and asked if he were interested in illegal radio transmitters and receivers. HAJDU naturally expressed his interest and told MERCK that if he should hear of any such illegal communications systems he (HAJDU) should be notified. That was the last that was heard or spoken about radios until 10 February 1948 when a TWX from BERLIN to this Headquarters revealed that one [redacted] P-5211-IN-K, (a Sub-informant of the MERCK net) was in the BERLIN CIC office and had attempted to get a radio from [redacted]

a. Reference is made to paragraph 2 a of the report mentioned in paragraph 1 above. According to the report, CIC BERLIN was aware of the Sub-informant's activity from the beginning of November 1947, yet made no mention of the incident until 10 February 1948; further, to assume that CIC MUNICH was establishing an illegal radio transmitter so that the informants of this Region can maintain contact, is somewhat far-fetched and beyond comprehension.

b. Neither this office nor the Agent running the Informant was aware of [redacted] presence in BERLIN.

c. Concerning the written EEI's of the informant, no written EEI's were given the Informant by HAJDU. However, in reviewing the background of the Informant, it is easy to assume that he would be aware of what the mission of the CIC is. His Abwehr training and employment in France as an Abwehr man would make it relatively simple for him, with any imagination at all, to make out EEI's which would correspond very closely to those given in the Orientation and Guidance Reports.

d. Reference is made to paragraph 2 d of MOIC from BERLIN. Jon LARSON and PETERSON are two (2) cover names used by MERCK. Mr. BRELSE was the cover name of TAYLOR and Mr. STEVENSON is the cover name used by HAJDU.

4. As was mentioned previously, the former net of MERCK's was not concentrating within the American Zone. Since so much material was being obtained that would be of value to the War Department Detachment, liaison was made with the local WDD and it was decided that the information obtained would be turned over to the WDD, if it were the type of information they wanted. In turn, the local WDD would assist in the payment of the net. This practice has been working out to the advantage of both organizations.

5. MERCK still maintains contact with the IPD in the French Zone through his Sub-informants. Those contacts are, according to HAJDU, the most fruitful sources of information from the entire net.

6. HAJDU, the Regional Technical Specialist, and the Operations Officer are in favor of continuing the "debriefing" of MERCK

with the ultimate thought of dropping him. However, the following must be considered:

a. His value and this headquarters' commitments to WDD.

b. If he is dropped by this headquarters, will not some other agency pick him up (the French, for instance), and if he is picked up by some other agency, would he not take his net with him? Parts of his net are of extreme value to this organization.

c. It would be practically impossible to "debrief" MERCK to such an extent that this organization would not be compromised should he desire to work for another agency.

d. It is desired by this Headquarters to retain some of the Sub-informants of the net, but it is also desired that MERCK be dropped.

7. The following suggestions are offered:

a. The net with exceptions be turned over to WDD.

b. MERCK, who may be able to give valuable information under interrogation, be exploited by ECIC.

c. MERCK be turned over to the French, who want him as a War Criminal. However, the possibility exists that the French only want him as an employee of their Intelligence nets. From all indications, the man may not be a War Criminal. This point is suggested only as a last resort because should the French use him, he would be an extremely valuable asset to their organization.

8. Technical Specialist, Hqs. 970th CIC Det., comments are desired on paragraph 7 above. Copy of this letter has not been furnished CIC Region VIII.

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Special Agent CIC
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BARBIE, Klaus

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1. Reference is made to IRS, this headquarters, file and subject as above, dated 19 December 1947, which is superseded by this correspondence.

2. It is the desire of this headquarters that subject be interviewed in the manner discussed by Mr. VIDAL, this headquarters, and Mr. SILVER, your headquarters, on 16 March 1948, as it pertains to subject's association with CIC. The interview will touch on the following points:

a. How, where, and when did subject contact CIC?

b. Whom did he contact and under what circumstances?

c. What was the nature of the mission assigned him and by whom was it assigned?

d. To whom did subject render his reports? What type? How and where did he render same?

e. Who are the members of his net? How, where, and when were they recruited? Where are these members at present?

f. How, how often, and how much was he paid? How much did each of his sub-sources receive?

g. How, where, and when did he meet MERK? What does he know about MERK? Where does MERK fit in the net created by subject? Who is handling MERK? What are MERK's ideas concerning CIC and the agent handling him?

h. Does subject wish to work for the British? Does he feel the British want to employ him? If so, in what capacity? Does he feel they would arrest him? Why?

i. What does he intend to do after he is released? Does he wish to continue work for CIC? If not, where does he intend to go? Why?

3. It is desired that subject be interviewed in such a manner as to dissuade him from wishing to work for the British. This should be done through an intelligent and clear posing of suggestive questions, from which subject can deduce that it would probably be best that he not visit the British Zone. Under no circumstance should it be stated outright that he not contact the British.

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4. An inducement to make subject talk can be given him by informing him that his release depends on completeness of his answer to the above questions.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

GEORGE R. ECKMAN
Lt. Colonel Inf
Deputy Commander

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APO 757 US ARMY

CI SPECIAL INTERROGATION REPORT 62

BID No. 3364.0600

Evaluation: C-3

Prisoner:	BARBIE, Klaus	Waffen SS Hauptsturmfuehrer (Capt)
alias	BECKER, Klaus	member of the SD
"	BECKER, Heinz	
"	BEHRENS, Klaus	
"	MERTENS, Heinz	
"	SPIER, Klaus	
"	[illegible], Ernst	

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6. CI-SIR/60, 7707 ECIC, Subject BARBIE, Klaus, dated 28 January 1948.

REPORT

1. BARBIE's Initial Contact With Dr. Emil F. HOFFMANN, a British Informant

BARBIE heard HOFFMANN's name mentioned for the first time during one of Karl SCHAEFER's visits to MARBURG in June 1946.

SCHAEFER is a former Waffen SS Hauptsturmfuehrer (Capt), member of the SD, and adjutant of Leon DEGRELLE. BARBIE became acquainted with SCHAEFER through NAUMANN, in MARBURG, early in June 1946.

Christof NAUMANN, alias, CORNELIUS, is 34 years of age. He is a former Unterscharfuehrer of the SD and a captain in the army. BARBIE became acquainted with him during the early part of August 1946.

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It was not until July 1946, when BARBIE contacted SCHAEFER in BAD PYRMONT (L-52/C-67), near HAMELN, that he became interested in HOFFMA On this visit SCHAEFER introduced BARBIE to a certain Dr. WILKENING, a f SS Oberscharfuehrer of the SD and Untersturmfuehrer of the Waffen SS. SCHAEFER and WILKENING spoke highly of HOFFMANN, stating that he had b a well known student leader at the University of Marburg in the early ... and that he was supposed to have good connections now. (SCHAEFER did not say with whom).

Upon BARBIE's return to MARBURG, he questioned his landlord, SCHMITT in regards to HOFFMANN. SCHMITT told BARBIE that he knew HOFFMANN personal and that HOFFMANN had been very active in SA Sturm IV in MARBURG. BARBIE then gave to SCHMITT the address of HOFFMANN, which he had obtained from SCHAEFER, and requested SCHMITT to contact HOFFMANN.

In the meantime, however, SCHAEFER and WILKENING visited HOFFMANN again and told him about BARBIE, also informing HOFFMANN that BARBIE was living in MARBURG with SCHMITT. HOFFMANN immediately went to MARBURG to contact BARBIE, but on his arrival he was informed by SCHMITT that BARBIE was away and that he was not expected back for some time. HOFFMANN left word requesting BARBIE to come to BERLEBURG (L-52/G-47-NW of MARBURG) as soon as possible.

BARBIE contacted HOFFMANN in BERLEBURG in August 1946, at which time HOFFMANN told him the following: Upon completion of his studies, HOFFMANN entered the German Diplomatic Corps, in which he held successively several positions. His last position was in BUCHAREST under SA Obergruppenfuehrer Von KILLINGER, the German Ambassador. Late in 1941, KILLINGER and HOFFMANN had an argument which resulted in HOFFMANN's transfer back to BERLIN, where he was assigned to the Foreign Office. In 1943, HOFFMANN was drafted . He served as a war reporter in the SS Standarte Kurt Eggers and was later placed in charge of the Propaganda Department of Radio Bratislava. After Germany collapsed, HOFFMANN was interned in a PW cage for a period of six months before he was released through the efforts of a friend named MARKUS. (BARBIE believes that he was captured by the British.)

2. HOFFMANN's Association With MARKUS

BARBIE learned the following from HOFFMANN.

During HOFFMANN's employment in the Diplomatic Corps, he became acquainted with MARKUS, in BERLIN. MARKUS was advisor to SS Gruppenfuehrer SCHELLENBERG in Amt IV of the RSHA. HOFFMANN knew that MARKUS was under observation, since unconfirmed reports were on hand indicating that he was a British agent.

After the attempt on HITLER's life on 20 July 1944, MARKUS was arrested. However, because of HOFFMANN's intervention and his contacts with higher SD officials, MARKUS was released and drafted into the army. While serving on the Western Front, MARKUS deserted and reported to Allied Headquarters. Until the end of the war, MARKUS served under Lord VANSITTART in an English propaganda unit.

After the war MARKUS was appointed mayor of GLADBACH-RHEYDT (S-E 0-8) (near DUESSELDORF) and at the same time was given the task of forming for the British a network of agents in Germany. This gave HOFFMANN his freedom, since MARKUS intended to have HOFFMANN collect information about the activities of Communists and subversive personalities and recruit subagents.

Upon his release he was given quarters at 53 Poststrasse, BERLEBURG, by MARKUS and a stamped card stating that he was working for the city council of GLADBACH-RHEYDT. (This card was stamped and signed by MARKUS.) HOFFMANN also showed BARBIE the original and a photostat of a letter written and signed by MARKUS which stated that HOFFMANN had been an active member of the Jahnke resistance group during the war. This letter was for the purpose of making it easier to deal with German officials.

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Late in 1946, HOFFMANN and MARKUS broke their connection because of continuous arguments involving the wife of MARKUS. At first HOFFMANN told BARBIE that he broke with MARKUS because the latter requested him to divulge all the names and addresses of SS personalities known to HOFFMANN. Later, however, HOFFMANN confessed to BARBIE that MARKUS broke with him because of personal differences involving MARKUS' wife.

3. HOFFMANN's Attempt to Recruit BARBIE

Shortly before Christmas 1946, BARBIE visited HOFFMANN in BERLEBURG. HOFFMANN showed him a letter written by a certain Maj KRUK (COOK?) of the British Intelligence Service, stationed in BAD GODESBERG (near BONN). This letter requested HOFFMANN to report to Maj KRUK for consultation. HOFFMANN added that his position with the English was becoming less and less favorable, as he was not producing sufficient information concerning the activities of former Nazis and informants.

HOFFMANN requested BARBIE to work as a subagent and help collect information. BARBIE refused on the basis that he had just escaped from the British authorities in HAMBURG and that they were most likely looking for him. HOFFMANN maintained that this was of no importance and that he would talk to Maj KRUK about him.

Late in January 1947 or early in February, BARBIE met HOFFMANN in MUNICH, as was planned in the previous visit. HOFFMANN told BARBIE that he had spoken to Maj KRUK about him and that Maj KRUK was very interested in obtaining BARBIE's services. HOFFMANN added that Maj KRUK wanted BARBIE to come visit him in BAD GODESBERG as soon as possible. Maj KRUK had also promised that BARBIE need not fear arrest or bodily harm. BARBIE states he was not convinced of Maj KRUK's sincerity, so he told HOFFMANN to tell Maj KRUK that he was willing to meet him only in the US Zone.

In the beginning of March 1947, HOFFMANN again contacted BARBIE in MUNICH. BARBIE told HOFFMANN about his activities and how he had managed to evade arrest during Operation Selection Board.

At the end of March 1947, BARBIE met HOFFMANN for the last time in MUNICH. During this meeting BARBIE became very angry when HOFFMANN informed him that he had told Maj KRUK about BARBIE's activities and how he had managed to escape arrest. HOFFMANN again asked BARBIE if he had reconsidered working for the British. When BARBIE answered with a no, HOFFMANN requested BARBIE to work for him privately, on cases involving Communists as well as former German Intelligence personnel. When BARBIE again replied no, HOFFMANN departed, and BARBIE did not see him again. (HOFFMANN was arrested by the British in April 1947.)

4. Explanation of BARBIE's Activities

BARBIE avers that he was very interested in counterintelligence work with the Western Allies against the Soviets and has shown this by striving to contact Germans working for the Western Allies in that capacity.

When HOFFMANN told BARBIE about his connections with MARKUS and subsequently with the British, BARBIE became very eager to approach the British Intelligence Service through HOFFMANN and offer his services. However, he definitely made up his mind not to contact the British when he found out from OTTO, a former Waffen SS Hauptsturmfuehrer, and HIRSCHFELD (both supposedly working for a US Intelligence Agency), that a good friend of his, a former SD officer, was working for CIC. BARBIE immediately contacted this man, whose name is Kurt MERK, alias PETERSEN. MERK in turn contacted his CIC headquarters and received permission to make use of BARBIE's past experiences and contacts in the gathering of intelligence information from former SD officers now working for the French.

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COMMENTS

Although BARBIE claims to be anti-Communist, it is felt that the main reason for his great efforts and endeavors to work for the Western Allies is based on a desire to obtain his personal freedom. BARBIE falls under the automatic arrest category, and his present employment offers him personal freedom, the liberty to be with his family, a decent wage, an apartment, and security.

Information pertaining to contacts BARBIE made through HOFFMANN and information concerning persons arrested by the British during Operation Selection Board will be covered in a forthcoming report.

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2. It is requested that this report be returned to this headquarters.

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" BEHRENS, Klaus
" MERTENS, Heinz
" SPIER, Klaus
" HOLZER, Ernst

This report covers the purpose of BARBIE's trip to HAMBURG on 10 November 1946, the events taking place there, his initial contact with ACKER as well as the arrest of BARBIE, SCHAEFER and WILKENING by British authorities. BARBIE's version of their escape from a British Field Intelligence Hqs on 14 November 1946 and subsequent events until BARBIE's departure from HAMBURG have been prepared in great detail in order to obtain a detailed picture of what actually did take place.

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REPORT

1. BARBIE's Explanation for Trip to HAMBURG

On 8 November 1946, Karl SCHAEFER and a Dr. WILKENING asked BARBIE to accompany them to HAMBURG to obtain some personal papers. (BARBIE does not remember what kind of papers.)

SCHAEFER is a former Waffen SS Hauptsturmfuehrer (Capt) and member of the SD, whom BARBIE met in MARBURG in June 1946. Dr. WILKENING is a former Waffen SS sergeant whom BARBIE met through SCHAEFER in September 1946 in BAD PYRMONT (L-52/C-07, the British Zone).

Although SCHAEFER and WILKENING possessed employment certificates showing that they were representatives of the Overseas Press News Agency, they did not want to carry these papers with them to HAMBURG because they were issued by a Dr. HOFFMANN whom they considered a British informer. (Dr. HOFFMANN is a former Waffen SS Oberscharfuehrer (Sgt) who lives at Poststrasse 63, BERLEBURG, NW of MARBURG, in the British Zone.) Therefore, before they left for HAMBURG, BARBIE made copies of their identification papers which he presented to authorities in HESSIAN OLDENDORF, near HAMELIN, British Zone, and obtained new employment certificates.

2. Activities of BARBIE, SCHAEFER and WILKENING in HAMBURG

BARBIE, SCHAEFER and WILKENING left BAD PYRMONT for HAMBURG on 10 November 1946. Upon arriving at HAMBURG, BARBIE contacted a Fraulein KUEHN (see CI-SIR No. 60, 7707 ECIC, dated 28 January 1948) who refused to house him.

(BARBIE originally met Fraulein KUEHN in PARIS in 1944, at which time she was the secretary of Otto ILGENFRITZ. BARBIE met her again in August 1945, when ILGENFRITZ, a former 1st Lt of BdS PARIS took him to her home.)

He then called on CLOEDE, a former Kreisamtsleiter and British informant, whom BARBIE met in September 1946 in HAMBURG, and stayed with him that night. SCHAEFER and WILKENING stayed with Fraulein Erna SCHROETER at Karlstrasse 127. Fraulein SCHROETER was WILKENING's secretary in BRUSSELS during the war.

During the evening of 10 November 1946, CLOEDE told BARBIE that he had recently met a former Waffen SS Fahrenjunker (Officer Cadet) and member of the SD, living at LUDWIGSBURG (L-49/S-03) near STUTTGART, by the name of ACKER, who wanted to meet BARBIE. CLOEDE further stated that he promised ACKER he would send him a telegram when BARBIE arrived in HAMBURG.

BARBIE told CLOEDE that he objected to having his whereabouts made known to a stranger, and to meeting ACKER. Although BARBIE objected, CLOEDE sent the telegram asking ACKER to come to HAMBURG.

In further conversations CLOEDE told BARBIE about his illegal activities and about 300 Walter pistols which his group possessed. He offered to give BARBIE one of the pistols, but BARBIE refused it. CLOEDE also mentioned that his group possessed a radio transmitter which he had recently obtained by paying the 1,000 German marks given to him by BARBIE, to several of CLOEDE's former SS comrades, who had stolen the transmitter from a British unit where they were employed.

CLOEDE told BARBIE that the weapons and the radio transmitter were preparations against a feared Russian onslaught.

WILKENING spent 11 November trying to obtain his papers while BARBIE and SCHAEFER contacted a friend (name unknown) of SCHAEFER who

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arranged for the sale of a piece of jewelry. In the evening, SCHAEFER and BARBIE went to CLOEDE's home where they heard CLOEDE tell more of his illegal activities.

Though it was BARBIE's intention to leave HAMBURG for HANOVER on 12 November at 2355 hours, he reluctantly agreed to meet ACKER at the Cafe Larrange in the Gaensmarkt at 1700 hours. During that day BARBIE gave SCHAEFER and WILKENING 1,000 German marks each and agreed to deposit 5,000 German marks with Fraulein SCHROETER. WILKENING was not successful in obtaining the papers for which he came to HAMBURG. At 1600 hours BARBIE and SCHAEFER ate in the Faun restaurant where SCHAEFER convinced BARBIE that the appointment with ACKER should be kept.

When SCHAEFER and BARBIE arrived at the Cafe Larrange, WILKENING and Fraulein SCHROETER were there, and shortly after 1700 hours CLOEDE and ACKER appeared. After introductions were made, CLOEDE left and WILKENING, SCHAEFER, SCHROETER and BARBIE went to the Faun restaurant. ACKER appeared to be extremely nervous; at one time he left the party to make a telephone call. ACKER talked a great deal about himself and his association with the SD, and in order to convince BARBIE that he was telling the truth, he mentioned the names and whereabouts of several former SD leaders whom BARBIE knew. When asked by ACKER whether BARBIE was a member of any illegal group, BARBIE answered that he was not. ACKER also described his activities with the Werwolf group and told how he blew up a French Headquarters near STUTTGART. On saying goodbye, ACKER informed BARBIE, SCHAEFER and WILKENING that he too was leaving for HANOVER that night. However, he was not seen at the station that evening by any of the others.

After supper at the home of Fraulein SCHROETER, the three men, BARBIE, SCHAEFER and WILKENING, went to the ALTONA railway station to board a train for HANOVER. BARBIE states that he noticed a sedan with the markings of the British civilian police following their streetcar, but paid no particular attention to it. Just before the train departed, four civilians came into their compartment and arrested BARBIE, SCHAEFER and WILKENING.

BARBIE states that he thought a mistake had been made until they entered the RTO and a British Captain said to him, "Well, my dear friend, we are not Americans. You are not going to run away from us." BARBIE states that at this moment he realized that CLOEDE must be a British agent, inasmuch as only CLOEDE and BARENHAUSEN, a former Waffen SS Untersturmfuehrer whom BARBIE had met in August 1945 in BURSFELDE/Weser and with whom he had been in constant contact up to the present time, knew about the MARBURG affair. (The MARBURG affair refers to BARBIE's arrest by American authorities in MARBURG on 28 August 1946. BARBIE states that the American authorities were informed about him by Frau Erika LOOS, a former secretary of Stapo ESSEN, Chief Krim Rat HOHLOS. BARBIE escaped from custody by jumping out of the jeep in which he was being taken to headquarters.)

3. BARBIE's Description of British Field Secret Service House in Which He, WILKENING and SCHAEFER Were Confined

BARBIE was taken to the British Field Secret Service (FSS) at Alsterufer in HAMBURG. Upon entering the house, BARBIE recognized SCHAEFER and WILKENING in the hall. From the hall, he was taken into a large room on the ground floor, where, after stripping, all his clothes were minutely examined. His belt, suspenders and shoelaces, as well as his personal papers and briefcase containing toilet articles, were taken from him.

After descending the stairway leading to the basement, he came into a narrow hallway that made a 90 degree curve and led to an open air raid shelter door. This door could be closed and opened only from the outside. However, it always remained open (this open door was used in the later escape of BARBIE, WILKENING and SCHAEFER). After going through this

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door, BARBIE came into another part of the hallway, about 10 meters in length, along which he noticed built-in cells. From here he was taken through another air raid shelter door which was locked and which remained locked throughout his stay in the basement. (Though this door was locked and could not be opened by BARBIE once he passed through it to the room in which he was confined, it could be opened by anyone who wanted to enter his cell.) The door led to a small compartment in which there were three empty cells. BARBIE was put in the last of these three cells. Each cell had a grated door and was locked with an ordinary padlock.

4. Details of Plans to Escape and Final Accomplishment of Escape

During the night, BARBIE says, he heard someone cough and several people talking. He recognized SCHAEFER's voice and called him. SCHAEFER replied, and told BARBIE that he and WILKENING were in one cell located in the corridor between the two air raid shelter doors through which he had passed on the way to his cell. BARBIE also learned that there was a wall between them as well as an air raid shelter door which was locked from the corridor side. In spite of this, they were able to discuss the circumstances of their arrest. They all came to the conclusion that only CLOEDE or ACKER could have caused the arrest. Since they could hear the guards approaching, they always had sufficient time to stop talking before the guards could hear them.

On the first night (12 November) British soldiers came in pairs every half hour to check on them. When BARBIE wanted to go to the latrine, the guards went with him. The latrine was located beyond the corridor in which SCHAEFER and WILKENING were locked, so that BARBIE had to pass their cell on his way to the latrine. There was always a light in the basement, although the cells were blacked out.

On 14 November, about noon, SCHAEFER informed BARBIE that they had found a small iron bar and a flashlight in their cell, which they were going to use in an attempt to escape. BARBIE agreed to join them. SCHAEFER and WILKENING discovered that the padlock on their cell door could be broken with the 10 cm x 2 cm iron bar and that inasmuch as BARBIE's door had the same type padlock it too could be broken open.

As soon as the guards had made their half hour checks, they discussed the details of their escape. After breaking the locks, they planned to go through the glass door at the other end of the corridor that led to the toilet and the staircase to the next floor. During one of their trips to the toilet, they had noticed that a light switch, which they believed to be the main switch for the house, was located directly behind the air raid shelter door that led to BARBIE's cell. They planned to turn off all the lights in the house in the event the guards came down after they had broken out of the cells.

On the night of 14 November, they noticed that only one guard came to check them. This guard appeared frightened; He always drew his pistol in front of the cells and he refused to escort any of them to the latrine, stating that he was alone and could not do it. They finally decided to make the break around midnight. When they thought it was about 2400 hours and tried to make their escape, they heard the guard playing the flute upstairs. In order to learn how much noise they could make without being heard, they shouted loudly for the guard. However, the sound of the flute became louder, so they proceeded with their plan to escape. SCHAEFER and WILKENING broke open their padlock and then BARBIE's. They all walked toward the glass door behind which outside steps could be seen. However, this door was locked and they could not open it. They then tried to escape through the boiler room as well as through other rooms in the basement, but the window in each room was blocked from the outside. After twenty minutes of futile work, they realized that getting past the guard would be their only means of escape. WILKENING took off his shoes and went upstairs. He soon reported that the guard was seated in a small booth the upper part of which was made of glass, and the lower part of wood. On reaching the top of the staircase they saw the guard about five meters

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away with his back to them, facing the front of the house. They sneaked behind the rear of the booth and opened a door three meters to the guard's left and entered a large room. The lights were out, but some light was coming from three large windows. After locking the door behind them with a key, they crawled through a window onto a small roof, and then jumped about three meters down into the park. They hid in the park for about ten minutes and then walked down a lane which led to the Alsterufer. From there they went to Fraulein KUEHN's home on Moorveidenstrasse.

5. Incidents After the Escape

After washing up at Fraulein KUEHN's home, they contacted Fraulein SCHROETER, who gave them 2,000 German marks. The next step in their plan was to stay with SCHAEFER's friend in KIEL. On their way to a railway station outside HAMBURG, they encountered a night watchman who invited them to stay with him. (BARBIE does not remember the man's name nor his address, but according to information on file the watchman's name is LUEDINGHAUS.) They stayed with him for four days. The day following their escape, BARBIE [illegible] (alias PRIESS) of [illegible], a former Oberstur-fuehrer in the Waffen SS, whom BARBIE had met in July 1946 in MARBURG. This letter contained another letter addressed to SCHMITT, an old party member and SA Unterfuehrer living at Barfuesserstrasse 35 in MARBURG, where BARBIE had met him in December 1945. The letter requested new discharge papers for BARBIE, SCHAEFER and WILKENING. Frau LUEDINGHAUS returned on 19 November accompanied by BARKHAUSEN whom she accidentally met at PRUEHS' home. BARKHAUSEN gave BARBIE three discharge forms. BARBIE filled one out in the name of Klaus SPIER, SCHAEFER filled out his in the name of FLATOW, and WILKENING filled out his in the name of FRANK.

BARBIE related their experiences to BARKHAUSEN and expressed his suspicions that either CLOEDE or ACKER had been responsible for their arrest. To prove that BARBIE's suspicions were not justified, BARKHAUSEN told him that he had questioned CLOEDE and that CLOEDE denied having had anything to do with the arrest of BARBIE, SCHAEFER and WILKENING.

COMMENTS

BARBIE states that he was treated roughly when arrested by the British authorities at the ALTONA railway station. BARBIE professes complete ignorance as to why he was arrested other than that he was listed as a participant in the Selection Board Operation. He expressed surprise that he was not interrogated during his detention.

When questioned regarding the escape, BARBIE stated that the open air raid shelter door and the frightened, negligent guard greatly aided their escape.

When BARBIE saw WILKENING in LEVERKUSEN-WIESDORF on 21 December, WILKENING told him that a British agent who had interrogated his wife in BAD PYRMONT after the escape, had told her that the escape was successful due to outside assistance. Frau WILKENING agreed with him and said that the "Organization" was well organized with a view to taking care of such problem. BARBIE strongly denies the existence of an organization, and insists that the escape was accomplished as related in this report.

It is felt that BARBIE has nothing to gain by making false statements as to his activities or those of other Selection Board Operation personalities.

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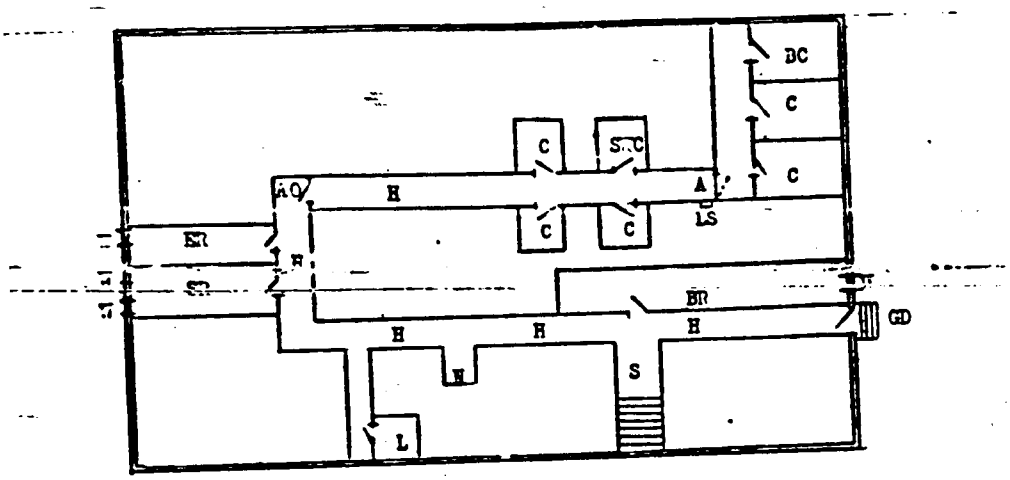
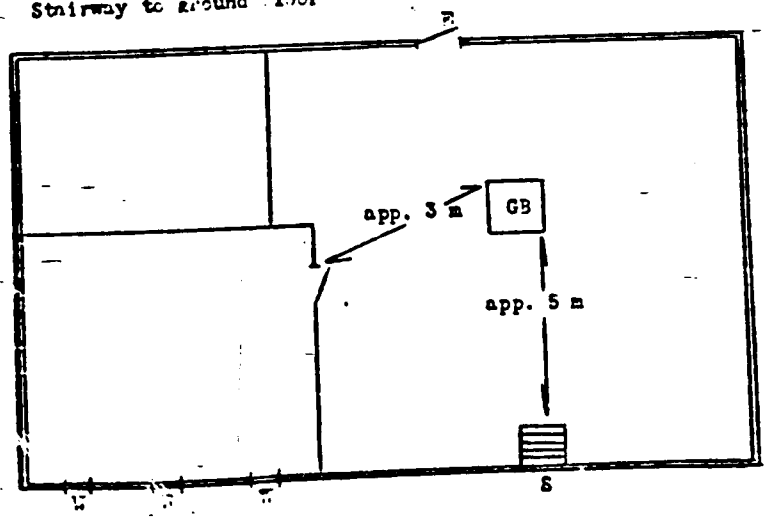


a. Basement

A Air-raid shelter door locked
AO Air-raid shelter door always open
BC BARBIE's cell
BR Boiler room
C Cell
EM Empty room
GD Glass door to street level
H Hallway
L Latrine
LS Light switch
N Niche
S Stairway to ground floor
SR Store room
SCC SCHAEFER's and WILKENING's cell
Window
Doors



b. Ground floor

E Entrance to house
GB Guard booth
S Staircase to basement
Window

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REPORT

1. Persons Suspected by BARBIE of Being Informants for the British

a. CLOEDE, Heinz

Either at the end of September or the beginning of October 1946, BARBIE became acquainted with CLOEDE through BARKHAUSEN, former Waffen SS Untersturmfuehrer in HAMBURG. During his association with CLOEDE (from October 1946 to February 1947, BARBIE gained information which he considers basis for suspecting CLOEDE of being an informant for the British Field Intelligence Service:

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(1) To all persons who contacted him, CLOEDE passed himself off as an old Nazi Party member and Amtswalter (minor NSDAP functionary), and kept in his apartment photographs showing him in the uniform of an Amtswalter of the NSDAP. BARBIE assumes that CLOEDE used these photographs as well as a pillow decorated with a swastika, to gain the confidence of other Nazis, as, under normal circumstances, CLOEDE, if known as an old Party member, would have been arrested by the British. When questioned by visitors to his apartment, as to his reasons for openly displaying these articles, CLOEDE replied that nothing could happen to him because he was ill.

(2) CLOEDE was continually asking BARBIE for written instructions or assistance in making up a black list of the names of members of the German Denazification Board, or in establishing a radio station, measures which BARBIE considered contrary to all common sense.

(3) CLOEDE tried in every way to determine possible connections between BARBIE and other Selection Board personalities (MAUHAN, Dr. GERICKE, SCHAEFER, WILKENING).

(4) BARBIE felt that CLOEDE forced upon him the visit of ACKER, an informant. CLOEDE, he believes, did not want him arrested at home and therefore used ACKER as a dummy for surveillance. The exact time of BARBIE's departure from HAMBURG on 12 November 1946, the night of the arrest of SCHAEFER, WILKENING, and BARBIE by the British authorities, was known only to CLOEDE and ACKER.

(5) BARKHAUSEN told CLOEDE the name and address (LUEDINGHAUS, Rostocker Strasse 10, HAMBURG) of the family that aided SCHAEFER, WILKENING, and BARBIE after they had escaped from the British authorities in HAMBURG on 14 November 1946. Later CLOEDE visited this family with BARKHAUSEN, and a short time after the visit, the LUEDINGHAUS family was arrested.

b. AHLERS, Welly

Through BARKHAUSEN, BARBIE became acquainted with AHLERS in MARBURG, on 10 September 1946. For the following reasons, he believes that AHLERS was either an informant or a subagent of CLOEDE:

(1) BARKHAUSEN had met AHLERS in the spring or summer of 1946 at the home, near BUCHOLZ, of his former company commander, Waffen SS Hauptsturmfuehrer DIETZ. AHLERS, who was employed in DIETZ's home as a maid, became BARKHAUSEN's mistress, and from that time on travelled with him wherever he went, thus becoming acquainted with all persons whom BARKHAUSEN contacted.

(2) Through BARKHAUSEN, CLOEDE met AHLERS and her sister, Frau THIELE, whose husband, a former Hitler Youth official, is interned in NEUENGAMME. Frau THIELE became CLOEDE's mistress and later gave birth to a child by him. BARBIE met Frau THIELE in October 1946 when he visited his wife, then living with AHLERS' mother in the LUENEBURGER HEIDE. At that time, charges had been preferred against Frau THIELE for the theft of ration cards from the local city hall in BUCHOLZ. Later, AHLERS told BARBIE that CLOEDE had been very active in helping her sister and, through personal contacts, had been able to have the charges quashed. BARBIE assumes that in payment for his assistance AHLERS furnished CLOEDE with the names and addresses of the persons contacted by BARKHAUSEN.

(3) The most logical evidence, however, according to BARBIE, is the fact that his wife, upon leaving the maternity hospital in KASSEL-HARLEHAUSEN in December 1946, noticed that she was under surveillance. The address of Frau BARBIE was known only to BARKHAUSEN, AHLERS, and Frau BREDE. BARBIE does not believe that BARKHAUSEN or Frau BREDE had anything to do with the surveillance, since they also were engaged in illegal activities. Another reason for his suspecting AHLERS rests upon a remark she once made to BARKHAUSEN's parents to the effect that BARKHAUSEN would be surprised to learn what would happen if he were to marry Frau MUELLER (another mistress of BARKHAUSEN, by whom he has a child) and not her.

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e. ACKER (fnu)

After their escape from the British authorities in HAMBURG, on 14 November 1946, SCHAEFER, WILKENING, and BARBIE reconstructed the events of the past and reached the conclusion that they had been under surveillance from the moment that CLOEDE and ACKER entered the Cafe Lorenz in HAMBURG on the night of their arrest. WILKENING, for instance, remembered that when CLOEDE left the cafe, ACKER became extremely nervous, continually turning around and, on one occasion, leaving the table to make a phone call. Some time later, an Englishman in uniform with a green ribbon over his shoulder strap sat down at a table next to theirs. He was accompanied by three (3) women. WILKENING and BARBIE again saw these persons sitting next to them in the Fun restaurant and later riding on the same streetcar. At first they thought this to be a coincidence, but later felt reasonably sure that they were under surveillance.

BARBIE believes that the English were tipped off by CLOEDE and ACKER. Before leaving them, ACKER asked the exact time the train would leave the ALTONA station for HANOVER, adding that he was going to travel with them. When ACKER did not appear and they were arrested, they assumed that he was an informant.

2. BARBIE's Relations With BARKHAUSEN

BARBIE states that he has often reproached BARKHAUSEN for his association with CLOEDE and AHLERS, especially because the last-named always accompanied him on his trips to contact other SS comrades. BARBIE told BARKHAUSEN that he distrusted CLOEDE because of his continual questioning and because of his boasting of having been a Nazi. BARBIE disapproved of BARKHAUSEN's association with AHLERS because BARKHAUSEN was also very intimate with Frau Cissi MUELLER, the wife of BARBIE's deceased cousin.

BARBIE further states that he had contemplated breaking off connections with BARKHAUSEN and his associates shortly before Operation Selection Board, as he feared BARKHAUSEN's loose tongue and tendency to trust strangers.

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LIST OF PERSONALITIES

ACKER (fnu)	25 years old; 1.75 m; black hair; dark eyes; long face; aquiline nose. Temperamental. Said to be living near STUTTGART
AHLERS, Nelly	About 20 years old; 1.70 m; heavy build; long face; single. Lives near BUCHHOLZ, Lueneburger Heide region
CLOEDE, Heinz	38 years old; 1.72 m; frail build; pale, unhealthy complexion; dark blond hair; wears glasses Married; has six children; reputed to be a philologist or sociologist; lives at 22 Wrangelstrasse (1st floor), HAMBURG

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TO : Commanding Officer
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BIOGRAPHY

25 Oct 1913	Born in GODESBERG, Kreis Bonn
1920-1925	Attended grammar school in UDLER, Kreis Daun, Eifel
1925-1934	Attended the Humanistische Friedrich Wilhelm Gymnasium in TRIER
April 1933	Joined the Hitler Jugend

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Autumn 1933	Became Jungvolkfuehrer in the HJ
3 Oct 1933	Father died. BARBIE abandoned plans to study medicine
28 Apr 1934-1 Nov 1934	Served as Arbeitsmann (worker) in the German Labor Service, in Detachment IV/76 in NIEBUELL, Kreis Sued Tondern
1 Dec 1934-1 Sep 1935	Did volunteer work with the HJ, in order to get necessary help from party for studies. On many occasions met with the Ortsgruppenleiter of Ortsgruppe Trier-Mitte, Karl HORRMANN, Palast Strasse, TRIER. HORRMANN knew BARBIE's financial situation
February 1935	Asked by HORRMANN whether he was interested in entering either the Gestapo or the Security Service (SD) of the SS. All members were supposed to get, almost free, an education in law. BARBIE immediately applied for membership
September 1935	Interviewed by the Chief of the SD, HEYDRICH, in BERLIN, 102 Wilhelm Strasse
1 Oct 1935	Became member of the SD, in the SD Hauptamt. At the same time became SS Mann (Private) with membership number 272,284. At first with Abteilung II, later III (Lebensgebiete). Joined Abteilung VI when it was formed in 1937. Received planning post with the rank of SS Sturmbannfuehrer. (Belonged to Abteilung VI until the collapse.)
October 1935-October 1937	Received education in military, police, technical, and intelligence matters. Several times attended, for 6 to 8 weeks, the SD School in BERNAU near BERLIN, as well as the Fuehrerschule of the Sipo in BERLIN/Charlottenburg, 1 Schloss Strasse
June 1936	Promoted to SS Sturmmann (Pfc)
1 May 1937	Became member of the NSDAP, Ortsgruppe "Braunes Haus" Section A, MUNICH. At the same time entered the NSV.
April 1937	Promoted to SS Rottenfuehrer (Actg Cpl)
1 Oct 1937	Transferred to SD Oberabschnitt West DUESSELDORF, Goldsteiner Strasse. Member Abteilung VI (Intelligence Service).
1938	Served several times, for 4 to 6 weeks, with Stapo DUESSELDORF.
April 1938	Promoted to SS Scharfuehrer (Sgt)
1 Sep 1938-1 Dec 1938	Received military training with the Wehrmacht. Served with Infantry Regiment 39, III Bn, WESEL.
March 1939	Passed examination to become SS officer.
April 1939	Promoted to SS Oberscharfuehrer (S/Sgt)
Spring 1939	Passed examination for SD and became Referent of the SD, with the planning post of SS Sturmbannfuehrer (Maj) in Amt VI (similar to Kriminal Rat with police).
1 Sep 1939-8 May 1940	Stationed with SD Abschnitt DORTMUND.

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20 April 1940	Promoted to SS Untersturmfuehrer (2nd Lt)
25 April 1940	Married in DUESSELDORF to Regime WILLES, of TRIER
May 1940-July 1940	Served in the Netherlands, Belgium, Northwest France
July 1940-December 1941	Served in The HAGUE as BdS
December 1941-January 1942	Passed examination for leading service with the Sipo and the SD in BERLIN/Charlottenburg
February 1942-April 1942	Served as BdS (local Security Police chief) in BRUSSELS
May/June 1942	Joined reserve for Operation Baku in BERLIN
July 1942-August 1942	Stationed at Swiss Border (GENEVA)
Sep 1942-Sep 1943	Served as BdS PARIS
Oct 1943-Dec 1943	Stationed in Northern Italy; BdS in Italy
January 1944-May 1944	Served in SE France; BdS in PARIS, Division Oberst SCHWER
June 1944-August 1944	Served on invasion front, Army Group G
26 Aug 1944	Wounded on southern invasion front
1 Sep 1944	Sent to hospital in BADEN BADEN
1 Dec 1944	Sent to hospital in HALBERSTADT
17 Feb 1945-6 Mar 1945	On convalescent leave
7 March 1945	Reported to Amt I in BERLIN
11 March 1945	Transferred to SD Leitabschnitt DUESSELDORF as Chief of VI. Arriving there, found that VI had been evacuated to ESSEN
15 March 1945	Reported to SD ESSEN, which had already stopped working
17 March 1945	Transferred to Stapo ESSEN
1 April 1945	Reported on his own to SS and Police Fuehrer RAPPENGANS, and was immediately transferred to 12 SS AK. Could not find that organisation and reported to Army Group B (MODEL), which he found by chance.
3 Apr 1945-16 Apr 1945	Served with Army Group B in a department for special orders under the command of Lt Col KLEINKORRES

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REPORT

(Note: The information contained in this report has been requested by 970th CIC Det.)

1. BARBIE's Activities From January 1947 Until He Re-established Contact With [illegible]

Early in January 1947, a prearranged meeting was held at the home of Waffen SS Obersturmfuehrer (1st Lt) Fritz PRUEHS in MARBURG (see CI-FIR/158, 7707 ECIC, dated 10 June 1947). It was attended by SS Hauptsturmfuehrer (Capt) Wolfgang OTTO, SS Unterscharfuehrer (Sgt) Christof NAUMANN of the SD, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer (Capt) Von NORTHEIM, PRUEHS, and BARBIE. The purpose of this meeting, which had been called by OTTO, was not known to the others beforehand.

During the meeting, OTTO announced that NORTHEIM had a message of interest to some of those present. NORTHEIM stated that he was in contact with SS Hauptsturmfuehrer (Capt) HIRSCHFELD of the SS Verwaltungs and Wirtschaftshauptamt (Main Office for Administration and Economy) under Gruppenfuehrer (Maj Gen) POHL. HIRSCHFELD, who at the time was employed as manager of the Breuninger Leather Co., in SCHORNDORF (Northeast of STUTTGART), had succeeded in making indirect contact with a US Intelligence agency and was looking for former SS Intelligence personnel to help collect intelligence material about the Soviets for the Americans. HIRSCHFELD claimed to be cooperating in this field with SS Brigadefuehrer (Brig Gen) SIX and SS Sturmbannfuehrer (Maj) Dr. AUGSBURG, formerly of the Wannsee Institut (Eastern department). NORTHEIM concluded his announcement by asking NAUMANN and BARBIE whether they would be interested in working for HIRSCHFELD. Both stated that they would have to look into the matter before committing themselves.

After the meeting, BARBIE returned to KASSEL, to the home of Fridolin BECKER, where he remained for approximately eight days. BARBIE then returned to MARBURG. There a letter awaited him requesting him to contact Dr. HOFFMANN in BERLEBURG, which he immediately did. He remained in BERLEBURG for three days. (For details as to BARBIE's dealings with Dr. HOFFMANN see CI-SIR/62, 7707 ECIC, Subject: BARBIE, Klaus, dated 15 April 1948.) HOFFMANN requested BARBIE to deliver a sealed letter to a Dr. MINNICH, living in WELZHEIM (near STUTTGART).

Dr. MINNICH invited BARBIE to stay as his guest for several days. During this visit, BARBIE became acquainted with a friend of MINNICH, Dr. ZARP, a former SS Untersturmfuehrer (2nd Lt).

BARBIE then returned to KASSEL. Upon his arrival in KASSEL he met NAUMANN, who was very enthusiastic about NORTHEIM's offer. NAUMANN said that he and OTTO had contacted HIRSCHFELD and Dr. AUGSBURG, who had made a very good impression regarding their sincerity in attempting to contact former SS Intelligence personnel. On 10 February 1947 BARBIE departed for MUNICH to contact OTTO.

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OTTO and BARBIE then went to SCHORNDORF to the home of Dr. AUGSBURG, where they were told that Dr. AUGSBURG and HIRSCHFELD had left for FUERSTENRIED (near MUNICH) and could be reached at the Hotel Zur Post. BARBIE and OTTO returned to MUNICH, and BARBIE proceeded to FUERSTENRIED alone. At the Hotel Zur Post, BARBIE saw HIRSCHFELD and Dr. AUGSBURG with an unknown woman. He approached HIRSCHFELD and introduced himself as BECKER, saying that he had been sent by OTTO. HIRSCHFELD, after questioning him as to his past, requested BARBIE to visit him in SCHORNDORF.

Upon his return to MUNICH, BARBIE went to SCHORNDORF, where he contacted HIRSCHFELD at his office in the Breuninger leather factory near the ER station. HIRSCHFELD stated that he was a former SS officer, that he had taken money from SS funds after the collapse of Germany, and that he, with SS Hauptsturmfuehrer (Capt) SCHLEHER, had bought the Breuninger leather factory. Business was good, owing to the black market. Each had two vehicles and plenty of money.

HIRSCHFELD further stated that he was in contact with a group of former German Intelligence chiefs who were now active for the Americans and that he was acting as liaison for this group, in an attempt to legalize it as an organization of the US Forces. Brigadefuehrer (Maj Gen) SIX and Dr. AUGSBURG were the chiefs. HIRSCHFELD handled the financial problems.

Before BARBIE departed, HIRSCHFELD asked whether he would like to become a member of this group. BARBIE requested time to think the matter over. At this point HIRSCHFELD gave BARBIE a certificate stating that BARBIE was a traveling salesman for the Breuninger leather factory. BARBIE mistrusted HIRSCHFELD because he had heard from SS Hauptsturmfuehrer (Capt) SCHRIEVER that SIX had been arrested. Because of this he wanted to contact SCHRIEVER before committing himself to HIRSCHFELD.

BARBIE proceeded immediately to KASSEL to contact NAUMANN, from whom he hoped to obtain SCHRIEVER's address. He arrived in KASSEL on the night of 22 February 1947. As he entered the BECKER home, the house was raided by CIC, being a target for Operation Selection Board. BARBIE managed to avoid arrest by jumping from a back window. The following day he left for MUNICH, where he contacted OTTO, who, however, was unable to give him the address of SCHRIEVER. On 5 March, BARBIE met Dr. HOFFMANN (See CI-SIR/62, 7707 ECIC). BARBIE remained in MUNICH until 6 March, when, upon an invitation, he visited Dr. HINRICH in MELZHEIM.

On 12 March, BARBIE returned to MUNICH to meet OTTO as prearranged. They intended to make inquiries of Dr. AUGSBURG in regard to HIRSCHFELD's past. This trip, which took place on or about 16 March, was not successful, as Dr. AUGSBURG was unable to tell them more about HIRSCHFELD than they already knew. BARBIE and OTTO then called upon HIRSCHFELD, who stating that he had to leave on business immediately, requested them to meet him in the Loewenbrau Restaurant on 21 March.

OTTO and BARBIE returned to MUNICH. En route OTTO met an acquaintance, a former SS Hauptsturmfuehrer SCHULZ, who lives in BUCHLOE (near AUGSBURG). Until then BARBIE had known SCHULZ by name only, since OTTO had already told him about SCHULZ's knowledge of a former Abwehr captain who was employed by the Americans. During the conversation BARBIE had SCHULZ describe this man, a Capt PETERSEN, who was working in MERLINGEN. BARBIE recognized this person as MERK and inquired where he could be contacted. SCHULZ told BARBIE that PETERSEN could be contacted at the cafe "Weinsigel" in MERLINGEN during the noon hour.

BARBIE and OTTO met again in MUNICH on 21 March at the Loewenbrau Restaurant, where HIRSCHFELD awaited them. HIRSCHFELD asked them to go with him to Schloss Feldafing, a suburb of MUNICH, where Dr. AUGSBURG was awaiting them. Upon arrival, HIRSCHFELD called BARBIE aside, saying that he had an assignment for him in SCHWABISH-GMUEND. The Communists there had built up a radio network and were active in the intelligence field. BARBIE was to move

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to this city and attempt to penetrate this organization. In doing so he would receive all necessary assistance from a certain KLAMANN of SCHORNDORF. HIRSCHFELD talked to OTTO privately in regard to his duties, which were unknown to BARBIE. OTTO and BARBIE then returned to MUNICH. BARBIE was to use his own judgement on completing this assignment, and was to report to HIRSCHFELD as well as draw his pay from him. No specific salary was set by HIRSCHFELD for BARBIE's work when the latter accepted the assignment.

On the following day BARBIE left for MERGINGEN, where he was unsuccessful in his attempt to contact MERK. From MERGINGEN, BARBIE went to SCHORNDORF to contact HIRSCHFELD and KLAMANN. KLAMANN and BARBIE traveled together to SCHWAEBISH-GMUEND to arrange for the quarters which BARBIE was to occupy during his stay in that city. They returned to SCHORNDORF on the following day. HIRSCHFELD requested BARBIE to start his assignment in approximately eight days.

On or about 28 March, BARBIE again went to MERGINGEN with the intention of contacting MERK. By chance he met MERK at the RR station, where MERK was waiting for one of his subagents (name unknown to BARBIE). MERK requested BARBIE to wait for him at the Weinsigel Cafe, where they met approximately three hours later. MERK instructed BARBIE to meet him at 20:00 hours in his office, at 36 Kaiser Promenade. They met and talked for three or four hours. MERK asked BARBIE to visit him again on 17 April 1947, saying that at that time he might have some good news for him.

After leaving MERK, BARBIE went to BAD WERISHOFEN (near AUGSBURG), where he met OTTO. BARBIE remained in BAD WERISHOFEN for eight days. He then went to WELZHEIM to see Dr. MINNICH and from there to MARBURG. (See CI-SIR/62 for details.) On 15 April 1947, BARBIE went to SCHORNDORF to see Dr. AUGSBURG. There he also saw MACHANN, who immediately told BARBIE that he had read in a newspaper of SIX's arrest and that he thought it obvious that HIRSCHFELD was double-dealing. In spite of that information, BARBIE went to HIRSCHFELD's office, where he met OTTO and SCHULZ. SCHULZ left after obtaining money from HIRSCHFELD. OTTO, HIRSCHFELD, and BARBIE, as well as BARBIE's wife were then taken to STUTTGART in HIRSCHFELD's vehicle, as HIRSCHFELD was very anxious for BARBIE to start on his assignment in SCHWAEBISH-GMUEND. The following day BARBIE left for MERGINGEN for his appointment with MERK (BARBIE's wife often accompanied him but it is not always mentioned because it is of little importance).

2. BARBIE's Initial Contact With CIC Region IV

When BARBIE contacted MERK on 17 April, he was told to find himself a room and come back the following day at 18:00 hours, at which time he was met by TAYLOR, a CIC agent of MUNICH. TAYLOR assured BARBIE that he had nothing to fear, that he was not to be arrested, that TAYLOR merely wanted to have a few words with him.

TAYLOR inquired concerning BARBIE's past life, his activities while employed by the SD, and his assignments during the war years. (Later BARBIE wrote his biography for TAYLOR). TAYLOR asked BARBIE whether he would like to work for CIC as a subagent, collecting intelligence material. BARBIE immediately accepted this offer. TAYLOR then arranged for a room at the Bahnhof Hotel, where BARBIE was to stay until further notice.

3. Terms on Which BARBIE Was Recruited; His Mission

Eight or more days passed before TAYLOR requested to see BARBIE again. TAYLOR informed BARBIE that his appointment had been approved by the Chief of CIC in MUNICH and that he could start to work immediately on the following terms:

a. To remain in Bavaria.

b. To break off all connections with other SS or German intelligence personnel.

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c. To contact SS or German intelligence personnel only upon order of CIC.

d. To carry out all instructions given by CIC.

When BARBIE agreed to these terms, he was given a questionnaire to fill out and told to assist MERK in forming an intelligence network to collect material pertaining to the Soviets. BARBIE was to be paid by MERK.

4. The Forming of Organization Bergen: Its Mission

MERK's original intelligence network, called Buero Petersen to coincide with his cover name, was functioning on a very small scale. After a discussion about BARBIE's work, he and MERK came to the conclusion that the network should be rebuilt on the basis of the mission it was to fill.

The following four main missions, taken as the basis, were broken down into various phases of intelligence.

a. Clarification of the activities of the KIS in the Soviet Zone of Germany and satellite countries

b. Clarification of KIS activities in the US Zone of Germany.

c. Information pertaining to the collaboration of the French Intelligence with the KIS.

d. Penetration of Soviet-sponsored organizations.

These four missions were sub-divided in the following manner:

re a. Clarification of the Activities of the KIS in the Soviet Zone of Germany and Satellite Countries

(4) Data on Soviet military intelligence, including plans and other documents.

(5) Other intelligence information from the Soviet Zone of Germany and satellite countries.

re b. Clarification of KIS Activities in US Zone of Germany

(1) To collect information pertaining to the activities of the KIS in the US Zone of Germany (military, administration, economy, politics).

(2) To uncover Soviet agents in the US Zone of Germany (their location, activities, contacts, etc.).

(3) To obtain information about the channels of operation of agent nets in the US Zone.

(4) To establish the degree of collaboration between the KPD (and other groups affiliated with the KPD) and the KIS.

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re c. Information Pertaining to the Collaboration of the French Intelligence Service with the RIS

(1) Information pertaining to the degree of collaboration between the Soviet and the French Intelligence Services.

(2) Degree of Communist penetration of the French Intelligence Service.

(3) Activities of the Communist party of France in the French Zone of Germany and of the KPD of that zone.

(4) Any information concerning the activities of French Intelligence for the Soviets in the US Zone

re d. Penetration of Soviet-Sponsored Organizations

(1) [redacted]

(2) Secure military intelligence.

(3) [redacted]

(4) [redacted]

[redacted]

Using the above outline as a basis, KERK and BARBIE proceeded to build up an agent network, called Buero Larsen, with headquarters in KEMPTEN, 38 Schiller Street. (See chart of the structure of Buero Larsen, Annex I).

5. Names of Sub-Agents; When, Where, and How Recruited

When BARBIE became part of Buero Larsen, KERK had approximately 15 agents working for him. Of these, BARBIE remembers the following:

a. Two Russian emigrants living in OBERSTAUFEN who reported on Soviet activities in DP camps.

b. [redacted]

c. [redacted]

d. [redacted]

e. Two women living in the Soviet Zone of Germany (names unknown to BARBIE).

f. An agent in BERLIN, friend of [redacted]

g. [redacted]

h. [redacted]

BARBIE does not recall the names of the other sub-agents but states that a record of their names and their code names is kept on file at Buero Larsen in KEMPTEN. BARBIE states that all agents and subagents are known to CIC MUNICH and were recruited only after approval from either TAYLOR or STEVENS (both special agents of CIC Region IV).

In the course of time the following persons recruited by BARBIE were employed as subagents upon the approval of CIC MUNICH:

a. [redacted] recruited 30 May 1947 through personal contact as a specialist on Eastern affairs.

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Some names BARBIE cannot recall. However, he states that CIC Region IV has personal data on all agents and subagents of Buero Larsen and that a duplicate copy can be found in KEMPTEN in the files of that organization. To the best of BARBIE's knowledge, Buero Larsen has approximately 35 to 40 agents and subagents.

6. Explanation of the System of Reporting

In most cases agents and subagents reported to BARBIE in MEMMINGEN, 36 Kaiser Promenade. Their arrival was made known through a coded or prearranged text, in the form of either telegrams or letters sent under their code names. All such letters or telegrams went to BARBIE, who made the necessary contacts and arranged, whenever possible, for MERK to be present when the agent or subagent reported.

Upon arrival, the agent submitted a written report or wrote his report after giving it orally to MERK or BARBIE. The report was then reread by both MERK and BARBIE, who, in turn, evaluated, criticized, and requestioned on points not clear. When this was completed, in most cases the agent or subagent was given new instructions and was either told to continue his mission or assigned a new one. In all important cases, CIC MUNICH (special agents TAYLOR or STEVENS) was contacted and new instructions received.

The report was then taken to KEMPTEN by MERK or BARBIE where it was edited and rewritten, either as a single report or as part of a consolidated report from various sources. These reports carried the name (code) of agent or subagent in the upper left-hand corner and the date of the report in the upper right-hand corner. Place of origin was never given. Each report received a number. Each report was evaluated by MERK in the following manner:

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a. II - source reliable and information true.

b. III - source usually reliable and information usually true.

Each report was concluded with comments by MERK, as well as recommendations as to what action should be taken.

These reports were taken to MUNICH by MERK once a week or at least every 14 days. There the reports were discussed by MERK and a CIC agent (TAYLOR or STEVENS), who made comments and instructed MERK on new missions to be assigned. (Two copies of each report were taken to MUNICH; a third remained in KEMPTEN as part of the files of Buero Larsen.)

7. Payment System Used by Organization Larsen

At the beginning of each month, MERK went to MUNICH, where he received a payroll for all agents and subagents in the amount of something like 10,000 or 15,000 Reichsmarks, as well as cigarettes and foodstuff in cans.

MERK paid most of the agents either in MEMMINGEN or in KEMPTEN when they reported. Each person had to sign two receipts; one was turned over to CIC, the other was kept in KEMPTEN in the agent's or subagent's folder. The only payment made by BARBIE was to [redacted], who received 2,000 RM, a limited number of cigarettes, and foodstuff in cans.

[redacted] were not paid in marks for their services but received only cigarettes for their personal use. In most cases, agents were reimbursed for their travel expenses upon turning in their bills to MERK. The payment made to MERK by CIC varied each month, depending on the number of agents active in collecting intelligence information. It was often necessary for MERK to request additional sums to complete the payments of agents.

A record is on file in KEMPTEN of amounts of money, cigarettes, and food received from CIC MUNICH and to whom paid. To the best of BARBIE's knowledge, the following persons received per month the payments indicated below:

BARBIE	RM 500
[redacted]	RM 500
	RM 250
	RM 300
	RM 400
	RM 400 and traveling expenses
	RM 400 and traveling expenses
	RM 400
	RM 2,000
	RM 500
	RM 500
	RM 500
	RM 500 and traveling expenses
	RM 300 and traveling expenses

9. BARBIE's Knowledge of MERK

After completing his service in the RAD, MERK entered the army. In 1934 he was sent to an officers training school and upon graduating was given a commission as 2nd lieutenant of artillery. When France collapsed, MERK came in contact with Abwehr officers who effected his transfer into that organization. MERK was transferred to DIJON, France, where he remained in the Abwehr until the German forces withdrew from France.

In Germany, MERK was captured by the US Army and taken to a PW cage in MEMMINGEN. In 1946 he was discharged but was rearrested because he was denounced as a member of the Werwolf organization. This, however, proved

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not to be true and MERK was transferred to OBERURSEL (MISC). There he was asked whether he was interested in working for CIC. MERK agreed and was taken by a CIC agent named TAYLOR to HEMMINGEN. In the autumn of 1946, MERK formed Buero Peterson in HEMMINGEN, 36 Kaiser Promenade. (BARBIE's office is now at this address.)

According to BARBIE, MERK was denazified in 1947 and has full freedom in every way, as he was not affiliated with the Nazi Party or the SS.

BARBIE became acquainted with MERK in DIJON, France, in the autumn of 1942, when by chance BARBIE visited the Abwehr Office to obtain information in regard to the French underground. After this meetin they remained in contact. BARBIE avers that at no time prior to April 1947 did he ever work for MERK or MERK for him.

MERK formerly worked under special agent TAYLOR, who went to the US in August 1947. Since that time MERK has been under special agent STEVENS. Both are From CIC Region XV. [illegible] position with MERK is that of assistant.

BARBIE states that MERK is of the opinion that CIC does not have sufficient power or freedom of movement to carry out its mission in Europe. It lacks the funds and other essentials to compete with present conditions in Germany. MERK would prefer, if possible, to work with a higher-level organization which could possibly remedy the situation.

On several occasions MERK has been asked to join other intelligence organizations run by former Abwehr or SD chiefs for Hqs EUCOM but has refused because he prefers to work directly for a US agency.

9. BARBIE's Attitude Toward Working for the British

BARBIE states that, after his contact with CIC, he is not interested in working for the British Intelligence Service or for any other organization. BARBIE avers that owing to the unjust treatment he received from the British after his arrest in HAMBURG on 12 November 1946, he lost all interest in the British as well as faith in the many promises they made him.

BARBIE says that, after Operation Selection Board, Dr. HOFFMANN, a British informant, repeatedly attempted to recruit him for the British (See CI-SIR/62, #7707 ECIC). BARBIE states that the British have recruited a friend of his, a former Sturmbannfuehrer (Major) of the SS who was active in the SD, and it is possible that this man, SCHENK, has recommended BARBIE to the British.

BARBIE believes that the British would arrest him if he were to enter their Zone. He is sure that they know of his employment by CIC and would want to know more about what he is doing.

10. BARBIE's Intentions After his Release

BARBIE is ready to return to HEMMINGEN to continue with his work. He prefers to do so if at all possible, but he is also willing to transfer to another location or to any other department of CIC.

COMMENTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

It is believed by the interrogator that BARBIE has given a factual account of his activities as of January 1947 and that he has volunteered all the facts known to him concerning Organization Larsen. BARBIE states that although he is unable to remember the names of all agents and subagents, he has taken the utmost care to remember as many as possible.

BARBIE's activities from May 1945 until December 1946 are not covered in this report, as there is sufficient background material on personalities and activities of Operation Selection Board. All events of intelligence

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value concerning BARBIE during this period have been published in a series of special interrogation reports at this Center. (See References for data on these reports.)

Because of BARBIE's activities with CIC Region IV during 1947, it is not deemed advisable to intern him for his affiliation with the Waffen SS. His knowledge as to the mission of CIC, its agents, subagents, funds, etc., is too great. If BARBIE were interned, it is the opinion of the interrogator that upon his release or escape (BARBIE has escaped from US authorities twice and from the British authorities once), he would contact either the French or the British Intelligence and work for them.

It is recommended that Hqs CIC, EUCOM, check credibility of [illegible] statements.

For the Commanding Officer:

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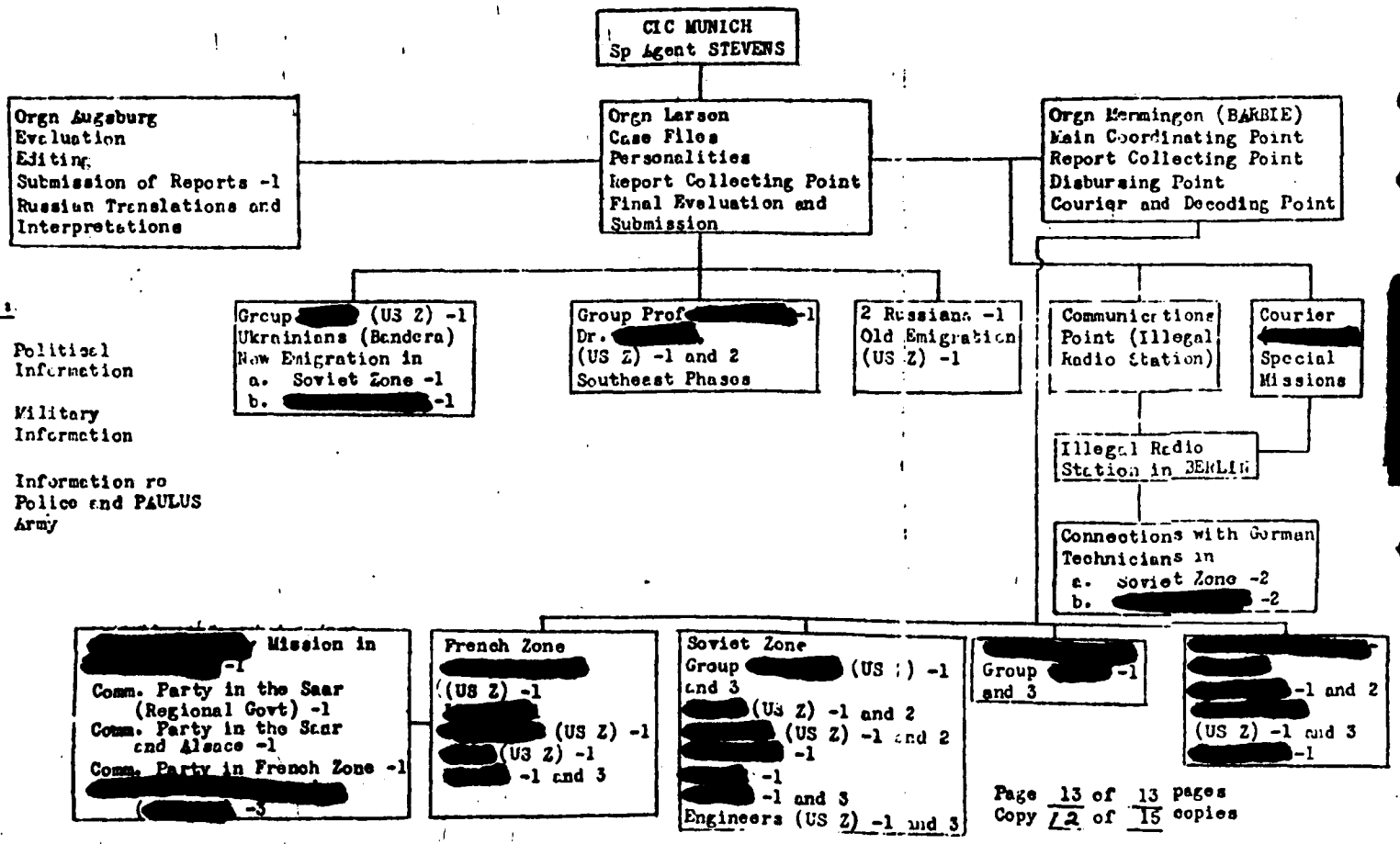

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970TH COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS DETACHMENT
EUROPEAN COMMAND

D-14883

APO 757
28 May 1948

SUBJECT: Kurt MERK and Klaus BARBIE

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

1. Reference is made to telephone conversations between Lt. LAVOIE, your Region, and Mr. VIDAL, this headquarters, relative to subjects.

2. Prior to the employment of subjects in any further intelligence endeavor, it is desired that your Region submit a plan for approval by this headquarters outlining:

a. Their scope of activity.

b. The specific targets they can and/or will cover.

c. The names, locations and functions of the members of the net they will be running.

d. The salaries (funds and/or supplies) to be paid each of subjects and members of the net.

e. The points from which each of the informants will be operating.

f. A chart indicating the line of command in the net.

g. The amount of supervision to be received, to include the name of the CIC agents who will handle the informants, the frequency and place of contact.

h. The nature of the net (centralized or decentralized).

3. Approval of your plan by this headquarters will be a prerequisite to be fulfilled prior to any future employment of subjects and their net.

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EARL S. BROWNING, JR.
Major, Infantry
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MR. VIDAL/rea/telephone 7180

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AUGSBURG SUB REGION
COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS REGION IV
7970 CIC GROUP
EUROPEAN COMMAND

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APO 407-A
13 July 1948

FILE NO: IV-A-1300/64

SUBJECT: Status of Informant Kurt MERK X-3067-IV-K and Sub-Sources.

TO : Commanding Officer, Region IV, 7970 CIC Group, APO 407-A, US Army. (ATTN: Lt. LAVOIE, Operations).

1. Reference is made to request from Operations Section, Headquarters Region IV pertaining to present status of informants net PETERSEN. On 4 June 1948 the undersigned Agent was requested to take over the direction of above named informant and 15 June 1948 the first contact was made in AUGSBURG. The undersigned Agent has visited SUBJECT five (5) times in KEMPTEN and presently status of informant is substantially as follows:

a. SUBJECT informant has presently eleven (11) sub-sources under his direction and all personal data concerning these sub-sources will be submitted as soon as the undersigned has agreed to keep them under SUBJECT's direction.

b. Several of his sub-sources have apparently been compromised and are no longer productive. SUBJECT informant has been ordered to de-brief and drop all compromised sources.

2. A house has been secured for SUBJECT informant in AUGSBURG. This house is located at #10 Mozart Strasse, Stadtbergen, AUGSBURG, on the outskirts of a dependent community and has been condemed for occupancy for US personnel by Post Headquarters. SUBJECT informant will occupy above quarters on or about 15 July 1948.

3. Only persons essential to the successful operation of SUBJECT informant's net will be brought into new address in AUGSBURG. These people include SUBJECT, SUBJECT's common-law-wife, mother of wife, and one secretary, and Dr. AUGSBURG and secretary. This involves six (6) persons in all.

4. SUBJECT's sub-source [redacted] has been approached by the undersigned and he will be directed separately as of 15 July 1948. [redacted] has two (2) sub-sources named [redacted] The sub-sources [redacted] ave each three (3) informants which is the complete net of SUBJECT's sur-sourc [redacted]

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5. Since the currency reform on 18 June 1948, SUBJECT informant has not produced any reports with the explanation that all his sources are without funds and unable to travel. On 29 June 1948 the undersigned paid SUBJECT five hundred (500) GERMAN Marks to continue operation. SUBJECT, however, indicated that he would need eight thousand (8000) to ten thousand (10000) GERMAN Marks to operate his net efficiently.

6. It is the opinion of the undersigned that SUBJECT can be of continued value to this organization if his net is directly and closely controlled by the undersigned Agent. All sub-sources should be personally known to the undersigned and all personal data regarding them must be available to this headquarters. Due to the FRENCH situation in which SUBJECT is involved by reason of his association with his present common-law-wife, SUBJECT can be easily controlled by offering him protection of the US Army. The undersigned Agent therefore requests permission to direct SUBJECT informant's net in the manner described above. All new developments will be reported immediately.

Erhard Dabringhaus
ERHARD DABRINGHAUS
Special Agent CIC

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SUBJECT: Agents' Monthly Report

TO : Commanding Officer, CIC Region IV, 970th CIC Detachment, 15 September
APO 407-A, US Army, Attn: Technical Specialist

INFORMANT..... AGENT.....

DATE ACQUIRED.....

X-3067-IV-K ..... E. DABRINGHAUS

Interview: 5 June 1948 Report of Information

No.	Date	Payment	Eval	Re	Subject	Where used
1	26 Aug	50 DM 10 pkg. Cig.	F	2	[redacted]	Report HQ Region IV
2	26 Aug	50 DM 10 pkg. Cig	F	2	Political Activities of Protestant Chruch Germany	Report HQ Region IV
3	28 Aug	50 DM 10 pkg. Cig	F	3	Jugoslavian Pressburo Tanju	Report HQ Region IV
4	7 Sep	100 DM 1 Lebens-mittal Card	F	2	Stanislaus Skupinski	Report HQ Region IV
5	8 Sep	50 DM 5 pkg. Cig	F	2	Bayern Partei	Report HQ Region IV
6	9 Sep	5 pkg. Cig	F	2	Dr. Minnich	Report HQ Region IV
TOTAL		300 DMs 40 pkgs. cigarettes 1 Lebensmittel card	7 cartons		Cigarettes	

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SUBJECT: Agents' Monthly Report

TO : Commanding Officer, CIC Region IV, 7970th CIC Group, APO 407-A, US Army, Attn.: Technical Specialist

INFORMANT X-3067-IV-K AGENT F. DASRINGHAUS

DATE ACQUIRED 5 June 1943

Interview:

No.	Date	Payment	Eval	Re	Subject	Where used
1	15-9	10pkgs.cig.	F	2	Bavarian Trade Union Offices	Rpt.Hq.Reg.IV.
2	18-9	20 DM	F	[redacted]	[redacted]	Rpt.Hq.Reg.IV.
3	22-9	1 Lebens-mittel Card 100 DM	F	3	Alexander Siverky	Rpt.Hq.Reg.IV.
4	22-9	10pkgs.cig.	F	2	Kudowa alias Van Dolpen	Rpt.Hq.Reg.IV.
5	25-9	200 DM	F	2	Department K-5 Political Police Magdeburg	Rpt.Hq.Reg.IV.
6	25-9	10pkgs.cig.	F	6	Rudolf Kleemann	Rpt.Hq.Reg.IV.
7	28-9	2 Lebens-mittel Cards	F	2	[redacted]	Rpt.Hq.Reg.IV.
8	28-9	10pkgs.cig.	F	2	Lt.Faillent	Rpt.Hq.Reg.IV.
9	30-9	1 Lebens-mittel Cards	F	6	Agitation Troops from Soviet Zone	Rpt.Hq.Reg.IV.

TOTAL 500 DM
40 pkgs. cig.
5 Lebensmittel Cards

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1 November 1948 19

SUBJECT: Agents' Monthly Report

TO : Commanding Officer, CIC Region IV, 7970th CIC Group, APO 407-A, US Army, Attn: Technical Specialist

INFORMANT C-3067-IV-K AGENT ENGETCLD

DATE ACQUIRED 1 October 1948

Interview:

No.	Date	Payment	Eval	Rel	Subject	Where used
1	3-10-48	300 DM	C	(	Provocating Troop Concentration on Rumanian-Yugoslav Border	Rpt. Hq., Reg. IV.
2	1-10-48	12 Lebens-mittel Cards		(	Agents of Soviet Counter Espionage	Rpt. Hq., Reg. IV.
3	4-10-48		C	(	Use of Former German PWs in Russian Zone of Berlin	
4	5-10-48	2 Cartons Cigarettes	C	(	Political Events in Jugoslavia	Rpt. Hq., Reg. IV.
5	12-10-48		C	(	Bayern Partei	Rpt. Hq., Reg. IV.
6	18-10-48		C	(	[redacted]	Rpt. Hq., Reg. IV.
7	25-10-48	100DM			Co[redacted]ership List of KPD for Stadt Augsburg	Rpt. Hq., Reg. IV.
		170 DM			Rent for former office in Memmingen	
		170 DM			Telephone Call Bill	

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COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS REGION IV
7970th Counter Intelligence Corps Group

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APO 407-A

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23 August 1948

SUBJECT: MERK, Kurt and BARBIE, Klaus

RE : Organization of Informant Network

TO : Commanding Officer,
7970th CIC Group,
Headquarters EUCOM,
APO 757, US Army

1. Reference is made to letter, your Headquarters, file D-14883, subject as above, dated 28 May 1948 and to telephone conversations between Mr VIDAL, Technical Consultant, your Headquarters and Lt LAVOIE, Technical Specialist, this office.

2. The following is a report regarding the present status of the informant network known as "Buro Peterson" under the overall direction of Kurt MERK (X-3067-IV-K).

3. Because information had been forwarded to this office indicating that the network of "Buro Peterson" in KEMPTEN (L48/X 90) had been compromised, the first move in the reorganizing of the network was the physical moving of the residence and offices of the "Buro Peterson" from KEMPTEN to AUGSBURG (M49/Y 37). In July 1948 Kurt MERK (X-3067-IV-K), his Common-Law Wife, his Mother-in-Law and Dr Emil AUGSBURG (X-3053-IV-K) were moved from KEMPTEN to AUGSBURG into a house located at 10 Mozartstr, Stadtbergen, AUGSBURG. This house, which was obtained through Augsburg Military Post, is located at the outskirts of a dependent community and had been condemned for occupancy by US personnel.

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4. Office space for the operation of this network was obtained through the Town Major's office and is located in the "Schwimmbad" in AUGSBURG, which building gives access to both American and German personnel.

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This office is publicly known as the Augsburg Section, Historical Division. Offices are located on the third floor of the building and is the headquarters of the operation of the intelligence network.

5. The network at the present time is under the specific direction of Special Agent DABRINGHAUS and under the overall direction of the Technical Specialist, this headquarters.

6. The following information for the operation of this network is forwarded for approval by your headquarters:

a. The scope of activity of this network will be the covering of intelligence targets as enumerated in sub-paragraph b. from a Counter Intelligence point of view.

b. Specific targets covered by the network will be the following:

(1) Communist Party activities in the US Zone of Occupation.
(2) Penetration of Bayern Partei with emphasis on French influence.
(3) Activities of Soviet agents in the US Zone.
(5) Russian emigre activities in the US and French Zones.
(6) French intelligence activities in the French Zone and their agents operating in the US Zone.
(7) Any other specific targets assigned by higher headquarters.

c. The names, locations and functions of the members of this net are as follows:

(1) Kurt MERK, alias LARSEN, alias PETERSON; residence in AUGSBURG; full time agent in charge of network.

(2) Klaus BARBIE, alias BECKER, alias BERRENDS, alias MERTENS; present location: MEMMINGEN (L48/X 83) (to be moved to AUGSBURG); to be used in penetration of illegal Soviet organizations in the US Zone and for overall direction of French activities.

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(3) Dr Emil AUGSBURG (X-5053-IV-K), alias ALTHAUS; present residence in AUGSBURG; coverage of any Soviet matters in the US Zone; expert on Eastern affairs.

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d. It is anticipated that the overall operational cost of the network will be approximately equivalent in supplies to 3,500 DM.

e. It is anticipated that informants will be operating from points as follows:

(1) Kurt MERK, Klaus BARBIE and Emil AUGSBURG will be operating from AUGSBURG.

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(4) [redacted]

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f. A chart indicating line of command is included as an annex to this report.

g. The network is centralized with headquarters in AUGSBURG under the daily direction of Special Agent DABRINGHAUS who is responsible to the Technical Specialist, Region IV, that the informant network operates on current EEIs of a Counter Intelligence nature.

7. The undersigned has instructed Special Agent DABRINGHAUS to the effect that detailed and completed personality reports on all members of this network must be submitted for approval by your headquarters. This information is presently being assembled and will be forwarded as soon as available.

8. Attached hereto for dossier purposes is a brief personality report on each member of the network. Inasmuch as this intelligence network has proven to be one of the most fruitful sources of information for Region IV, it is requested that approval of your Headquarters for the operation of this group be forwarded in order that coverage of certain targets may be reinstituted.

9. The undersigned desires to point out that this is an exceptionally well qualified intelligence net whose missions and targets can be changed at a moment's notice. It is essential, however, that contacts be maintained with the present members in order that the network which operates efficiently under the direction of Kurt MERK be not severed.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

RICHARD J. LAVOIE
Special Agent, CIC
Technical Specialist

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COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS REGION IV
7970th Counter Intelligence Corps Group
APO 407-A, US Army

File: IV-9245 25 August 1948

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SUBJECT: BARBIE, Klaus

RE : Kurt MERK and Klaus BARBIE

Date

PERSONALITY REPORT

1. FULL NAME (WITH ALIASES): BARBIE, Klaus, alias [illegible], MERTENS, SPIER

2. PRESENT ADDRESS OR POSSIBLE WHEREABOUTS: AUGSBURG (M49/T37)

3. FORMER ADDRESS: MEMMINGEN, Kaiserpromenade 38 (1939 BERLIN)

4. PERSONAL DATA: Height: 169 cm, Weight: 65 kg, Eyes: Brown, Hair: Dk. blond, Build: Slender, Date of Birth: 25 October 1915, Place of Birth: GODESBERG b/Bonn, Nationality: German, Occupation: Criminal Commissioner, Religion: Catholic.

DISTINGUISHING CHARACTERISTICS: War injury on right foot.

5. POLITICAL AFFILIATION (PRESENT AND PREVIOUS): Former membership HJ, NSDAP and SS. 1 October 1935 admittance to SD Main office. Civil Servant career of Security and State Police. At present no member of any party.

6. FRIENDS, RELATIVES AND ASSOCIATES: Wife Regina and two (2) children, residing with him. Mother Barbie, residing TRIER. Relatives of wife, mother and two sisters live in TRIER. Friend of Dr. [illegible] and Dr. [illegible] as well as Dr. MUENNICH and PETERSEN. Connection with ARGUS.

7. PREVIOUS HISTORY (TO INCLUDE MILITARY): 1925-34 High school graduate, Arbeitsdienst (Compulsory Labor Service). Admittance to SD 1935. Civil Servant career within SD and State Police. Combat: Holland and France, last Leader IV, last combat action Ruhrgebiet, rank: SS Hauptsturmfuehrer.

8. REFERENCE(S) TO PREVIOUS REPORTS:

9. REASON FOR INVESTIGATION: To be used as member of net.

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10. RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION: Qualified potential source of information.

11. ACTION TAKEN AND/OR BEING TAKEN: Will be temporarily employed as a sub-source.

12. COMMENTS: Case continues.

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R. J. Lanoie
EDWARD DABRINGHAUS for
S/A CIC

APPROVED:

R. J. Lanoie
GEORGE M. SPILLER for
S/A CIC
Case Officer

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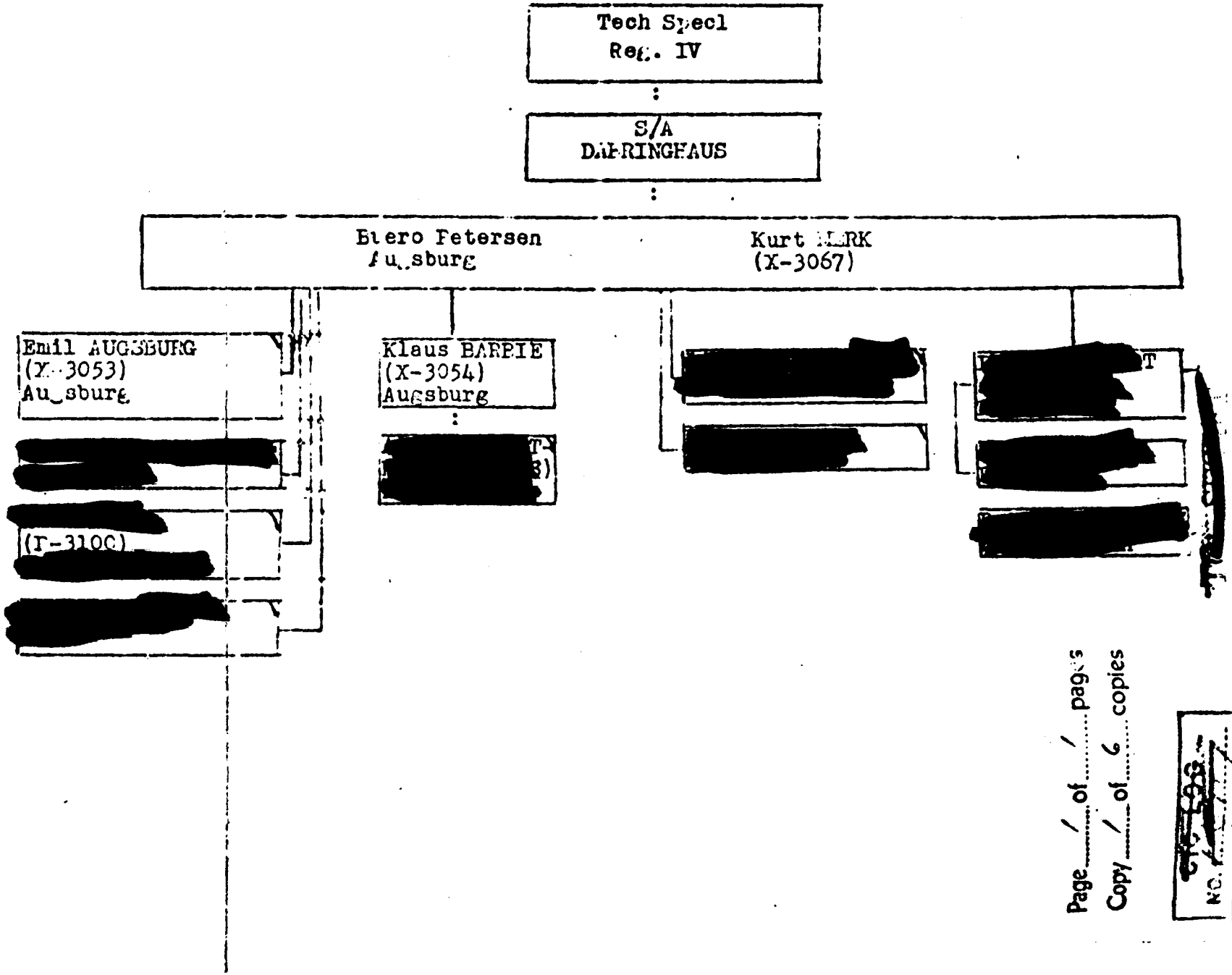

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7970th Counter Intelligence Corps Group, Region IV, APO 407-A, US Army,
6 December 1948

TO: Commanding Officer, Sub-Region AUGSBURG, 7970th CIC Group, EUCOM, APO 407-A, US Army

1. Your attention is invited to Basic Communication and 1st Indorsement thereto.

2. In regards to Paragraphs 5 and 6 of Basic Communication, it must be pointed out that too much material being furnished by the MERK net is still of a positive intelligence nature and extending outside the realm of jurisdiction of this organization. It is suggested that the handling agent concentrate on "turning" this net to strictly CI matters falling within the Region IV area.

3. The three month extended probationary period ends early in February 1949, and, therefore, you are to submit a complete and detailed report to this Headquarters by 1 February 1949, outlining the activities of the net and your recommendations toward continued employment.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

LLOYD M. RAUSCH
Capt. FA
Technical Specialist

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2. 1st Ind., 7970th CIC Gp, EUCOM, subj & file as above, dated 30 November 1948

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[illegible] Counter Intelligence Corps Group, European Command, [illegible] 757, [illegible] November 1948

TO: Commanding Officer, CIC Region IV, [illegible] 407-[illegible], US Army

1. Retention for three (3) months of subject net as it presently exists is approved by this headquarters.

2. At the end of the three months period, your recommendations and reasons for continued employment of subject net are desired by this headquarters.

BY [illegible] LT. COLONEL [illegible]:

[illegible] S. BROWNING, JR.
Major, Infantry
Director, Plans, Operations
and Training

Capt. [illegible]/rea/tel: 7180
(OPS)

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HEADQUARTERS
COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS REGION IV
7970TH COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS GROUP
APO 407-A, US ARMY

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E/cs
16 November 1948

SUBJECT: MERK, Kurt
BARBIE, Klaus

TO : Commanding Officer
Hq 7970th CIC Group, EUCOM
APO 757, US Army
Attn: Capt. HOLOCH

1. Reference is made to letter, your Hq, file D-14883, subject as above, dated 25 October 1948, as well as to previous correspondence from this office under the file and subject above.

2. This office does not concur with the suggestion offered in Paragraph 3.a. of letter of reference that "Subject net should be dropped by this organization". The following reasons are given for the retention of subject net for at least three (3) months:

a. The net has finally after seven (7) months been cut down to a workable size and it is now confining its efforts to the Region IV area of jurisdiction.

b. Personnel previously in the net who were not in the Region I[redacted]rea have been dropped or are in the process of being dropped or t[redacted]ed over to other CIC Regions or Sub-regions.

c. Emil AUGSBURG (X-3053) is dropped as of 12 November 1948, [redacted]

d. With the dropping of the aforementioned personnel, it leaves but three (3) people in key positions in the net with three (3) others as sub-sources. With six (6) persons in the net, it is not considered in this office to be unwieldy but is considered to be at an efficient operating level. The security risk involved by using this small net is not considered to be any greater than using informants contacted individually.

3. Your attention is invited to Paragraph 3.c. of your letter of 25 October 1948 in which it is suggested that the sources of information work individually by direct or indirect contact with a CIC agent from the area concerned. It must be stated here that this suggestion has been attempted before with no success. A certain amount of su[redacted]ess was reached at the very lowest echelon of the net; however, at t[redacted]higher echelons the unit was very adamant in being kept together.

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[illegible]h the cutting out of the lower echelons of the net, this would preclude any of the remaining personnel to work as individuals. Further reference is made to Paragraph 4 of your letter of 25 October 1948 in which it is pointed out that the existence of the net and its contact with CIC is known to the French, the British, and possibly the Soviets. To this end, it can be stated that with the almost free flow of information in the higher levels between the French, British and American agencies this compromise would not be considered dangerous. The possibility that the net may be known to the Soviets is not unlikely. However, it can be safely stated that the Soviets have not penetrated this net as it now stands. Reference is again made to Paragraph 4.b. of your letter of 25 October 1948, pointing out that several members of the net have been dropped in the past and that those members were of dubious character having been recently involved in small-time black market activities, robbery, and smuggling. This statement is undoubtedly true. That is one of the primary reasons why they were dropped. In addition to that their illegal activities may have come out into the open when their source of supply was cut off by being dropped from our net.

4. Concerning the probable contact that the MERK net has with the TETSCH net in the STUTTGART area, the following is offered:

a. Mr. CAMFIELD, Technical Specialist of Sub-Region AUGSBURG, [illegible]de a survey of the MERK net and paid particular attention to the probable associations with the TETSCH net of STUTTGART inasmuch as he was thoroughly familiar with the TETSCH net. The following is quoted from an informal report of Mr. CAMFIELD regarding the associations of the PETERSEN net with the TETSCH net, "BARBIE stated that Dr. AUGSBURG had been visited several times by a former SS General BERNAU of the STUTTGART SS net, who is allegedly working for TIB, the French, and the CIC. BERNAU stated to Dr. AUGSBURG that he would furnish the PETERSEN net EEI's that he received from TIB and they could exchange information. BARBIE stated that if any information was exchanged it was through Dr. AUGSBURG, who was an evaluator on Soviet affairs. Dr. AUGSBURG has a brother who is with the STUTTGART SS net. However, this was not known to them until a short time ago because Dr. AUGSBURG introduced his brother under an alias. Dr. AUGSBURG has been dropped as an informant of this headquarters, and BARBIE after this discussion assured that his connection with Dr. AUGSBURG has been severed. BARBIE stated that their net has never trusted the STUTTGART SS net because of their connections with the French and possibly two (2) political factions within the SS net".

5. The net is no longer being employed merely to keep them from being used by an undesirable foreign power, but it is in reality working on local requirements as far as the Region IV area is concerned. The danger of overlapping into other Regions has been almost completely [illegible]t out so there should be no duplication of effort as far as the CI [illegible]ssion is concerned.

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6. Summing up the entire case, we see that MENK and BARBIE have both agreed and are currently working on a local basis having used contacts available to them within the jurisdiction of AUGSBURG Sub-Region. To date, they have accomplished a superficial penetration of the AUGSBURG Bezirksleitung and have also turned a former Gestapo informant who is the 2nd Secretary of the KPD in Kreis MEMMINGEN (L48/X83). The three (3) key personnel of the net will discontinue to trust or maintain contact with their former colleagues because of fear of being left out in the cold, and they are firmly convinced that the U.S. authorities are going to help them in the event of trouble as they have in the past.

7. Lastly, your attention is invited to the conversation between Mr. VIDAL, Lt. LAVOIE, and Capt. ETKIN on 8 November 1948, at which time it was proposed that a three (3) month trial period of the new net would be granted.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

MAX ETKIN
Capt Inf
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5 Nov. 1945

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MEMORANDUM NOTE

TO: Captain Etkin

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I. Report of Findings "PETERSON NET"

1. There are three carded informants, namely, Kurt MERK, Klaus BARBIE, and [redacted]. All other informants have been dropped and their connections have been severed with former members of the SS net.

2. In my personal visit I was impressed by their apparent honesty and sincerity in discussing other SS and Abwehr personalities known by this agent. They stated that former SS and Abwehr personnel could, in most cases, be considered as a risk for US intelligence for the following reasons:

a. Mistreatment in 1945 and 1946 by the US Army in general.

b. Some are the old nationalistic army line.

c. National Bolshevic as a means for the preservation of a free Germany.

d. Fear of the development of a new war and possible Russian victory.

e. Others who have connections with the Freis Deutschlands Party in the Eastern Zone.

3. "Tetsch Net" in STUTTGART and their connections with the "Peterson Net":

a. Barbies stated that Dr. Augsburg had been visited several times by a former SS General BERNAU of the STUTTGART SS Net who is also working for T.I.B., the French, and the CIC. BERNAU stated to Dr. Augsburg that he would furnish the "Peterson Net" REIs that he received from T.I.B. and they could exchange information. Barbies stated that if any information was exchanged it was through Dr. Augsburg who was an evaluator on Soviet affairs. Dr. Augsburg has a brother who is with the STUTTGART SS net, however, this was not known to them until a short time ago, because Dr. Augsburg introduced his brother under an alias. Dr. Augsburg has been dropped as an informant of this Headquarters and Barbie, after this discussion, assured that his connection with Dr. Augsburg had been severed. Barbie stated that their net has never trusted the STUTTGART SS net because of their connections with the French and possibly two political factions within the SS net.

b. MERK and BARBIE have both agreed and are currently working on a local basis by turning former Gestapo and SS informants known to them in former times. They have to date accomplished in turning a former Gestapo informer who is now a functionary in the KPD Bezirksleitung, AUGSBURG. Other suggestions are as follows:

1. Recruitment of informants to meet the local requirements by recruiting persons in the intellectual circles in local political parties and city administration.

2. Screening of former Soviet PWs and female personnel returning to this area.

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3. Penetration of the police to determine, if any KPD activity within the police force.

4. Penetration of any local Soviet agents operation in the AUGSBURG area.

4. Recommend that the three members be given an opportunity to build up their net on a local basis as stated in paragraph 3b.

OPINION: That these three men will discontinue to trust or maintain contact with their former colleagues because of fear of being left out in the cold in a future aggression and they are positive that the US authorities are going to help them in the event of trouble.

Barbie is concerned about the French and realize that if the French were ever to get control of him he would be executed.

It is my opinion that these three men can render valuable service to the local CIC in AUGSBURG for they have the background in intelligence and know our system and are already aware of our EEIs. Should this same penetration be affected by new recruited informants there would only be more informants cognizant of CIC's EEIs.

DANIEL S. CANFIELD
Technical Specialist

[redacted]

FROM MERK FILE

HEADQUARTERS
7970TH COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS GROUP
EUROPEAN COMMAND

APO 757
25 October 1948

D-14883

SUBJECT: MERK, Kurt and BARBIE, Klaus

30-1 1952

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

1. Reference is made to the following correspondence:

a. Secret letter, Region IV, no file number, subject: Kurt Josef MERCK, dated 8 March 1948. Etkin Ltr, ~~the~~ file Merk

b. Top Secret letter, Region IV, file: IV-9256, subject as above, dated 23 August 1948. Lavoie Rpt

2. Reference is also made to conversation between Mr. BENJAMIN, Mr. VIDAL, Captain ETKIN, and Captain HOLOCH, in which it was decided that your headquarters would make a new survey of subject's intelligence net; the purpose being as follows:

a. Justification of continued employment of subject net by determining the potentialities of each member of the net, keeping in mind the current EEIs and priorities of same.

b. The restriction of subject net to the Region IV area.

c. To determine the security risk involved in employing the net.

d. To determine the amount of funds necessary to maintain the net as compared to the information received.

e. To consider the possibility of assigning certain members of the net to a CIC agent in the Region or Sub-Region concerned.

3. After due consideration by all concerned at this headquarters, the following is the consensus of this headquarters:

a. That subject net should be dropped as such by this organization.

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b. The [redacted] Department of Army Detachment should be contacted for possible employment of subject net by [redacted] agency.

c. Retain members of the net who can fulfill the following requirements:

(1) Must agree to continue working individually by direct or indirect contact with a CIC agent from the area concerned

(2) Must justify his employment by specific potentialities in a specific field of intelligence endeavor which is of interest to this organization.

(3) His background is such that his employment will not cause undue embarrassment to this organization.

4. The reasoning behind this consensus is as follows:

a. The net has been compromised in the past. The extent of compromise is not known. Its existence and its contact with CIC is known to the French, the British and possibly the Soviets.

b. The net at one time consisted of at least 65 members extending over all occupied zones of Germany. It has been cut to a total of 12 members. However, it is safe to assume that the contacts have not been broken, since the contacts were based on professional and political intrigue. Several of the members dropped are of dubious character, having been recently involved in large scale black market activities, robberies, and smuggling. They are possibly working for, or are in contact with, foreign intelligence agencies. They are allegedly forming a Feme Organization which has as its objective the liquidation of those Germans who have worked against former SS personalities. In addition, it is strongly suspected that subject net has contact with the TETSCH net which was recently dropped in Region I. The TETSCH net consisted of former SS officers and at one time numbered approximately 125 members. The suspicion is based upon the assumption that ex-SS and Abwehr members residing in the same community will continue to maintain contact.

c. In order to continue employing subject net, we must protect an individual who is wanted by an Allied country for war crimes.

d. A centralized net is difficult to control from a security standpoint since there is no direct control of the chain of sub-sources by this organization.

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e. Pro[redacted], problems are encountered [redacted] attempting to cut out the "dead wood" in a centralized net, especially whe[redacted]ships between members of the net are involved.

f. Running a net which extends over the entire zone is a duplication of effort since the regions and sub-regions are responsible for coverage of targets in their respective areas.

g. The possibility exists that subject net, if not in agreement with the terms of future individual employment by this organization, will volunteer their services to a foreign intelligence agency. This is not considered harmful, providing their services are not offered to the Soviets or the Soviet satellites. In view of the nationalistic backgrounds of members of the net, acceptance of employment by the Soviets or its satellites is highly doubtful, with the exception of a few of the members.

h. To employ subject net merely to keep same from being employed by an undesirable foreign power is deemed impractical. If the net has such intentions, it is time to sever their source of information pertaining to CIC activities and attempt to neutralize the danger.

i. It is highly probable that even though the net is [redacted]opped and only individual members are employed, contacts between [redacted]e members will be maintained. However, this will be discouraged by the fact that each individual will be paid as such and only for information submitted. At the same time, the individual informant may be a source of information on the activities of the remainder of the net.

j. Continued employment of the net is beyond the financial scope of this organization and merely prolongs the problems of dismissal.

5. Your comments are desired on the proposals in paragraph 3 above. In case of concurrence, it is desired that your headquarters initiate the necessary action locally to carry out the plan. This headquarters is to be kept informed on the action taken.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL ERSKINE:

Earl S. Browning Jr.

EARL S. BROWNING, JR.
Major, Infantry
Director, Plans, Operations
and Training

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Interrogation Reports

25 January 1949

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1. Attached for transmittal to Lt. WHITEWAY, French Liaison Office, DD/ID, EUCOM, are copies of reports of interrogation of MERK and BARBIE as conducted by the French Inspecteur Jean POUZOL on 21 January 1949.

Lt.
LAVOIE

2. Special Agent SANFORD of this Headquarters was present during the interrogations.

AARON BANK
Maj. Inf
Commanding

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22 Nov. 1948

SUBJECT: Klaus BARBIE

According to a cable received from Paris, FIS wishes to send a representative as soon as possible to question Subject in the presence of a CIC representative of Lucien DOUSSOT in Lyon. Inspector Aime FERRIER, born 3 Jan. 1920 at Monaco will be the FIS representative. The Paris ~~[illegible]~~ Military Permit Office has been instructed to issue a visa to FERRIER.

Since this cable was sent to Frankfurt and arrived on 22 November before noon, it is believed that your office at EUCOM will probably phone down requesting Region IV to set the date, place of meeting, etc.

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Joe:

I haven't been able to see Frazier on this as he has been out to the Court Martial school [illegible]. However, we looked into this FELE organization once before and [illegible] able to prove that it probably existed in the mind of Barbie but actually he was doing nothing positive to implement it.

The existence of such an organization is quite feasible in my opinion, as, if you remember, BARBIE was picked up by the British FSS right after we lost him in our swoop in SELECTION BOARD. When I went down to Region IV, I spoke to BARBIE at lenght as to his activities during SELECTION BOARD and immedia tely thereafter to include his arrest by the British. He indicated to me that he had an intense hatred for the British because he had been physically mis treated by them. He at that time blamed his arrest by the British on some of his former SS comrades who had put the finger on him.

Note paragraph 8 in which the British request any information that is available on Barbie, Peterson or Zarp. We could give them plenty if you so desire, but of course we would be compromising our people. What thinkest thou???

DICK

The request is not directed at us so we file until asked specifically

J Fidel

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B/L Hqs S/R AUGSBURG, 7970th CIC Group, APO 407-A, dtd 19 February 49, Subj: MERK, Kurt; BARDIE, Klaus - Peterson net, file: IV-A-4008, IV-9256, D-14883

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Headquarters, 7970th Counter Intelligence Corps Group, European Command, APO 757, US Army, 11 April 1949

TO: Headquarters, 7970th CIC Sub-Region AUGSBURG, APO 407-A, US Army

1. A check of Central Registry revealed no record on the personalities listed in basic communication with the exception of the following:

a. [redacted]

(1) [redacted]

(2) [redacted]

b. The attached correspondence on one [redacted] EMSHART, is forwarded for your information and files.

c. Information on one [redacted] in UNICH, may be found in the following correspondence which should be in the files of your headquarters: CONFIDENTIAL MOIC, CIC Team 970/5, Subject: "[redacted] dated 14 August 1945.

d. The attached correspondence on one [redacted] is forwarded for your information and files.

e. Information on one [redacted] is contained in Personality Report, Region IV, no file number, Subject: [redacted] dated 19 March 1948.

f. The attached correspondence on one [redacted] is forwarded for your information and files.

2. Employment of subject net as outlined in basic communication is disapproved by this headquarters.

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(WERK, Kurt
BARBIE, Klaus
Peterson Not)

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3. Pursuant to conversation between Capt. KOLB, your headquarters, and Capt. HOLOCH, this headquarters, on 5 April 1949, it is understood that the following plan of action is contemplated:

a. WERK will be dropped in the near future. He plans to withdraw from intelligence work.

b. BARBIE will be employed primarily for the purpose of recruiting informants.

c. At least four of the persons named in basic communication will be dropped as informants. The other persons named will be vetted separately, in accordance with the [illegible] and handled directly, with possibly a few exceptions, by a CIC agent.

4. This headquarters approves the contemplated plan of action indicated in paragraph 3 above.

BY ORDER OF LT. COLONEL BOKKAN:

Incls:
1-CIR Case Review,
re: [redacted]
2-CIR Case Review,
dtd 27 Aug 45, re:
[redacted]
3-Pers. Rpt., Hq 7th Army
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War Crimes Branch, re:
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Capt. HOLOCH/emf/FRANKFURT 7160
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B/L: Headquarters, S/R AUGSBURG, 7970 CIC Group, APO 407-A, dated 15 February 1949, Subject: MERK, Kurt, BARBIE, Klaus, Peterson net

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7970th Counter Intelligence Corps Group, Sub Region MUNICH, APO 407-A, US Army, 8 March 1949

TO: Commanding Officer, 7970th CIC Group, EUCOM, APO 757, US Army

1. Basic report is forwarded through this Headquarters for information and comment.

2. Contents have been noted and a verbal discussion was held by Technical Specialist and Operations Officer, this Headquarters, with Technical Specialist, Sub Region AUGSBURG, to determine in greater detail the proposed plan for handling new sources mentioned in Paragraph 8.

3. The handling agent has personally met all individuals concerned and present plans are to have MERK and BARBIE "run" these agents at least until they are through the vetting period. At that time, if it is deemed better, an agent may personally take over the handling of the informant.

4. This Headquarters still feels that the Peterson Net, if properly directed, is and can be a valuable source of information of CI interest for Sub Region AUGSBURG.

5. It is felt, however, that the actions of all persons involved must be closely guided with some individual attention by the handling agent and that the number of persons be limited to prevent compromise and coverage outside of the jurisdiction of the Sub Region.

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19 February 1949

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SUBJECT: MERK, Kurt)
BARBIE, Klaus) Peterson net

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TO : Commanding Officer
7970th CIC Group, Reg IV,
APO 407-A, US Army
Attn: Technical Specialist

1. Reference is made to basic letter, your Headquarters, file IV-9256, subject as above, dated 16 November 1948, and 2nd Ind requesting a detailed outline pertaining to the current activities of the "Peterson Net" and the advisability of retaining the net and confining their activities to Counter Intelligence matter in the AUGSBURG area.

2. On the 18th November 1948, a conference was held between Capt Spiller, Mr. Canfield, and Mr. Bechtold, the controlling agent to determine the advisability of changing the "Peterson's Net" positive Intelligence mission to the Counter Intelligence mission and confining their activities to the AUGSBURG area. It was agreed that all positive intelligence sources should be dropped with the exception of the Baden-Baden source. However, it became necessary to drop the Baden-Baden source due to the high cost of the information submitted and the difficulty in checking the veracity of the reports being submitted. Consequently that leaves Kurt MERK and Klaus BARBIE as the only two carded sources of the so called net.

3. Unofficially the Headquarters that is currently being used is located at 1 Fuggerstrasse, Augsburg. This B.O.Q. apartment is assigned, as quarters to Mr. Bechtold, the controlling agent, and Capt Hoagland, assistant operations officer, this Headquarters. This operational post is ideal because it is located in a bank building, has a common entrance for both Americans and German personnel and is centrally located in the business district of AUGSBURG.

4. The "Peterson Net" at the present time is under the control of Special Agent Bechtold and under close supervision of the Sub-Regional technical specialist, this Headquarters.

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5. The new plan of action has been instigated to obtain all new sources, seeking out as many old Gestapo and SS informants as possible, and especially those whose mission was KPD penetration under the Nazi regime.

6. [redacted]

7. [redacted]

8. The following is a brief background of sources that are being exploited. These sources are all known personally to S/A Bechtold. Set forth is personal data and contemplated targets:

a. Name: [redacted]
Residence: [redacted]
Occupation: [redacted]

Cover name: [redacted]
Target coverage: [redacted]

Potential Targets: [redacted]

Biography: [redacted]

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o. Name: [redacted]
Address: [redacted]
Occupation: [redacted]
Covername: [redacted]
Target coverage: [redacted]

Biography: [redacted]

p. Name: [redacted]
Address: [redacted]
Occupation: [redacted]

Covername: [redacted]
Target Coverage: [redacted]

Potential target: [redacted]

Biography: [redacted]

9. It must be pointed out that the selection of the above named sources to be used in the target coverage as outlined, has progressed slowly but satisfactorily. The information submitted to date has not been sensational, but very informative.

10. At the present time the ultimate aim of "subject net" is penetration within an organization rather than to endeavor to recruit sources from the outside. Careful consideration has also been given to the security involved in organizing such an informative net to be used in KPD penetration. It is the opinion of the technical specialist when such an informative net is organized with careful supervision, and proper control is exercised, the security involved may be reduced to a minimum.

11. It is recommended that permission be granted to continue the effected plan of penetration with "subject net" as outlined. If permission is granted, all individuals concerned will be vetted in accordance with the new SOP.

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AGENT REPORT

1. NAME OF SUBJECT OR TITLE OF INCIDENT	2. DATE SUBMITTED
MERK, Kurt alias von LARSEN, MANFELD, Walter PETERSON	19 October 1949
	3. CONTROL SYMBOL OR FILE NO. XII-4060

4. REPORT OF FINDINGS

1. Reference is made to Top Secret letter dated 19 February 1949, SUBJECT: MERK, Kurt, BARBIE, Klaus--PETERSON Net to CO 7970th CIC Group, Region IV, APO 478, US Army, Attention Technical Specialist, File No. IV-A-4060, SUBJECT as above. Pursuant to instruction by Operations Officer, Region XII, the present status of SUBJECT is herewith amplified.

2. SYNOPSIS OF PREVIOUS INVESTIGATION: In accordance with directions received from Headquarters, 7970th CIC Group, APO 755, US Army, the organization known as Buro PETERSON-PETERSON Net devoted itself mainly to "Operation Happiness" and procurement of positive information through sub-sources who had been recruited at the founding of this net. The organization was operated by SUBJECT, who handled sub-sources responsible for the positive intelligence and who was responsible for the over-all management of the net, and by Klaus BARBIE, who was responsible for Project "Happiness" and the sub-sources employed in this phase of investigation, under the direction of this agent.

3. PRESENT INVESTIGATION:

a. Background data previously forwarded.

b. The re-adjustment of the target picture by this Region and the dropping of all sources employed in gathering positive intelligence left SUBJECT without any actual assignments and created a mementary cessation of his activities. The utilization of SUBJECT within Operation "Happiness" was contemplated and discussed with him. SUBJECT agreed to concentrate his efforts on targets pertaining to the KPD but confessed that, nevertheless, he would feel out of place and consider himself not utilized to the best of his ability.

4. SUBJECT continued activities under direct supervision of this agent with satisfactory results. He was responsible for the procurement of two (2) new sources for the penetration of the KPD, and otherwise showed promising ingenuity in probing problems presented by his new assignment. During this time, SUBJECT approached this agent with the request that he be given an opportunity to undergo extensive medical treatment for a chronic gland condition, with which he had been afflicted for a number of years. SUBJECT explained that it would be most convenient at that time, since he was in a transitional period and could best be spared then. SUBJECT furthermore stated that, at the same time, he wanted to contact friends and relatives for a possible position in a civilian occupation. He explained his motive as a necessity, since he had no other source of income and would have to support himself and his dependents during the period of his convalescence. This agent informed him that SUBJECT's proposition would be discussed with the Operations

5. TYPED NAME AND ORGANIZATION OF SPECIAL AGENT	6. SIGNATURE OF SPECIAL AGENT
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Officer of Region XII and that SUBJECT would be notified as to the decision.

5. During a conference among the Operations Officer and the Technical Specialist of Region XII, SUBJECT, and this agent, it was agreed that SUBJECT would be dropped temporarily by this Region, pending adjustment of his physical defects; however, prior to his leaving this organization, he would be turned over to Agent PEDRO, so that he could recruit sources of information for coverage of DP Camps and dissident groups. Upon completion of this assignment, SUBJECT would be free to go.

6. On 6 May 1949, SUBJECT informed this agent that he had completed his mission and would move out of the safe house which he had occupied as quarters with his dependents, as the final step in severing relations with this Region. SUBJECT expressed a desire to remain in contact with this agent and to keep this Headquarters informed as to his future actions. SUBJECT then established residence in OBERSTAUFFEN/ALLGAEU (M48/X90).

7. During an interview with this agent toward the end of May 1949, SUBJECT stated that he had contacted several specialists concerning his ailment. He had learned from them, that a major operation followed by a complete rest cure would be essential for his recovery. He also stated, that a position with a private enterprise, which would enable him to undergo such medical treatment, could not be obtained by him and that he had, therefore, contacted friends and acquaintences employed with US Intelligence agencies on positive targets, for employment. SUBJECT stated that these contacts had approached him previously with offers of employment while he was still working for this organization, but that he had not exploited these contacts, considering the policy of Headquarters 7970th CIC Group. In view of his precarious financial position, he felt, however, that he would have to renew his intelligence activities, since this was his only means of making a livelihood. His potentialities were more in the positive field; but he wanted to know if any objections existed to his making contacts with US intelligence agencies operating in the positive field. [redacted]

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8. During a later interview with SUBJECT, this agent was able to ascertain that the following factors were responsible for his termination of services with this Headquarters :

a. SUBJECT felt that his potentiality in regard to intelligence gathering activities was no longer appreciated by this Headquarters, since he was a specialist of positive intelligence and the activities of Headquarters 7970th CIC Group did not include such targets. His attempts to reconvert to political targets had led to misunderstanding with Klaus BARBIE, who showed professional jealousy towards SUBJECT. If his employment by this Region on political targets had continued, serious misunderstandings between SUBJECT and BARBIE would have been inevitable. BARBIE had given him to understand that he was in complete control of all phases of political investigations, and that he did not welcome his assistance and did not want to share the responsibility with him. Rather than denounce BARBIE or cause an issue over these minor disagreements, he considered it best to leave and find employment with an agency which could best utilize his potentialities. SUBJECT stated that he did not want to inform this agent or any other person with whom he had come in contact in Region XII, as to his intentions, but that, in view of the delicate nature of his position with Region XII and his relationship to BARBIE, he thought it best to withdraw gradually and to acquaint the persons concerned with the true facts at the earliest opportunity.

b. SUBJECT had been prompted to interrupt his activities, at least temporarily, due to his state of health, and had seriously considered dropping out of the intelligence field altogether, in favor of a position with a civilian enterprise, but his lack of funds and the nature of his ailment, plus the present economic conditions in West Germany, had forced him to renew his activities, since this was his only available asset. SUBJECT stated that, at present, he was under treatment by a Professor, Dr. KIELLEUTNER , MUNICH, Marienstr. 8 or 12.

9. UNDEVELOPED LEADS AND FUTURE ACTION: None.

10. AGENT'S NOTES AND COMMENTS:

a. It may be pointed out by this agent that SUBJECT's statement concerning his misunderstanding with BARBIE may be considered true. BARBIE is a selfcentered personality who has demonstrated the same character traits to this agent.

b. It is the opinion of this agent that, although SUBJECT may have been motivated largely by a desire to retain his position and re-

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putation in the field of positive intelligence, the circumstances of his ill health, his desire to prevent gracefully any friction between agents and other sources utilized by this Region, also played an important role in his decision. SUBJECT has, at all times, served this agent faithfully and diligently, and has displayed his loyalty to this organization under the most adverse conditions. SUBJECT has remained in contact with this agent, after being dropped by this Headquarters, and would willingly return if proper use of his potentiality could be accomplished. If the utilization of SUBJECT by another US intelligence agency could be arranged so that SUBJECT's possibilities could be exploited to a greater extent, this agent recommends that SUBJECT be transferred to such an agency.

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[illegible] headquarters) SUBJECT cautioned the handling agent against accepting the information as reliable, but his words of caution were evidently not heeded. In this respect SUBJECT's case parallels that of Klaus B. BIE. It is also evident, however, that SUBJECT controlled a net which was far too complex, widespread and intricate to enable good handling and control, and any one with any experience in intelligence work should have realized this fact. Again, however, the possibility exists that the fault lies not with SUBJECT but rather with his former handling agents.

b. Insofar as his usefulness and reliability was in connection with [illegible], SUBJECT did not devote enough time to this Project to permit any good estimate.

c. SUBJECT's results in his effort to recruit sources for coverage of DP activities were not too good. In this respect he again showed a tendency to erect an intricate "network" of informants, and many of the sources he recruited were found to be unreliable. Again, however, it must be pointed out that SUBJECT was still under the impression that CIC desired such nets. It must also be pointed out that SUBJECT spent at most six weeks on this assignment.

d. In short, this Region believes that SUBJECT could have been turned into a valuable "X" type source for CIC, had he been properly handled. For this reason it is recommended that SUBJECT be dropped "without prejudice".

4. It is believed that formal debriefing of SUBJECT is neither possible nor necessary. Inasmuch as SUBJECT devoted most of his efforts to positive work, inasmuch as almost all of his former sub-sources have been dropped, and inasmuch as he is acquainted only in a general way with counterintelligence MI's, formal debriefing is believed to be unnecessary.

5. SUBJECT's case continues to be classified as TOP SECRET due to his connection with another American intelligence agency.

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HEADQUARTERS, EUROPEAN COMMAND

FILE: XII-4060

SUBJECT: [illegible]ERK, Kurt Alois von [illegible], [illegible]FELD, Walter DATE: 19 October 1949

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1.	CIC Reg XII	Pg 797 CIC Op Attn: Mr. VIDAL	19/10/49	1. SUBJECT is dropped as an informant of Region XII, without prejudice, for the following reasons:

a. SUBJECT is being utilized by another American intelligence agency.

b. SUBJECT is more interested in the field of positive intelligence than in counter intelligence.

2. Details regarding reasons for dropping the SUBJECT without prejudice are outlined in the attached Agent Report by the former handling agent. To briefly summarize, SUBJECT was formerly used as the control informant of the "Peterson Net" (Buero Peterson), a net engaged primarily in collecting positive information from Eastern and Southeastern Europe. This net was dissolved in the spring of 1949 due to the cessation of positive intelligence work by this Region, the extreme and widespread ramifications of this net, and the probable unreliability of many sources, sub-sources and tertiary sources used by the net. SUBJECT was then for a time used for Project Happiness, with, however, only a fair degree of success. Inasmuch as this Region had virtually no reliable and productive sources for the CE and dissident field, in April - May 1949 an attempt was made to utilize SUBJECT to recruit sources for the coverage of DP camps in this area. This assignment, however, lasted only for a period of a few weeks, and SUBJECT was then "furloughed" for reasons of health. In the interim, SUBJECT, with the knowledge and consent of this office, has established contact with American agencies engaged in positive intelligence, and at present seems to be employed by MIS in MUNICH. Although the account of the manner in which SUBJECT was contacted by an agent from another intelligence agency (paragraph 7 of attached report) may seem somewhat farfetched, it is believed to be in character with the "modus operandi" of an MIS agent who was active in the MUNICH area in the Spring of 1949.

3. a. It is rather difficult at this date to give a true and valid picture of SUBJECT's reliability and past usefulness to this organization. The files of this Region are full of a large mass of positive intelligence reports which have been attributed to SUBJECT as source. In almost all cases however, the material originated from now unknown sub-sources, tertiary sources, etc. Although the information contained in these reports cannot be evaluated at this level, it does seem in many instances to be rather farfetched and frequently imaginary. In all justice to SUBJECT, however, it must be noted that in a few known instances (where SUBJECT's original reports are filed together with copies of formal MCIC's forwarded to

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L'intransigeant
Paris Presse 14 May 49

« ARRETEZ BARBIE NOTRE BOURREAU ! » demandent les Jurassiens aux Américains

DIJON, 13 mai (dépêche « Paris-presse-l'intransigeant »). — Les résistants jurassiens sont scandalisés. Klaus Barbié, qui, en 1944, était commissaire au S.D. allemand de Lons-le-Saunier, est en liberté. Sou l'occupation, il brûlait ses victimes au chalumeau oxhydrique durant les interrogatoires, qui duraient plus de quarante-huit heures, pour les faire avouer. C'est lui qui est responsable des tragiques journées de Pâques 1944, où la région de Saint-Claude fut littéralement terrorisée. Son activité s'étendait d'ailleurs à l'ensemble de la Franche-Comté, où l'on dénombre ses morts à plus de 5.000.

Klaus Barbié est aujourd'hui un paisible commerçant de Munich, en zone américaine.

Les organisations de résistance, les anciens combattants et les victimes du nazisme viennent d'adresser une lettre à l'ambassadeur des Etats-Unis à Paris, demandant l'arrestation immédiate de Klaus Barbié et sa comparution devant le tribunal militaire de la 8e région. Le conseil général du Jura a adopté un vœu dans le même sens.

ARREST BARBIE OUR HAGUEAN

DIJON, 15 May 1949 - The Resistance personnel of JURA are scandalized. Klaus BARBIE, who in 1944 was a commissioner with the German SD of LONS-le-SAUNIER is free. During the occupation he burned his victims with an acetylene torch to make them confess during interrogations which lasted more than 48 hours. He is responsible for the tragic days of Easter 1944, when the region of Saint Claude was literally terrorized . His activity extended also to the area of Franche-Compte where deaths totaled to more than 5,000.

Klaus BARBIE is a peaceable businessman in MUNICH, US Zone.

Two resistance organizations, the war veterans and the Victims of Nazism have just addressed a letter to the Ambassador of the United States in PARIS, demanding the immediate arrest of BARBIE and trial before the Military Tribunal of the 8th Region. The General Council of JURA has made a similar oath.

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FILE NO: D-153204
SUBJECT: BARBIE, Klaus DATE: 24 May 1949

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1	Hqs 7970 CIC Group	CO CIC Region XII	24 May 1949	1. Reference is made to telephone conversation KOLB/VIDAL of 18 May 1949 relative to the inclosed translation of a clipping concerning subject which appeared in the 14 May 1949 edition of the French newspaper "PARIS-Presse l'Intransigeant".

2. It is desired that subject be interrogated to determine the truth of the allegations; he will, however, not be informed of the origin of the information nor will he be shown the newspaper clipping.

3. Although it was known to this headquarters that during the German occupation of France subject had performed several successful missions and had been responsible for the arrest of a number of French Resistance personnel, his actions from a professional point of view were interpreted by this headquarters as mere performance of his duty. It was not, however, known that such barbaric methods had been employed by subject to obtain confessions from his victims.

4. This headquarters is inclined to believe that there is some element of truth in the allegations, since a mass reaction as that indicated in the clipping would hardly stem from naught or from behavior in accordance with the rules of land warfare.

5. It is, therefore, desired that subject be dropped administratively as an informant but that relations with same be maintained as in the past until necessary action is dictated by the State Department and/or Department of the Army.

BY ORDER OF LT COLONEL ECKMAN:

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2.	CIC Reg XII	Hq 7960 CIC Gp	20 July 1949	1. SUBJECT has been discreetly interrogated regarding the allegations in the newspaper article, with negative results. SUBJECT has upon occasion admitted that he used duress during interrogations such as continued interrogation over a long period of time, in the middle of the night, etc., but has never implied or indicated that he used torture.

2. In compliance with the directions contained in Minute 1, this office has no course but to administratively drop the SUBJECT as an informant. It is desired, however, for the record, to indicate the following:

a. SUBJECT has been interrogated on four (4) occasions by French authorities regarding his activities in France and regarding L'affaire Hardy. French authorities know where SUBJECT is located, know where he can be reached, and probably know what his activities are here, yet no attempt has ever been made to extradite SUBJECT nor has any formal charge of war crimes nor any indication that SUBJECT was involved in war crimes been made.

b. If French authorities were interested in SUBJECT as a war criminal (and if his alleged crimes were as barbaric and well known as the newspaper article claims, they certainly should have been) it is almost certain that SUBJECT would have been extradited by now. It is pointed out that SUBJECT, under his proper name interrogated some very high French officials including Francois PONCET and LeBRUN.

c. SUBJECT has frequently been criticized by case officers of Group Headquarters because of the alleged misinformation he has supplied during the past. A check of SUBJECT's dossier reveals however that he was alleged to be the source for a considerable number of reports for which he served merely as a cut-out. On many of these reports SUBJECT in his own notes and comments frequently warned his handling agent regarding the low reliability of the information. In many cases SUBJECT stated that the original source was suspected of inventing sub-sources as well as concocting the information. In most of these instances, SUBJECT's low evaluation and his warnings were ignored, the information was forwarded (frequently under a high evaluation) and SUBJECT was listed as the source. It is quite evident that such action was taken on the part of some of the handling agents in a desire to swell production totals. Such improper use of SUBJECT has long since ceased. SUBJECT is now considered to be the most reliable informant this headquarters has. SUBJECT has in the past two (2) months been used mainly to effect penetration and to "turn" certain targets. He has been quite successful in the accomplishment of most of these missions.

3. The Operations Office of this region as well as the handling agent of SUBJECT have frequently watched SUBJECT interrogate certain suspects. Based on these observations it is the belief of both that SUBJECT is intelligent and skillful enough to accomplish a successful interrogation by use of his head and consequently did not require the use of his hands. This office consequently feels that while the charges against SUBJECT may possibly be true they are probably not true.

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BARBIE, Klaus - X-3054-XII

12 January 1950

2 Hqs. 66th CIC Det | CO CIC Region XII Attn: Tech/Spec | 27 Jan 1950

1. Reference is made to Secret IRS, this headquarters, file and subject as above, dated 24 May 1949.

2. It is desired that contact with subject be continued as indicated in the IRS referred to in paragraph 1 above. In answer to the specific questions posed in paragraphs 2a-c of Minute 1 above, this headquarters desires that, in addition to keeping contact with subject, all efforts be made by your Region to keep him in the area in order to make him available in case BDOC wishes to reinterrogate him or the French formally request his extradition. It is, therefore, desired that subject not be made aware that his status with this organization has been altered. Since subject's sole income is derived from CIC, it is felt that to discontinue paying him would not only make him aware of his changed status but would also force him to seek employment elsewhere in the only trade which he knows, Intelligence. The latter possibility will be avoided, lest this organization be further embarrassed by subject. Your Region is, therefore, authorized to continue paying subject the same salary as in the past in order to obviate any undesirable acts on subject's part. It is not felt that subject will leave the area if your Region continues to assist him financially.

3. Subject's case will be kept in the Top Secret category. In order to facilitate the maintenance of administrative records by your Region on subject, it is desired that where necessary, subject be referred to by his code designation.

4. Your Region will be informed of any further developments in this case.

BY ORDER OF COLONEL ERSKINE:

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BARBIE, Klaus

12 January 1950

1. CIC Reg XII | Hqs 66th CIC Det Attn: Mr. VIDAL | 12 Jan 1950

1. It is requested that this office be advised as to the proper method and scope of maintaining contact with Klaus BARBIE, a former source of this Region.

2. This office has previously been advised to maintain contact with SUBJECT, and if possible to retain him in this area, so that, in the event of any request for his apprehension and/or extradition, he could easily be located and apprehended. However, this office has been aware of indications that SUBJECT may leave this area and assume a new identity. Advice is therefore desired on the following points:

a. Is contact with SUBJECT still to be maintaned so that SUBJECT could easily be located and apprehended, should the occasion arise?

b. If SUBJECT attempts to leave the area, should he be apprehended?

c. Is this Region authorized to provide SUBJECT with some funds in a further effort to keep him in this area?

3. It is desired to add that SUBJECT is still under the impression that he is viewed by this office as a source, and is not aware of the fact that this office is only maintaining contact with him to keep track of him, in the event French authorities desire to try him as a war criminal.

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SUBJECT: BARBIE, Klaus RE: Former Carded Source of CIC Region XII DATE: 28 April 1950

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1.	CIC REG XII	Hqs 66th CIC Det (Attn: Mr. VIDAL)	28 Apr 1950	1. Reference is made to a conversation, Mr. HUGHES, Capt. HOAGLAND, which transpired on or about 11 April 1950.

2. On or about 3 April 1950, Josef KAITER, one of SUBJECT's associates and an employee of the AUGSBURG (M49/f31) City Police Force, afforded SUBJECT an opportunity to scan the contents of the Fahndungsnachweis der Lander Bayern, Hessen, Wuerttemberg-Baden, Wuerttemberg Hohenzollern, Baden und Reinland Pfalz, Number 52, published in STUTTGART (L49/S02) on 1 April 1950. The action by KAITER was not considered unusual, since he frequently makes official police records, documents, etc., available to SUBJECT.

3. While scanning the Fahndungsnachweis, SUBJECT discovered the following entry listed on page 13, "BARBIE, Klaus Hptst Fuehr?? LKR STUTTGART KIP 154/50". SUBJECT immediately called the attention of his handling agent to the above mentioned entry.

4. Upon receipt of the above information, the S-2/S-3 of this CIC Region requested the CIC Region I, by employing entirely discreet means, endeavor to determine name of the person, persons and/or agency requesting that SUBJECT be arrested, and the reason for the request. Soon thereafter, CIC Region I reported that the SUBJECT's name was entered in the Fahndungsnachweis at the request of the "Prosecutor", LYON, France and that SUBJECT was wanted in France for murder. CIC Region I subsequently informed a representative of this CIC Region that the request for SUBJECT was forwarded to the Land Police Wuerttemberg-Baden through the French Surete Nationale.

5. Neither CIC Region I nor CIC Region XII has been able to obtain additional information, concerning the "Surete's" request regarding SUBJECT, nevertheless, the information disclosed in paragraph 4 above, though incomplete, may be sufficient to indicate a new "Surete" tactic, since, to date, there is no information to indicate that French officials have attempted recently, to initiate extradition proceedings in SUBJECT's case.

6. In a recent conversation with the S-2/S-3 of this CIC Region, Mr. LAVOIS, Headquarters 66th CIC Detachment, suggested that perhaps certain "political elements" had been responsible for the request and had made the request for "show", to convince opposition political elements that serious attempts were being made to locate SUBJECT, whereas, in effect, there was no desire that SUBJECT be taken into custody or returned to France.

7. Despite the underlying motives in SUBJECT's case, it is felt that the above mentioned facts should be brought to the attention of the Technical Specialist 66th CIC Detachment, since it has been indicated that SUBJECT may be required to make a trip to France for the purpose of giving testimony in the "HARDY" case. The trip to PARIS is a matter of concern to this CIC Region, since it would seem presumptive, in the light of a possible murder charge, to assume that French authorities could promise SUBJECT would be safely and promptly escorted to PARIS and returned to the US Zone of Germany.

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8. A matter of more immediate concern, is the possibility that SUBJECT may obtain details as to the reason for his desired custody. In view of the serious nature of the charge, it could become difficult for representatives of this CIC Region to assure SUBJECT's continued presence in the AUGSBURG area. A second and perhaps embarrassing possibility could arise if SUBJECT were actually apprehended by the Wuerttemberg-Baden Land Police and if subsequent legal action were taken by French officials, to extradite SUBJECT. In this case the resulting publicity could prove most embarrassing and damaging to CIC, since the resulting publicity would probably completely neglect the fact (see previous correspondence) that SUBJECT was dropped by this Region as soon as allegations of possible war crimes was made. The fact that this Region has maintained contact with SUBJECT only to keep track of his whereabouts and to keep him in this area would be either completely ignored or distorted to indicate that CIC in particular and US forces in general were protecting a war criminal.

9. In view of implications associated with the development of either possibility noted in paragraph 8 above and in view of the fact that the "Surete" may have exceeded its authority, when it requested a German Police Agency to apprehend SUBJECT, it is requested that the legality of the "Surete"s" action be studied carefully. If such study reveals that the "Surete's" action was without legal basis, it should impose no serious problem to have SUBJECT's name deleted from the Fahndungsnachweis, and to advise French authorities of proper extradition procedures involving alleged war criminals.

GEORGE B. RIGGIN
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US ARMY, EUROPE D-153204

27 MAR

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FROM Hqs. 66th CIC Detachment 270830

TO CO CIC Region III

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REFERENCE YOUR TARE WILLIAM XRAY NUMBER BAKER DASH TWO FOUR EIGHT DATED TWO THREE MARCH ONE NINE FIVE ZERO PD OLCH WILL BE INFORMED BY YOUR REGION THAT THIS HEADQUARTERS IS ALREADY NEGOTIATING WITH FRENCH GOVERNMENT ON THIS MATTER AND FEEL THAT LT TERRIER's REQUEST WOULD BE DUPLICATION OF EFFORT PD BARBIE: DECISION IS NOT YET KNOWN PD END CITE VIDAL SIGNED ERSKINE

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FROM: CO CIC REG THREE OFFENBACH DTG MARCH 231010Z 1950

TO HQ 66TH CIC DET

REF NBR B-248/ ATTN MR VIDAL/REFERENCE IS MADE TO THE THIS OFFICE B-223 PD THIS OFFICE DESIRES TO KNOW WHAT ANSWER TO GIVE OLCH AS TO WHETHER OR NOT BARDIE RPT BARDIE WILL BE PERMITTED TO SIGN A STATEMENT TO THE EFFECT THAT HE WILL OR WILL NOT BE WILLING TO APPEAR AT THE TRIAL PD FROM LEWIS

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FROM CO CIC REGION THREE OFFENBACH DTGMARCH 140735Z 1950

TO CO HQ 66 TH CIC DET BAD CANSTATT USAREUR

REF NR B-223/FOR VIDAL/REUR TWX THREE SIX NINE SEVEN PD MR CUNNINGHAM CMA DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE CMA OLCH CMA ADVISED REQUEST FOR ADDRESS OF SUBJECT WASMADE IN BEHALF OF LIEUTENANT G.E . PD TERRIE OF THE FRENCH OBSERVERS OFFICE CMA WIESBADEN PD ACCORDING TO CUNNINGHAM CMA TERRIER CMA IN ORDER TO DISCHARGE HIS DUTY ON HIS GOVERNMENT CMA IS REQUIRED TO OBTAIN FROM BARBIE IN WRITING A CONSENT OR REFUSAL TO APPEAR AS A VOLUNTARY WITNESS IN THE TREASON TRIAL OF ONE HARDY RPT HARDY IN FRANCE PD ACCORDING TO CUNNINGHAM CMA TERRIER STATED THAT AMERICAN INTELLIGENCE HAS CONTROL OF BARBIE AND IS HOLDING HIM SOMEWHERE IN THE VICINITY OF MUNICH PD WITH RESPECT TO THE HARDY TREASON TRIAL CMA ACCORDING TO CUNNINGHAM CMA HARDY WAS ABLE MEMBER OF DIE FRENCH RAILROADS RESISTANCE GROUP WHO WAS ARRESTED BY BARBIE PERSONNALY CMA BARBIE AT THAT TIME BEING CHIEF OF THE GESTAPO AT LYON CMA FRANCE PD HARDY IS STATED TO HAVE FURNISHED INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND SUBSEQUENT EXECUTION OF OTHER MEMBERS OF THE RAILROADS RESISTANCE GROUP PD ACCORDING TO CUNNINGHAM CMA TERRIERS SOLE INTEREST IN ZARBIEISS THE OBTAINING OF HIS CONSENT OR REFUSAL IN WRITING BY ANY FEASIBLE MEANS PD END CITE LEWIS

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TO
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CIC Region III

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REFERENCE TARE WILLIAM XRAY CMA FIELD OFFICE WIESBADEN CMA REFERENCE NUMBER ONE SEVEN ONE THREE DATED TWO ZERO FEBRUARY ONE NINE FIVE ZERO CMA WHICH WAS FORWARDED DIRECTLY TO THIS HEADQUARTERS BY ABOVE OFFICE PD ABOVE REFERENCED TARE WILLIAM XRAY REQUESTS ADDRESS OF AN INDIVIDUAL PD ADDRESS DESIRED BY DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE DIVISION CMA OBOE LOVE CHARLIE HOW PD DESIRE YOUR REGION CONTACT MR CUNNINGHAM CMA OBOE LOVE CHARLIE HOW CMA TO DETERMINE REASON FOR ABOVE REQUEST AND TO OBTAIN ANY INFORMATION HE MAY HAVE ON SUBJECT PD CASE ON SUBJECT PRESENTLY BEING HANDLED BY THIS HEADQUARTERS AND CONSIDERED SENSITIVE PD DESIRE YOUR REPLY BY ONE ZERO MARCH ONE NINE FIVE ZERO PD END CITE VIDAL SIGNED ERSKINE

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TO CO HQ 66TH CIC DET USAREUR

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REFERENCE NR 1713/OPNL XVISA/ATTN MR.CUNNINGHAM/DIRECTOR INTELIGENCE OLCH REQUESTS A CENTRAL REGISTRY CHECK BE MADE TO DETERMIN THE PRESENT ADDRESS OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL BARBIE CMA KLAUS CMA A FORMER GESTOPO CHIEF IN LYON CMA FRANCE PD END CITE BURWASSER SIGNED

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LYON, le 25 MARS 1949

AMERICAN EMBASSY
PARIS, FRANCE
REC'D APR 22 1949
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ANS'D

Monsieur l'Ambassadeur

des ETATS-UNIS d'AMERIQUE

P A R I S

Monsieur l'Ambassadeur,

Les Associations d'Anciens Résistants et Victimes de la Répression nazie soussignées, réunies au Siège de la Section du Rhône de la FRANCE COMBATTANTE, I Cours Lafayette à LYON, informées que le dénommé BARBIE Klaus, ancien adjoint de KNAB, Commandeur de la Gestapo à LYON, est actuellement libre en Zone Américaine, où il exploite même un commerce à MUNICH, malgré tous les crimes qu'il a commis dans la Région Lyonnaise pendant l'occupation, s'indignent profondément d'une telle impunité.

Ce criminel de guerre est entièrement et personnellement responsable de la mort de plus de 5.000 personnes (résistants ou otages) de la région lyonnaise.

Les Associations signataires rappellent que BARBIE a particulièrement à son actif:

I°/ Les rafles d'Israélites ayant entraîné plus de I0.000 déportations et des morts sans nombre.

2°/ Les opérations de Pâques I944 à St CLAUDE (Jura) 350 Déportés - 250 Morts.

3°/ Les opérations de NANTUA (Ain): 200 Déportés - I50 Morts.

4°/ Les opérations répressives d'OYONNAX (Ain) ayant eu pour conséquence de nombreuses éxécutions, arrestations, déportations et morts.

5°/ Le massacre du 20 Août I944 à St GENIS - LAVAL (Rhône): I30 Détenus abattus ou brûlés vifs (hommes, femmes et même un enfant).

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6°/ Les fusillades de:

BRON (Rhône):	I05 Morts
LA DOUA (Rhône):	28 Morts
St DIDIER de FORMANS (Ain):	28 Morts
DAGNEUX (Ain):	22 Morts
NEUVILLE S/SAONE (Rhône):	I6 Morts

7°/ La fusillade de 20 Otages près de St CLAUDE.

8°/ Les incendies de trois villages: LA RIVOIRE, RANCHETTE et VULVOZ.

...toutes opérations qu'il a personnellement dirigées.

En outre, BARBIE a tué de sa propre main un hôtelier de MARTINET, près de St CLAUDE.

Les faits cités ci-dessus ne font apparaître qu'un bref résumé de l'action criminelle de BARBIE dans la région Rhône-Alpes et le Service des Recherches des Criminels de Guerre doit être en mesure de révéler bien d'autres crimes à l'actif de BARBIE.

Les Associations d'Anciens Résistants et des Victimes de la Répression nazie demandent instamment l'arrestation immédiate de ce criminel de guerre et sa comparution devant le Tribunal Militaire de la VIII° Région, théâtre principal de sa criminelle activité.

France Combattante (Section du Rhône)

Anciens des Mouvements Unis de Résistance (Combat - Libération Franc-Tireur)
Le Président

Francs Tireurs et Partisans Français.

Association des Membres des Groupes Francs de la Région Lyonnaise - ex 5° Bureau AI - Rhône Alpes

Groupes francs (AI)

FER National Zone sud.

Fédération Nationale des Déportés et Internés de la Résistance

Fédération des Déportés Politiques du Rhône (F.N.D.I.R.P.)

N.B. Le texte de cette lettre est adressé à Monsieur le Ministre des Affaires Etrangères et à Monsieur le Gard des Sceaux.

TRANSLATION FROM FRENCH

LYON, 25 March 1949

His Excellency the Ambassador of the United States of America, Paris

Dear Mr. Ambassador,

The undersigned associations of former resistance workers and victims of Nazi repression, gathered together at the office of the Rhone Section of la FRANCE COMBATTANTE, 1 Cours Lafayette, LYON, have been informed that Klaus BARBIE, former assistant to KNAB, who was the commander of the Gestapo at Lyon, is now free in the American Zone, where he is even carrying on a commerce at MUNICH, in spite of all the crimes which he committed in the Lyon Region during the occupation, and are deeply indignant at this impunity.

This war criminal is completely and personally responsible for the death of more than 5,000 persons (resistance workers and hostages) in the Lyon region.

The associations signing this letter recall that BARBIE had particularly to his credit:

1. The rounding up of Jews, which lead to more than 10,000 deportations and numerous deaths.

2. The Easter operations of 1944 at St. Claude (Jura) - 350 deported and 250 dead.

3. Operations at NANTUA (Ain) - 200 deported and 150 dead.

4. The repressive operations of OYONNAX (Ain) which had as a consequence numerous executions, arrests, deportations and deaths.

5. The massacre of 20 August 1944 at St. GENIS -LAVAL (Rhone) - 130 taken prisoner, struck down, or burned alive (men, women, and even a child).

6. Executions at:

BRON (Rhone)	105 deaths
LA DOUA (Rhone)	28 deaths
St. DIDIER de FORMANS (Ain)	28 deaths
DAGNEUX (Ain)	22 deaths
NEUVILLE s/SAONE (Rhone)	16 deaths

7. The execution of 20 hostages near St. CLAUDE.

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FRENCH MISSION
attached to the French Consulate General
9 Possartstrasse Munich c/o MMP
APO 407-A US Army

Ref No 1017/MFLB/Div.
PG-gs

June 7th, 1949

SUBJECT : BARBIE Klaus.

TO : Director, Civil Administration Division O.M.G.B.
APO 407 US Army
Attn: Chief, Public Safety Branch.

1) It would be greatly appreciated if an investigation could be initiated in order to find out, if a certain

BARBIE Klaus,

who is wanted by the French Authorities for war crimes, is residing in MUNICH.

2) In case subject can be located, please state the conditions under which BARBIE Klaus could be turned over to the French Authorities.

3) Please inform this Office of the result of your investigation at your earliest convenience.

REPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE
MISSION FRANÇAISE DE LIAISON
BAVIERE

Pierre GIACOBBI
Chargé de Mission adjoint

Tel: MM 26.69
26.68

OFFICE OF MILITARY GOVERNMENT FOR GERMANY (US)
Civil Administration Division
Bad Neuheim, Germany
APO 807

13 July 1949

SUBJECT: Klaus BARBIE

TO : Chief, French Liaison with OMGUS
Room 135, Grand Hotel
Bad Neuheim

The inclosed correspondence concerning subject individual is forwarded to you for transmittal to the persons concerned.

JAMES L. McCRAN
Chief
Public Safety Branch

3 Incls:
Incl 1 - Report on Klaus BARBIE, dtd 21 June 49 (Engl.& Germ)
Incl 2 - Ltr French Mission, dtd 7 June 49
Incl 3 - Ltr to Ambassador of the USA, Paris, dtd 25 Mar 49 (French w/Engl.transl.)

Telephone BAD NAUHEIM 2647

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MISSION DE LIAISON FRANÇAISE
13.7.49
OFFICIER DE LIAISON
Près OMGUS

7 B - diary No. 1462/49 Munich, June 21, 1949.

Report

Subject: B a r b i e Klaus.

The whereabouts of the above-mentioned B a r b i e Klaus could not be found out. He is neither registered with the General Registration Office of the Police Präsidium as a resident of Munich, nor with the Municipal Office for trade licenses (Gewerbeamt) and the Chamber of Commerce and Industry (Industrie und Handelskammer) as carrying on a trade.
In order to find out his whereabouts, his promulgation in the Bavarian Police Gazette has been caused.

Sign. Haberl
Kriminalkommissar

Municipal Council of the City
of Munich - Police Präsidium -
Criminal Investigation Dept.
K 7 B - diary No. 1462/49

Munich, June 21, 194

To: Military Government
Attention: Mr. Pralle
M u n i c h
Sophienstrasse 6

with 7 enclosures.

By order:

Probst
Kriminalamtmann

Incl. 1 (illegible)

K 7 B - Tgb.Nr. 1462/49 Ha. München, den 21.6.1949

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B e r i c h t .

Betrifft:

B a r b i e Klaus.

Der Aufenthalt des im Betreff angeführten B a r b i e Klaus konnte nicht ermittelt werden. Er ist weder beim Einwohnermelde amt des Polizeipräsidiums München in Wohnung, noch beim städt. Gewerbeamt und bei der Industrie- und Handelskammer als Gewerbe treibender gemeldet.

Ausschreibung des B a r b i e im Bayer. Polizeiblatt zur Aufenthaltsermittlung wurde veranlasst.

(HANKRL)
Kriminalkommissär.

Stadtrat der Landeshauptstadt München
- Polizeipräsidium -
K 7 B - Tgb.Nr. 1462/49 Ha. München, den 21.6.1949

Mit 7 Beilagen

an die
Militärregierung
z.Hd.v.Mr. P r a l l

M ü n c h e n
Sophienstr. 6

zurückgeleitet.

I.A.

(PROBST)
Kriminalamtmann.

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FRENCH CONSULAT GENERAL
Liaison Section

9 Possartstrasse Munich
c/o MMP APO 407-A

Ref No 1240/MFIB/Div.
PG-WM

Munich, 12 July 1949

S E C R E T !

SUBJECT : B A R B I E , Klaus.

TO : Office of Military Government for Bavaria, APO 407-A
Attn: Public Safety Officer.

1) French Military Government informs this Office that the German national

B A R B I E Klaus
supposed to be residing in MUNICH,

is subject of a warrant of arrest of the examining magistrate of LYON/France for war-crimes (Obersturmführer of the Section IV of the S.D. in LYON /France, executions of hundred of victims).

Inquiries made about BARBIE Klaus, in Munich, were witho result up to now. According to an information in the press, howev subject seems to trade in MUNICH.

2) French Military Government would highly appreciate if al inquiries possible could be made in order to find out the exact address of BARBIE Klaus, and if a statement indicating the exact address of subject could be forwarded to this Office (according to paragraph 17, circular AG 0005 (LD) HQ EUCOM Berlin, of 17.11.

3) This Office would appreciate compliance with the above request as soon as possible.

Tel: MM 26.68
26.69

signed: Guillaume de TREMAUDAN
Chargé de Mission

ZENTRALSTELLE
für Kriminal-Identifizierung, Polizeistatistik
~~und Polizeinachrichten~~
~~im Bayerischen Staatsministerium~~
~~des Landes Bayern~~
5 MRS/49

München 1, Postfach, der
Türkenstraße 4, Fernruf 30183/30228 August 1949

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SUBJECT : Verification of adresses

RE : Letter of OMGB - Public Safety Branch - dtd 19 July 1949

TO : Office of Military Government for Bavaria
- Public Safety Branch -
c/o Mr. Elbert Bagunin
Munich
Tegernseerlandstrasse

The adresses listed in the letter of OMGB were verified. They are in the following repeated and corrected as far as it is necessary.

1. **Wimmer** Jeanne,
born on 2 April 1908 at Prague,
residing at Augsburg, Birkenfeldstrasse 5.

2. **Heller** Hermann,
born on 22 May 1917 at Nuremberg,
residing at Nuremberg, Kirchenweg 3

3. **Barbie** Klaus,
was and is not registered at the Police of Munich. His whereabouts are unknown. By order of the CID Munich Barbie was published for arrest as war criminal in the Bavarian Police Bulletin No 51/49 and in the " Fahndungsnachweis for the US Zone ". He is charged of having been responsible as an assistent of the Gestapo-Commandant of Lyon for the death of more than 5 000 men of the resistance-movement and hostages.

4. **Koch** Alois
born on 6 January 1897 at Schiltberg,
residing at Munich, Untere Weidenstrasse 2.

5. **Bachmair** Georg,
born on 13 November 1910 at Rimpar,
residing at Rimpar, Landkreis Würzburg, Neue Siedlung.

6. Freiherr von **Bibra** Wilhelm,
born on 24 November 1884 at Metz,
residing at Adelsdorf No 1, Landkreis Höchstadt/Aisch.

7. **Freymann** Lorenz,
born on 1 August 1921 (not 1911 !) at Prühl,
residing at Prühl No 1, Landkreis Schwabach

8. D a n i e l Josef,
born on 2 March 1899 at Massenhausen,
residing at Munich, Eisgruberstrasse 8.

9. L i n z Heinrich,
born on 4 March 1897 at Markt Zeulen,
residing at Munich, Kiliansplatz 3/o

It is remarked that no derogatory information is at hand on the persons listed under 1) and 2) and 4) - 9).

By Order :

(Hartinger)
Kriminal Inspektor.

MISSION FRANÇAISE DE LIAISON

9, Possartstrasse, Munich
c/o Munich Military Post
APO/407-A US. Army

Tél MM 26.68-69

Réf No 1579/MFLB/Div.
PG-GS

Munich, le 9 Septembre 1949

L'Attaché P. GIACOBBI
Chef de la MFL-Bavière p.i.

à

Monsieur l'Ambassadeur de France
Haut Commissaire de la Républiqu
Française en Allemagne
Direction du Cabinet
Section des Liaisons
Baden- Baden

OBJET : a/s du nommé BARBIE Klaus.

REF : V/Transmission No 07766/CC/SL du 19.7.1949
V/Transmission No 07294/CC/SL du 5.7.1949
M/Lettre réf No 0323/Conf. du 25.7.1949 .

J'ai l'honneur de vous prier de bien vouloir trouver ci-jointe la réponse qui m'a été faite au sujet du nommé

BARBIE Klaus.

L'interessé est recherché par la "Criminal Investigation Division" de MUNICH, ainsi que par la Police Bavaroise, pour crimes de guerre commis à LYON.

Le domicile de l'interessé n'a pu être découvert.

P.J.: 1

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REPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE · MISSION FRANÇAISE DE LIAISON
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French liaison

HEADQUARTERS, EUROPEAN COMMAND, BERLIN
Office of the Commander-in-Chief
APO 742

AG 000.5 (LD) 17 November 1947

SUBJECT: Extradition of Alleged War Criminals from the American Zone of Occupation, Including Land Bremen and the American Sector of Berlin, Subsequent to 1 November 1947

TO : Commanding Generals, U.S. Forces, Austria
Office of Military Government for Germany (U.S.)
U.S. Constabulary
U.S. Air Forces in Europe
First Military District
Second Military District
Bremerhaven Port of Embarkation
European Division, Air Transport Command
Headquarters Command, European Command
American Graves Registration Command, European Area
Commanding Officer, 7701 European Command Detachment (Paris)
Chiefs of Technical Services
Commander, U.S. Naval Forces, Germany
Commanding Officer, 7708 War Crimes Group

1. On 30 July 1947 at the Sixty-Seventh Meeting of the Allied Control Authority, the Military Governor stated that he had been instructed by his Government to announce that all requests to U.S. Military Government for the extradition of alleged war criminals should be submitted by 1 November 1947, and that all evidence pointing to their guilt must be submitted not later than 31 December 1947. After that date he was authorized, if the facts warranted to make exceptions in individual cases. In proper cases, where it is shown that reason exists for the request not having been filed prior to 1 November 1947, and where there are reasonable grounds to believe that the acts charged are violations of International Law or the domestic law of the place where the act or acts were committed, the Director, Legal Division, OMGUS, will entertain requests for extradition of alleged war criminals from the American Zone of Occupation, including Land Bremen and the American Sector of Berlin.

2. Subject to any directions which may be issued by the Military Governor or the Deputy Military Governor in specific cases, the Director, Legal Division, OMGUS, is authorized to act for the Military Governor -

a. for the delivery of persons in the U.S. Zone, including Land Bremen and the American Sector of Berlin, wanted for trial for war crimes;

b. for the delivery of persons in the U.S. Zone, including Land Bremen and the American Sector of Berlin, desired as witnesses in the trial of war

crimes, or the taking of depositions of such persons;

c. for the delivery of evidentiary material in the U.S. Zone, including Land Bremen and the American Sector of Berlin, for use in such trials.

3. Incident to such authority, the Director, Legal Division, OMGUS, shall issue instructions and take such action as may be necessary in the name of the Military Governor relative to the apprehension and delivery of persons, the taking and delivery of depositions, and the collection, copying and delivery of evidentiary material.

4. Before taking in any case the action specified in paragraph 2a, the Director, Legal Division, OMGUS, will clear the request with the United Nations War Crimes Commission, the Central Registry of War Criminals and Security Suspects, the Historical Division, the Office of the Deputy Director of Intelligence and the Civil Affairs Division, EUCOM, the Office of the Chief of Counsel for War Crimes, and the Office of the Director of Intelligence and the Office of the Director of Political Affairs, OMGUS. In no case will a request be granted unless it is accompanied by a statement of the law violated, the acts charged as violation, evidence affording reasonable support to the charge, and evidence of personal complicity therein.

5. Requests must contain, as a minimum, all information outlined in Incl. 1. No action will be taken upon the request unless such information is submitted in the English Language.

6. Requests for delivery of persons desired as witnesses may be granted upon principles consistent with those governing the delivery of persons wanted for war crimes. Responsibility for consultation or clearance with other agencies will be as prescribed in cases of persons wanted for trial for war crimes.

7. The Director, Legal Division, OMGUS, may grant requests for the taking of depositions and for the delivery of evidentiary material upon such conditions as appear adequate to protect the interests of the United States.

8. The Director, Legal Division, OMGUS, shall file with the Deputy Military Governor a report of the number of requests filed and decisions made, and shall make his decisions within the scope of further policy statements which may be issued from time to time by the Military Governor or the Deputy Military Governor.

9. The Deputy Judge Advocate for War Crimes, European Command, will deliver to the Director, Legal Division, OMGUS, all pertinent records in his possession relating to war crimes extradition matters as soon as practicable following 1 January 1948.

BY COMMAND OF GENERAL CLAY:

G. H. GARDE
Lieutenant Colonel, AGD
Assistant Adjutant General

1 Incl: Information Outline
Telephone BERLIN 42355
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REQUEST FOR EXTRADITION

1. Name of requesting power:

2. Date:

3. Name of individual:

4. Date of birth:

5. Weight:

6. Sex: Male/Female

7. Eyes:

8. Hair:

9. Place of residence or of detention in U.S. Zone, Germany

10. GSGS Coordinates:

11. Place of birth:

12. Present nationality of individual: If stateless, last nationality

13. Place of commission of crime:

14. Nature of the crime: (such as murder or treason)

15. Title and section of law violated:

16. Specific facts: (Here give concise description of acts constituting the alleged war crime)

17. Supplementary Material: (To be submitted in the form of inclosures)

    Incl1- Statement from nearest Public Safety Officer that individual does in fact reside at address given above, or

    Incl 1a - Statement from camp official that individual is in fact in detention at installation indicated above, and

    Incl 2 - Sworn statements and other evidentiary materials submitted as affording reasonable support to charges alleged in 15, above

18. My government agrees that if the person is not tried and convicted within six months from the date he is so delivered, he will be returned upon request. It is understood that other conditions may be imposed by the Military

Governor, United States Zone, upon the delivery of the person requested. If my government accepts delivery subject to such conditions, it agrees to abide by them.

If the above request for the extradition of_____(in blank insert name of person whose extradition is requested) is granted he/she will be tried only for the crime for which extradition has been requested herein. At the completion of his/her sentence or upon acquittal he/she will be returned to his/her home in Germany.

_____
Signature and title of requesting officer

ACTION
is assigned to

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Ambassade de France
aux Etats-Unis

CM/SBZ

Washington, le 7 novembre 1949

No. 350

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L'Ambassade de France aux Etats-Unis présente ses compliments au Département d'Etat et a l'honneur d'appeler son attention sur une demande d'extradition qui a été adressée aux autorités américaines d'occupation en Allemagne par les services de la justice militaire française concernant le nommé Barbie Klaus.

Ce ressortissant allemand, ancien chef de la section IV du Sicherheit Dienst de Lyon, est poursuivi devant le tribunal militaire permanent de cette ville pour de nombreux crimes de guerre. Il a fait l'objets de deux mandats d'arrêt délivrés les 31 août et 12 septembre 1945. Il y a quelques mois des fonctionnaires de la Sûreté Nationale française, saisis par

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commission rogatoire dans une affaire de trahison, se sont rendus en zone américaine et ont procédé à l'interrogatoire de Barbie dans les locaux officiels américains en zone d'occupation.

Ce fait ayant été porté à la connaissance du Juge d'Instruction chargé de l'affaire de la Gestapo de Lyon, ce magistrat, par l'entremise de la Direction Générale de la Justice à Baden-Baden, a insisté à nouveau auprès des autorités américaines d'occupation pour que Barbie soit mis à sa disposition. En dépit de ces interventions répétées, les autorités américaines d'occupation en Allemagne n'ont pas procédé, jusqu'à présent, à l'arrestation et à la livraison de ce criminel de guerre auxquelles les autorités françaises attachent un très grand prix.

Il convient de noter, en effet, que les crimes de guerre commis par l'ex-Gestapo de Lyon revêtent une ampleur et une gravité telles qu'ils constituent une des plus importantes affaires de crimes de guerre appelées à être jugées en France. Si le jugement de cette affaire intervient alors que l'un des principaux accusés se trouve encore dans la zone

d'occupation américaine, les avocats des détenus, complices de Barbie, ne manqueront pas de mettre ce fait en lumière et de soutenir que les autorités américaines ont opposé un refus à la demande d'extradition le concernant. La presse risquerait de s'emparer de l'affaire et l'opinion publique en France en serait certainement fort émue.

En se référant aux assurances précédemment données par le Département d'Etat, notamment dans ses notes en date du 23 mai et du 20 juillet 1949, quant à la prise en considération des demandes d'extradition concernant les criminels de guerre, spécialement dans les cas où, comme pour le dénommé Barbie, les faits sont établis, l'Ambassade a l'honneur d'insister auprès du Département d'Etat en vue d'obtenir que ce criminel de guerre soit arrêté et mis à la disposition de la Justice française./.

L'Ambassade de France saisit l'occasion de la présente note pour renouveler au Département d'Etat les assurances de sa très haute considération.

AMBASSADE DE FRANCE
REPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE
WASHINGTON

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DEPT proposes reply that matter shld be taken up first instance with HICOG. Do you have objections such reply? As indicated DEPTEL 1872, Sept 30, DEPT feels extradition shld be handled tripartite basis.

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FROM : SECSTATE

TO :: HICOG FRANKFURT

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LEGAL DIVISION OMGUS
ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE BRANCH
APO 807

Date: 17/11/49

Subject: Cable concerning French note of 7/11 about Barbie Lkaus Suspense 19/11/49 AJ Br No. 5081

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TO:

1. Mr. Kellender

Action assigned to:

Suspense 22/11

---- Mr. Hagan
---- Mr. Kuhn
---✓ Mrs. Lange
---- Mrs. Laschinski
---- Mr. Lightner
---- Mr. Rintels
---- Mr. Urman
---- Mr. Weigert

Remarks: What do we have on Barbie L.? See me after lunch.

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UNITED STATES HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR GERMANY

Date 30 Nov. 49

TO:

FROM: Mr. Kollender.

What is being done about Barbe Lkaus?
Ref. Cable SRL 2734
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FROM: HICOG, Frankfurt

SECSTATE
Washington, D.C.

November 21, 1949

INFO: Political Affairs, Frankfurt
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Sent Washington RPT Frankfurt from Bad Nauheim.

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FROM : Frankfort

TO : Secretary of State

NO : 4230, November 23, 7 p.m.

Reference USFEL 2734.

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MEMORANDUM

The Department of State acknowledges the receipt of the French Embassy's note of November 7, 1949 regarding the desire of the French Government to have the German national, Barbie Klaus, surrendered to it for trial as a war criminal.

The Department has been informed by the United States High Commissioner in Germany that his office has no record of the receipt of a request for the surrender of Barbie Klaus. Accordingly, it is suggested that the matter be taken up by the appropriate French authorities with the United States High Commissioner.

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Department of State,

Washington, December 2, 1949.

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March 2, 1950.

The Chief of Administration of Justice Branch,
Office of General Counsel,
Office of the U.S. High Commissioner for Germany.

Attention: Mrs. Lange

SUBJECT: BARBIE Klaus

As kindly suggested by Mrs. Lange to Mr. Zaquin, on her recent visit to Baden-Baden, I beg to state the following:-

1. The above-named, BARBIE Klaus, former Obersturmfuehrer, Chief of Section IV of the GESTAPO in Lyons, is being charged before the Military Tribunal of Lyons.

Two warrants for his arrest had been issued: vis. on August 31 and on September 12, 1945, but could not be carried out to date.

It was on the prompting of Barbie that the Lyons Gestapo proceeded with a very large number of summary executions, the result being several hundreds of victims. It has been ascertained that Barbie himself took part in such massacres.

His activity appeared particularly intense in the Departments of Ain, of Jura and of the Rhone. It can, therefore, be readily understood that the populations of these districts were deeply stirred by the information published in the Press to the effect that Barbie was residing at liberty in the U.S. Zone.

2. Extensive and thorough searches were undertaken in 1946 in the endeavor to locate Barbie either in the French, or in the Allied Zones.

3. Such searches were continued in the Soviet Zone, when at the beginning of 1949, the Press announced that Barbie was at liberty and was carrying on a trade in Munich.

Investigations were then made in that city by agents at my service, but they proved unsuccessful, the same as those undertaken at Kempten, Bavaria, where according to certain information received informally, it should have been possible to locate Barbie's whereabouts.

4. On March 25, 1949, the Associations of former 'Resistants' of Lyons basing themselves on information published in the Press, regarding the presence in Munich of Barbie, wrote to the U.S. Ambassador in Paris, requesting that the Gestapo torturer of Lyons be arrested and brought to trial before the Military Court of the 8th Region, which had been the theater of his innumerable crimes.

5. On June 7 and July 12, the French Liaison Branch, at my request, got in tough with the U.S. Public Safety people, in order that new investigations might be proceeded with.

On 13.7.49, the Chief of the Public Safety Branch forwarded with a letter, under cover of the 'Civil Administration Division' in Bad Nauheim, a report dated June 26, 1949, from the German Police authorities in Munich, recording that the searches undertaken in that city had not given any results.

To this report was attached the petition of the former 'Resistants' of Lyons, which the U.S. Ambassador in Paris had forwarded on to the U.S. Occupation authorities in Germany.

6. However, the presence of Barbie in the U.S. Zone was confirmed, in a way, by the fact that he had been examined on several occasions, in 1949, by French Police Inspectors, such examinations having taken place in official U.S. premises, without it being possible for these officers to obtain the slightest indication as to the place where he had found a refuge.

7. Considering the unsuccessful results of the various searches and investigations, as well as the fact that the existence of Barbie in the U.S. Zone is virtually a certitude, the Minister of Foreign Affairs, whose attention to this case was drawn by the Military Judicial Authorities, issued instructions to the French Ambassadot in Washington to intervene with the U.S. Government.

At the beginning of December 1949, the State Department advised that the Office of the U.S. High Commissioner in Germany had received no request from us concerning this matter.

8. It is a fact that we did get request from you the extradition of Barbie. In order to enable me to file such a request, I must be in possession of the certificate of residence which is indispensable for making up the record of extradition, as required in accordance with Circular of November 17, 1947, of U.S. Headquarters European Forces.

Since it was not possible to apply to the competent Public Safety Officer for this Certificate, I was not in a position to file a regular request for extradition.

9. I should like to call your attention to the fact that, quite regardless of the importance and the seriousness of the crimes committed in Lyons by the Gestapo under the command of Barbie, there are other considerations which militate in favor of the arrest and extradition of this notorious war criminal.

As a matter of fact, several of Barbie's subordinates, some of whom may have been only carrying out agents, are at present imprisoned in Lyons pending their trial by the Military Tribunal; the judicial investigation, however, has been impeded owing to the absence of the main criminal charged.

The degree of responsibility of said agents in the various crimes in which they participated can actually be determined only when their chief is summoned to answer, at the same time as they do, for the crimes committed.

Furthermore, public opinion in France, and especially in Lyons and its vicinity, is now aware of the presence of Barbie in the U.S. Zone, and if this individual were not brought to trial, it would not fail to create a strong and legitimate emotion among the population.

Signed: LEBOUX.

Le conseiller
pour les affaires judiciaires,
chef des services de la justice

6 Mars 1950

REF: JUS/CG/E.1083

Cher Monsieur BOVIE,

J'ai eu l'occasion, il y a quelques jours, d'adresser à Mrs LAFGE, qui est chargée dans vos services des questions d'extradition, une note (JUS/CG/53/1002 du 2.3.50) concernant le criminel de guerre BARBIE Klaus.

En raison de la très grande importance que mon Gouvernement attache à la livraison de ce criminel, je vous remets sous ce pli, avec sa traduction en langue anglaise, une copie de ma note susvisée.

Je serais très désireux et vous serais très reconnaissant que vous vous intéressiez personnellement à cette affaire afin de lui faire donner une solution rapide.

Croyez-moi, cher Monsieur BOVIE, votre sincèrement dévoué

Mr. Robert BOVIE
General Counsel
BONN - Petersberg

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Mr. Rintels - W. Lebague has written us a personal note on this. What's the answer?

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Office of General Counsel
Administration of Justice Division
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Date: 3/10/50

Subject: Ltr fr Mr. Lebegue, Mar 2, re information on Klaus Barbie requested for extradition to France - 3/8/50 AJ Br No. 837

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Betty - has this man been located? What is the latest on it? Please note Mr. Brass' comments & discuss with me
JMC
13/3/50

TO :

1. Mr. Kellender

Action assigned to :

---- Mr. Hagan
---- Mr. Kuhn
-✓- Mrs. Lange
---- Mr. Lightner
---- Mr. Rintels
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Office of General Counsel
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APO 807

Date: 3/7/50

Subject: Request for extradition of Klaus Barbie to France, ltr French HICOG dtd 3/2/50 AJ Br No. 756

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TO :

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Action assigned to :

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PA, IP & G Div. - Public Safety Branch March 14, 1950.

GC, AJ Div. - Mr. Rintels

Klaus BARBIE

Enclosed for your information is copy of letter forwarded to us by French authorities concerning Klaus Barbie who is wanted for extradition. Your attention is invited to paragraph 6.

Enclosure:

1. Cpy ltr dtd
   Mar 2, 1950
   re Barbie.

GC, AJ Div.-E.K.Lange:flr
Tel: Bad Nauheim 2241/283.

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Office of General Counsel
Administration of Justice Division
APO 807

Date: 4/20/50

Subject: Extradition of Klaus Barbie to France, AJ Br No 756b EKL
ltr French HICOG to Mr. Bowie 3/6/50

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TO:

1. Mr. Rintels

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Form HICOG-8
(15 Sept 49)

OFFICE OF THE U.S. HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR GERMANY

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

To: Mrs. Lange, AJ Div., OGC, Bad Nauheim

Date: 31 March 1950

From: Mr. McCraw, Chief, Public Safety Br., IPGA Div.

Subject: BARBIE, Klaus.

Reference telephone conversation (lange-Perry) 30 March 1950 concerning search for Klaus BARBIE the following comments are forwarded.

Pursuant to the request of the French Mission dated 7 June 1949, submitted to OMG Bavaria, investigations were conducted in Munich for BARBIE. The request of the French Mission contained no other information than the statement BARBIE is residing in Munich.

A letter submitted by a group of citizens of Lyon dated 25 March 1949 thru diplomatic channels stated that according to the press BARBIE was engaged in business in Munich. This letter was referred to OMG Bavaria on 23 May 1949. Results of the investigation were forwarded to French Liaison Mission on 13 July 1949.

The foregoing information is extremely sketchy and provides little basis on which to conduct a thorough search. However the Munich City Police did conduct a search to the extent the information permitted and submitted the following report dated 21 June 1949 which is quoted here

"SUBJECT: BARBIE, Klaus.

The whereabouts of the above-mentioned BARBIE, Klaus could not be found out. He is neither registered with the General Registration Office of the Police Praesidium as a resident of Munich, nor with the Municipal Office for trade licenses (Gewerbeamt) and the Chamber of Commerce and Industry (Industrie und Handelskammer) as carrying on a trade. In order to find out his whereabouts, his promulgation in the Bavarian Police Gazette has been caused.

Sign. Haberl
Kriminalkommissar

Munich, June 21, 1949"

Please note that the German police have placed his name on the "Wanted List" with all police departments in the Federal Republic. A telephone check on 23 November 1949 with Wiesbaden confirmed this action.

A letter dated 2 March 1950 signed LEBEGUE alleges in para 6 that BARBIE has been interrogated by French investigators in official U.S. premises on several occasions during 1949. However, no identification is provided as regards these premises or their locations or U.S. personnel present, if any.

It is to be pointed out that these official premises could be those of CIC, CID, CIS, MID, MIS or some other investigative unit. In this connection it must be pointed out that the German police are denied access to these agencies. While Public Safety Branch normally does not conduct investigations of this type we will endeavor to secure such information as is available provided the information furnished this Branch is adequate.

The inference of the several communications from the French authorities that BARBIE is being granted refuge in the U.S. Zone is unjustified and unwarranted. That BARBIE is, or was, in the U.S. Zone is supported only by the statements of French investigators who allege they have interrogated him somewhere in the Zone. The allegations of the citizens of Lyon can be disregarded as being hearsay only.

Finally a review of all the material submitted by the French reveals the sole identifying mark is the name Klaus BARBIE and his rank and position in the Gestapo when these crimes were committed.

Pending the receipt of more and detailed information regarding BARBIE this investigation and search must be considered as temporarily blocked by the lack of sufficient information.

Telephone FRANKFURT 8354

Public Safety - R.L. Perry:if

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Office of General Counsel
-16-Bad Nauheim
Grand Hotel, Kurstrasse

GC E.K.Lange:flr

April 25, 1950.

French High Commissioner for Germany,
Stephanie Hotel,
Baden-Baden.

Attention: Director, Legal Division.

Gentlemen:

We acknowledge receipt of your letters of March 2 and March 6, 1950 concerning Klaus Barbie who is wanted for extradition to France as a war criminal suspect.

We are well aware that you are extremely anxious to arrive at a speedy solution of this matter, and therefore the case was referred to the Internal Political and Governmental Affairs Division, Public Safety Branch, which, although it does not normally conduct investigations of this type, endeavored to ascertain the present whereabouts of Barbie on the basis of available information. Their efforts proved unsuccessful, however, and we have been asked to supply more data as follows:

1. The office in which French police inspectors interrogated Barbie in 1946, such as CIC or CID or CIS, etc., and United States personnel present at interrogation, if any.

2. A statement, hearsay or otherwise, regarding Barbie's alleged place of refuge in the United States Zone.

3. Date and place of birth.

We shall appreciate your furnishing any of the requested data which may be available.

We have been advised by Public Safety Branch that the German police in June 1949 placed Barbie's name on the "Wanted List" with all police departments in the Federal Republic and that an investigation conducted by the Munich City Police resulted in the following information:

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Sign. Haberl
Kriminalkommissar

Munich, June 21, 1949."

We await your reply in this matter and take this opportunity to assure you that we shall endeavor to cooperate with you in every way.

Very truly yours,

Jonathan B. Rintels
Chief
Administration of Justice Division

Office of General Counsel
-16-Frankfurt/Main
Headquarters Building

Office of Land Commissioner for Bavaria,
-13b-Muenchen,
Tegernseerlandstrasse 210.

Attention: Chief, Legal Affairs Division.

Gentlemen:

The Government of France has requested that Klaus Barbie, German national, presently alleged to be residing in Bavaria, be delivered for trial as a war criminal. Barbie is charged with participating in summary executions in his capacity as Chief of Section 4 of the Gestapo in Lyon and is wanted for trial by the Military Tribunal of Lyon.

Pursuant to the authority vested in me by Staff Announcement No. 1 and Letter, Headquarters, European Command, file SG 000.5 (LD), Subject: "Extradition of Alleged War Criminals from the American Zone of Occupation, including Land Bremen and the American Sector of Berlin, subsequent to 1 November 1947," dated 17 November 1947, I request that you execute the attached warrant of arrest and ask that you advise me immediately when Barbie has been apprehended.

Very truly yours,

Robert R. Bowie
General Counsel

Enclosure:

1. Warrant of Arrest for Klaus Barbie.

WARRANT FOR ARREST AND DETENTION FOR EXTRADITION

May 1, 1950.

To all Law Enforcement Agencies:

You are hereby empowered and required to arrest and detain one Klaus Barbie, male, presently residing in Bavaria, to be held provisionally pending decision on extradition to France as a war criminal suspect. This warrant is issued pursuant to the authority vested in me by Staff Announcement No. 1 and Letter, Headquarters, European Command, file AG 000.5 (LD), Subject: "Extradition of Alleged War Criminals from the American Zone of Occupation, including Land Bremen and the American Sector of Berlin, subsequent to 1 November 1947," dated 17 November 1947.

Robert R. Bowie
General Counsel

War Crimes #756 FA

GC - Mr. Bross

May 1, 1950.

GC, AJ Div. - Mr. Rintels

Klaus Barbie

Attached file on Klaus Barbie is transmitted for your information and necessary action.

Enclosure:

1. File on Barbie.

GC, AJ Div.-E.K.Lange:flr

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ROUTINE
FROM: HICOG, Frankfurt UNCLASSIFIED

Chief, Legal Affairs Div.
Office of Land Commissioner
for Bavaria
Munich, Germany.

SENT Munich, Germany

Request that you arrest and detain Klaus Barbie, presently in Bavaria, to be held provisionally pending decision on extradition to France as a war criminal suspect. Official warrant of arrest follows.

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Robert R. Bowie, Auth.
General Counsel

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Lawyer Assails U.S. Army At Hardy's Trial on Treason

Says It's 'Scandalous' for Authorities in Germany To Call War Criminal 'Useful to Them'

Maurice Garçon, criminal lawyer and member of the French Academy, declared yesterday that it was "scandalous" for the American military authorities in Germany to say that a notorious war criminal was now "useful to them for security reasons."

M. Garçon made this statement at yesterday's session of the trial of former resistance leader René Hardy on treasonable charges. The man he referred to was a German named Barbier, now a tradesman at Augsburg, in Bavaria, who was Gestapo chief in Lyons and Marseilles during the German occupation in France.

Barbier, said M. Garçon, who is Hardy's defense lawyer, "took pleasure in torturing French patriots, and often executed them with his own hands."

"He was a participant in the bloody reprisals at Chambéry and Aix-les-Bains," he said. "Near Dié he had thirty persons executed under his eyes. At another place he watched the agony of 120 Frenchmen, and it was he who ordered five patriots to be shot in the Place Bellecour, in Lyons, to give an example of his repressive [illegible]"

Barbier was summoned to give evidence against Hardy, but the American military authorities refused authorization on the ground of security reasons. A French police commission was sent to Augsburg to question him, and its report was read yesterday in court.

"It is this man, who is now committing the same crimes against his German compatriots in the service of foreigners, whom justice has implored to give evidence," M. Garçon said. "It is an outrage to French justice."

While deploring the fact that Barbier had not been arrested and punished, both the presiding judge and the public prosecutor insisted on Barbier's evidence being read in court "for what it was worth." The public prosecutor said Barbier had shown "a friendly attitude" toward Hardy in his replies to the police commission's questions.

"A friendly attitude?" shouted the defendant, red with rage.

"Shut up!" his defense lawyer shouted back.

The reading of Barbier's evidence took up most of yesterday's session and will be continued today. The judge said he hoped that the hearing of witnesses, including ten Germans, can begin tomorrow.

Ex - Resistance Leader Contests Statements On Role in Occupation

By Vincent Bugeja

Three German Gestapo documents, tending to show that René Hardy gave information leading to the arrest of several of his resistance comrades, were read yesterday in the Paris military court which is trying the thirty-seven-year-old former resistance leader a second time on these charges.

One of the reports, drafted by Kaltenbrunner, Gestapo chief in France who was later convicted of war crimes at Nuremberg and hanged, declared that M. Hardy, who was a railway engineer and head of a railway resistance unit, delivered to the Gestapo the "Green Plan" for railway sabotage in France during the German occupation.

Another absent German witness against Hardy was Barbier, Gestapo chief in Marseilles. He was not present in court, but his evidence was taken in Germany by a French police commission. Judge Meiss, who is presiding at the trial, described Barbier as "a sinister torturer and a war criminal" whom the Americans refused to allow to come to France to give evidence, "saying that he was useful to the security of the United States."

Hardy Contests Statements

M. Hardy vigorously contested the statements made by Kaltenbrunner and Barbier, as well as those contained in other German reports. One of these reports, according to Maurice Garçon, criminal lawyer who is defending M. Hardy, was false.

M. Hardy is accused of having given information to the Gestapo after his arrest at Chalon-sur-Saône in May, 1943, as the price of his release a few days later.

At his first trial, in 1947, when he was acquitted, he denied he had been arrested at Chalon. Judge Meiss, who referred to this denial at the end of Tuesday's session as M. Hardy's "first lie," asked the defendant to reflect on "a second lie" he told in the course of the Tuesday hearing. Yesterday M. Hardy told the Judge he had "reflected," but that he was not conscious of being guilty of "more [illegible]"

Judge Finishes Questioning at Trial of Hardy

Defense Attorney Says That Nothing Has Been Said to Prove Treason

By Vincent Bugeja

The fifth session of the trial of former resistance leader Rene Hardy yesterday [illegible] the judge's questioning of the accused, which according to French court procedure precedes the hearing of witnesses.

Judge Meiss, who is presiding over the military court trying M. Hardy, questioned the defendant yesterday on a series of incidents which took place between June, 1943, when he escaped from a Red Cross hospital while still under German surveillance, to May, 1944, when he escaped to North Africa.

The defense maintained that no proof had been produced to substantiate the suspicions which some of M. Hardy's superiors and certain resistance men entertained about him during this peirod.

'Let Us Have Proofs'

Maurice Garçon, Paris criminal lawyer who is defending M. Hardy, declared he agreed with the judge that his client should be questioned even on matters which had no bearing on the charges against him in the present trial. "But then," he continued, "let us have proofs. We should not forget that Hardy is being tried for treason and nothing has been brought forward so far to prove that he has betrayed anybody."

The hearing of witnesses, who include ten former members of the German Gestapo, will begin today. Meanwhile, eight former members of the French resistance who have been summoned as witnesses have written to Premier Georges Bidault asking him to take steps to bring to trial the Lyons Gestapo chief, Barbier, whom the military court described as "a war criminal" at Wednesday's session of the Hardy trial. Barbier is now in Bavaria, in the American Zone, but the United States Army authorities have refused so far to permit his transfer to France.

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CIC Ln Officer - please send to Col Erskine:

1. The following is pertient to our telephone conversation this morning:

a. Public Information Division this Headquarters requested information, for transmission to Mr. Louis DeRoche, French Correspondent, as to whether KLAUS BARBIER was a CIC agent and whether he was living in Munich. PID stated that inquiry arose from story in "Figaro" relative to Hardy trial in Paris. It was stated that Barbier is a principal witness and was described as a former member of the French underground, later a member of the Gestapo and now an agent for the CIE in Munich.

b. The Intelligence Division reply was "no comment".

c. Subsequently, PID advised that the statement had been passed to DeRoche and intimated that "the statement is bound to result in a derogatory story in the French press, slanted to the effect that by "no comment" statement we have admitted allegation .....". PID further recommended giving DeRoche an off-the-record briefing.

d. Reply was made that it is against the policy of this Division to comment on matters of this nature and that AR 380-5 precluded an off-the-record briefing.

e. This morning a representative of the United Press in Frankfurt called the Intelligence Division stating the "new developments" and French public opinion make it necessary that we open up on the case. He also stated that CIC Augsburg had indicated to him that information was available but could not be released without authority from this Division. ~~THE CEX~~

~~XXXPI~~ f. In subsequent conversation with PID today it was brought out that French newspapers are making a large splash stating that Barbier is guilty of war crimes and is being held by the Americans for security reasons. We know

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nothing of any request for Barbier by the French. ~~XXXXXXXX~~ It was reiterated ~~XXXXXXX~~ that the question asked us was whether the man was a CIC agent and that we stand on "no comment". PID stated that they had a rumor that HICOG had issued an order for Barbier to be ~~the~~ taken into custody, that they would so inform UP and would suggest to them that they contact the Hicog Public Relations Officer.

2. Request any information available regarding Barbier together with any statement made to UP representatives by Augsburg CIC personnel.

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TO CIC LIAISON OFFICE, HEIDELBERG
ATTENTION: LT COL LIGON

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KLAUS BARBIE CMA AN EX-INFORMANT OF THIS ORGANIZATION CMA WAS EMPLOYED BY CHARLIE ITEM CHARLIE FROM MAY ONE NINE FOUR SEVEN UNTIL MAY ONE NINE FOUR NINE IN REGION ROMAN TWELVE PAREN AUGSBURG UNPAREN PD DURING THE OCCUPATION OF FRANCE BY THE GERMANS BARBIE WAS THE CHIEF OF THE GESTAPO AT LYON CMA FRANCE PD DURING THIS PERIOD BARBIE WAS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE NEUTRALIZATION OF A FRENCH RESISTANCE MOVEMENT HAVING PENETRATED THE MOVEMENT THROUGH THE EMPLOYMENT OF AN INFORMANT BY THE NAME OF LEON HARDY CMA A FRENCH CITIZEN PD THIS ACT ON THE PART OF HARDY RESULTED IN THE ARREST AND EXECUTION OF VARIOUS MEMBERS OF THE RESISTANCE MOVEMENT PD SINCE THE END OF THE WAR HARDY HAS BEEN UNDER ARREST BY THE FRENCH AND IS BEING TRIED BY THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT FOR TREASON PD THE KEY MATERIAL WITNESS IN THIS TRIAL ACCORDING TO THE PROSECUTION IS KLAUS BARBIE PD IN LATE ONE NINE FOUR EIGHT AND EARLY ONE NINE FOUR NINE WITH THE INCREASED EXCELLENT RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN BAKER DOG OBOE CHARLIE CMA ITEM DOG AND CHARLIE ITEM CHARLIE LIEUTENANT WHITEWAY CMA LIAISON OFFICER BETWEEN BAKER DOG OBOE CHARLIE AND ITEM DOG CMA INFORMED THIS HEADQUARTERS THAT THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT MIGHT REQUEST CHARLIE ITEM CHARLIE TO PICK UP BARBIE TO SERVE

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FOUR NINE AN ARTICLE APPEARED IN A FRENCH NEWSPAPER WHICH STATED THAT THE CITIZENS OF THE JURA DISTRICT IN FRANCE DEMANDED THE ARREST OF BARBIE CLAIMING THAT BARBIE WAS A CRIMINAL WHO USED TO FORCE CONFESSIONS FROM HIS VICTIMS BY USING AN ACETYLENE TORCH PD AT THIS TIME THIS HEADQUARTERS INSTRUCTED REGION ROMAN TWELVE TO DISMISS BARBIE AS AN INFORMANT AND TO INTERROGATE HIM FOR PURPOSES OF DETERMINING THE TRUTH OF THE ALLEGATIONS PD REGION ROMAN TWELVE HOWEVER WAS INSTRUCTED TO MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH BARBIE BECAUSE THE NEWSPAPER ARTICLE INDICATED THAT THE CITIZENS OF JURA HAD ADDRESSED A LETTER TO THE AMBASSADOR OF THE UNITED STATES IN PARIS DEMANDING THE IMMEDIATE ARREST OF BARBIE PD THIS HEADQUARTERS WANTED TO MAINTAIN CONTACT WITH BARBIE IN ORDER TO EXTRADITE BARBIE TO FRANCE IF EVIDENCE WERE PRESENTED TO SUBSTIANTIATE THE ALLEGATIONS PD TO DATE THIS HEADQUATERES HAS NOT RECEIVED A FORMAL WRITTEN EXTRADITION REQUEST FOR BARBIE FROM EITHER THE FRENCH OR FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY PD IN JANUARY ONE NINE FIVE ZERO AFTER THIS HEADQUARTERS HAD NEUTRALIZED BARBIE'S NET IN THE FRENCH ZONE AN AGREEMENT WAS REACHED BY LIEUTENANT WHITEWAY CMA LIEUTENANT

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COLONEL BELL AND THIS HEADQUARTERS WHEREBY BARBIE WOULD BE TRANSFERRED TO PARIS PD LIEUTENANT WHITEWAY INSURED THIS HEADQUARTERS AND ITEM DOG THAT IF HE TOOK BARBIE HE WOULD RETURN HIM TO THE UNCLE SUGAR ZONE UPON COMPLETION OF HIS TESTIMONY AT THE TRIAL PD IN THE MEANTIME THE FRENCH SURETE HAD CONTACTED OBOE LOVE CHARLIE HOW AND OBOE LOVE CHARLIE BAKER REQUESTING THAT BARBIE BE LOCATED AND ASKED IF HE WOULD AGREE OR REFUSE TO SERVE AS A MATERIAL WITNESS AT THE HARDY TRIAL PD THIS HEADQUARTERS INFORMED OBOE LOVE CHARLIE HOW AND OBOE LOVE CHARLIE BAKER THAT IT WAS ALREADY IN NEGOTIATION WITH THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT TO TRANSFER BARBIE TO FRANCE PD ON TWO EIGHT APRIL ONE NINE FIVE ZERO LIEUTENANT WHITEWAY INFORMED ITEM DOG AND THIS HEADQUARTERS THAT IF HE TOOK BARBIE TO PARIS HE COULD NOT INSURE HIS RETURN PD THEREFORE HE STATED THAT HE WAS WASHING HIS HANDS OF THE ENTIRE AFFAIR PD ON TWO EIGHT APRIL TWO ARTICLES APPEARED IN THE HERALD TRIBUNE QUOTING MONSIEUR GARCON CMA A LAWYER IN THE HARDY CASE CMA AS CLAIMING THAT IT WAS SCANDALOUS FOR THE UNCLE SUGAR ARMY IN GERMANY TO STATE THAT A WAR CRIMINAL WAS USEFUL TO THEM FOR SECURITY REASONS PD THIS HEADQUARTERS DID NOT RECEIVE NOTICE OF THE APPEARANCE OF THESE ARTICLES UNTIL ONE MAY ONE NINE FIVE

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ATTENTION: LT COL LIGON

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ZERO PD THE INFORMATION WAS IMMEDIATELY RELAYED TO LIEUTENANT COLONEL BELL CMA WHO IS FULLY ACQUAINTED WITH THE CASE PD THE CONTENTS OF THE ARTICLES ARE CONSIDERED BY THIS HEADQUARTERS IN VIEW OF THE KNOWN FACTS OF THE CASE TO BE A MALICIOUS DISTORTION OF FACT PD SUPPLEMENTARY DETAILS WILL BE FORWARDED TO YOUR HEADQUARTERS ON THE MORNING OF FOUR MAY ONE NINE FIVE ZERO PD END CITE VIDAL SIGNED ERSKINE

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MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL E-SKINE

1. On or about 10 April 1947, Kurt MERK, an ex-informant of Region IV, informed Special Agent Robert S. TAYLOR that he had met quite by accident an old friend of his from France (MERK was an Abwehr officer in France) named Klaus BARBIE who had excellent connections to sources of CIC information. The name of subject was immediately recognized by Special Agent TAYLOR as being one of the chief personalities wanted by the British and by this headquarters under OPERATION SELECTION BOARD.

2. OPERATION SELECTION BOARD had as an objective the identification and apprehension of certain elements of the SS who, by reason of their illegal status established at the NUMBERG trials, were quite naturally intent upon justifying their inevitable underground existence, thereby hoping ultimately to escape internment by the Allied Powers. Among these elements were ambitious men with a gift of leadership and certain intellectual background, enthused with a fanatic interest in the future danger to Europe which would inevitably come from the East. These SS elements believed that it was essential for the major powers of Western Europe to unite politically, economically, and materially in order to save themselves from destruction when the inevitable day came of war with Russia. These SS personalities used this political theme, the theme of "a strong and united Europe in the West" as a lever to force the Allies to recognize them as an integral part of the German community, conveniently forgetting their past history. All were sincere if not fanatic anti-communists and anti-Russian. The threat to allied security at that time in Germany was the possible union of all Nazis and others with hostile aims to the occupation. Not to be discounted was the fact that so large a proportion, particularly of young people in Germany, were sufficiently distrustful of democracy and disillusioned with the existing political parties as to subscribe most readily to a plausible form of neo-Nazism under the guise of a Federalist or Pan-European Movement.

3. After a conversation between Special Agent TAYLOR and Lt. Colonel GARVEY, Commanding Officer, Region IV, on 14 April 1947, it was decided to use BARBIE as an informant if he would agree to the following conditions:

a. That he clarify his statements concerning the British use of SELECTION BOARD personalities as informants.

b. That he break off all his connections with illegal SS elements and SELECTION BOARD personalities.

4. On 18 April 1947 Special Agent TAYLOR met BARBIE in HEMMINGEN; BARBIE agreed to the above conditions, and was employed as an informant. BARBIE provided CIC at that time with extensive connections to French Intelligence agencies working in the US Zone and high Russian circles in the US Zone.

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5. Since BARBIE was wanted by CIC and the British in connection with SELECTION BOARD, Region IV requested this headquarters in May 1947 and again in November 1947 that BARBIE be allowed to continue as an informant of Region IV. By virtue of the fact that case officers at that time were handling problems concerning informants, and by virtue of the fact that the Technical Specialist office was not established as such but was responsible only for Production Group informants, the case was not brought to Mr. VIDAL's attention until October 1947. At this time, Mr. VIDAL ~~[illegible]~~ the entire case and ordered Region IV to arrest BARBIE and to send him to ECIC for detailed interrogation.

6. Upon interrogation of BARBIE, it was discovered that he was very closely tied in with SELECTION BOARD personalities; that he had been arrested by the British and had escaped; and that he had made overtures to the British to work for them as an informant through one of the SELECTION BOARD personalities by the name of Dr. HOFFMANN.

7. Since this headquarters had not notified the British that BARBIE had been located, it was deemed inadvisable to inform them at this time that the reason they had not been so informed stemmed from the fact that BARBIE was employed as an informant. Therefore, when BARBIE was released from ECIC in early 1948, it was deemed advisable to continue using him as an informant in Region IV because of his detailed knowledge of CIC modus operandi and because of the apprehension of this headquarters that BARBIE, if not employed, would continue his overtures to the British to work for them as an informant. If BARBIE had been allowed to make these overtures the British would have found out that the reason CIC had not turned BARBIE in or reported him in connection with SELECTION BOARD was based on the fact that he was employed by CIC as an informant. At that time the revelation of subject's connection to CIC as an informant would have been a serious blow to CIC's prestige in the eyes of the British. His continued employment then with CIC was based on his utility and the desire of CIC to obviate an embarrassing situation.

8. BARBIE continued as an informant of CIC throughout 1948. Subject and Kurt MERK, under the direction of Special Agent DABRINGHAUS, developed an informant network to cover communist activities in the US Zone, [redacted] French Intelligence activities in the French Zone and their agents operating in the US Zone, and Russian emigre activities in the US and French Zones. The net consisted of ten (10) sub-sources, four (4) of which were residing in the French Zone, had very close connection with French Intelligence, and were penetrating same for CIC. The information supplied by the net was considered at that time very valuable and justified the retention of MERK and BARBIE as informants as well as the individual members of the net.

9. The operation of MERK, BARBIE, and the net continued during all of 1948. Between the latter part of 1948 and early part of 1949, relations between BDOC, ID and CIC strengthened to a point where it was possible to discuss mutual problems on a friendly basis and to arrive at decisions which were to the mutual satisfaction of all concerned.

10. It was during this period that Colonel BELL of ID, Lt. WHITEWAY of BDOC, and Mr. VIDAL, this headquarters, entered ~~into the discussion of~~

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the HARDY case. This case involved the arrest and forthcoming trial for treason of HARDY, a French citizen who, according to charges, was responsible for the liquidation of a French resistance movement against the Germans occupying France. It is alleged that HARDY was the person who gave information to the German Gestapo which lead to the arrest of the members of the French resistance movement.

11. BARBIE during the alleged denunciation of the resistance movement on the part of HARDY, was the chief of the Gestapo at ~~BRON~~. LYON, France

12. Lt. WHITEWAY informed Mr. VIDAL that he was aware that BARBIE was employed by CIC although he admitted that he did not know whom BARBIE was employing in the French Zone. He also stated that he had conclusive proof to support his stand. He also warned Mr. VIDAL that the French Government might serve a summons on BARBIE to appear as a material witness in the HARDY trial. Realizing that BARBIE was employed by CIC, Lt. WHITEWAY considered this warning as a friendly gesture. BDOC made a verbal request through Colonel BELL to CIC for BARBIE.

13. Knowing that BARBIE and MERK had developed an informant net to penetrate French Intelligence, this headquarters again deemed it advisable not to release BARBIE to the French. If this headquarters had released BARBIE to the French, he would have been interrogated in the usual French manner and forced not only to reveal information pertaining to the HARDY case but also to reveal information pertaining to his activities w/CIC and his connections in the French Zone. In order to avoid turning BARBIE over to the French, Mr. VIDAL suggested that perhaps a deposition for BARBIE would serve the same purpose as his presence in the court as a witness. Lt. WHITEWAY and Colonel BELL concurred in this plan. On 21 January 1949, Lt. WHITEWAY and Monsieur LAGARDE interrogated BARBIE in detail ~~in~~ Region IV ~~headquarters~~ and procured in this and two (2) subsequent interrogations of BARBIE sufficient information to satisfy their needs. During the interrogation of BARBIE by Monsieur LAGARDE and Lt. WHITEWAY, Lt. LAVOIE, then the Regional Technical Specialist of Region IV, who speaks French fluently, was present during the interrogation to insure that the French did not query BARBIE on matters not related to the HARDY case. This was done in order to insure that the French did not start questioning BARBIE on the net that had been established in the French Zone nor on BARBIE's general activities with CIC.

14. During 1949 this headquarters received no further request for permission to interrogate BARBIE although during this period the French Surete sent various and sundry individuals into the Zone to contact CIC for information concerning BARBIE. In all instances, they were informed that such requests had to be cleared by BDOC and DID before CIC could comply with same. The canalization of such requests to CIC through BDOC and ID was agreed upon by Colonel BELL, Lt. WHITEWAY, and this headquarters. It must be pointed out at this time that the French Surete in every instance failed to follow channels and attempted to procure information concerning BARBIE without notifying the proper American authorities. Lt. WHITEWAY was in all instances informed of the irregularities of the Surete. Corrective measures were taken by BDOC to correct these irregular approaches to CIC and German officials.

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15. The unilateral actions of the Surete indicated that they wanted to kidnap or lure BARBIE into the French Zone in order to arrest him. These actions made this organization even more desirous of protecting BARBIE from being taken into custody by the Surete.

16. It has been common knowledge to ID, to CIC, and to BDOC, that the French Surete has been thoroughly penetrated by communistic elements. BDOC readily admitted this weakness on the part of the Surete. The possibility that the communistic elements in the Surete were behind the plan to kidnap BARBIE could not be over-looked. Lt. WHITEWAY reported that the Surete was doing everything possible to embarrass CIC.

17. During negotiations with BDOC by ID and CIC, no mention was ever made by BDOC that BARBIE was wanted as a war criminal. All requests up to that time on the part of the French Surete and BDOC had been centered on BARBIE as a material witness.

18. On 13 May 1949, this headquarters received its first indication that BARBIE was considered a war criminal by the French. This indication was contained in an article that appeared in a French newspaper which stated that during the occupation BARBIE burned his victims with an acetyline torch to make them confess, during interrogations which last more than forty eight (48) hours. The newspaper article also stated that subject was responsible for the tragic days of Easter, 1944, when the Region of Saint Claude was literally terrorized. Two (2) resistance organizations, according to the newspaper, the War Veterans and the Victims of Nazism, addressed a letter to the Ambassador of the United States in PARIS, demanding the immediate arrest of BARBIE and trial for the Military Tribunal of the 8th Region. This article was forwarded to Region XII as an inclosure to an IRS requesting that BARBIE be interrogated to determine the truth of the allegations and also ordering that subject be dropped as an informant but that relations with him be maintained until necessary action was dictated by the State Department and/or Department of the Army. Region XII felt that the charges against subject were probably not true. This headquarters has received no evidence in any form to substantiate the allegations contained in the newspaper article.

19. In January 1950 Lt. WHITEWAY through ID proposed to Mr. VIDAL that he be allowed to take BARBIE to PARIS to serve as a witness in the HARDY trial. Lt. WHITEWAY stated that if he were allowed to take BARBIE to PARIS as a material witness he would insure the speedy return of BARBIE to the US Zone. Mr. VIDAL and Colonel BELL saw no objections to the plan and concurred in same. Region XII was alerted not to inform BARBIE of the trip to PARIS but to insure that he would be available upon a minute's notice. Lt. WHITEWAY promised to inform this headquarters at least five (5) days before the departure date. Several telephone calls were received from Lt. WHITEWAY, informing this headquarters that he had received no word from PARIS to indicate when BARBIE's presence at the trial was required.

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19. It was not until 28 April 1950 that Lt. WHITEWAY informed this headquarters through Colonel BELL that he was washing his hands of the whole affair since he could not keep the original promise. He clarified this statement by saying that if he took BARBIE to PARIS he could not guarantee the return of BARBIE, since BARBIE was to be arrested if he appeared in France. Lt. WHITEWAY felt that since he was not able to keep his word he would not therefore take BARBIE to PARIS.

20. While CIC and ID were negotiating with Lt. WHITEWAY for the transfer of BARBIE to PARIS, the Surete again entered into the picture. The French Liaison Officer in WIESBADEN contacted the Director of Intelligence, OLCH, on 21 February 1950, requesting the present address of BARBIE. A query by this headquarters as to the reason for this request revealed that the French Liaison Office was required to locate BARBIE and to obtain from him in writing of consent or refusal to appear as a volunteer witness in the HARDY trial. A similar request was made by the French Surete to OLCB. This headquarters informed OLCH and OLCB that we were already negotiating with the French Government on this case and that the requests from the French Surete were duplication of effort.

21. Two (2) articles appeared in the Herald Tribune on 28 April 1950 wherein Maurice GARCON, criminal lawyer and member of the French Academy, declared that it was "scandalous for the American military authorities in Germany to say that a notorious war criminal was now useful to them for security reasons". The person he referred to was BARBIE.

22. Based on the negotiation between ID, CIC, and BDOC, the newspaper articles of 28 April 1950 can be interpreted as a malicious distortion of fact.

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E/C: Hqs 66th CIC Det, Region XII, US Army, APO 178, Subj: BARBIE, Klaus, dtd 11 May 1950

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HEADQUARTERS REGION XII, 66th COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS DETACHMENT, APO 178, US Army 16 May 1950

TO: Commanding Officer, 66th CIC Detachment, APO 154, US Army
(Attn: Major WILSON, S-2/S-3)

1. Basic communication is submitted for your information and as a means of recording for possible future use a summary of all information pertaining to Klaus BARBIE, which is known to this Region to date. Further, it is desired to record for possible future reference the actions taken by this Region regarding the employment and carding of Klaus BARBIE as a source; the subsequent dropping of source, and the maintenance of contact so as to enable easy location and apprehension should French authorities demand his extradition.

2. The undersigned concurs in the opinions of the S-2/S-3 this Region, as expressed in basic memorandum, and requests specific instructions and guidance in concluding the disposition of above mentioned person. Specific guidance is requested in view of the importance of the case and of the probability that there are ramifications at higher echelons of which this Region has no knowledge.

GEORGE B. RIGGIN
Major CAC
Commanding

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COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS REGION XII
66th COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS DETACHMENT
US ARMY, EUROPE

APO 178
11 May 1950

Memorandum to the Commanding Officer

SUBJECT: BARBIE, Klaus

1. This memorandum is submitted to summarize the past history and present status of SUBJECT as a CIC informant. It is based on the contents of SUBJECT's dossier, this officer's personal knowledge of the case, and this officer's past conversations with SUBJECT and with the handling agents.

2. SUBJECT was born on 25 October 1913 in BAD GODESBERG, Kreis BONN. After completing his education, he became a member of the SD in October 1935. After training in intelligence and political police matters, as well as military training, he served with various SD and Gestapo units in the Ruhr and in the Low Countries. In 1942 he was transferred to France, where he served with the SD and Gestapo in PARIS, LYONS, and MARSEILLES. In 1944 SUBJECT was wounded in combat, and thereafter his active service for German intelligence and police agencies virtually ceased. Sometime in 1942-1943 SUBJECT made the acquaintance of Kurt MERK, who was employed by the Abwehr and SD in France.

3. Although SUBJECT was not used as a CIC informant in the AUGSBURG area until April 1947, previous discussions with SUBJECT have indicated that he was used by CIC personnel in the KASSEL - MARBURG - FULDA area during early 1946. In April 1947, through the intervention of Kurt MERK, a former carded source of this Region and a former Abwehr operative in DIJON, France, SUBJECT, who had been acquainted with MERK in France, was employed as a source by what was then Sub-Region KEMPTEN, SUBJECT at that time was integrated into what was then known as the "Peterson Net" headed by informant Kurt MERK and controlled by Special Agent Robert S. TAYLOR. In July 1947 SUBJECT became assistant to MERK and controlled a substantial portion of this "Peterson Net".

4. SUBJECT continued in this capacity for CIC until late December 1947 or very early 1948, when, in conjunction with "Operation Selection Board", he was temporarily held in custody at ECIC for interrogation. He was released after several weeks or months, returned to the KEMPTEN - MEMMINGEN area, and resumed his old position in the "Peterson Net" for CIC.

5. The contents of SUBJECT's dossier, as well as the dossier of Kurt MERK, indicate that during 1947-1948 this "Peterson Net" comprised approximately 50 to 70 sources, sub-sources and tertiary sources. It scope was not confined to the KEMPTEN - MEMMINGEN area, but extended throughout Europe. Although much of the information supplied by this net was highly imaginative, if not completely false, the dossiers indicate that the information produced by this net comprised anywhere from 70% to 90% of the information submitted by CIC in this area. Most of the information produced was of a positive nature. Throughout 1948 the net gradually

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whittled down in size, but the information acquired and submitted still consisted mainly of positive information, and was in some cases of dubious value and reliability. In June 1948, when control of the net was taken over by Special Agent Erhard DABRINGHAUS, the "headquarters" of the net was moved to the CIC Liaison house on Konrartstrasse 10, AUGSBURG, and its size was reduced to approximately 20 persons. In late 1948 or early 1949, the operations of the net were finally reduced to the area of Swabia (Region XII), and were confined for the most part to CIC targets and missions. During the period March - April - May 1949 the net was finally completely dissolved, and individual worthwhile persons within the net were used as individual sources on specific CIC targets. Since approximately October 1948, SUBJECT's specific target has been KPD activities in the Region XII area.

6. According to SUBJECT's dossier, and according to the knowledge of all personnel presently assigned to Region XII, during the period 1946-1949, there were absolutely no indications that SUBJECT was wanted by the French, either as a witness or as a defendant. Late in 1948 or 1949 it appeared that SUBJECT was wanted by the French as a witness in the treason trial of Col. Rene HARDY, a French resistance leader who had been "turned" by SUBJECT during the war. French interrogator, after clearing with Headquarters 7970th CIC, appeared in AUGSBURG and interrogated SUBJECT in connection with this case. HARDY was subsequently tried and found not guilty of the charge.

7. In late May 1949, this Region received an IRS from Mr. VIDAL's office, stating that an article had appeared in a French newspaper which alleged that SUBJECT had been guilty of war crimes, and which alleged further that certain French organizations (presumably left wing) were addressing a demand to the US Ambassador to France for the arrest and trial of SUBJECT. Mr. VIDAL's IRS requested that in view of the article, "SUBJECT be dropped administratively as an informant but that relations with same be maintained as in the past...." to Headquarters dated 20 July 1949, however, this Region stated:

"a. SUBJECT has been interrogated on four (4) occasions by French authorities regarding his activities in France and regarding L'affaire HARDY. French authorities know where SUBJECT is located, know where he can be reached, and probably know what his activities are here, yet no attempt has ever been made to extradite SUBJECT nor has any formal charge of war crimes nor any indication that SUBJECT was involved in war crimes been made.

b. If French authorities were interested in SUBJECT as a war criminal (and if his alleged crimes were as barbaric and well known as the newspaper article claims they certainly should have been) it is almost certain that SUBJECT would have been extradited by now. It is pointed out that SUBJECT, under his proper name interrogated some very high French officials including Francois PONCET and LeBRUN."

8. SUBJECT was nonetheless dropped as a carded source. Upon instructions from the Headquarters Technical Specialist, however, contact with SUBJECT was maintained, in an effort to keep track of SUBJECT and, if possible, to keep him in this area, so that if a demand for his arrest and/or extradition were to be received from the French, SUBJECT could be easily located and apprehended. Correspondence regarding such contact is contained in IRS dated 12 January 1950 (minute 1) and 27 January 1950 (minute 2).

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9. In late February or March 1950 this office was verbally informed by Headquarters that HARDY was to be tried again, that French BDOC had requested permission to transport SUBJECT to France for several weeks as a witness, that this request had been granted, and that it could be expected that SUBJECT would be required to leave almost any day, but that he definitely would be returned. After several weeks, nothing happened. In April 1950 this Region discovered that SUBJECT's name appeared on the "Wanted List" of German Police, and that his name appeared on this list because of a request received by WB German police authorities from the French Surete. This information was communicated to Mr. VIDAL. This office was then informed by Headquarters that French BDOC no longer could guarantee SUBJECT's return to Germany if he were transported to France, and was therefore "stepping out" of the case.

10. During late April 1950 this officer, through items in the PARIS edition of the "New York Herald Tribune", learned that HARDY was again being tried by a French Military Tribunal, and that SUBJECT was desired as a witness. These articles further alleged that HARDY's defense lawyer had alleged that SUBJECT, who resides in AUGSBURG, was wanted as a war criminal but that extradition had been refused by US authorities on the grounds that SUBJECT "was useful to the security of US Forces in Germany".

11. During the first week of May 1950 Special Agent Herbert BECHTOLD of this office was informed by a casual source employed by the AUGSBURG newspaper "Schwaebische Landeszeitung" that several correspondents and photographers were in town seeking a Klaus BARBIE and were desirous of interviewing BARBIE. The source questioned Special Agent BECHTOLD about BARBIE. Special Agent BECHTOLD informed the source that he had no information other than that which had appeared in the PARIS Tribune, and that the only agency authorized and qualified to give out information was EUCOM Headquarters in HEIDELBERG. During a later telephone conversation with Mr. VIDAL it was learned that the casual source had talked to the press representatives, and that the latter had gone to EUCOM Headquarters and twisted Special Agent BECHTOLD's statement to source to indicate that Special Agent BECHTOLD knew of BARBIE but refused to give out information concerning him.

12. SUBJECT's case rests at this point at present. No written instructions regarding SUBJECT's disposition have been received since 27 January 1950.

13. In summing up SUBJECT's case, it is desired to add the following comments:

a. Debriefing SUBJECT has proven to be an impossibility. SUBJECT was associated with CIC in a key capacity from 1946 through June 1949. Due to the handling methods adopted by the former handling agents during the period 1947-1948 (S/A TAYLOR, S/A HAJDU, S/A DABRINGHAUS), due to his position as key agent in nets formerly employed, and due to this long association with CIC, SUBJECT knows more about CIC targets, modus operandi, EEIs, etc., than most CIC agents. SUBJECT also knows the identity of most KPD penetration sources used by this office, due to the fact that he either handled those sources prior to the dissolution of his net (March-April 1949), or because he recruited or turned such sources.

SUBJECT was an extremely valuable source, who had been very successfully used to recruit and "turn" other sources (who were then handled directly by

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agents), and who was used as an X-type source on particularly difficult cases in the political field and occasionally in the CE field.

c. As far as this office knows, no request has ever been made by the French for extradition on a war crimes charge. The French know where SUBJECT is located, what he is doing, and who he is working for, but the only action ever taken by them (as far as is known here) has been to interrogate him as a witness in the HARDY case.

d. According to Lt. LAVOIE, who is thoroughly familiar with the case, this entire HARDY-BARBIE affair is being pushed as a political issue by left-wing elements in France. No strong effort has been made by the French to obtain BARBIE because of the political embarrassment his testimony might cause certain high French officials.

e. As far as this office has been able to establish, SUBJECT was not guilty of any war crimes. It is further believed that the termination date set by the Allies for extradition demands for war criminals has expired.

14. It is believed that Headquarters 66th CIC Detachment should be requested to give this Region close guidance insofar as the nature and scope of contact with SUBJECT is concerned. Elements hostile to CIC and/or to the US could easily misconstrue SUBJECT's case and by distortion of the facts assert that CIC is employing and protecting an alleged war criminal.

EUGENE J. KOLB
Capt Inf
S-2/S-3

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FROM: HICOG FRANKFURT

TO: PARIS

INFO:

RETURN TO FILES & RECORDS RM 940

SENT PARIS 333 REPEATED SEC STATE 3737 2ND

Reference your cable 302 dated 23 April 1950, subject BARBIER or BARBIE, KLAUS.

HICOG Public Safety Authorities and German police who were engaged since May 1949 in search for subject individual, report negative results. French authorities requested arrest of subject but sole identifying mark submitted by them was the name Klaus BARBIE and his rank and position in the Gestapo when alleged crimes were committed.

That Barbie is or was in the US Zone is supported only by statements of French investigators who allege they have investigated him somewhere in the US Zone. At no time was it specified where, when and in the presence of whom was such an investigation conducted.

German police have placed name of subject on "wanted list" with all police departments in Federal Republic. Check by Public Safety Branch HICOG on 23 November 1949 confirmed that name of subject was still on wanted list. The inference by French Press and French authorities that Barbier is being granted refuge in US Zone, unjustified and unwarranted. Pending receipt of more detailed informa-

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tion regarding Barbie and possible whereabouts, this investigation and search must be considered temporarily blocked by insufficient information supplied by French authorities.

On July 13, 1949, results of investigation were forwarded to French authorities.

Foregoing not entirely consistent your information which shows KLAUS as family not first name and places him definitely in Augsberg. This may be misinformation in Paris or facts unknown to us here. Cable if additional inquiry desired.

MC CLOY

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Mr. K. Dayton, Chief, IP & CA Division 1 May 1950

Mr. Raffaeli, Public Safety Branch

Reference attached cable and our telephone conversation on subject of Barbier or Barbie, Klaus, this Branch has been in constant touch with the Public Safety Authorities at Munich, Bavaria, who have activated the German police in the search for subject.

Other than the mere mention that subject was somewhere in Munich, no other identifying data was ever presented by the French authorities. The allegation that French agents have interrogated subject, is rather vague, and to this date, no statement was submitted by the French authorities as to where, when, and in whose presence subject was interrogated.

On July 13, 1949, results of the investigation on the search for Barbie were forwarded to the French Authorities.

A check was made by this Branch on 23 November 1949, which revealed that the German police authorities have placed the name of subject on the "wanted list" with all police departments in the Federal Republic.

The inference from the French press, and from the several communications from the French authorities, that BARBIE is being granted refuge in the US Zone is unjustified and unwarranted. That BARBIE is, or was, in the US Zone is supported only by the statements of French investigators who allege they have investigated him somewhere in the ZONE. As stated, we have yet to learn, where, when, etc., such interrogation took place.

A complete review of all material submitted by the French reveals the sole identifying mark is the same KLAUS BARBIE and his rank and position in the gestapo when the alleged crimes were committed.

Pending the receipt of more detailed information regarding BARBIE, this investigation and search must be considered temporarily blocked by the lack of sufficient information.

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Frankfurt 333 May 2 repeated Department 3737 and Picard-Nicholson phone conversation May 3 group of French Senators, former members resistance, presided by Avinin (Pro-government Rgr) decided May 2 to inform President Bidault of parliamentary concern over alleged United States protection of Barbier, former head Gestapo Lyon and torturer. Senators decided also ask France-USA group of Senate to warn United States public opinion and American Congress of "grave concern caused in France by apparent United States protection this war criminal".

This agency Franco-Presse story carried this morning by independent leftist Franc-Tireur, independent Rightist Aurore and Gaullist Ce Matin, also Paris Herald Tribune. Gigaro April 28 claimed Barbier, alias Klaus, alias Robert, lives 38 Schiller strasse, Augsburg.

Suggest you release to AFP and all other wire services real facts as stated your 333 under reference.

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FROM: HICOG FRANKFURT

TO: AMEMB PARIS

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Sent Paris 335, repeated SECSTATE 3790

Reference your 302 dated 29 April and our reply No. 333 to Paris and 3737 to SECSTATE dated 2 May, subject BARBIE, laus.

Information available to HICOG at time of dispatch of our reply was correctly reported in that reply. However, information received today indicates our statement regarding presence in US Zone may possibly be inaccurate or incomplete. Therefore suggest, to avoid possible embarrassment, you make no use of information given in our reply until we communicate with you further.

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Mr. E. A. Lightner
THRU: Mr. Prud'homme
James L. McCrea, Chief, Public Safety Branch

5 May 1950

BARBIER or BARBIE, Klaus

Reference is made to the following cables on the subject of BARBIER or BARBIE, Klaus, a German national alleged by French authorities to be a former Gestapo agent and sought by those authorities for trial on war crime charges.

Paris to HICOG - CN38327
HICOG to Paris - CN6802
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HICOG to Paris - CN6877

This case has been the subject of considerable correspondence between this headquarters and French authorities who have sought his whereabouts since March 1949 and who presumably will formally request his extradition should his whereabouts be established. Public Safety Branch has since that time directed the conducting of police searches for the individual throughout the area of the Federal Republic. These searches have been without results. The subject's name continues to be posted with all police agencies.

Notwithstanding the present French allegations that American authorities are giving the subject refuge, and are refusing to deliver him, the French have not as yet filed a formal request for arrest and extradition nor complied with the requirements of our headquarters regarding the filing of such requests. The matter has been before the Extradition Board for some time. The Office of General Counsel is presently addressing a letter to the French authorities with regard to the extradition matter calling to their attention the failure to properly present the request for arrest and extradition.

The information contained in our Cable CN-6802 of 2 May to Paris is correct, excepting that sentence which reads: "The inference by French Press and French authorities that BARBIER is being granted refuge in US Zone, unjustified and unwarranted". The quoted sentence is accurate insofar as any official information is available to this headquarters.

Notwithstanding the statement in the paragraph next above, I consider it would be extremely unwise to release to the press any statements whatsoever regarding this case, on the grounds that such statements may later prove embarrassing to our government since there are indications that the French government may raise the question with the U.S. government.

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As result of the Pichard-Nicholson phone conversation referred to in CN-38588, 3 May and the recommendations in the last paragraph of that cable the Public Information Office of the Office of Public Affairs apparently insist upon the release to the press of the information contained in our cable to Paris - CE-6802 of 2 May.

I request that this Branch and this Division be relieved of further responsibility in this matter and the action copy of Paris cable CN-38588 is returned herewith.

Enclosure: a/s.

Telephone FRANKFURT 8675

PA/IP&G/Pub Safety: J L McCraw:nlw

OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR GERMANY

APO 757

Office of General Counsel,
Frankfurt, May 5, 1950.

Not sent.

Monsieur H. Lebegue,
Director of the Legal Division,
Office of the French High
Commissioner for Germany,
Hotel Stephanie,
Baden Baden, Germany.

Dear Monsieur Lebegue:

In accordance with the request in your letter of March 6, 1950, I have investigated the matter of BARBIE Klaus. A thorough search conducted by the Public Safety Branch of the Office of the United States High Commissioner failed to locate BARBIE's whereabouts. On April 25 the Chief of the Administration of Justice Division wrote you asking for additional information concerning the details of the interrogation of BARBIE by French police representatives in 1946. I have just now been informed of rumours that BARBIE has been seen in Munich. ~~If these rumours are confirmed and BARBIE can be found and apprehended, I shall issue a warrant for his detention~~.

Unfortunately, as you point out in your letter of March 2, 1950, no formal request for BARBIE's extradition meeting the requirements of the circular of November 17, 1947, has ever been submitted. In addition to the requirement which you mention of information as to the residence or location of the person whose extradition is requested, this circular also provides that requests for the extradition of war criminals submitted after November 17, 1947, shall be accompanied by evidence showing that the request is justified by extraordinary circumstances. As you are doubtless aware, ~~one~~ procedure under this provision has been to require an explanation as to why the request for extradition could not reasonably have been made before November 17, 1947, and also evidence, including affidavits of witnesses, that the individual in question is guilty of a serious crime.

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We would normally refuse to issue a warrant for the arrest of an alleged war criminal in the absence of such evidence. In view of your personal assurance that BARBIE is identified with the perpetration of serous crimes including the murder of representatives of French Resistance in Lyons, I am prepared to issue an order for

BARBIE's arrest if the rumours that he is in Munich are confirmed. As in doing this I will be deviating from our normal procedure, I should appreciate word from you that material evidence, sufficient to establish a prima facie case of BARBIE's guilt, will be available immediately in the event of BARBIE's arrest. ~~This~~ evidence should, ~~in any event,~~ be forwarded together with a formal request for BARBIE's extradition, ~~pursuant to the provisions of the circular of November 17, 1947.~~

I have been somewhat disturbed by reports in the Paris press to the effect that the American security agencies have been deliberately responsible for the fact that BARBIE could not be produced at the trial of Rene Hardy in Lyons. Probably these reports have no other inspiration than the desire of the lawyer representing the defendant in that case to create a diversion. I assume that your Government appreciates the fact that diligent efforts have been made to locate BARBIE's whereabouts and that as yet the material submitted has been inadequate to constitute compliance with the procedures established for the extradition of war criminals.

With cordial good wishes, I am, Accordingly,

Yours sincerely,

John A. Bross,
Assistant General Counsel.

Representatives of the Public Safety are investigating the rumours that Barbie is in Munich. If he is located I will issue a warrant for his arrest immediately upon receipt of a formal request for his extradition accompanied by the supporting evidence required.

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Office of General Counsel,
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Monsieur H. Lebegue,
Director of the Legal Division,
Office of the French High
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Hotel Stephanie,
Baden Baden, Germany.

Office of General Counsel
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Headquarters Building

M. Lebegue,
Director, Legal Division,
French High Commissioner for Germany,
Stephanie Hotel,
Baden-Baden.

Dear M. Lebegue:

This is in further reference to your letter of March 2, 1950 addressed to the attention of Mrs. Lange in the Administration of Justice Division and concerning Klaus Barbie whose extradition you request.

On March 21, 1950 Mr. Rintels acknowledged the request and on April 25 we communicated further with you to advise that Barbie's whereabouts had not been ascertained and to request additional information which might enable us to locate him.

It has just come to my attention that the Paris press has recently carried one or more critical articles stating or suggesting very strongly that the United States had denied the request of your Government for Barbie's extradition. In order to set the record straight and to demonstrate to you that we not only have not denied the request but are most anxious to cooperate fully with you if Barbie can be located and a proper case for extradition made out, I take this opportunity to review the position to date and to request your further assistance in enabling us to deal with the merits of the request.

The case first came to our attention in November of 1949 by cable from our State Department requesting information concerning an alleged request for extradition to which we replied that no such request had ever been submitted to us. We understand that informal representations had earlier been made to our Public Safety Branch in an effort to locate Barbie so that a formal request for his extradition might be submitted. But I would like to emphasise that

until your letter of March 2 reached us nothing that could be treated as a request was in our hands. Your letter of March 2 could be and was treated as an informal request, but as you know, our requirements include the submission of sworn statements or other evidence tending to establish that the alleged crimes were committed and that the wanted person in fact committed them, and further include statements as to the personal data of the accused person and his present whereabouts. We have never received any of this information. Nevertheless, we have made diligent inquiries in your behalf as to Barbie's whereabouts and have recently received clues which may enable us to find him.

Our position would be a good deal stronger in terms of acting on your request if we were to receive a formal submission supported by the usual data. We would then be able to arrive at a prompt decision as to whether the man should be placed in provisional arrest pending ultimate decision on the question of extradition. Without being in any sense critical, I would also like to point out that the effect of the publicity which I understand the matter has received in the French press may be disadvantageous, and may have the effect of giving notice to Barbie that his extradition is still a matter of interest to the French and that the United States authorities are interested in locating him. It would be unfortunate if this publicity were to render it impossible for us to locate Barbie and to proceed in disposition of the request.

With cordial good wishes, I am

Yours sincerely,

Robert R. Bowie
General Counsel

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FROM: HICOG FRANKFURT

TO: PARIS

SENT PARIS 346 RPT SEC STATE 3902

Reference your 302 of 28 April and 306 of 3 May, our 333 of 2 May and 335 of 3 May, subject: BARBIER, Klaus, with particular reference our suggestion you make no use of information given you until further notice. Mr. Riddleberger will communicate to you details of this case upon his arrival Paris.

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EMBTEL 1993, April 28 repeated Frankfort 302; Frankfort's 333, May 2, repeated Department 3737; Frankfort's 335, May 3, repeated Department 3790; and Frankfort's 346, May 5, repeated Department 3902.

Secret information brought by Riddleberger indicates Barbier case has highly embarrassing possibilities to put it mildly. There has been little comment on it here since May 3, but case may flare up again during final hearing of Hardy trial today. Furthermore, MRP senator has given notice of question to be asked National Defense Minister in Council of Republic tomorrow as to French efforts to obtain Barbier's extradition.

In event French bring case to Department's attention in Washington, suggest Department limit itself for the moment to line set forth following press release issued by Frankfort May 5:

"The case of Barbier is now the object of study and investigation by the American HQ in Germany."

It is barely possible that matter will die down after verdict in Hardy case tonight. However, we will inform Frankfort in event American angle is revived.

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L'Ambassade de France
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No 46

Washington, le 5 mai 1950

L'Ambassade de France aux Etats-Unis présente ses compliments au Département d'Etat et a l'honneur de se référer à sa note No. 350 en date du 7 novembre 1949 par laquelle elle lui demandait de bien vouloir faciliter l'extradition en France du nommé Barbie Klaus, ressortissant allemand, ancien chef de la section IV du S.D. de Lyon qui est poursuivi par la justice militaire française pour de nombreux crimes de guerre.

Par le mémorandum en date du 2 décembre 1949 le Département suggère que les autorités françaises saisissent de l'affaire le Haut Commissaire américain en Allemagne. C'est ce que n'ont pas manqué de faire les services français compétents. Malheureusement leur intervention n'a pas abouti jusqu'à présent, étant donné certaines difficultés qui ont surgi quant au domicile actuel du nommé Barbie Klaus dont on sait pourtant qu'il est

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domicilié dans la zone américaine d'occupation. La dernière adresse à laquelle il aurait résidé serait à Kempten (Bavière), 38 Schillerstrasse, 7.

Etant donné la gravité des faits reprochés à cet inculpé et l'émotion soulevée dans les régions françaises où il a exercé ses sévices, il serait éminemment regrettable que ce criminel de guerre continue à bénéficier de l'impunité. Il serait fâcheux que le retard intervenu dans sa livraison pût être interprété par la presse et l'opinion publique en France comme un refus opposé par les autorités américaines à la demande d'extradition le concernant.

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et à sa mise à la disposition des autorités françaises./.

L'Ambassade saisit l'occasion de la présente note pour renouveler au Département d'Etat les assurances de sa très haute considération.

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LE CONSEILLER
pour les Affaires Judiciaires,
Chef des Services de la Justice.

TRÈS URGENT

BADEN-BADEN, le 9 mai 1950

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LE CONSEILLER
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REFERENCES: Ma lettre JUS/CG/1083 du 6 mars 1950 à Monsieur
(suite) BOWIE, General Counsel

J'ai l'honneur d'accuser réception de votre lettre du 25 avril 1950 relative au criminel de guerre :

B A R B I E Klaus,

dont les autorités françaises ont demandé instamment la recherche et la livraison, notamment par les lettres des 2 et 6 mars rappelées dans votre correspondance.

J'apprécie pleinement les diligences que vous avez bien voulu provoquer.

Toutefois, je ne puis m'expliquer que vos services de la Zone Américaine n'aient pu obtenir les renseignements complémentaires que vous voulez bien me demander.

C'est en effet, dans des locaux officiels américains, et en présence de fonctionnaires américains du C.I.C., que BARBIE a été interrogé à trois reprises successives.

Depuis ma dernière lettre, j'ai pu apprendre que BARBIE avait été entendu :

a) - à Francfort-sur-le Main, le 14 mai 1948;

b) - à Francfort-sur-le Main, le 18 mai 1948;

c) - à Munich, le 16 juillet 1948.

D'autre part, je crois savoir que ces diverses auditions ont bien eu lieu dans les locaux du C.I.C., sans pouvoir citer les noms des fonctionnaires américains qui y ont participé.

En ce qui concerne le lieu de refuge de BARBIE, je ne puis que rappeler les recherches déjà effectuées à Munich et à Kempten. Cependant, je vous signale qu'un journal parisien vient d'indiquer que ce criminel de guerre résiderait à Augsburg, où il exploiterait, au No 38 de la Schillerstrasse, un commerce de quincaillerie.

...

Enfin, BARBIE, dont je vous adresse deux photographies de face et de profil, est né le 25 octobre 1913 à Godesberg, de Nikolaus, et Anna HEES.

J'espère que ces renseignements complémentaires vous permettront de retrouver BARBIE et de le remettre aux autorités françaises, qui attachent, je dois vous le rappeler, la plus grande importance à sa livraison.

Le conseiller
pour les affaires judiciaires
chef des services de la justice

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HAUT COMMISSARIAT DE LA REPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE EN ALLEMAGNE
LE CONSEILLER POUR LES AFFAIRES JUDICIAIRES
Chef des Services de la Justice

P.S. Je vous serais très obligé de vouloir bien m'accuser réception de la présente lettre.

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TRANSLATION

High Commissioner of the French Republic

in Germany

Baden-Baden, May 9, 1950

Chief of Administration of Justice Branch
Office of General Counsel
Office of the United States
High Commissioner for Germany
A.P.O. 807 - U.S. Army

Attention: Mr. Jonathan B. Rintels -

SUBJECT: Locating and delivery of BARBIE Klaus, War Criminal

REFERENCES: Letter June 7, 1949 No 1017/MFLB Div. PG gs of the French Liaison Mission in Munich to Director, Civil Administration Division (Attn: Chief, Public Security).

Letter July 12, 1949 No 1240/MFLB/Div. PG WM of the French Liaison Mission in Munich to Office of Military Government for Bavaria (Attn: Public Security Officer).

Letter July 13, 1949 of OMGUS Civil Administration Division to Chief, French Liaison with OMGUS Bad Nauheim.

Letter July 19, 1949 of OMGUS (Public Security Off) to Central Office for Police Identification and Statistics at Police Office for Land Bavaria.

My letter JUS/CG/53/1002 of March 2, 1950 to Chief, Administration of Justice Branch

My letter JUS/CG/1083 of March 6, 1950 to Mr. Bowie, General Counsel.

BARBIE, Klaus,
ltr French HICOG, dtd May 9, 1950

I beg to acknowledge receipt of your letter of April 25,1950 concerning war criminal

B A R B I E Klaus,

whose prosecution and delivery the French authorities have demanded immediately as per letters 2 and 6 March, to be found in your correspondence.

I greatly appreciate the effort which you have taken in this matter.

Nevertheless I cannot understand that your offices in the American Zone of Occupation have not been able to obtain the a completing information which you have asked me for.

It is a fact that Barbie has been questinned 3 times successively in American offices by American CIC officials.

Since my last letter I have been informed that Barbie has been questioned

at Frankfurt/Main on May 14, 1948

at Frankfurt/Main on May 18, 1948

at Munich on July 16, 1948

On the other hand I am able to state that these different hearings have taken place in the offices of the CIC without being able to cite any names of American officials who have taken part in them.

Concerning the place of refuge of Barbie I can only recall that inqyiries have been made at Munich and at Kempten. In the meantime I inform you that a newspaper in Paris has indicated that this war criminal is said to live at Augsburg where he is running a hardware store at 38 Schillerstrasse.

Further more, Barbie, of whom I enclose 2 photos from front and profile, is born on 25 October 1913 at Codesberg, from Nikolaus and Anna HEES.

I hope that these complete informations will enable you to find Barbie and to place him with the French authorities who think his delivery of utmost importance, as I may recall.

P.S. I would be much obliged if you would acknowledge receipt of this letter to me.

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Office of General Counsel
Administration of Justice Division
APO 807

Date: 5/11/50

Subject: Extradition of Klaus Barbie to France, AJ Br No 756c EKL
ltr French HICOG, 5/9/50

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OFFICE OF THE U. S. HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR GERMANY

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

To: GC - Mr. Bross

Date: May 12, 1950.

om: GC, AJ Div. - Mr. Rintels J.R.

Subject: Klaus Barbie.

We attach hereto letter and translation concerning Klaus Barbie in accordance with telephone conversation of May 11, 1950 between Mr. Bross and Mrs. Lange.

Enclosure:

1. Ltr from French
   dtd May 9, 1950
   w/Eng trans re
   Klaus Barbie

GC, AJ Div.-E.K.Lange:flr

Tel: Bad Nauheim 2241/283.

1. Mai 1950

Mr. Ganse, Chief, Legal Affairs Division. May 11, 1950

Chief, German Justice & Legislation Branch.

Klaus BARBIER.

In compliance with instructions received earlier this afternoon I requested Mrs. Elizabeth K. Lange, Office of General Counsel, HICOG, Extradition Board, by telephone to answer the following two questions:

a. Has an official request ever been submitted by French authorities for the extradition of Klaus Barbier?

b. Has such a request ever been denied?

Mrs. Lange told me:

a. That the Extradition Board was first apprised of the matter by letter of 2 March 1950 in which French authorities refer to certain previous correspondence addressed to various agencies and requesting information in regard to the location of Barbier. Mrs. Lange stated that the letter of 2 March 1950 was not in the usual form of an official extradition request but might be considered as such. No decision has been made in that respect. This letter was answered on 21 April 1950, requesting information concerning the whereabouts of Barbier and the nature of the charges against him. Among the correspondence mentioned in the French letter of 2 March 1950 is a letter of 7 June 1949, addressed to Political Affairs Division, OMGB, attention: Public Safety; and another letter of 12 July 1949, apparently addressed to OMGB. A third letter that might have gone to Bavaria is dated 19 July 1949. A fourth letter of 13 July 1949 was addressed to Civil Affairs Division, OMGUS. Mrs. Lange does not know the contents of these letters except that they request information concerning Barbier's whereabouts. She will forward copies of this correspondence upon receipt.

b. Extradition Board, OMGUS, has not denied any French extradition request concerning Barbier. She pointed out several times during the conversation that the Extradition Board first learned of this matter on 2 March 1950. Public Safety, HICOG, is allegedly investigating the entire affair.

Mrs. Lange was good enough to assure me that I will be kept informed of all further developments.

Paul E. Moeller
Chief, Germ. Justice Branch

Tel: MM 6737

Land Commissioner for Bavaria, May 12, 1950
Mr. Clarence M. BOLDS

Chief, Legal Affairs Division,
Mr. Leonard J. GANSE

Klaus BARBIER.

Transmitted herewith is Memo setting forth facts developed by telephone inquiry to the HICOG Extradition Board in the matter of an alleged denial of extradition of one Klaus Barbier.

The only document as yet before the Extradition Board is a letter of 2 March 1950 in which French authorities refer to certain previous correspondence addressed to various agencies requesting information as to the whereabouts (sic. location) of Barbier. If this letter be treated as a Request for Extradition, as the Extradition Board is inclined to do, it still does not meet the procedural requirements for extradition, which require an Indictment by the War Crimes Court and written documentation (affidavits) sufficient to establish a prima facie case.

It is apparent that the Extradition Board has at no time denied any French extradition request.

To date, from the correspondence which was sent to various agencies as indicated in Mr. Moeller's Memorandum, the matter appears to have been entirely a Public Safety question of determining the whereabouts of Barbier.

Leonard J. Ganse
Chief, Legal Affairs Div.

Tel : MM 6730

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Office of General Counsel
-16- Bad Nauheim
Grand Hotel, Kurstrasse

GC E.K.Lange:flr

May 31, 1950

French High Commissioner for Germany,
Stephanie Hotel,
Baden-Baden.

Attention: Director, Legal Division.

Gentlemen:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter of May 9, 1950 concerning Klaus Barbie. We are continuing our efforts to locate Barbie. In the meantime we invite your attention to the fact that we have not been furnished statements of witnesses concerning the charges against Barbie in his capacity as a member of the Gestapo at Lyon. We believe that pending his location and apprehension it is advisable that such documents be forwarded to us in support of the request for his extradition.

Very truly yours,

Jonathan B. Rintels
Chief
Administration of Justice Division

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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN COMMAND
Office of the Director of Intelligence

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APO 403
12 May 1950

Colonel David G. Erskine
Commanding Officer
Headquarters, 66 CIC Detachment
APO 154, U.S. Army

Dear Dave,

I think you are acquainted with the case concerning an individual by the name of Barbier. The attached memorandum from the EUCOM Political Advisor should be of interest to you. Mr. Corrigan tells me that it is highly probable that this case may develop into something very embarrassing for us. Therefore, we should be prepared to answer any inquiry.

In the meantime, keep us informed of any important developments.

Sincerely,

R. K. TAYLOR
Brig Gen, USAF
Director of Intelligence

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CONFEDERATION NATIONALE
DES MAQUIS ET DES MILITANTS
DE LA RESISTANCE
Rhone Federation

Lyon, May 6, 1950.

General F. Ruby, Honorary President of the Confédération Nationale des Maquis de la Résistance,

to Mr. Consul General of the United States
LYON.

Mr. Consul General:

I have the honor to call your attention to a matter of exceptional importance, which may have a disturbing influence on Franco-American relations, particularly in the Lyon region.

It is the case of a certain BARBIER, former head of the Gestapo at Lyon, who arrested, tortured and massacred with his own hands a large number of our comrades of the Resistance.

The activities of BARBIER are well-known in Lyon. The war criminals executed after the Nuremberg trial look like second-raters next to this individual.

But, it is known officially that he is living at liberty in the American zone in Germany, and all demands for his extradition made to date, have been rejected on the pretext that he is being employed as an informer by your military police. All police forces may use bandits as informers, but the employment of this one, famous as a torturer and a murderer causes a veritable scandal in Lyon.

At all reunions and congresses of the Resistance, everyone is unanimous in protesting against this and the comments we hear have a deplorable and distressing effect for your friends. The Communist Party exploits this scandal to the utmost, pointing out that the Americans protect the worst bandits and the murderers of our comrades and we are unable to reply in any way to these accusations.

As Honorary President of the Confédération Nationale de la Résistance, it is my duty to point out to you, as representative of the American Government in the region where BARBIER carried

out

out his activities, the extreme gravity of this fact, and I ask you in the name of all the French Resistance, to insist to Washington that this individual be delivered to French Justice. It is a vital question for Franco-American friendship in the Lyon Region.

Knowing the value you set upon this friendship, you will no doubt use all your influence to safeguard it, and I beg you to believe, Mr. Consul General, in my sentiments of sincere affection and very high consideration.

General F. RUBY

(signed) F. Ruby.

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Enclosure No. 4 to Despatch No. 118 of June 9, 1950, from Amconsulate, Lyon, France.

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In reply refer to:
File No. 400.1/321.6, HM/hc

AMERICAN CONSULATE
Lyon, May 10, 1950

Mr. President:

I have the honor to confirm receipt of the letter of the 6th inst. which you handed to me personally, concerning the case of the German national BARBIER, former head of the Gestapo in Lyon.

As I told you verbally, I am transmitting your letter to the Embassy of the United States at Paris.

I presume that you will have, in the meantime, heard the news that this matter is at present in course of settlement through the intermediary of the Minister of Foreign Affairs at Paris and the American authorities in Germany.

I will not fail to advise you should I receive any official information concerning this matter.

Please accept, Mr. President, the assurance of my very distinguished consideration.

Horatio Mooers
Consul of the United States of America

General F. RUBY,
President of the Fédération du Rhône
de la Confédération Nationale des
Maquis et des Militants de la Résistance,
24 Quai St. Vincent,
Lyon.

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May 16, 1950

The American Embassy in Paris presents its compliments to the United States High Commissioner in Germany and wishes to advise that the American Consul at Lyon has been recently addressed by General F. Ruby, Honorary President of the local chapter of an important organization of former resistance fighters (Confederation Nationale des Maquis et des Militants de la Resistance, Federation du Rhone), with respect to the former Gestapo agent BARBIER who has been the subject of the several communications under reference.

This matter has been the subject of HICOG's telegram to Paris no. 333 of May 2 (repeated to the Department as no. 3737); HICOG's telegram to the Department no. 3790, May 3 (repeated to Paris as no. 335); and the Embassy's telegram to the Department no. 2238 of May 10 (repeated to HICOG as no. 320).

General Ruby states in the letter under reference that "it is officially known that (Barbier) is at liberty in the American zone of Germany" and that all requests for his extradition have been "refused on the grounds that he is being used as agent by (American) military police." The letter stresses, in strong terms, the gravity with which the matter is regarded in the Lyon area where Barbier is said to have been guilty of numerous acts of torture and massacre.

The American Consul at Lyon has advised General Ruby that the matter is now being considered by the appropriate French authorities in Paris, but that copy of his letter was being forwarded to the Embassy. The Embassy, in turn, has advised the Consul that the Barbier case has not been the subject of any official approach by the French Government in Paris up to this time; that according to press reports demands for the man's extradition had been made by French authorities

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in Germany; and that, likewise according to press reports, American authorities in Germany have stated that the matter is under investigation.

The above is reported as further indication of the public interest which this case is receiving in France.

Paris, May 16, 1950.

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Le 31 Mai 1950

Association des Rescapes de Montluc
Siege Social:
4, Rue de la Monnaie, 14
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Monsieur David B R U C E
Ambassadeur des Etats-Unis
P A R I S

Monsieur l'Ambassadeur,

l'Association des RESCAPES de MONTLUC tient a exprimer sa profonde emotion et indignation provoquee par la recente revelation du scandale du bourreau BARBIER, ancien Chef de la Gestapo Lyonnaise vivant en liberte en Allemagne, en zone americaine ou il exploite un commerce.

Elle proteste avec vehemence contre l'inqualifiable injure qui est faite a la memoire des morts, a leurs familles, aux deportes et internes, a tous ceux qui ont lutte et souffert pour la liberte, la justice et la verite.

Elle demande instament et energiquement aux pouvoirs publics de prendre toutes mesures utiles pour celui qui a commis les assassinats de St. Genis-Laval, du Moulin a Vent, de Bron et autres, soit extrade et juge de ses actes de criminel de guerre.

Au nom de tous nos morts, nous demandons la justice.

POUR LE CONSEIL D'ADMINISTRATION. -

La Secretaire de l'Association:

(s) M. Bex

M. BEX.-

Mr. Ambassador:
The Montluc [Resistance] Assn wishes to express its profound emotion + indignation occasioned by the recent ~~new~~ scandalous revelation that — KB, former chief of the Lyon Gestapo lives in freedom in Germany, in the Amer. Zone where he has a business.
The Assn protests vehemently against the ~~unforgivable~~ unspeakable injury made against the memory of the dead, their families, the deportees + the internees, — to all those who suffered for liberty, justice + truth.
The Assn demands the public authorities immediately + vigorously to take all possible measures against ~~Barbier~~ he who committed the assassinations at St. Genis-Laval, Moulin, Bron + others, to be extradited and judged for ~~these~~ his war crimes.
In the name of all our dead, we demand justice.
For the Exec Ctee
M. Bex — Sec'y

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AMERICAN EMBASSY

Paris, June 2, 1950

Dear Al:

The Ambassador has received a letter of protest (copy attached) from an organization of former members of the Resistance in Lyon, on the subject of Barbier, the former Gestapo chief in that city. This letter comes from a different organization than that which recently addressed a letter to our Consul in Lyon, the general tenor of which was communicated to HICOG in our note of May 16. In each case, of course, the essence of the matter is that these organizations believe the reports according to which Barbier not only was employed by us at one time in the past but continues in our employ and that we are interposing difficulties to his extradition.

Without going into Barbier's record (I have seen the memorandum which you gave Jimmy Riddleberger and which he transmitted to us on the occasion of Mr. McCloy's visit here early last month), we should very much like to have some word of advice from you as to how to handle this kind of protest, for it seems obvious that the matter is not dying down, certainly not in the Lyon area. Our note of May 16 has given you indications of our attitude toward the letter addressed to our Consul in Lyon: We advised him that no official approach has been made to us here in Paris up to this time; that, according to press reports, a demand for the man's extradition has been made by French authorities in Germany; and that, likewise according to press reports, American authorities in Germany have stated that the atter is under investigation.

It will sooner or later become necessary, if indeed it is not already necessary at this time, to go beyond that kind of off-hand treatment in dealing with the situation. Although there have been no recent developments in the matter on the national level, you are aware from our telegram No. 320 of May 10 that reactions to the persistent stories about Barbier being employed by us have reached into the Council of the Republic and may be expected to rebound in Parliament. I am restating these facts because we are anxious that it be understood in HICOG that the matter continues to be embarrassing to us. We should indeed be very grateful for some advice.

Specifically, we do not know whether any recent move has been made by French authorities in Germany, looking for the apprehension and extradition of Barbier. Your telegram No. 333 of May 2 made it appear as though no such move had been made since a year ago. Have there been any developments since that time? And are any of those developments of the kind that might lend themselves to use by our Consul in Lyon in dealing with public opinion there? The only thing we have been able to tell him, so far (beyond what is stated in the second paragraph above), has been

E. Allan Lightner, Jr., Esquire,
Office of the U.S. High Commissioner
for Germany,
Frankfurt, Germany

that "...the publicity that has attended the Barbier case may well make it all the more difficult in Germany to apprehend the man, who presumably has received knowledge of the fact that his extradition is being so strongly demanded."

I feel that in dealing with this matter there is no need to go further into the aspects discussed in your memorandum to Jimmy Riddleberger, which are appreciated here. The problem is what to do about the apparently widespread French belief that Barbier not only was employed by us in the past but continues to be employed by us at present, and that we are blocking his extradition.

We should appreciate your assistance in dealing with what promises to become a constant and convenient source of anti-American propaganda.

We are not replying to the attached letter until we hear from you.

Very best,

(s) Woodruff Wallner

Enclosure:

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TO : Department of State

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FROM : LYON 118 June 9, 1950

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SUBJECT : Minor Incident at Villefranche-sur-Saône, June 6, 1950. Public Protest against Alleged American Protection of Gestapo Agent.

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On June 6, 1950, the Consul and Public Affairs Officer, Lyon, attended a gala sponsored by the Confédération Nationale des Maquis et des Militants de la Résistance at the Cinéma Eden in Villefranche-sur-Saône, Rhône. The Consulate has for a long time enjoyed very friendly relations with the small (20,000 inhabitants) manufacturing and commercial town of Villefranche-sur-Saône, capital of the wine-growing district of Beaujolais. Together with the British Consul General, the Officer in Charge was invited to preside at the gathering organized by the Confédération des Maquis to celebrate the anniversary of the Allied landing in Normandy.

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The American Consul sat next to the Sub-Prefect of Villefranche, Mr. JANIN, in a place of honor. Shortly before the meeting, the Honorary President of the Confédération, General F. RUBY, showed Consul DUR a copy of a letter he had written the Principal Officer Consul Horatio MOOERS, on May 6, protesting against the alleged presence of the former Gestapo chief, BARBIER, in the American zone of occupation in Germany. General Ruby also showed Consul Dur the reply sent to his letter by Consul Mooers on May 10.

According to General Ruby the American authorities in Germany were sheltering Barbier and using him as a double agent. General Ruby declared with considerable emphasis that this situation was placing a great strain on Franco-American friendship, not only in the Lyon district but throughout France. As Officer in Charge, Consul Dur replied to General Ruby that he would be glad to discuss the matter with him privately and would transmit to the proper authorities any evidence he could bring in support of his charges. General Ruby appeared to be satisfied with this answer and promised to call at the Consulate in Lyon with all the necessary documents.

When he got up to speak, however, General Ruby seized the occasion to read aloud to the audience of about 700 people gathered in the Cinéma Eden his letter of May 6 to Consul Mooers. This letter contained the charge that Barbier is employed as an agent

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of the American military police in Germany and that the American authorities have consequently rejected all demands for his extradition. Reading this letter at the close of his speech, General Ruby was rewarded with mild applause.

After the General had finished speaking, the sub-Prefect of Villefranche turned to the Officer in Charge and remarked that he proposed to deal with the matter on the spot. As soon as the General had returned to his seat, the sub-Prefect proceeded to give him a thorough dressing-down, rebuking him for his effrontery in using a social gathering as a political forum, and trying to gain personal popularity at the expense of friendly international relations. As Mr. Janin observed, public reunions are not the proper place for diplomatic negotiations. The Officer in Charge heartily agreed with the sub-Prefect, and told the General that if he desired an interview on the subject he might write and ask for an appointment.

Consul Dur stayed on for the rest of the evening's program which unfolded without any further mishap in a spirit of real cordiality. During the intermission, the active, as distinguished from the honorary, President of the Confédération, Colonel Jaubert-Jonage, came up to the Officer-in-Charge and apologized for General Ruby's indiscretion. He also stated that plans were on foot to remove the General from his position of Honorary President.

The incident may thus be considered closed. The amount of damage done was negligible. Lyon's two principal newspapers Progrès and L'Echo-La Liberté carried accounts of the gala of the Confédération des Maquis at Villefranche without mentioning the General's allegations concerning Barbier. The Communist-line paper La République has not yet published an account of the proceedings at Villefranche. Far from making a sensation by his charges against the U.S., General Ruby seems rather to have courted oblivion. It is doubtful whether even among those who heard him the General made much impression with his remarks. As interpreted by the Sub-Prefect, the General's actions indicate a desire to cultivate his popularity with the left-wing elements of the Confédération led by Mr. Bourricand, a former deportee. Apparently the General is not sure of his position in the Association and therefore is angling desperately for support.

The case of Barbier, former Gestapo leader in Lyon, is now an old story, which was recently revived by the trial of Colonel Hardy. At that time, a month or two ago, the newspapers and radio disseminated the rumor that Barbier had taken refuge in the American zone in Germany. The Communist press played up the story, but public response was rather apathetic. Resistance days are now long past. Public opinion is tired of the long agitation over the problems arising out of the occupation. There is no doubt that the

mass of the people would like to see justice done swiftly. Otherwise they would prefer to forget past shame and wrong. There is a grain of cynicism in this attitude, but even more of fatigue.

Many of the people who have heard the charges about Barbier undoubtedly believe them. If they are not more concerned, it is because they are accustomed to scandals of this kind. The U.S. thus benefits from the general disillusionment of the French. It is unfortunate, however, to let the contest go by default, and to rely on public apathy to cover up our mistakes. The case of Barbier is an instance where a positive statement of American policy was needed. The Officer in Charge who, as Public Affairs Officer, receives a great deal of policy guidance from the Department on general questions of international relations has unfortunately only vague indications of the official American attitude toward this burning issue of local importance. It is impossible with the evidence supplied by official sources to make any sort of effective answer to the charges brought against HICOG in the Barbier case.

Philip F. Dur
American Consul

Copy to Embassy, Paris.

Enclosures:
1) Clipping from Le Progrès of June 8, 1950 (5 copies)
2) Clipping from L'Echo-La Liberté of June 8, 1950 (5 copies)
3) Translation of General Ruby's letter of May 6, 1950.
4) Translation of Consul Mooer's reply to General Ruby, of May 10,195(

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EEF Paris TEL. 2172 May 8 to [illegible] rptd Frankfort 312.

DEPT recd strong note from FR [illegible] date May 5 summarizing devels in extradition case of Klaus Barbier. Note summarizes unsuccessful attempts obtain Barbier's extradition through HICOG and requests DEPT instruct HICOG to deliver Barbier to FR AUTHS in GER.

My recollection from last conversation in London with you and Riddleberger is that FR no longer desire Barbier's presence in France. As am not certain of this or other possible more recent devels, request your recommendations on type reply to be given FR note.

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OFFICE OF THE U.S. HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR GERMANY

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

RESTRICTED — June 13, 1950

TO: OPoLA - Mr. Lightner

FROM: OGC - Mr. Bross

SUBJECT: BARBIE, Klaus

Our records indicate the following with respect to steps taken to secure Barbie's extradition: On June 7, 1949, the French Mission communicated with the Land Commissioner's Office in Bavaria requesting that efforts be made to locate Barbie. This request was initiated as the result of protestations from the French association of former "Resistants" of Lyons demanding the arrest of Barbie because of his alleged complicity in Gestapo activities in Lyons during the war. An investigation in an attempt to locate Barbie was conducted by the German police who reported on June 21, 1949, their inability to discover his whereabouts.

On November 15, 1949, the State Department cabled HICOG about a request received from the French Ambassador which stated that Barbie had been interrogated as a result of letters rogatory issued in connection with the trial of certain alleged war criminals in Lyons. The French Ambassador requested Barbie's arrest and surrender. The Department expressed its intention of informing the French that the matter should be taken up with HICOG.

On March 2, 1950, the French legal adviser to the French High Commission, M. Lebegue, wrote the Administration of Justice Division at HICOG a letter in which he again requested that efforts be made to locate Barbie. He acknowledged that no formal request for extradition had been filed. He justified his failure to submit a formal application on the grounds of inability to comply with HICOG extradition procedures which require that a request for the extradition of an individual be accompanied by a statement of the individual's residence or location.

M. Lebegue's letter referred to the war criminal trials pending at Lyons and indicated that Barbie's presence at these trials was essential both as a principal in the crimes allegedly committed and as a witness. Lebegue refers in his letter to announcements in the press to the effect that Barbie was at liberty and carrying on a trade in Munich. He further states that the presence of Barbie in the U.S. Zone was confirmed by the fact that he had been examined on several occasions in 1949 by French police inspectors, such examinations having taken place in official U.S. premises. M. Lebegue's letter was acknowledged on April 25, 1950, and M. Lebegue was informed of the police report dated June 21, 1949, which showed that the police had been unable to locate Barbie. In view of the failure to discover Barbie's whereabouts, M. Lebegue was asked to submit further information concerning the alleged interrogation of Barbie including information as to the office in which the French inspectors interviewed him and identification of any U.S. personnel present at the interrogation.

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On May 9, 1950, the French replied stating that, according to their information, Barbie was questioned three times in American offices by American CIC officials. Dates of interrogation were given as May 14, 1948, and May 18, 1948, at Frankfurt/Main, and July 16, 1948, at Munich. The letter stated that the writer was unable to give the names of the American officials present. It went on to state that a newspaper reporter in Paris had indicated that Barbie lived in Augsberg where he is supposed to be running a hardware store at 38 Schillerstrasse. This address was investigated by the Public Safety Branch but Barbie was not discovered.

On May 31, 1950, the Administration of Justice Division wrote the French again stating that efforts to locate Barbie were being continued and pointing out that as yet no evidence such as affidavits of witnesses or other documentary material had been supported to justify the claim that Barbie was in fact a war criminal. Under existing procedures, with which the French are familiar, a prima facie case of guilt is required as a prerequisite to a request for extradition.

OGC John A. Bross/ess

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GC, Mr. Bross

June 7,1950

GC, Mr. Hulse

Klaus Barbie

With reference to telephone conversation Mr. Bross/Mrs. Lange June 6, 1950 concerning Klaus Barbie the following data is forwarded:

Letter June 7, 1949 No. 1017/MFLB Div. PG gs of the French Liaison Mission in Munich to Director, Civil Administration Division (Attn: Chief, Public Security).

Letter July 12, 1949 No. 1240/MFLB/Div. PG WM of the French Liaison Mission in Munich to Office of Military Government for Bavaria (Attn: Public Security Officer).

Letter July 13, 1949 of OMGUS Civil Administration Division to Chief, French Liaison with OMGUS Bad Nauheim.

Letter July 19, 1949 of OMGUS (Public Security Off) to Central Office for Police Identification and Statistics at Police Office for Land Bavaria. (No copies in this office).

Telegram November 15, 1949, Srl No. 2734, from SecState to HICOG (copy attached).

Telegram November 21, 1949 from General Counsel to SecState (Copy attached).

Letter March 2, 1950 to OGC, AJ Division, from French High Commissioner for Germany signed Lebegue (Copy attached).

Letter WUS/CG/1083 of March 6, 1950 to Mr. Bowie, GC (Copy not attached).

Office Memo of March 14, 1950 to IP & GA Division, Public Safety Branch, forwarding letter of March 2, 1950 from French High Commissioner for information

Office Memo dated March 31, 1950 from IP & GA Div., Public Safety Branch, to OGC, AJ Division (Copy attached).

Letter April 25, 1950 to French High Commissioner for Germany from OGC, AJ Division (Copy attached),

Letter May 9, 1950 from French to OGC, AJ Div. (Copy attached).

Letter May 31, 1950 from OGC, AJ Div. to French High Commissioner (Copy

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Office of Political Affairs,
Frankfort, June 14, 1950.

Dear Woody:

I enclose a memorandum received from the General Counsel's office in reply to your letter to me of June 2 regarding Barbier. The memo is a factual presentation of the case as known to that office which handles all matters of extradition for the High Commissioner. I am told that there is no objection to your using any or all of this memo for purposes of calming down the French organizations who continue to be excited about this case. It seems to me, however, that parts of the memo referring to interrogations of Barbier in the presence of US (CIC) personnel might well be considered confidential.

It all seems to boil down to the fact that the French authorities have only recently formally requested his extradition, that all formalities required to effect extradition have not as yet been complied with by the French, that in the meantime, despite the lack of such information, the Office of the US High Commissioner has as an exception conducted a search for Barbier, but so far without result. While Barbier is known to have been residing in the US Zone and in fact was interviewed there by French officials on several occasions in 1948, and only is the fact that American authorities have been unable to locate him during the course of their recent investigations is hardly extraordinary in view of the wide publicity that has been given to the French extradition demands. This publicity undoubtedly was known to Barbier himself, since he has disappeared from the place where he had been residing. The American authorities, with the cooperation of the German police, are continuing their search in an effort to take this man into custody for extradition to France in the event that the prima facie evidence submitted in his case should justify this action.

I hope this information will be useful to you.

Sincerely yours,

E. Allan Lightner, Jr.

Woodruff Wallner, Esquire,
American Embassy,
Paris.

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Woodruff Wallner, Esquire

E. Allan Lightner, Jr.

Klaus BARBIER

June 20, 1950

Dear Woody:

Since writing the attached letter a new angle was raised in the form of a request by the Department for information for its use in preparing a reply to a note from the French Embassy. Mr. McCloy directed that we smoke out EUCOM on the matter to see how far they would go in helping to find this character, and to get more details as to just how embarrassing it would be to them (CIC) if he were turned over to the French. The result of this approach was better than we expected and it is probable that Mr. McCloy will in fact now ask for EUCOM's active assistance in locating the guy. (Up to now HICOG public safety people and the German police have not been able to find him).

The ambiguity in the General Counsel's memo as to the dates when Barbier was seen and interviewed has now been cleared up since it seems that he was interviewed on the dates mentioned in 1948 and also in January andFebruary 1949. Another point of interest is that the CIC dropped this man like a hotcake the moment the war criminal chacges were brought to their attention (in connection with the Hardy trial). This was in May 1949. After that date they maintained some contact with him but he was no longer in their employ. They claim they did not know until then that he had had such a record (sic).

This is to fill you in on last minute details as received from EUCOM. I doubt if you should use any of this later information and suggest you stick to the lines furnished in the attached letter.

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To: PA - Mr. Reber

From: I - B. R. Shute

Subject: Barbie, Klaus

Date: June 21, 1950

This memorandum is supplemental to the ~~memorandum on~~ the same subject dated June 13, 1950, from Mr. Gross to Mr. Lightner, which states the HICOG part of the Barbie story. Set forth below are the facts with respect to the relations of U.S. counter-intelligence with Barbie, as related to me by General Robert Taylor, Director of Intelligence, EUCOM and Major Wilson of Counter Intelligence (CIC), on June 16, 1950.

1. SUMMARY.

Barbie worked for CIC from early in the occupation until May 24, 1949, but has not worked for CIC since then. CIC has not been in touch with him since late April 1950 and does not know his present whereabouts. Among several targets of his small net of informants were French intelligence activities in the French and U.S. zones. Since presumably Barbie would disclose everything to the French if he were delivered to them on war criminal charges, the policy question is presented of whether U.S.-French relations would be more damaged by delivery of Barbie, assuming we could find him, than by non-delivery. We are in a position to make a statement to the French about our termination of his employment and about our loss of contact with him and take a chance that the German police will not pick him up even though we make a formal attempt to have that done.

2. FACTS.

Barbie was picked up by CIC at a time when he was on the wanted list of ex-SS officers. In April 1947, CIC decided to use him as an informant and he continued in that employment from April 1947 until May 1949. He developed a net to cover communist activities in the U.S. zone, the Soviet mission in Baden Baden in the French zone and French intelligence activities in the U.S. and French zones. Several of the members of his net were located in the French zone and were close to French intelligence personnel.

During 1948 the French liaison officer at EUCOM became aware that Barbie was working for the Army and asked permission to interrogate him in preparation for the Hardy trial. CIC cooperated with the French and Barbie was interrogated in the U.S. zone by

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French officials in November 1948 and in January and February of 1949. At each interrogation a CIC officer was present.

On May 24, 1949 his employment by CIC was discontinued, following publication in France of charges that Barbie was a war criminal. He has not been employed by them since that time, although they did keep in contact with him until late April 1950. In January 1950 the French requested CIC to send Barbie to France to be a witness in the Hardy trial. CIC offered to make him available if the French could guarantee his safe return to Germany and the matter finally ended on April 26, 1950 when the French intelligence officer concerned said that he could not provide such a guarantee.

A complete disclosure by Barbie to the French of his activities on behalf of CIC would not endanger any present intelligence operations, but would furnish the French with evidence that we had been directing intelligence operations against them.

It is understood that at least one French intelligence office would prefer not to have Barbie turned over to the French. Apparently there are some internal politics mixed up in this problem.

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Mr. Shute, OI

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Klaus BARBIER

As you know the Department cabled on May 26 that it had received a strong note from the French Embassy on May 15 regarding the Barbier case, requesting the Department to instruct HICOG to deliver this character to French authorities in Germany. On June 13 we cabled the Department we were still investigating and hoped to send our views within a few days.

On the basis of your report on your interview with the EUCOM officers in Heidelberg, it appears that EUCOM would be willing to go out and look for Barbier and to turn him over to HICOG for delivery to the French. I have talked the matter over with Sam Reber and we feel that we should ask EUCOM to do this only as a last resort. We suggest that you talk the matter over with Hank Byroade and show him the factual data contained in your memorandum and in Bross' memorandum of June 13. These documents will give the Department all the necessary background for a reply to the French note. On the other hand, we suggest that it may be that the French will not officially press this matter (particularly if rather persistent rumors are true that several influential French officials would be embarrassed by Barbier's extradition to France). Hence we feel that the Department might well decide to let the French note go unanswered for the time being in the hope that the whole business will blow over.

This may be a vain hope in view of the continuing blasts that various French organizations are emitting. Our officials in France are considerably embarrassed by these public statements and newspaper articles since up to now they've had no information to put out to counter the allegations. My recent letter to Wallner in our Embassy in Paris may be of some help to our people there. On the other hand, if the French Foreign Office continues to be subject to similar other pressures it may be forced to press the matter vis-a-vis the State Department.

We should naturally be interested in knowing how the Department intends to handle the matter and I gather we will do nothing here until instructed by the Department to request EUCOM to join in the search for Barbier.

EALightner:vm

cc: Mr. Reber

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Tel to Frankfort
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Encl. sent to Hiers
9/27/50

L'Ambassade de France aux Etats-Unis présente ses compliments au Département d'Etat et a l'honneur de se référer à sa note No. 148 en date du 5 mai dernier par laquelle elle lui demandait de bien vouloir faciliter l'extradition en France du nommé Barbié Klaus, ressortissant allemand, ancien chef de la Section IV du Sicherheits Dienst de Lyon, qui est poursuivi par la justice militaire française pour de nombreux crimes de guerre.

Le Département d'Etat voudra bien trouver ci-joint un dossier à l'appui de cette demande. L'Ambassade ne manquera pas de lui communiquer toutes précisions supplémentaires sur le lieu de refuge de ce criminel de guerre dans la zone américaine d'occupation en Allemagne qu'elle pourrait obtenir.

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Département d'Etat,

Washington, D.C.

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Elle espère que les documents ci-joint seront de nature à hâter la recherche du nommé Barbié Klaus pour laquelle les autorités françaises désirent instamment recevoir le concours des autorités américaines d'occupation en Allemagne./.

L'Ambassade de France saisit l'occasion de la présente note pour renouveler au Département d'Etat les assurances de sa très haute considération./.

AMBASSADE DE FRANCE
WASHINGTON

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
DIVISION OF LANGUAGE SERVICES

(TRANSLATION)

TC NO. 19882-A
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EMBASSY OF FRANCE IN THE

UNITED STATES

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No.190 Washington, June 19, 1950

The Embassy of France in the United States presents its compliments to the Department of State and has the honor to refer to its note no. 148, dated May 5 last, whereby it requested the Department to be so good as to facilitate the extradition to France of the person named Barbié Klaus, a German national, former chief of Section IV of the Sicherheits Dienst [Security Service] of Lyon, who is sought by French military justice for numerous war crimes.

The Department of State will please find attached a dossier in support of this request. The Embassy will not fail to communicate to it all the supplementary details that it may obtain concerning the hiding-place of this war criminal in the American Occupation Zone in Germany.

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Department of State,
Washington, D.C.

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It hopes that the enclosed documents will be of such a nature as to hasten the search for the said Barbié Klaus, in which undertaking the French authorities earnestly hope to receive the cooperation of the American occupation authorities in Germany.

The Embassy of France avails itself of this occasion to renew to the Department of State the assurances of its very high consideration.

/Initialed/

Enclosure

/Stamp of Embassy/

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Memorandum of Conversation

DATE: June 29, 1950

SUBJECT:

PARTICIPANTS: Mr. de Margerie, French Embassy
Mr. Gouley - WE

COPIES TO: L/P - Mr. George Gray

GPA - Mr. John Hay

I handed to Mr. de Margerie of the French Embassy this afternoon our memorandum of today's date relating to Barbie Klaus. In doing so I explained that this case appeared to consist of an unfortunate series of mistakes in that Klaus had at one time been employed by us in Germany and that this fact was known by the French authorities when they interrogated him May 14, 13, July 16, 1948 and February 1949. I emphasized the fact that Klaus was dismissed in May 1949 and disappeared completely early in 1950. I emphasized that every effort was being made to locate him now and that upon his apprehension consideration would be given to his extradition.

Mr. de Margerie inquired whether we would extradite him to France when he was caught to which I replied that no answer could be given at present in that the documents submitted by the French would have to be the subject of further examination. Mr. de Margerie said he understood that the documents submitted with the French note of June 19th were still incomplete and that further information was available on his wartime activities.

I took this occasion to point out that, as the French had not requested his extradition before the cut-off date, we would probably ask for a statement as to the reasons for their failure to request his extradition prior to 1949.

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Handed to Mr. De Margerie
Fr. Emb. Counselor on 6/29/50
by GMGodley - WE -

MEMORANDUM

The Department of State acknowledges receipt of the French Embassy's notes of May 5 and June 19, 1950, requesting the extradition to France from the American Zone of Occupation in Germany of Barbie Klaus, a German national who is wanted for trial for the commission of war crimes.

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Owing to the fact that efforts by the United States authorities in Germany to locate Klaus so far have not resulted in success, no previous reply has been made to the Embassy's notes under reference. The Embassy is, however, advised that the search for Klaus is being continued and as soon as he has been apprehended, prompt consideration in conformance with the regular procedures for the extradition of persons from the American Zone will be given to the request made for his extradition.

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Washington, JUN 29 1950

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HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR GERMANY
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EPA-Mr. Hay
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DES

MJ HAUT-COMMISSAIRE DE LA RÉPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE
EN ALLEMAGNE

LE CONSEILLER
pour les Affaires Judiciaires,
Chef des Services de la Justice.

N° JUS/CG/53/N° 3728

BADEN-BADEN, le 4 AOUT 1950

LE CONSEILLER
pour les Affaires Judiciaires,
Chef des Services de la Justice,

à

Chief of Administration of
Justice Branch
Office of General Counsel
Office of the United States
high Commissioner for
Germany
A.P.O. 807 - U.S.Army

OBJET : Affaire BARBIE Klaus.

REFER : Ma lettre JUS/CG/53/1002 du 2.3.1950
Votre lettre du 25.4.1950
Ma lettre JUS/CG/41/2453 du 9.5.1950
Votre lettre du 31.5.1950

Comme suite aux correspondances susvisées et en particulier à votre lettre du 31 mai 1950, j'ai l'honneur de vous adresser ci-joint un certain nombre de documents à charge relatifs au nommé :

B A R B I E Klaus.

Ce dossier établit que l'intéressé exerça à la Gestapo de Lyon, avec le grade d'Obersturmführer, les fonctions de Chef de la Section IV.

Ce service était sans aucun doute le plus important de la Gestapo puisqu'il était spécialisé dans la répression des crimes et délits politiques.

Aussi BARBIE était-il considéré comme l'adjoint du chef de la Gestapo, qui lui laissait d'ailleurs, en fait, la plus grande liberté d'action.

La position de BARBIE comme chef de la

Section IV, ainsi que la confiance dont il jouissait auprès de ses supérieurs, permettent de mesurer la responsabilité de cet individu dans l'activité terroriste qui a été celle de la Gestapo de Lyon, en particulier durant l'année 1944.

Les dépositions jointes apportent la confirmation du rôle de direction joué par BARBIE.

C'est sous l'impulsion de ce dernier qu'ont été effectuées des opérations telles que celle de Châtillon d'Azergues (Rhône), qui coûta la vie à cinquante-deux personnes, et surtout celle de St-Genis Laval (Rhône), le 9 août 1944.

Vous trouverez, sous ce pli, un dossier constitué par les services américains des Crimes de Guerre au sujet de cett dernière expédition, au cours de laquelle cent dix Français, parm lesquels des femmes et des enfants, trouvèrent la mort dans des conditions particulièrement atroces.

Il n'est malheureusement pas possible d'énumérer tou les faits de meurtre et de torture commis sur l'ordre ou avec l'accord de BARBIE.

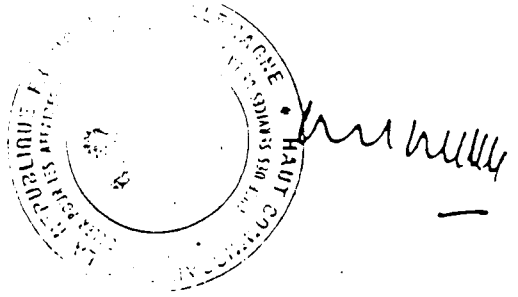
Du reste, les documents joints ne sauraient prétendre donner un tableau complet de l'activité criminelle de la Gestapo de Lyon et du rôle de BARBIE dans chacune des affaires à imputer à cet organisme.

Ils font apparaître cependant que BARBIE ne se contentait pas de donner des ordres, mais qu'il participait lui-même aux tortures et aux massacres.

Les crimes dont BARBIE porte la lourde responsabilit et les conditions dans lesquelles ils ont été commis, imposent que tout soit mis en oeuvre pour assurer la comparution de cet individu devant la justice.

Je suis persuadé que l'examen du présent dossier vous fera partager cette conviction.

C'est dans cet espoir que j'insiste à nouveau, au nom de mon Gouvernement, pour que ce criminel soit mis rapidement à la disposition des autorités françaises.



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Office of General Counsel
HICOG Extradition Board
-16-Bad Nauheim
Grand Hotel, Kurstrasse

GC EKLange:mn

August 10, 1950.

French High Commissioner for Germany,
Stephanie Hotel,
Baden-Baden.

Attention: Mr. Leb.

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to telephone conversation of August 8, 1950 between Mrs. Lange and Mr. Leb concerning the request of the French Government for the extradition of Klaus Barbie to stand trial as a war criminal suspect, we herewith forward to you that portion of the file which was requested from us.

Very truly yours,

HICOG Extradition Board

By_____ _____
Alternate President

Enclosure:

1. Portion of File re Klaus Barbie.

TRANSLATION

FRENCH HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR GERMANY

Baden-Baden, Aug 30, 1950

No. JUS/CG/53/No 4423

To

Chief of Administration of Justice Branch,
Office of General Counsel - HICOG,
APO 807 - U.S. Army

(Attention: Mrs. Lange)

Subject: Affair BARBIE Klaus

Reference: Your letter of August 10, 1950

Enclosed herewith I return the documents you have been sending me on August 10, 1950.

A final report has been prepared on the subject of this war criminal. It contains documents confirming that BARBIE has ordered and directed expeditions during which numerous persons have been tortured, executed, often by this individual himself.

I am going to send you this report as soon as it is translated.

(stamp) s/ Lebegue

(9/15/50-nb)

HAUT COMMISSAIRE DE LA RÉPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE
EN ALLEMAGNE

LE CONSEILLER
pour les Affaires Judiciaires,
Chef des Services de la Justice.

No JUS/CG/53/N° 4423

BADEN-BADEN, le 30 AOUT 1950

LE CONSEILLER
pour les Affaires Judiciaires,
Chef des Services de la Justice.

à

Chief of Administration of the Justice Branch
Office of General Counsel - Office of the
United States high Commissioner for Germany
A.P.O. 807 - U.S.Army

(à l'attention de Mrs LANGE)

OBJET: Affaire BARBIE ~~Paul~~.

REFERENCE: Votre le tre du 10 août 1950.

J'ai l'honneur de vous adresser ci-joint, les documents que vous avez bien voulu me renvoyer le 10 août 1950.

Un dossier complémentaire a été établi au sujet de ce criminel de guerre. Il contient des documents qui confirment que BARBIE a ordonné et dirigé des expéditions au cours desquelles de nombreuses personnes furent torturées, exécutées, souvent même de la main de cet individu.

Je vous enverrai ce dossier dès qu'il aura été traduit.

HAUT COMMISSAIRE DE LA RÉPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE EN ALLEMAGNE

Signé: LEBÈGUE

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HAUT COMMISSAIRE DE LA RÉPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE
EN ALLEMAGNE

LE CONSEILLER
pour les Affaires Judiciaires,
Chef des Services de la Justice.

BADEN-BADEN, le 19 SEPT 1950

No JUS/CG/4I/D.8972/N° 4834

LE CONSEILLER
pour les Affaires Judiciaires,
Chef des Services de la Justice.

à

Chief of Administration of the Justice Branch
Office of General Counsel - Office of the
United States high Commissioner for Germany
A.P.O. 807 - U.S. Army

OBJET: Affaire BARBIE Klaus.

REFERENCE: Votre lettre du 31 mai 1950
Ma lettre JUS/CG/53/3728 du 2 août 1950
Ma lettre JUS/CG/53/4423 du 26 août 1950.

Comme suite à mes lettres susvisées, j'ai l'honneur de vous adresser ci-joint un nouveau dossier relatif à l'activité criminelle du nommé :

B A R B I E Klaus.

Ces documents se rapportent aux opérations effectuées en 1944 dans le département du Jura et notamment à St-Claude et dans les localités avoisinantes.

Ils confirment le rôle de direction de BARBIE dans toutes ces expéditions au cours desquelles de nombreuses personnes furent torturées et exécutées.

D'autre part, et ceci est très important, ils apportent la preuve que BARBIE a personnellement torturé et exécuté plusieurs personnes. A cet égard, je signale particulièrement à votre attention le rapport de l'Inspecteur Principal LATHELLIER, du 20 juillet 1950, qui récapitule les preuves recueillies (pièce N° I).

Il convient encore de souligner que des unités de l'armée allemande ont participé à ces actions. Mais leurs officiers, même ceux dont le grade était supérieur à celui de BARBIE, se trouvaient placés sous ses ordres à cette occasion.

Je saisis cette occasion pour vous rappeler la très grande importance que mon Gouvernement attache à la découverte et à la remise de ce criminel de guerre.

signé: LEBEGUE

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Copie à M. le Juge d'Instruction
Tribunal Militaire de LYON
(Cap. VENDEUVRE)

19 Sep 50

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HAUT COMMISSAIRE DE LA RÉPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE
EN ALLEMAGNE

LE CONSEILLER
pour les Affaires Judiciaires,
Chef des Services de la Justice.

BADEN-BADEN, le 19 SEPT 1950

No JUS/CG/4I/D.8.972/N°4.834

LE CONSEILLER
pour les Affaires Judiciaires,
Chef des Services de la Justice.

à

The Chief of the Administration of Justice Branch
Office of General Counsel,
Office of the U.S. High Commissioner for Germany,
A.P.O. 807

SUBJECT : BARBIE Klaus.

REF / : Your letter of 3I/5/50
My letter of 2/8/50-Jus/CG/53/3728
My letter of 29/8/50-Jus/CG/53/4423

Further to my above-mentionned letters, I beg to enclose herewith a new file relative to the criminal activities of -

B A R B I E Klaus.

These documents relate more especially to the operations carried out in I944, in the JURA District namely in SAINT-CLAUDE and the neighboring localities.

They confirm the leading part played by BARBIE in all of these expeditions, in the course of which numerous persons were tortured and executed. Furthermore - and this is extremely important - these documents furnish the prove that BARBIE himself, personally, tortured and executed several people. In this connection I would draw your attention more particulary to Chief Inspector LATHELIER's report, dated 20 July I950 which contains a recapitulation of the evidence collected (Exhibit I).

It should, moreover, be stressed that,whilst Germany Army Units took part in such expeditions,their officers, although cometimes holding ranks higher than that of BARBIE, were nevertheless, on such occasions, under the latter's authority.

I take this opportunity to remind you that my Governement puts a very grat importance on the discovery and the delivery of this war criminal.

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cc.J.I.T.M.Lyon

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HEADQUARTERS
(6TH COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS DETACHMENT
US ARMY, EUROPE

D-153204

APO 154
30 August 1950

SUBJECT: Extradition of Klaus BARBIE

To: Director
Intelligence Division
Headquarters, European Command
APO 403, US Army
ATTENTION: Collection Section

1. Reference is made to

a. Confidential SRI Number 732-50, your Division, concerning subject, dated 21 August 1950, which requested clearance from this headquarters for the extradition of Klaus BARBIE.

b. Top Secret TWX, this headquarters, reference number F-2450, dated 3 May 1950, a summary of subject case which was forwarded to your Division at the time this case received wide publicity in French and American newspapers.

2. In May 1950, this headquarters coordinated the case with Colonel [illegible] and Lt. Colonel [illegible] of your Division and subsequently with General R. K. TAYLOR, Director, Intelligence Division; Mr. B. [illegible], Director of Intelligence, HICOG; and Colonel [illegible] R. PHILP, your Division. The decision reached on subject case at that time is well known to the above-mentioned persons.

3. It is requested that this headquarters be furnished the details concerning the circumstances surrounding this extradition request. Of particular interest to this headquarters is whether it represents a renewed effort on the part of the French Government to effect BARBIE's extradition.

DAVID G. [illegible]
Colonel [illegible]
Commanding

[illegible]

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ON 21 JUL 1983
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S-3 Work Sheet

28 Aug 1950
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SUBJECT: SRI 732-50 Request for Extradition of BARBIE Klaus

Source: ID Date: 21 Aug Case Officer: Vidal
Type of Rpt: Ltr
(Affidavit!)

CASE OFFICER DIRECTIONS:

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HEADQUARTERS
EUROPEAN COMMAND
Intelligence Division

APO 403
21 August 1950

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SPECIFIC REQUEST FOR INFORMATION NUMBER: 732-50

SUBJECT: Request for Extradition of BARBIE, Klaus

TO: Department of the Army Detachment, HQ EUCOM, APO 403, US Army
Commanding Officer, 66th CIC Detachment, APO 154, US Army

1. Extradition clearance is requested for the following individual for trial as a war criminal:

NAME: BARBIE, Klaus

NATIONALITY: German

2. As complete an answer to the requirement as may be procurable must reach this office on or before 15 September 1950. If no information has been forwarded to reach this office by the suspense date, a negative report (written or telephonic) is required by that date.

3. All replies to the requirement will make specific reference to Control Number: SRI 732-50.

FOR THE DIRECTOR, INTELLIGENCE DIVISION:

Tel: Weid Mil 8211

W.L. HARDICK
Lt Col GSC
Chief, Coll Sec 21 Aug 1950

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TO CO 66TH CIC GROUP USAREUR

ROUTINE

Vidal — see me on this please WEB

File: D-153204

REF NR M-1637/OPNL/S E C R E T/REFERENCE CONVERSATION THIS DATE BETWEEN COLONEL ERSKINE AND LIEUTENANT COLONEL HARDICK CMA SUBJECT KLAUS BARBIE PD IT IS PROPOSED THAT THIS DIVISION NOTIFY HICOG THAT IT HAS NO OBJECTION TO THE EXTRADITION OF BARBIE PD FURTHER PROPOSE THAT HICOG BE NOTIFIED INFORMALLY THAT BARBIE IS NO LONGER UNDER CONTROL OF ANY AGENCY OF THIS DIVISION PD REQUEST YOUR COMMENTS PD END CITE HARDICK SIGNED PHILP

on 14 Sept 50 Mr. Vidal informed LT. Col HARDICK that it had no objection to the extradition of subject and that it would be OK for ID to say he is no longer

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR GERMANY
OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL
-16- Bad Nauheim, Germany
Grand Hotel, Kurstrasse

October 12, 1950.

Office of the Chief Attorney
-13a- Nuernberg
110 Fuerthserstrasse
Palace of Justice

Sir:

The request of the Government of France for extradition of Klaus Barbie, Case No. 92-499 is being forwarded to your office for transmission to the District Attorney for 7th Judicial District, Augsburg pursuant to the provisions set forth in Staff Announcement No. 111, "Processing of Requests for Extradition of Alleged War Criminals from the United States Sector of Berlin. Redesignation of Extradition Board, "dated June 28, 1950.

This case is being referred by the president of the HICOG Extradition Board which will examine and dispose of this case after the District Attorney has submitted the report of his investigation and recommendation. The latest address appearing in our files is: Augsburg.

The attached file is submitted for consideration by the District Attorney and must be returned with his report.

Very truly yours,

Enclosure:
Complete file
re Klaus Barbie.

For the Deputy United States High Commissioner for Germany

HICOG Extradition Board

By R. C. Hagan
President

N.B. The report of the District Attorney should be submitted in quintuplicate.

Extbd. No. 756 f IR\

Office of General Counsel
HICOG Extradition Board
Grand Hotel, Kurstrasse
-16-Bad Nauheim

October 12, 1950.

Office of the Chief Attorney,
-13a-Nuernberg,
110 Fuertherstrasse,
Palace of Justice.

Sir:

We attach hereto Warrant for Arrest and Detention for Extradition of Klaus Barbie. Please apprehend and detain Barbie pursuant to the provision thereof. We shall appreciate being notified of the time and place of detention.

Very truly yours,

HICOG Extradition Board

By_____
President

Enclosure:

Warrant of
Arrest re
Klaus Barbie.

GC:AJ:LKlange/eg
Telephone 283
October 12, 1950.

October 12, 1950.

HICOG EXTRADITION BOARD

WARRANT FOR ARREST AND DETENTION FOR EXTRADITION

To all Law Enforcement Agencies:

You are hereby empowered and required to arrest and detain one Klaus Barbie, male, German, birthdate unknown, to be held for extradition to France for murder.

For the Deputy United States High Commissioner for Germany

HICOG Extradition Board

By_____
President

Office of General Counsel
HICOG Extradition Board
Grand Hotel, Kurstrasse
-16-Bad Nauheim

October 12, 1950.

French High Commissioner for Germany,
Stephanie Hotel,
Baden-Baden.

Attention: Director, Legal Division.

Gentlemen:

Reference is made to your letter of September 19, 1950 concerning Klaus Barbie whose extradition to France for trial as a war criminal suspect has been requested.

Clearances have been requested and the matter has been referred to the appropriate District Attorney for report and recommendation in accordance with the provisions of HICOG Staff Announcement No. 111, "Processing of Requests for Extradition of Alleged War Criminals from the United States Zone of Occupation and the United States Sector of Berlin. Redesignation of Extradition Board," dated June 28, 1950.

Upon receipt of this report and recommendation the matter will be referred to the HICOG Extradition Board for decision. You will be advised as promptly as possible of the decision reached in this matter. However, we wish to direct your attention to the fact that we are not yet informed of Barbie's whereabouts.

Very truly yours,

HICOG Extradition Board

By_____
President

GC:AJ:EKLange/eg
Telephone 283
October 12, 1950

OFFICE OF THE U. S. HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR GERMANY
Office of the Chief Attorney
110 Fuertherstrasse
Nuernberg, Justizgebaeude

Date: Oct. 13, 1950

District Attorney
7th Judicial District

Sir:

The request of the Government of France for extradition of Klaus Barbie, Case No. 92-499, is being forwarded to your office pursuant to the provisions set forth in Staff Announcement No. 111, "Processing of Requests for Extradition of Alleged War Criminals from the United States Sector of Berlin. Redesignation of Extradition Board," dated June 28, 1950.

This case is being referred by the president of the HICOG Extradition Board which will examine and dispose of this case after you have submitted the report of your investigation and recommendation. The last known address is: Augsburg.

The attached file is submitted for your consideration and must be returned to this office with your report.

Very truly yours,

Worth B. McCauley
WORTH B. McCAULEY
Chief Attorney

Enclosure:

N.B. Your report should be submitted in quintuplicate.

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Administration of Justice Division
APO 807

Date: 10/13/50

Subject: Case Klaus Barbie
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1. Mr. Rintels

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15 Sept 49)

OFFICE OF THE U.S. HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR GERMANY

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Shute

Date: Oct. 20, 1950

From: Mr. Carver

Subject: Extradition of Klaus BARBI

The Extradition Board has lately been concerned with the request of the French government for the extradition of Klaus Barbi. I have been advised by Mr. Cunningham and Mr. McGreevy that for the past five years the location and extradition of Mr. Barbi has been a matter of dispute between the French War Crimes Commission and our CIC. Last month the Intelligence Division, EUCOM advised the Extradition Board that it had no objection to the extradition of Klaus Barbi but "had no information as to his present whereabouts". I was also advised by telephone conversation that it was the policy of the commanding general, EUCOM, that CIC would not attempt to locate any war criminal suspects.

It is the ordinary practice of the Extradition Board to return requests for extradition of war criminal suspects unless they are accompanied by a statement of the address of subject in the American Zone. However, in view of the delay caused to the French authorities by the attitude of CIC and the importance which the French government places on this case it is the view of the Board that in this instance the American authorities should attempt to locate Mr. Barbi to facilitate his extradition. I am advised by Mr. Lisle that this is also the view of the State Department and we are in receipt of an airgram from the department which states that it has advised the French Embassy that a search for Barbi is being conducted. This is not the case at the present time and it is my suggestion that every effort should be made here by your office and the operations division to enlist the efforts of CIC. In view of the past attitude of CIC in this matter and the practice of EUCOM to discontinue all war crimes investigations, it is probable that negotiations on this subject should be conducted on a high level, perhaps by yourself.

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OFFICE OF THE U.S. HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR GERMANY

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

To: Mrs. B. Lange - OGC:AJ
Bad Nauheim

Date: November 8, 1950

From: PA:IPG - Mr. James L. McCraw
Chief, Public Safety Branch

Subject: Klaus BARBIE

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Klaus BARBIE is further identified as having been born October 26, 1913 in Bad Godesberg. Further information has also been received that Barbie's mother is residing in Trier, French Zone.

Since no further information concerning possible location of Klaus Barbie has been received by this office or the German police, no further active search has been conducted. However, all persons coming in contact with any of the German police agencies in the U.S. Zone are checked against the list of wanted persons published by the Office of Criminal Identification. Pending the receipt of further information concerning the possible location of Barbie, it is not practical to conduct any search in detail.

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MEMO TO FILE: November 10, 1950.

KLAUS BARBIE

Mr. Gaines informed me that Oberstaatsanwaltschaft at Kassel had issued a warrant of arrest for Klaus Barbie charging him with larceny or obtaining money under false pretenses.

Warrant was issued July 26, 1950 on the affidavit of one Dr. Hoffmann who stated in 1950 that he met Barbie in Camp Eselheide in the British Zone in February, 1947, and at that time Barbie admitted unlawfully impersonating an official and obtaining such property in June, 1946.

Address of Barbie's mother is Trier, Dampfschiff Strasse IA Gilbertstrasse 68.

She has been contacted by German Criminal Police and has said she hasn't seen her son since 1946 and that she believes he is in the Russian Zone.

E.K.Lange/flr

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13 Nov 50

Office of General Counsel
HICOG Extradition Board
Grand Hotel, Kurstrasse
-16-Bad Nauheim

November 13, 1950.

French High Commissioner for Germany,
Stephanie Hotel,
Baden-Baden.

Attention: Director, Legal Division

Sirs:

Further reference is made to your letter of September 19, 1950 and our interim reply of October 12, 1950 concerning Klaus Barbie whose extradition to France for trial as a war criminal suspect has been requested. We have received a report from our Public Safety Branch, Office of Political Affairs, concerning efforts being made to locate Barbie and herewith advise you of the current status of the search.

Investigations conducted at the Office of Criminal Investigation in the several Laender on or about November 2, 1950 reveal that Barbie is carried on the wanted persons' list. All persons coming in contact with any of the German police agencies in the United States Zone are checked against this list which will remain active until 1952. Barbie is wanted on three different entries:

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Klaus Barbie is further identified as having been born October 25, 1913 in Bad Godesberg. Further information has also been received that Barbie's mother is residing in Trier, French Zone. This address has been given as Dampfschiff Strasse 1A, and/or Gilbert Strasse 68.

We shall keep you advised of any developments in this matter.

Very truly yours,

HICOG Extradition Board

By_____
President

GC:AJ:EXLange/flr
Tel: 283
November 13, 1950.

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No JUS/CG/53/N°189/D.8972

LE CONSEILLER
pour les Affaires Judiciaires,
Chef des Services de la Justice.

à

Monsieur Robert BOWIE
Office of the General Counsel
Administration of Justice
Division
BAD NAUHEIM A.P.O.807 - US.Army

à l'attention de
Monsieur RINTELS

OBJET : Affaire BARBIE Klaus.

REFER : Votre lettre du 13 novembre 1950.

Cher Monsieur,

J'ai l'honneur de vous faire savoir que les renseignements contenus dans votre lettre susvisée, ont permis de retrouver la dame B A R B I E Anna, mère du susnommé.

L'intéressée a prétendu ignorer l'adresse actuelle de son fils et s'est refusé à toute autre déclaratio

Je vous serais très obligé de donner des instructions pour que les recherches soient poursuivies activement et de me tenir informé de tout élément qui viendrait à votre connaissance dans cette affaire.

Croyez, cher Monsieur, à l'assurance de mes meilleurs sentiments.

P. O. Le Conseiller-Adjoint

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HAUT COMMISSAIRE DE LA REPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE EN ALLEMAGNE
LE CONSEILLER POUR LES AFFAIRES JUDICIAIRES
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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR GERMANY
Office of the Chief Attorney
110 Fuertherstrasse
Nuernberg Justizegebaeude

November 17, 1950

Mr. Richard C. Hagan, President,
HICOG Extradition Board,
Office of General Counsel,
Grand Hotel, Kurstrasse,
16-Bad Nauheim, Germany.

Subject: Extradition of Klaus BARBIE, Case No. 49-499.

Dear Mr. Hagan:

Mr. J. A. Boatright, District Attorney, 7th Judicial District, has the file in this case. He informs me that after diligent search the arresting agencies have not found Barbie.

Please let me know what disposition to make of the file in this case.

Yours very truly,

Knox Lamb

KNOX LAMB,
Acting Chief Attorney.

GC:CH/A

November 27, 1950

GC:AJ - [illegible], President, HICOG Extradition Board

Extradition of Klaus Barbie, Case No. 49-499.

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of November 17, 1950 and [illegible] inform you that you may return the file concerning Klaus Barbie [illegible] hold until such time as he is apprehended. However, we believe that [illegible] should retain the warrant of arrest and continue your efforts to [illegible] Barbie.

GC:AJ:[illegible]/[illegible]
Tel: [illegible]

OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR GERMANY
Office of the Chief Attorney
110 Fuertherstrasse
Nurnberg Justizgebaeude

December 6, 1950

HICOG Extradition Board,
Office of General Counsel,
Bad Nauheim, Germany.

Attention: Mr. Richard C. Hagen, President.

Dear Sir:

In accordance with instructions received in your memorandum of November 27, enclosed herewith is the file in the case of Klaus BARBIE, which has been returned to us by Mr. Boatright, District Attorney for the Seventh Judicial District.

Mr. Boatright is retaining the warrant of arrest in this case in the hope that it can eventually be served on Mr. Barbie.

Sincerely yours,

KNOX LAMB,
Acting District Attorney.

Enclosure:

File in Case of
Klaus BARBIE.

HAUT COMMISSAIRE DE LA RÉPUBLIQUE FRANÇAISE
EN ALLEMAGNE

LE CONSEILLER
pour les Affaires Judiciaires,
Chef des Services de la Justice.

BADEN-BADEN, le 25 JANV 1951

No JUS/CG/53/N°189/D.8972

LE CONSEILLER
pour les Affaires Judiciaires,
Chef des Services de la Justice.

à

Monsieur Robert BOWIE
Office of the General Counsel
Administration of Justice
Division
BAD NAUHEIM A.P.O.807 - US.Army

à l'attention de
Monsieur RITTERS

OBJET : Affaire BARBIE Klaus.

REFER : Votre lettre du 13 novembre 1950.

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16 Frankfurt, Main
Headquarters Building
Office of General Counsel
Administration of Justice Division

January 31, 1951.

Office of the High Commissioner
of the French Republic in Germany,
Baden-Baden,
Stephanie Hotel.

Sirs:

We acknowledge receipt of your letter of January 25, 1951, No. JUS/CG/53/No.189/D.8972, concerning Klaus Barbie whose extradition to France as a war criminal suspect is desired. We take this opportunity to advise you that continous efforts to locate Barbie are being made.

Very truly yours,

HICOG Extradition Board

By_____
President

GC:AJ:ZKLange/gh
Tel. 7808

Ext. Bd. #750 I PA

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PA - Public Safety Division January 31, 1951.

GC:AJ - Mr. Hagan, President, HICOG Extradition Board

Klaus Barbie

We forward for your information and inclusion in your file a copy of a letter received from French authorities concerning Klaus Barbie.

Enclosure:
Copy of letter re
Klaus Barbie

GC:AJ:EKLange/gh
Tel. 7805

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a. During the summer of 1947 the undersigned received instructions from G-2, USFA, through Chief CIC, to establish a means of disposition for visitors who had been in the custody of the 430th CIC and completely processed in accordance with current directives and requirements, and whose continued residence in Austria constituted a security threat as well as a source of possible embarrassment to the Commanding General of USFA, since the Soviet Command had become aware of their presence in US Zone of Austria and in some instances had requested the return of these persons to Soviet custody.

b. The undersigned, therefore, proceeded to Rome where, through a mutual acquaintance, he conferred with a former Slovakian diplomat who in turn was able to recruit the services of a Croation Roman Catholic Priest, Father Dragonivich. Father Dragonivich had by this time developed several clandestine evacuation channels to the various South American countries for various types of European refugees.

2. HISTORY OF OPERATIONS.

a. During 1947 and 1948 it was necessary to escort the visitors physically from Austria to Rome from the standpoint of security and to avoid any embarrassment on the part of the US Government which could arise from faulty documentation or unforeseen border and police incidents.

b. Documents to assist in the journey of these people from Austria to Rome were secured through S/A Crawford, Reference IRS, Subject: "Debriefing of S/A Crawford", dated 6 April 1950.

c. Upon arrival in Rome, the visitors were turned over to Dragonivich who placed them in safe hayen houses being operated under his direct supervision. During this period, the undersigned then actively assisted Father Dragonivich with the help of a US citizen, who was Chief of the eligibility office of IRO in Rome, in securing additional documentation and IRO aid for further transportation. This, of course, was done illegally

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inasmuch as such persons could not possibly qualify for eligibility under the Geneva IRO Charter. However, after several months the American suddenly lost his mental stability through overindulgence in alcohol and disclosed some of the details of the arrangement to his superiors and other official agencies in Rome which required the undersigned to realign the operation and to discontinue contact with the IRO office. Thus, Father Dragonivich was forced to turn to other sources in the National Catholic Welfare Organization. He also secured permits for residence of these persons from the Italian police, permits to travel from Rome to Genoa or Naples, as the case might be, and permits from the Italian Foreign Office for various visas. In short, it can be stated that Dragonivich handled all phases of the operation after the defectees arrived in Rome, such as the procurement of IRO Italian and South American documents, visas, stamps, arrangements for disposition, land or sea, and notification of resettlement committees in foreign lands.

d. As the operation continued, Dragonivich's possibilities for the necessary means, documentation, travel and permits expanded and it became possible to ship the visitors from Austria, thus eliminating personal escort by CIC agents to Rome. A new phase was thus established and an employee of Dragonivich proceeded to Austria, picked up the charges and took them to Genoa where they were placed in safe haven houses to await disposition to South America.

3. DIFFICULTIES ENCOUNTERED.

The following difficulties and problems may be expected by those who may become engaged in rat line operations:

a. Frequent changes in travel documents necessary for movement in European countries.

b. Changes in the Italian border control and police supervision of DP's in Italy.

c. Land and sea transportation facilities or lack thereof.

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d. Opening and closing of immigration quotas by the various countries of South America.

e. The physical condition of visitors and dependents. It may be stated here that it is desirable that all persons be examined for TB, syphilis or other contagious diseases and that the female dependents be cautioned during the evacuation period relative to pregnancy, inasmuch as pregnant women or small children are acceptable only with grave difficulty and at great expense.

f. Marriage Status. In view of the fact that Dragonivich is a Roman Catholic priest and the National Catholic Welfare is involved, the marriage status of male and female must be clearly established, inasmuch as the personalities associated in this operation will not condone any acts contrary to the Church such as common law marriage, illegitimate children not baptized, etc.

g. Although it might be advantageous to have absolute "control" of Father Dragonivich and his means of evacuation, it may be categorically stated that it is not possible and in the opinion of the undersigned not entirely desirable. Dragonivich is known and recorded as a Fascist, war criminal, etc., and his contacts with South American diplomats of a similar class are not generally approved by US State Department officials, plus the fact that in the light of security, it is better that we may be able to state, if forced, that the turning over of a DP to a Welfare Organization falls in line with our democratic way of thinking and that we are not engaged in illegal disposition of war criminals, defectees and the like.

4. COMPROMISES.

a. As stated above, the US citizen, Chief of the Eligibility Office, Rome, was one [redacted] who was allegedly a member of OSS during World War II, and who fancied himself as a top intelligence operative in Italy. After his breakdown due to alcoholism, [redacted] imagined himself as the saviour of Italy in view of the danger of a Communist victory during the elections of 1948, thus told stores of how the

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undersigned could assist in providing large numbers of underground troops, military supplies, sea evacuation, air evacuation and the like. This, of course, caused inquiries as to the exact nature of the work in which the undersigned was engaged. This was explained away successfully in a personal interview with Admiral Mentz, Chief of IRO, Italy, and a full report was submitted to G-2, USFA.

b. The Brazil Expedition was, again, a compromise which was not the fault of operational technique. A female visitor who was inclined to be rather frivolous in her attentions became a public nuisance while under protective custody in Austria and was, therefore, evacuated as a married woman in custody of her amour of the moment. During the voyage, the lady in question changed her mind and upon arrival in Brazil sought assistance and protection from both the Brazilian authorities and the US Embassy. They, of course, were uninformed, inasmuch as it is impossible, due to lack of knowledge of transportation dates, visa quotas, etc., to give prior information as to when the shipments are to be made. The affair was made a matter of official investigation and necessarily other innocent people were involved and returned to Europe.

5. RECOMMENDATIONS.

a. It has been the experience of this organization that only one man should be assigned the mission of disposition when dealing with Father Dragonivich. Inasmuch as he, although reliable from a security standpoint, is unscrupulous in his dealings concerning money, as he does a considerable amount of charity work for which he receives no compensation, it is not entirely impossible that he will delay one shipment for one organization to benefit another organization who pays higher prices.

b. Due to the background of Father Dragonivich and the nature of his work, it is not believed practical that the MA's in foreign countries under diplomatic status should become involved with the DP's who land through his channels of this operation.

c. Each visitor should be thoroughly and properly briefed and preparations for his movement be made in the light of his cover story. Each should be furnished sufficient clothing, some

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travel money, and advance notice be sent through Dragonivich channels to assist in his rehabilitation in the country where he lands.

d. The facilities of Father Dragonivich should be handled as a single operation by one agency and no attempt should be made to control him or his sources for reasons set forth in this memorandum.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:

PAUL E LYON
IB Operations Officer

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(430th CIC Detachment)
CITY OF VIENNA
APO 777 US ARMY

#1751

12 July 1948

SUBJECT: Rat Line from Austria to South America.

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

1. In accordance with instructions from the Office of the Director of Intelligence, USFA, these agents have attempted to establish a safe means of resettlement of dependents of visitors and VIP personalities.

2. Through the Vatican connections of Father Dragonovic, Croat, DP Resettlement Chief of the Vatican circle, a tentative agreement was reached to assist in this operation. The agreement consists of simply mutual assistance, i.e., these agents assist persons of interest to Father Dragonovic to leave Germany and, in turn, Father Dragonovic will assist these agents in obtaining the necessary visas to Argentina, South America, for persons of interest to this Command.

3. It may be stated that some of the persons of interest to Father Dragonovic may be of interest to the Denazification policy of the Allies; however, the persons assisted by Father Dragonovic are also of interest to our Russian ally. Therefore, this operation cannot receive any official approval and must be handled with minimum amount of delay and with a minimum amount of general knowledge.

4. On 3 July 1948, these agents contacted the Austrian representative of Father Dragonovic in Salzburg, as prearranged. Through the assistance of CIC Salzburg, transportation was obtained and the representative was escorted to Bad Reichenhall, Germany, where he was to meet the German representative of Father Dragonovic's organization. However, due to unforeseen circumstances, the German representative did not appear. The Austrian representative was escorted back to Salzburg to await developments.

5. On 4 July 48 these agents received a telegram from the U.S. contact in Rome (Fred Martin) that the German representative was arrested while crossing the German/Austrian border on or about 1 July 48. It was the desire of these agents to go to Bad Reichenhall, Germany, to make the necessary investigation, however due to transportation difficulties, this was not deemed advisable.

6. The status of subject rat line is not settled at this time, however it is felt that with CIC connections in Germany, these agents can assist the German representative and continue their progress as outlined above.

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NOTE: It is suggested to the Chief, 430th CIC Detachment, USFA, that a reassignment of jeeps be made, and that two detachment jeeps be assigned to headquarters. These jeeps could be stationed and utilized by Land Salzburg and Land Upper Austria but be prepared to move upon call from representatives of CIC headquarters. In this manner most of the difficulties in obtaining transportations for such operations can be avoided. Also the responsibilities for incorrect use of said vehicles, i.e., police violations, utilizing Government vehicles for pleasure, will be the responsibility of the driver and not the Land Section to which the jeep is originally assigned.

It is believed that in this manner considerable time, personal difficulties, and personality differences could be avoided and assist in the speedy completion of similar missions.

Paul E. Lyon
PAUL E. LYON
S/A, CIC

Charles Crawford
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HEADQUARTERS
66TH COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS DETACHMENT
US ARMY, EUROPE

APO 184

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD:

SUBJECT: Informant Disposal

RE: Emigration Methods of the 430th CIC Detachment.

1. The following information was obtained on 11 December 1950 during discussions with S/A NEAGOY and Lieutenant Colonel Melville MILLER, Commanding Officer, CIC Landsalzburg, and Lieutenant Colonel DOBSON, Assistant Operations Officer, G-2, USFA. All of the information was coordinated among the aforementioned individuals and the undersigned.

2. Brief summary of system:

a. The 430th CIC Detachment has been operating what they term "Ratline" evacuation system to Central and South America without serious repercussions during the past three (3) years. At the cost of approximately $1,000 each adult (US legal tender) 430th CIC is transferring evacuees to Italy where they are provided with legal documentation obtained through devious means there. Overall supervision and conduct of the operation is the sole responsibility of Mr. NEAGOY, CIC Landsalzburg. Actual procurement of the documentation is handled by the 430th's contact man in Italy.

b. Representatives of the 430th CIC state that, if necessary, they are prepared to undertake the following action upon request. If an informant will agree to emigrate to any available South or Central

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American country. Mr. MEASOY will visit this headquarters to be briefed on the individual case and interview the emigrant. Upon being provided with the necessary funds, the 430th will assume responsibility for transferring the individual to Italy and arranging his emigration. The estimated time requirement for completion of a case is six (6) to sixteen (16) weeks.

3. Limitations of System:

a. Utilization of the 430th "Ratline" is conditioned by the willingness of the emigrant to leave Europe and to accept resettlement in an undetermined South or Central American country. No prior assurance can be given the emigrant that he will be able to enter a specific country. An attempt, however, will be made to comply with his stated wish in this connection.

b. Single persons, male or female, and/or families can be handled.

c. It is desirable that the emigrant be under 50 years of age, although with extra effort and perhaps a little additional money, the problem of age generally can be solved.

d. The emigrant must be able to meet the legal health requirements for such processing.

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4. Mechanics of Disposal:

a. When this headquarters determines that solution of a disposal case is emigration, and it appears that emigrant is suitable under

the limitations stated above, it is only necessary to obtain the concurrence of Intelligence Division, [illegible].

b. If Intelligence Division concurs, it will [illegible] inform G-2, USFA, that it has approved the request of this headquarters for the resettlement of the emigrant. No details of the case are [illegible] and none are desired by G-2, USFA, which will inform [illegible] that a resettlement is to be initiated.

c. When the above has been accomplished, this headquarters will laterally coordinate the balance of the operation with the [illegible].

d. Through lateral coordination, [illegible] will be made for Mr. NEAGOY, 430th CIC (whose sole responsibility is resettlement problems) to come to Germany for briefing by this organization on each subject. 430th CIC does not desire a complete case report, but Mr. NEAGOY must have sufficient knowledge of the case to arrange for any special considerations that may be necessary to insure the personal security of the specific resettlement. After being briefed, Mr. NEAGOY wishes to interview the emigrant to further ascertain his attitude toward resettlement in particular areas, and to prepare a questionaire containing basic personal data. Mr. NEAGOY also requires sufficient copies of passport type photos.

e. Following interview of the emigrant, Mr. NEAGOY will pass certain basic information to the 430th contact man in Italy. This will consist of the emigrants approximate age, nationality, and a brief physical description. The contact man will then inform Mr. NEAGOY of the name to be assumed by the emigrant for the balance of the operation.

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Subject: [illegible]

[illegible] At this point [illegible] transfer of the emigrant [illegible] in one of [illegible] is the [illegible]

(1) [illegible] will obtain for the [illegible] a [illegible] with a transit visa for Austria and a travel permit [illegible].

(a) The CTB document will [illegible] entry into Austria, and he may be transported there by this organization, or the 430th will take custody in Germany.

(2) If it is not possible for 66th CIC to obtain the CTB document, 430th will take custody of the emigrant in Germany and transport him into Austria. (Note: This method involves use of an Allied Forces "way bill", a fact which is regarded by 430th as very sensitive. 430th desires that the technique be given only the most limited dissemination even within 66th, and that under no circumstances that it become known to NIUCC or any agency controlling travel.) As stated above, if the emigrant arrives in Austria without a CTB document permitting movement to Italy, he must remain in Austria until an appropriate substitute document can be obtained. (Note: The undersigned is of the impression that they are surreptitiously obtained through a contact of the Four Power Commission at Vienna.)

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a. Upon arrival [illegible] hotel, and, on a day [illegible] live until [illegible] $[illegible] in [illegible] strictly on his [illegible] tries to create [illegible] that he is being [illegible] within [illegible] entitled to [illegible] assistance after [illegible]

Official Notification:

b. Following embarkation of the emigrant, 430th CIC through Department of the Army, informs Department of State of the following:

(1) The emigrants real name, aliases and shipping name; date and place of birth; physical description; religion; mother tongue; date and place of departure; destination and estimated time of arrival.

(a) Through the Department of State the US diplomatic or consular representative in the receiving country is informed that the emigrant was formerly of interest to American intelligence.

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5. Financing:

a. The cost of arranging the emigration of a single individual is approximately $1,000. For this purpose US legal tender (green dollars) is required. Children [illegible] half price. Persons over 50 years of age [illegible]

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about a little more. If the [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] cost may be as much as [illegible].

[illegible]

[illegible] by [illegible] G-2, USFA, stated that [illegible] may be [illegible] through normal command channels [illegible] He recommended that transfer of funds be made by [illegible] representatives of 430th CIC and 66th CIC.

(1) The problem of taking the money across the Austrian border may be circumvented by means of transferring it by courier as a secret document properly marked and stamped.

6. Additional Comments

a. Representatives of 430th CIC Detachment and G-2, USFA, were most cordial and open handed in discussing their evacuation plan. The 430th pointed out that they were not free to give the undersigned

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all details of the [illegible]
Instructions of [illegible]
to be necessary, [illegible]
bility for accomplishment [illegible]
measures outlined in this [illegible]

b. [illegible]
memorandum has been classified [illegible]

c. [illegible] willing and able to render assistance to [illegible] that there appears to be no specific limit to the number of persons that can be processed; that in order to keep the established channel open for their own use, it must be used frequently; and that, at present, they do not have enough of these cases to assure that the channel can be kept open against their contingencies. 430th CIC states that they are willing to assist any other US intelligence agency in Germany, and it is the opinion of the undersigned that such assistance has been previously rendered to some such agencies.

d. In closing, 430th stated that they are not "budgeted" beyond 31 June 1951, and intimated that they may have to cease this operation after that date. They further stated that a directive received through GS, USFA, indicated that some time in the undetermined future CIA will assume responsibility for evacuations. Although it is not

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certain, it appears to 430th that end of the budget and assumption of control by CIA may roughly coincide.

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JOHN M. [redacted]
1st Lt MPC
Technical Specialist Section

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Memo to Col. Stevens--

Sir, this is a rough draft of the system employed by 430th CIC in disposal cases. The two pages at the end are a few questions I have on same, most of which Lt. Hobbins has the answer to.

The steep classification is in accord with CO 430th and G-2 USFA wishes, and accordingly, I have not discussed this matter with anyone but Lt. Hobbins and you.

[We have four (4) disposal cases at the moment,] all of which suggest that emigration of some sort or another should be applied to.

The members of the Tech/Spec section are prepared to discuss the overall aspect of disposal by emigration at any time that such assemblage can be arranged.

During my proposed leave of absence (23 Dec-5 Jan), Mr. Hughes will standby prepared for such discussion, if such is desired before I return.

The IS material attached hereto is charged out to Lt. Hobbins; he is prepared to amplify a bit on this written M/R.

Ick.

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1. Par. 2 of 1a [illegible]

a. Does 66th get involved in the illegal documentation at all? What type name is used, i.e., proper or alias?

2. Par. 3:

a. How rigid is the physical? Normal or type?

3. Par 4:

a. What do we have to tell I.D. for their concurrence? Are they quite familiar with the 430th system?

b. Has I.D. been refunding the money paid out by 430th on such cases?

c. At what point does 66th phase out of the correspondence channel and it become I.D. to 430th direct or I.D. to G-2 USFA direct?

d. What correspondence goes laterally from us to 430th?

e. Does HEAGOY come to 66th for a briefing on each case? Do we bring the emigrant to this headquarters for HEAGOY's interview simultaneously?

f. What is meant by "insure the security of the specific resettlement."

g. Passport type photo prepared at region before interview with HEAGOY?

h. Is 430th contact man in Italy on 430th payroll - basic, but just wondered about his status, i.e., foreign national, US or Allied civilian, military, HICOS or what?

i. After HEAGOY interview and alias given by contact man, do we have to further any correspondence on alias? To whom?

j. How about the securing of the OTB document and transit visa on an alias? Is travel permit secured at Italian consulate in MUNICH? What type of communication do we have to work up on that? I strongly favor the 430th picking the gent up perhaps near BERCHTESGADEN in each case and letting them float SUBJECT across the border since 430th is so well known at those check points.

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[illegible] What [illegible] is [illegible] [illegible] through 4-Power Commission?

l. Where in Italy does emigrant go? Do all go to a central transient area of "Pensione" of different cities?

m. The [illegible] in greenbacks given upon Debarkation - is that amount per head?

n. The [illegible] handles all [illegible] cases via State Department communication as though they were [illegible] cases; no further [illegible] involvement?

o. What constitutes "VIP" treatment in this case?

p. Reference financing - what type of fund transaction do they object to - receipt for greenbacks to [illegible] representative - this is all we would need if I.D. goes along with [illegible] system?

q. Do all money transactions have to be made at any specific headquarters location?

r. Who provides border courier service for money movement?

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US ARMY, EUROPE

APO 154
11 December 1950

MEMORANDUM TO COLONEL STEVENS via Captain BURR, Majors PIERSON/DANIELS

Sir, I do not know how familiar you are with this case up to the present time. To me it is an item that should be dealt with actively and by all means properly. I probably know less about this fabulous character than most of the people who have been around here for quite awhile but I think it should be delved into shortly.

Captain UHRATH is going to handle the case if you agree that positive action should be taken on same at this time.

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G. C. RUSSI
Major, Infantry
Technical Specialist

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APO 154

MEMORANDUM TO COLONEL STEVENS

SUBJECT: Klaus BARBIE Case

1. Klaus BARBIE has been an informant of this organization since 1947, operating in the Region XII area. BARBIE was formerly a high official of Gestapo in LYON, France, and during his period of service is alleged to have tortured and killed many French patriots. Because of these alleged acts, BARBIE is wanted by the French for trial as a war criminal. Reference is made to Tab #1 which outlines the overtures made by the French for the return of BARBIE to France for trial.

2. In January 1950, Region XII communicated with this headquarters and requested information as to the disposition of SUBJECT. By Minute 2, this headquarters ordered Region XII to maintain contact with SUBJECT; to keep him in the area; and to continue paying him from Confidential Funds, as it was necessary to have SUBJECT available in case the French desired to re-interrogate SUBJECT or to have SUBJECT extradited to France. (See Tab #2)

3. In April 1950, SUBJECT's name appeared on the German Police Want List. It was determined that the Surete had sponsored this request, and apparently had done so without clearance at a higher level, i.e., Surete contacted Wuerttemberg Police directly, contrary to existing regulations. Region XII at this time sent an IRS to this headquarters, which IRS was never answered. (See Tab #3)

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4. In May 1950, Region XII S-3 sent an MOIC to this headquarters again outlining the BARBIE case, together with possible ramifications. The Regional Commander placed a 1st Indorsement to this MOIC approving the S-3 comments. Region XII requested a decision coupled with guidance from this headquarters in the BARBIE case but no information was forwarded to Region XII either giving guidance or outlining the action the region should take. (See Tab #4)

5. In May 1950, the HARDY treason trial started in PARIS. HARDY was a member of the French Resistance and had given information to the Gestapo - namely to BARBIE. The French wanted BARBIE as a witness against HARDY - it is noted that the French papers stated the American authorities refused to allow BARBIE to appear as a witness. The truth is that the French did not make a proper request, and that Lieutenant WHITEWAY of BDOC was the initial party to ask for BARBIE's appearance as a material witness. When WHITEWAY discovered that the French would not return BARBIE to Germany, WHITEWAY withdrew his request. No additional requests were made at that time. It is pointed out that apparently two factions in France are involved in a political manuever. The Communists want BARBIE to return , while other factions would prefer to have him remain in Germany. The latter faction have good reason, as many influential Frenchman, who presently hold high positions, were interrogated by BARBIE during the early days of the occupation of France. For example, PONCET and LaBRUN(PONCET, I believe, is presently High Commissioner in Germany). Note Tab #5 which indicates the unfavorable publicity on this matter which was forwarded by letter to General TAYLOR.

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6. On the 18th of May, 1950, a TWX was received from Major COLLINS, ID, indicating that the German police were looking for BARBIE, and had requested the cooperation of this detachment. No action is indicated. (See Tab #6)

7. On 21 August 1950, a SRI was received from ID requesting the extradition of BARBIE. This SRI was replied to by letter this headquarters, dated 30 August, which stated that this headquarters was complying with original decision made in May 1950. The decision referred to is notated on Tab #1 and indicates that Colonels ERSKINE, ECKMANN, LIGON and JOHNSON, Majors WILSON and DANIELS, and Mr. VIDAL agreed that BARBIE should not be placed in the hands of the French. (See Tab #7)

8. The most current document in SUBJECT's dossier is a TWX from ID, dated 9 September 1950, which indicates that Colonel ERSKINE had informed I.D. that this headquarters has no objection to the extradition of SUBJECT. A Memo for Record indicates that Colonel HARDICK, I.D., was informed that we are no longer connected with BARBIE, and therefore, have no objection to the extradition. No other explanation is given for the reversal of decision. (See Tab #8)

9. A problem is therefore presented in view of the above decision. Region XII is still harboring SUBJECT and his family in a Liaison House, and is not only supporting SUBJECT, but is utilizing him as an informant. Region XII is acting properly under orders of this headquarters inasmuch as the region was informed in January 1950 to keep SUBJECT on the payroll. Region XII has pointed out to this headquarters on several occasions

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since that date the problem involved and has requested guidance but no definite action has been taken by this headquarters thus far to alleviate Region XII's problem.

10. During recent discussions with Region XII representatives, the BARBIE case again came to the attention of this section and Major RUSSI in turn ordered a review of the dossier as outlined above for further consideration at this time by Colonel STEVENS.

11. RECOMMENDATIONS: It is deemed important that this organization immediately disassociate itself with BARBIE. If this action had been taken a year ago, a time cushion would by now have been employed to our advantage and would have somewhat minimized any possible repercussions to this unit. Undoubtedly, Colonel ERSKINE's decision to allow I.D. to have SUBJECT extradited must have been founded on a strong basis, which is however not indicated in the written record. (It is presumed that Colonel ERSKINE believed the implications of Tab #8 to this memo be carried through.) However, it is pointed out that SUBJECT, if extradited, is still in a position to:

a. cause a great deal of adverse publicity to CIC in particular and to the Armed Forces in general. In short, in order to vindicate himself, BARBIE will point out that he has served CIC faithfully against Communism for the past several years; this in turn, will expose the fact that this detachment failed initially to arrest him as an automatic arrestee, later failed to turn him over to the British who also wanted him; this unit has probably used the services of a war criminal and protected such person from legal authority.

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b. expose this organizations modus operandi, many KEI's, and compromise sensitive penetration informants who are still active in the AUGSBURG area.

c. point out the names of several unsavory "personalities" that have been protected and employed by CIC.

In reality, BARBIE was "pressed" into service by this organization when he was arrested for having been associated with an SS underground movement. BARBIE at that time was made to swear that he would sever connections with the SS movement and serve this organization. To date SUBJECT has fulfilled his portion of the contract and has apparently served this organization well. The following plan of action is proposed:

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(1) This organization completely and with all finality sever all relations with SUBJECT. It must be pointed out firmly to SUBJECT that he has no alternative but to adhere to our desires, as his life is at stake as well as his future security.

(2) SUBJECT must be given a debriefing payment in order to enable both he and his family (wife and two children) to be financially independent until absorbed and lost in the German economy.

(3) This unit may then either:

(a) passively assist SUBJECT in processing himself through several refugee camps as an Illegal Border Crosser in order to enable him to obtain legal documentation and that way completely lose his identity, or

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(b) Inform SUBJECT that this unit no longer desires him to remain in the AUGSBURG area because the French are exerting pressure in their search for him. Also inform him that this headquarters will no longer protect him from the French and that he is completely on his own, to do what he pleases.

By following plan (a), it is noted that we will be assured that SUBJECT will completely lose his identity. CIC need not even appear on the scene, other than to watch the developments from the side-lines. However, by following plan (b), in addition to disassociating ourselves with SUBJECT we would also be able to preclude any possible further tie-in with SUBJECT. It is pointed out that SUBJECT has on two occasions escaped from the British and on one occasion escaped from the American authorities. SUBJECT is a professional intelligence man who is very capable and qualified to take care of himself - unless this organization persists in remaining his guardian angel.

13. Recent conference with Region XII indicates that SUBJECT is very cooperative in his frame of mind and is willing to follow any procedure set forth by this organization inasmuch as he is living in constant fear of being apprehended by the French.

14. It is believed that if SUBJECT is disassociated with this organization, given a debriefing sum to rehabilitate himself, it is not believed that he will be apprehended in the near future by either the allied or German authorities. Further, based upon past experience, it is believed that the moment the German government receives a portion of its authority under the "technical peace" the function now performed

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by the "Extradition Commission" of the Allied High Commissioners Office will become a function of the German government. BARBIE obviously is still a patriot to the German government.

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OPERATIONS ATTENTION CAPTAIN YAROSH PD REFERENCE TELEPHONE CONVERSATION BETWEEN CAPTAIN YAROSH AND MR HUGHES CMA THIS HQS CMA ONE THREE FEB FIVE ONE PD FOLLOWING CONSTITUTE ANSWERS TO BE INCORPORATED INTO KLAUS ALTMANNS APPLICATION FORM CLE ABLE ADDRESS IN COUNTRY OF DESTINATION IS TRIESTE PD BAKER PD PURPOSE FOR TRAVEL IS BUSINESS PD CHARLIE PD DURATION OF VISIT IS PERMANENT PD DOG PD IDENTITY CARD NUMBER IS LEFT BLANK PD EASY PD PRESENT ADDRESS IS AUGSBURG PD END CITE RUSSI SIGNED TORMEY

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REFERENCE	ORIGINATING DIVISION	TIME CLEARED
PRIORITY	Commanding Officer, CIC, FWH/[illegible]/672	16 20Z RAP
	NAME AND RANK TYPED: David H. Huntoon, Lt Col, Inf.	OPERATOR: 14 Feb GS
	AUTHENTICATING SIGNATURE: Le Roy C Pierson, Majority	CHECKED: GS

D-282100-L

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DATE AND TIME: 150030 February 1951

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COMMANDING OFFICER, REGION IV ATTN: MAJOR RAUSCH

REFER TO RELEASE
REF NO DEPT CITE
INS NO

F7720 CLASSIFICATION [redacted]

FOLLOWING REPRESENTS INFORMATION REGARDING DIFFICULT DISPOSAL CASE CMA KLAUS ALTMAN CMA THAT CAN BE PASSED ON TO UNCLE SUGAR REPRESENTATIVE COMBINED TRAVEL BOARD CMA MUNICH PD REPRESENTATIVE SHOULD BE TOLD SUBJECT IS OF EXTREME INTEREST TO UNCLE SUGAR INTELLIGENCE AND IS TRAVELLING ON HIGHLY SENSITIVE TASK PD ALSO THAT CIC IS TAKING CURRENT ACTION TOWARD ASSISTING SUBJECT IN BEHALF OF ANOTHER UNCLE SUGAR AGENCY PD TO PRESERVE COMPLETE SECURITY SUBJECT AND WIFE MUST NOT MAKE PERSONAL APPEARANCE TO AUSTRIAN AND ITALIAN CONSULATES PD YOUR REGION TO REQUEST FULL COOPERATION FROM UNCLE SUGAR REPRESENTATIVE COMBINED TRAVEL BOARD MUNICH IN HOPE THAT CHARLIE TARE BAKER REPRESENTATIVE WILL OBTAIN TRANSIT VISAS FROM AUSTRIAN AND ITALIAN CONSULATES THEREBY ELIMINATING NECESSITY OF SUBJECT OR WIFE APPEARING IN PERSON TO THE CONSULATES PD END CITE RUSSI SIGNED TORMEY

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PRIORITY	SIGNATURE AND DESIGNATION Commanding Officer, CIC, FWH/kgr/672	TIME CLEARED 1045 JW
	NAME AND RANK OF WRITER David H. Huntoon Lt Colonel, Inf.	DATE 15 Feb
	[illegible]	DATE Kmk

[illegible] 11 [illegible] 141340 February 1951

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COMMANDING OFFICER, REGION XII

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REFERS TO MESSAGE

REF NO DIRECT QUOTE

[illegible] F7739 CLASSIFICATION [redacted]

[illegible] CAPT YAROS PD APPROVAL GRANTED FOR LAST TIME VISIT OF KLAUS ALTMANNS MOTHER TO SEE [illegible]TMANN IN AUGSBURG AREA PROVIDING COMPLIANCE MADE WITH FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS CLK ABLE [illegible] MOTHER WILL BE NOTIFIED BY MOST SECURE METHOD TO COME TO AUGSBURG PD TWO PD MOTHER [illegible]LL TRAVEL ALONE TO AUGSBURG AND WILL BE MET AT RAILROAD STATION BY SA HECK PD CHARLIE [illegible] FOR PURPOSE OF MEETING CMA SA HECK WILL USE RENTED GERMAN VEHICLE PD DOG PD ALL EFFORT [illegible]LL BE MADE TO DETECT AND SHAKE ANY POSSIBLE TAIL OF MOTHER PD EASY PD APPROPRIATE INSTRUC-ONS AND BRIEFING WILL BE GIVEN SA HECK BY CAPT YAROSH REGARDING DETECTION OF TAIL CMA [illegible]D ACTION TAKEN TO SHAKE SAME PD FOX PD MOTHER WILL LE TAKEN TO PREARRANGED CMA MOST [illegible] MEETING PLACE TO VISIT ALTMANN OUTSIDE AUGSBURG PD GEORGE PD ALTMANN WILL BE ESCORTED [illegible] AND FROM MEETING PLACE BY CAREFULLY SELECTED CIC AGENT USING UNDERCOVER CAR PD HOW PD [illegible]LY SA HECK OF CIC WILL BE PRESENT DURING MEETING OF ALTMANN AND MOTHER TO INSURE NOTHING [illegible]VULGED CONCERNING PENDING MOVE PD ITEM PD SA HECK WILL INSURE THAT MOTHER SAFELY DEPARTS [illegible]R TRIER PD SPEED AND ABSOLUTE SECURITY ESSENTIAL IN COMPLETING THIS VISIT PD END CITE

[illegible]SSI SIGNED TORMEY

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[illegible]	[illegible] Commanding Officer, CIC, FWH/kgr/672	[illegible] 14212 JBH
RIORITY	[illegible] David H. Huntoon Lt Col, Infantry	[illegible] 14 Feb Rmk
	[illegible] LeRoy C. Pierson, Major Arty	[illegible] Rmk

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[illegible] Europe

ROUTINE

FROM CIC REGION XII AUGSBURG DTG 161445Z FEB 51

TO HQ 66TH CIC DET

REF NR L-321/FOR RUSSI/REUR FOX SEVEN SEVEN THREE NINE PAR CHARLIE PD REQUEST PERMISSION TO USE UNDERCOVER VOLKSWAGEN WITH SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES INSTEAD OF RENTED GERMAN VEHICLE CMA TO MEET MOTHER OF ALTMANN ON HER ARRIVAL IN AUGSBURG PD FROM YAROSH

File in II-252100-L
This matter taken
[illegible] by phone Friday
1730 hrs 16 Feb 1951
[illegible]

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190945 February 1951

HQS 66TH CIC DET., EUCOM

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REGION XII, ATTN: OPERATIONS, CAPT YARONE

BY AUTHORITY OF TJEL

GUY G RITCHIE
Int
1st Lt

REFERS TO MESSAGE
REF NO | DATE | SUBJECT
YES | NO

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SUBJ IS KLAUS ALTMANN CURRENT DIFFICULT DISPOSAL CASE OF YOUR REGION PD RECEIVED REQUEST
M MAJOR DANIELS CMA OPERATIONS OFFICER OF NEW REGION ROMAN LINE IN ORLEANS CMA FRANCE
INTERROGATION OF SUBJECT TO DETERMINE FOLLOWING SMCLN INFORMANTS USED BY ALTMANN IN
NCE DURING WORLD WAR TWO SMCLN STATEMENTS AS TO RELIABILITY OF THESE INFORMANTS SMCLN
RMINATION WHETHER OR NOT INFORMANTS COMPROMISED TO BRITISH AND FRENCH AUTHORITIES SMCLN
HOD OF HANDLING BY ALTMANN PD INTERROGATION OF ALTMANN RE C'N ABOVE MUST BE SO CONDUCTED
PT NOT TO REVEAL CIC INTEREST IN RECONTACTING THOSE WHOSE FUTURE SALVAGE MIGHT
SSIBLE BY CIC PD FOR YOUR REGIONS INFORMATION ONLY CMA REGION ROMAN LINE IN FRANCE
S RELIABLE SOURCES WHO CAN REPORT ON FRENCH COMMUNISTS PD SUBJECT SHOULD COOPERATE
HANDLING AGENT ON THIS MATTER IN RETURN FOR ALL FAVORS RENDERED BY CIC IN HIS RE-
LITATION PD COMPLETION OF THIS MISSION TO BE ACCOMPLISHED BY INTERVIEW AND DISCUSSION
SUBJECT DURING HIS WAIT FOR MOVEMENT AND WILL NOT ENTAIL RPT WILL NOT ENTAIL ANY
IDE INVESTIGATION PD DESIRE YOUR REGION TREAT THIS TASK ON HIGH PRIORITY BASIS PD
CIDE RUSSI SIGNED FORMEY

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CIC LOG
No. M-7514

AUTHENTICATION	ORIGINATING DIVISION Commanding Officer, CIC, KWE/kgr/672	TIME CLEARED 1317
RITY	NAME AND RANK OF W. David H. Puntoon Lt Col, Infantry	OPERATOR 1132
	[illegible]	[illegible]

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Temporary Travel Document
in lieu of passport
for stateless persons
and persons of undetermined nationality

Titre de voyage provisoire
tenant lieu de passeport
pour apatrides
et personnes de nationalité indéterminée

Vorläufiger Reiseausweis
an Stelle eines Passes
für Staatenlose
und Personen unbestimmter Staatsangehörigkeit

Number :
Numéro : № 012151
Nummer :

This document contains 28 pages.
Ce passeport contient 28 pages.
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Holder — Détenteur — Inhaber

Signature du détenteur

Signature of holder

Wife — Epouse — Gattin

Unterschrift der Gattin:

Signature de l'épouse:

Signature of wife:

This document, if properly visaed, is valid for travel to :

Ce document, muni des visas appropries, est valide pour se rendre en :

Mit vorschriftsmaßiger Einreisegenehmigung ist dieser Pass gultig fur :

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[illegible] la France, la Grèce, l'Italie, [illegible] la Suisse, la [illegible] SAUF mention spéciale [illegible]

Nur für die [illegible] Österreich [illegible] Frankreich, Griechenland, Italien, Liechtenstein, [illegible] Holland, Norwegen, Saar, Schweden, Schweiz und Großbritannien, wenn nicht besonders vermerkt auf Seite [illegible]

Valid to :
Valable jusqu'au : 21 FEB 1953
Gültig bis zum :

Issued at : [illegible]
Délivré à : [illegible]
Ausgestellt in : [illegible]

On :
Le : [illegible] FEB 1951
Am :

By :
Par : [illegible] BOARD
Von :

J. J. URMAN
[illegible]

VISAS

CONSOLATO D'ITALIA MONACO DI BAVIERA

VISTO DI DOPPIO TRANSITO PER L'ITALIA Nr. 1507

concesso a ALTMANN Klaus

con diritto a [illegible] per ogni transito.

Il viaggio di [illegible] dovrà essere effettuato entro sei mesi dalla data del presente visto.

Monaco di Bav., 21 FEB 1951

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art. 57 T.C.

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Il CONSOLE

CONSOLATO D'ITALIA MONACO DI BAVIERA

REPUBBLICA ITALIANA 1951

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SOLICITUD DE INGRESO A BOLIVIA.-EJEMPLAR N° 1.-

Espacio

CONSULADO GENERAL DE BOLIVIA
EN ITALIA

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Génova, 16 de marzo de 1951.-
CORSO ITALIA, 14-6
TELÉFONO 33888

	Hansen	Altmann
	APELLIDO MATERNO	APELLIDO PATERNO

FOTOGRAFIAS

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DATOS QUE PROPORCIONA EL SOLICITANTE

NACIONALIDAD: alemana PROFESION: mecánico RELIGION: católica

NACIDO EN Kronstadt, Alemania el 25-10-1915.

MADRE: Nikolaus Altmann NACIONALIDAD: alemana MADRE: Anna Hansen

ESPOSA: Regina Wilhelms de Altmann NACIONALIDAD: [illegible] RELIGION: católica

ESTADO CIVIL: casado

INGRESARE CON LOS SIGUIENTES: Regina Wilhelms de Altmann, mi esposa.
Eta Maria Altmann, mi hija menor de 9 años. Joerg Altmann, mi hijo menor de 4 años.

NOMBRE Y DIRECCION DEL PARIENTE O AMIGO MAS CERCANO QUE TENGO EN MI PAIS NATAL

EN EL DE MI ULTIMA RESIDENCIA: Padre Stefano Dragonovic. Roma. Italia.

LUGAR Y EMPRESAS O FIRMAS DONDE HE TRABAJADO LOS ULTIMOS CINCO AÑOS: en la firma [illegible] Alemania.

LAS SIGUIENTES PERSONAS ME CONOCEN EN BOLIVIA: Padre Roque Romao, guardián de la Comunidad Franciscana de Cochabamba.

PIENSO DEDICARME A trabajar en mi profesión

POSEO UN CAPITAL DE 850 dólares.

PIENSO RESIDIR EN BOLIVIA: indefinidamente

AUTORIZACION: Por este Consulado General según cable N°. 2 de Minrelaciones.

V°.B°.

Firma del Cónsul

GENOVA, 1[illegible] de marzo de 19[illegible].-

Firma del interesado.

24 MAYO 1972

Jefe Depto. Consular Contralor

INFORME:

Los inmigrantes Klaus Altmann Hausen su esposa [illegible], sus hijos menores María y Jorge, tienen sus documentos personales en orden y han llenado todos los requisitos pertinentes para inmigrar al país. Sus certificados acreditan su moralidad y capacidad de trabajo.

CONSULADO GENERAL DE BOLIVIA EN ITALIA GENOVA

JORGE ARCE P.
Cónsul General

CONSULADO GENERAL DE BOLIVIA EN ITALIA GENOVA

La Paz 24 Mayo de 19[illegible]

Legalizado la firma y rúbrica del señor

Jorge Arce P.

Ex Cónsul general de Bolivia

Genova en actual

ejercicio de sus funciones

Dr. Santiago Schulze Arana
Jurídico y Culto
Ministerio de Relaciones Exteriores

Request to Enter Bolivia -- Exemplar No. 1

Consulate General of Boliva in Italy Genoa, 16 March 1951

Name--KLAUS Mother's maiden name--HANSEN Last name--ALTMANN

Photographs--

Applicant's Data

Nationality--German Occupation--Mechanic Religion--Catholic

Born--Kronstadt, Germany on--20 Oct 1915

Father--NIKOLAUS ALTMANN Nationality--German Mother--ANNA HANSEN

Wife--REGINA WILHELMS DE ALTMANN Nationality--German Religion--Catholic

Marital status--Married

Enters with the following--REGINIA WILHELMS DE ALTMANN, my wife UTE MARIA ALTMANN, my 9 year old daughter. JORGE ALTMANN, my 4 year old son.

Name and adddress of relative or friend closest to me in my native land or in my last place of residence--Father STEFANO DRAGONOVIC, Rome, Italy.

Places where I worked for the past 5 years--Peter Hail Co., Dortmand, Germany.

The following people in Bolivia know me--Father ROQUE ROMAO, Guardian of the Fraciscan Community of Sacaba.

I plan to work in my profession.

I have US$850.

I plan to reside in Bolivia indefinitely.

Authorization--by this Consulate General according to Cable No. 2 of Minrelaciones. Signed--Consul Genoa, 16 March 1951.

Signed--KLAUS ALTMANN Stamp--Consulate General of Boliva in Genoa, Italy, Stamp--illegible.

FYI:

Immigrants KLAUS ALTMANN HAUSEN and his wife REGINA WILHELMS and his minor children MARIA AND JORGE, have their personal documents in order and have met all the requirements for entering the country as immigrants. Their certificates attest to their morality and work competence.

Signed--JORGE ARCE P ., Consul General

Stamp--Consulate General of Bolivia in Genoa, Italy

La Paz, 24 March 1972

Signature legalized by JORGE ARCE P.

Consul General of Bolivia

in Genoa, Italy.

Signed--Dr. SANTIAGO (name unclear)

Minister of Foreign Relations

Stamps

COMITÉ INTERNATIONAL DE LA CROIX-ROUGE
INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE OF THE RED CROSS

AGENCE CENTRALE DE RECHERCHES
CENTRAL TRACING AGENCY

Référence:

Mrs Kathleen M. Daly
American Consul

Embassy of the United
States of America
Embassy Branch Office
11, route de Pregny
1292 Chambésy

Geneva, April 20, 1983

Ref. : Klaus BARBIE.

Dear Madam,

Further to your letter of April 7, we are sending you here enclosed photocopies of the supporting documents that enabled ICRC to issue the travel documents for

. ALTMANN Klaus
. ALTMANN Regina and her two children (Uta and Klaus).

For your information a certain Altmann Klaus arrived at our delegation in Genova (Italy) in 1951 and presented a temporary travel document established by the Allied High Commission for Germany in Munich. This document was only valid for limited travelling, but not to leave Europe. However it permitted our delegation to issue Red Cross travel documents for Altmann Klaus, his wife and their two children. After arrival at destination the travel documents should have been returned to us; however these 2 documents never reached ICRC.

May we mention too, that generally ICRC divulges any information in its possession only on request of the person concerned or to family members. All our information is treated as confidential. However in this special case we make and exception.

Yours faithfully,

N. Vecsey

N. Vecsey
Head of Europe and North
America Division

encl. : 2

DELLA CROCE ROSSA
GENOVA

RICHIESTA DI TITOLO DI VIAGGIO

Data della domanda 15. marzo 1951

Cognome (Nome di famiglia): WILHELMS in ALTMANN
(Per le Signore cognome del marito) nata

Nome: Regina S. F. (maschile - femminile)

Data di nascita: 7. ~~XI~~ (giorno) dicembre (mese) 1915 (anno)

Luogo di nascita: Osburg (città) / (provincia) Germania (stato)

Padre: WILHELMS (Cognome) Matthias (Nome)

Madre: MERTENS (Cognome di nascita) Margaretha (Nome)

Nazionalità di origine: tedesca attuale: tedesca
da indicare sul Titolo di viaggio

Professione: Religione: cattolica

Stato di famiglia: — (celibe) sposata (sposato) (Indicare nome del congiunto) / (vedovo)

Indirizzo a Genova: Via Lomellini 6

" fuori Genova

Bambini di meno di 14 anni che accompagnano il postulante:
(Nome, cognome e data di nascita)

1) Uta Maria, nata 30. VI. 1941 in K
2) KLAUS Joerg, nato ~~7~~ 11. XII. 1946

Il richiedente è stato o è: prigioniero di guerra - internato - deportato - lavoratore civile - profugo. (Cancellare quello che non conviene)

A ..... date: .....

Desidera recarsi in: Bolivia - Sud America

Firma personale del richiedente

(Nel firmare la presente richiesta il richiedente dichiara di non aver ricevuto altro titolo di viaggio dalla Croce Rossa Internazionale)

Altmann Regina

TESTIMONIANZA FORNITA

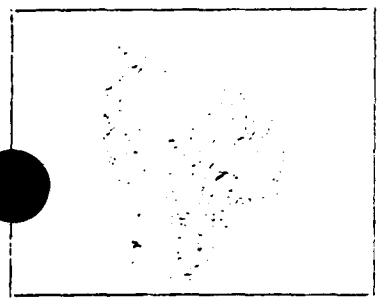
Identità: Tempor. Travel Document N° 0121453, rilasciato
(Documenti personali presentati)
dalla Alta Commissione Alleata a Monaco, il 21. II. 19

Visto Boliviano assicurato presso il Consolato della Bolivia di Genova

Emigrazione: in Bolivia
(Indicare se avverrà tramite un Comitato responsabile. Designazione dell'Autorità. Num. di registrazione)

Prof. K. Stef. Dragan

o privatamente (indicare promesse di visto ottenute):



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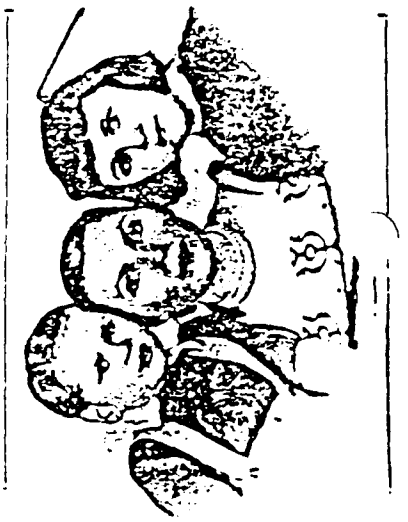
CONNOTATI

Capelli: biondi

Occhi: azzurri

Naso: regolare

Segni particolari: /



Visto per l'autenticità delle dichiarazioni, fotografia, firma e impronta digitale del Sig.

Firma e timbro dell'Autorità:

Luogo e data:

(pregasi apporre il timbro anche sulla fotografia)

Carta 10.100 bis N. 18574 Validità sei mesi

Concessa a Genova il 16 Marzo 1951

Consegnata a " il " " "

International Commission
of the Red Cross
Genova

Request for Title
of Travel

Date of
application 15 MARCH 1951

Lastname (name of family) WILHELMS ALTMANN
(for the Women last name of husband) born

Name Regina S. F
(male-female)

Date of Birth 7 December 1915
day month year

Place of Birth Osburg Germany
city province country

Father Wilhelms Matthias
Lastname Name

Mother Mertens Margaretha
Lastname of Birth Name

Nationality of Origin German current German
(to indicate on Title of Trave

Profession Religion Catholic

State of Family / Married /
celibate married {indicate name of spouse} widowed

Address in Genova Via Lomellini 6

" outside Genova

Children under 14 years of age who accompany the applicant (Name, Lastname and date of birth)
1) Uta Maria, born 30, VI, 1941 in K
2) KLAUS Georg, born 11, [illegible] 1946

The applicant has been or is: prisoner of war internee deported-civil(ian) worker - refuge (Cancel that which does not apply)
At dates

Desires to reach Bolivia - South America

PERSONAL SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT
(In signing the present request the applicant declares to have not received other title of travel from the International Red Cross)

TESTIMONY GIVEN

Identity: Temp. Travel Document No 0121453, released
(personal documents presented)
by the High Allied Commission in Munich on 21, II 1951
Bolivian Visa obtained through the Consulate of Bolivia
in Genova

Immigration: in Bolivia
(Indicate whether it will take place through a resonsible committ
Designation of Authority. Number of Registration)

or privately (indicate promises of visa obtained)

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Fingerprint
(right thumb)

Hair: Blond
Eyes: Blue
Nose: Normal
Particular Features: /.

Seen for the authenticity of the declarations, photograph, signature and fingerprint of Mr.
Signature and stamp of the Authority
Place and Date
(please apply the stamp also on the photograph)

Paper ? 18574 Validity six months

Conceeded in Genova on 16 March 1951

Given in " on " " "

Signature of Applicant

DELLA CROCE ROSSA
GENOVA

RICHIESTA DI TITOLO DI VIAGGIO

Data della domanda .....

Cognome (Nome di famiglia): ALTMANN nata
(Per le Signore cognome del marito)

Nome: KLAUS S. M.
(maschile - femminile)

Data di nascita: 25. Oktober 1915
giorno mese anno

Luogo di nascita: KRONSTADT GERMANIA
città provincia stato

Padre: ALTMANN NIKOLAUS
Cognome Nome

Madre: HANSEN ANNA
Cognome di nascita Nome

Nazionalità di origine: TEDESCO attuale: .....
da indicare sul Titolo di viaggio

Professione: MECANICO Religione: CATTOLICO

Stato di famiglia: SPOSATO /
celibe sposato { Indicare nome del congiunto vedovo

Indirizzo a Genova: VIA LOMELLINI 6

" fuori Genova .....

Bambini di meno di 14 anni che accompagnano il postulante:
(Nome, cognome e data di nascita)

ULA-MARIA, NATA 30.VI.41 KASSEL
KLAUS-JÜRG, NATA 11.12.46 KASSEL

Il richiedente è stato o è: prigioniero di guerra - internato - deportato - lavoratore civile - profugo. (Cancellare quello che non conviene)

A ..... date: .....

Desidera recarsi in: SÜED-AMERIKA (BOLIVIA)

Firma personale del richiedente

(Nel firmare la presente richiesta il richiedente dichiara di non aver ricevuto altro titolo di viaggio dalla Croce Rossa Internazionale)

Klaus Altmann

Identità: TEMP. TRAVEL Document No 6121454, rilasciato
(Documenti personali presentati)
dalla Alta Commissione Alleata a Monaco il 21. II. 19

Visto Boliviano= assicurato presso il Consolato della Boli a
di Genova

Emigrazione: in Bolivia
(Indicare se avverrà tramite un Comitato responsabile. Designazione dell'Autorità. Num. di registrazione)

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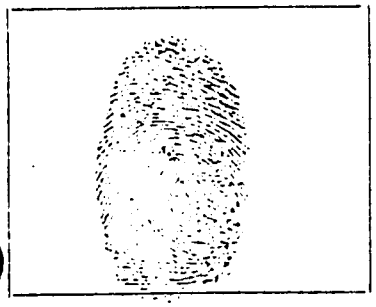
o privatamente (indicare promesse di visto ottenute):



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CONNOTATI

Capelli: CASTAGNI

Occhi: BRUNI

Naso: REGOLARE

Segni particolari: /

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Concessa a Genova il 16 Marzo 1951

Consegnata a " il " " "

Firma del richiedente

International Commission
of the Red Cross.
Genova

Request for Title
of Travel

Date of
application _____

Lastname (name of family) ALTMANN
(for the Women last name of husband) born

Name KLAUS S. M
(male-female)

Date of Birth 25 OCTOBER 1915
day month year

Place of Birth KRONSTADT GERMANY
city province country

Father ALTMANN NIKOLAUS
Lastname Name

Mother HANSEN ANNA
Lastname of Birth Name

Nationality of Origin GERMAN current _____
(to indicate on Title of Trave

Profession MECHANIC Religion CATHOLIC

State of Family MARRIED /
celibate married {indicate name of spouse widowed

Address in Genova VIA LOMELLINI 6

" outside Genova _____

Children under 14 years of age
who accompany the applicant
(Name, Lastname and date of birth)
UTA-MARIA, BORN 30, VI 41 KASSEL
KLAUS-JOERG, BORN 11, 12 46 KASSEL

The applicant has been or is: prisoner of war interned deported-
civil(ian) worker - refuge (Cancel that which does not apply
At _____ dates _____

Desires to reach SOUTH AMERICA (BOLIVIA)

PERSONAL SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT
(In signing the present request the applicant declares to have not received other title of travel from the International Red Cross)

TESTIMONY GIVEN

de[illegible]ty: TEMP. TRAVEL DOCUMENT NO ~~[illegible]~~ 0121454, RELEASED BY THE HIGH
(personal documents presented)
ALLIED COMMISSION IN MUNICH, ON 21, II 1951
Bolivian Visa = obtained ~~[illegible]~~ through the Consulate of Bolivia
in Geneva

mmigration: in Bolivia
(Indicate whether it will take place through a resonsible committe
Designation of Authority. Number of Registration)

or privately (indicate promises of visa obtained)

?

Hair: BROWN
Eyes: BROWN
Nose: REGULAR
Particular Features: /.

Fingerprint
(right thumb)

Seen for the authenticity of the declarations, photograph, signature and fingerprint of Mr. _____
Signature and stamp of the Authority _____
Place and Date _____
(please apply the stamp also on the photograph)

Paper ? 18573 Validity SIX MONTHS
Conceeded in Geneva on 16 March 1951
Given in " on " " "

Signature of Applicant →

CONSULADO GENERAL DE LA REPUBLICA ARGENTINA · GENOVA

VISTO en este Consulado General de la Republica Argentina.

Genova 19 MAR 1951

N.° de orden 1418

N.° de arancel

Derecho percibido m$n

Liras

DERECHOS ABONADOS EN CAUCION

CONSULADO GENERAL DE LA REPUBLICA ARGENTINA · GENOVA

ROGELIO R. TRISTANY
CONSUL GENERAL DE LA REPUBLICA ARGENTINA

1. Stamp: Approved by this Consulate General of the Republic of Argentina, Genoa, 19 March 1951.

2. Stamp: Consulate General of the Republic of Argentina, Geneva.

3. Stamp: No. of order -- 14218

   No. of tariff --
   Fees in national currency --
   Liras --
   } bail posted

4. Stamp: Consulate General of the Repulbic of Argentina, Geneva.

   Signed: Rogelio R. Tristany, Consul General of the Repulic of Argentina.

VISTO en este Consulado General de la Republica Argentina.

Génova 19 MAR. 1951

CONSULADO GENERAL DE LA REPUBLICA ARGENTINA - GENOVA

N.º de orden 14216

N.º de arancel

Derecho percibido m$n.

Liras GRATIS

ROGELIO R. TRISTANY
CÓNSUL GENERAL DE LA REPUBLICA ARGENTINA

1. Stamp: Approved in this Consulate General of the Republic of Argentina, Genoa, 19 March 1951.

2. Stamp: Order No. 14216

Tariff No. Fee received in National Currency Liras	gratis

3. Stamp: Consulate General of the Republic of Argentina

(signed) Rogelio R. Tristany, Consul General of the Republic of Argentina.

N. 54

El que suscribe Altmann Klaus de nacionalidad Alemana con pasaporte Cruz Roja (Génova) Nº 18573 vidado por el Consulado Bolivia y con destino a dicho pais en caràcter Definitivo declara que a su tràsito por la Repùblica Argentina, se compromete a no solicitar bajo ningùn concepto la tramitaciòn de residencia en el Territorio de la Repùblica Argentina, reconociendo que la visaciòn de TRANSITO otorgada por éste Consulado General no da derecho a la permanencia en la Repùblica por mas tiempo que el concedido por la Direcciòn General de Migraciones. -

Génova 19 de Marzo de 1951

Klaus - Altmann

N. 54

The undersigned, KLAUS ALTMANN, of German nationality with a Red Cross (Geneva) passport No. 18573 bearing a visa issued by the Consulate of Bolivia, en route to said country as definitive destination, states that during his transit through the Republic of Argentina he shall not under any circumstances initiate any action for establishing residence in the territory of the Republic of Argentina, recognizing that the Transit Visa issued by this Consulate General does not grant the right of staying inside the Republic any longer than the time authorized by the Director General of immigration.

Genoa, 19 March 1951

(signed) Klaus Altmann

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CONSULADO GENERAL DE BOLIVIA EN ITALIA
GENOVA

CASELLARIO GIUDIZIALE

Certificato[a] Generale

Procura della Repubblica presso il Tribunale di [b] Roma

Al nome di [c] Altman Klaus

(di ~~figlio~~) [d] Nikolaus e (di ~~figlia~~) [e] Anna Hansen

nato il 25-10-1915 in Kronstadt

Provincia (o Stato [f]) di Germania

sulla richiesta di [g] asso

per [h] uso amministrativo

si attesta che in questo Casellario giudiziale risulta: [i]

NULLA

ROMA, LI 14 MAR 1951

IL SEGRETARIO
MACCHIAVERNA ALFONSO

(a) Generale, penale o civile.

(b) La Procura della Repubblica presso il Tribunale nella cui circoscrizione è compreso il luogo di nascita della persona alla quale il certificato si riferisce; la Procura della Repubblica presso il Tribunale di Roma, *anche* per gli stranieri e per i cittadini nati all'estero.

(c) Cognome e nome della persona alla quale il certificato si riferisce.

(d) Nome del padre. (e) Cognome e nome della madre.

(f) Per i nati all'estero.

(g) Cognome e nome del richiedente.

(h) Motivo della richiesta.

(i) Segnare le decisioni in ordine cronologico, indicando per ciascuna: 1° la data della decisione; — 2° il magistrato che la pronunziò e la sua sede; — 3° il dispositivo; — 4° (per le decisioni penali di condanna) il titolo del reato, indicando se tentato o se continuato, con le aggravanti, compresa la recidiva, attenuanti e diminuenti, le pene inflitte, la dichiarazione di abitualità o professionalità nel reato, o di tendenza a delinquere e le misure di sicurezza applicate; — 5° gli articoli di legge applicati; — 6° le pene accessorie che conseguono alla condanna; — 7° la data di esecuzione dell'ultima pena, ossia giorno, mese e anno in cui cessò di essere scontata, ovvero: NULLA.

Seguono la data, la firma del Segretario della Procura e il timbro dell'ufficio.

La legalizzazione della firma del Segretario è fatta dal Procuratore della Repubblica, ed è soggetta alla normale tassa di concessione governativa.

I certificati rilasciati con urgenza, e cioè nello stesso giorno della richiesta, sono soggetti alla tassa di bollo di L. 2.

N. B. — Il certificato è rilasciato su domanda al Procuratore della Repubblica competente. Alla domanda deve unirsi il certificato di nascita od altro documento che il Procuratore della Repubblica stesso ritenga equipollente. La domanda ed i documenti

JUDICIAL RECORD

CE[illegible]CATE[a] GENERAL

State's Attorneys Office at the Court of[b] ROME

By the name of[c] Altman Klaus

(of [d] Nikolaus (of)[e] Anna Hansen

born on 20-10-1915 in Kronstadt

Province (or Country[f]) of Germany

upon request of[g] ?

for[h] administrative use

it is certified that in this judicial record results:[i]

NOTHING

OME 14 MAR 1951

THE SECRETARY

(a) General, penal or civil.

(b) The State's Attorneys Office at the Court in in the district in which is included the place of birth of the person to whom this certificate refers; the State's Attorneys Office in Rome is also for foreigners and for citizens born abroad.

(c) Lastname and name of the person to whom this certificate refers.

(d) Name of father.

(e) Lastname and name of mother.

(f) For those born abroad.

(g) Lastname and name of applicant.

(h) Reason for application.

(i) Record the decisions in chronological order, indicating for each: 1st the date of the decision; -- 2nd the judge who passed judgement and his district; -- 3rd the purview; -- 4th (for penal decisions of conviction) the title of the crime, indicating wheth attempted of actualized, with the aggravating circum stances, including relapse, attenuation and diminish ing, the punishments inflicted, the statement of hab of professionality in the crime, or of tendency to commit crimes and the measures of security applied; 5th the articles of law applied; -- 6th the complementary penalties which result from the sentence; -- 7th the date of execution of the last punishment, th is, the day, month and year in which he ended servin or: NOTHING.

Following are the date, the signature of the Secretary of the State's Attorneys Office and the stamp of the office.

The legalization of the signature of the Secretary is done by the State's Attorney, and is subject to the normal tax of a government concession

The certificates released with urgency, that is, on the same day of application, are subject to a stamp tax of 2 Lira.

N.B. -- The certificate is released upon deme to the appropriate State's Attorney. When applying, one must present a birth certificate of other docume of which the State's Attorney himself holds an equipollent. The application and the documents are exem from the stamp tax.

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MINISTERIO DE TRANSPORTES D

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Compañia Argentina de Navegación DODERO S. A.

BUENOS AIRES

BIGLIETTO D'IMBARCO IN TERZA CLASSE № 15659

17/24-25

Sulla Nave di bandiera Argentina (*) CORRIENTES in partenza

da **GENOVA** il 22 MARZO 1951 per B. AIRES toccando di scalo i

porti NAPOLI - LAS PALMAS - RIO JANEIRO - SANTOS Durata del viaggio giorni

(comprese le fermate nei porti di scalo). - La durata del viaggio sarà aumentata di un giorno per ogni scalo eventuale.

COGNOME E NOME	ETÀ Anni	ETÀ Mesi	POSTI e RAZIONI 1	1/2	1/4	0	Cuccette 1	1/2	EX	N.°
1. ALTMANN KLANS	A		1				1		Prepagato	17489 2863
2. " " MARIA	9			1				1	Buono ritorno	
3.									Ordinativo	
4.										
TOTALE										

LLAMADA

Boleto N.°

(*) Caratteristiche della nave F.to CORRIENTES

Stazza lorda T. 12851

netta » T. 8633

Velocità alle prove miglia 17

N. posti a posto

Eccedenza posti

a posto

Supplemento cabina

Tassa

Totale

Acconto versato

Versato a saldo

Compañia Argentina de Navegación DODERO S. A.

Agenti Generali per l'Italia

DODERO

sec. per azioni

Agenzie Marittime Argentine

Genova

REGISTRAZIONE BAGAGLIO

Per il PASSEGGERO

AVVISO

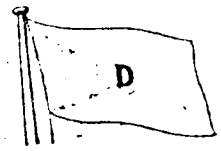
È vietato al vettore o a chi lo rappresenta di percepire compensi di qualsiasi specie dall'emigrante, oltre il nolo. L'emigrante avrà diritto alla restituzione del doppio di quanto avesse pagato indebitamente, oltre all'eventuale risarcimento dei danni. (Estratto dall'Art. 33 del Testo Unico della Legge di Emigrazione del 13 novembre 1919, N. 2205).

L'emigrante beneficiario di biglietto prepagato emesso in America dalla Compañia Argentina de Navegación "DODERO„ S. A. secondo la tariffa pubblicata in valuta argentina, ovvero munito del contratto di passaggio emesso in Italia dalle Agenzie del vettore secondo la tariffa autorizzata dal Governo Italiano pei cittadini italiani e indicata nel contratto stesso (più tasse di imbarco e spese servizio bagagli autorizzate) **non deve pagare altro a nessuno.**

La Compañia Argentina de Navegación "DODERO„ S. A. invita i passeggeri a verificare la tariffa ufficiale e, nel caso di differenze indebitamente pagate, farne denuncia al Dirigente dell'Agenzia Dodero nel porto d'imbarco e, nello stesso tempo, anche:

- allo Ispettore dell'Emigrazione nel porto d'imbarco, prima d'imbarcare,
- o al Comandante della Nave, dopo l'imbarco,
- o al Commissario Governativo in servizio a bordo della Nave, dopo l'imbarco,
- o alla Direzione della Compañia Argentina de Navegación DODERO a Buenos Aires,
- o al proprio Console nel porto di sbarco.

COMPAÑIA ARGENTINA DE NAVEGACIÓN DODERO S. A.
Agenzia Generale di Genova



BIGLIETTO D'IMBARCO III. CLASSE

GRAFICHE DI GENOVA - T. 35134

Men's department--188 BerthNo.--ALL-B- Women's department-- Berth No--

Ministry of Transportation

DODERO Inc., Argentine Navigation Company, Buenos Aires

Embarkation Ticket, Third Class No. 15659

Ship under Argentine flag*-CORRIENTES, departing from Genoa on

22 March 1951, for Buenos Aires, making stops in Naples, Las Palmas,

Rio de Janeiro, Santos, Duration of vogage--

(If harbor is closed, voyage to be prolonged by one day)

Last and first name:		Age:	Room and Board:	Berth:	Expenses	No.
ALTMANN	KLAUS	A	1	1	Prepaid	17489 2863
"	MARIA	9	1/2	1/2	Refund Instructions	

(Stamped) Call--Ticket No.

(*) Ship characteristics: Vol. T. 12854 Net Vol. 8633

Speed -- 17

Additional room and board-- Supplementary cabin--

Rates-- Total-- Balance--

Argentine Company of Navigation DODERO Inc., General Agent, Italy--

DODERO, Maritime Agency (Signed)

Baggage registration--

By passenger--

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27 March

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Auth CO, 430th CIC Det

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Disposal of Dropped Intelligence Informant

Reference letter Hq EUCOM, ID 350.09 (GID/OPS), dated 28 February 1951, re ALTMANN, Klaus, and family.

1. Pursuant to instructions received from Lt. Col. J. W. Dobson, Chief of Operations, G2, USFA, these Agents undertook the mission of disposal through Operation RAT LINE of Subject and family.

2. On or about 9 March 1951 the following persons were transferred from AUGSBURG, Germany, to SALZBURG, Austria:

a. ALTMANN, Klaus, born 25 October 1915 in KRONSTADT, Rumania

b. ALTMANN, Regina, born 7 December 1915 in KRONSTADT, Rumania

c. ALTMANN, Ute, born 30 June 1941 in KRONSTADT, Rumania

d. ALTMANN, Klaus-Joerg, born 11 December 1946 in KASSEL, Germany

3. On or about 11 March 1951 the above-mentioned persons travelled from SALZBURG, Austria, to GENOA, Italy, by train using Combined Travel Board documents issued by CTB, MUNICH, bearing Austrian transit visa, Italian transit visa, and a TRIESTE Military Entry Permit.

4. The family arrived in GENOA on 12 March 1951 and was housed at the Hotel NAZIONALE, at which time the family was taken over by the Italian representative of Operation RAT LINE.

5. On 16 March 1951 the above-mentioned representative obtained the following necessary documents and visas for travel of family to its destination:

a. ALTMANN, Klaus, International Red Cross Passport #18.573 issued in GENOA, Italy, on 16 March 1951, bearing Bolivian visa #144 issued by the Bolivian Consul at GENOA, Italy, on 16 March 1951, having Argentinian transit visa #17.487 issued by the Argentinian Consul in GENOA on 19 March 51.

b. ALTMANN, Regina, International Red Cross Passport #18.574 issued in GENOA, Italy, on 16 March 1951, bearing Bolivian visa #145 issued by the Bolivian Consul at GENOA, Italy, on 16 March 1951, having Argentinian transit visa #17.488 issued by the Argentinian Consul in GENOA on 19 March 51.

c. ALTMANN, Ute, and ALTMANN, Klaus-Joerg, listed on each of the above-mentioned passports.

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6. The above-mentioned family departed from [illegible] on the [illegible] of March 1951. The estimated time of arrival in Argentina is [illegible]

REMARKS: Complete operation was without incident.

2 Incls.
Incl 1 - 6 photos
Incl 2 - Cy receipt dtd 9 Mar 51 for $3200 (Original signed by NEAGOY)

GEORGE NEAGOY
S/A CIC

JACK R. GAY
S/A CIC

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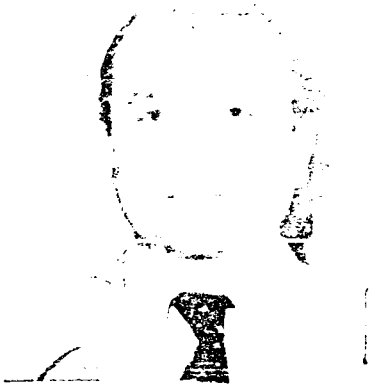

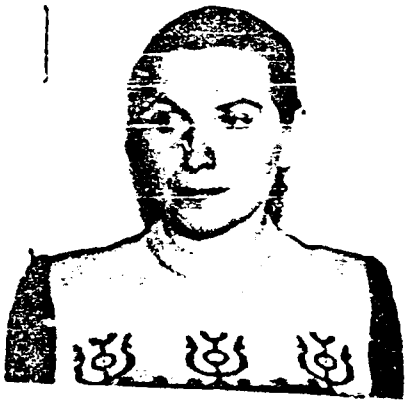

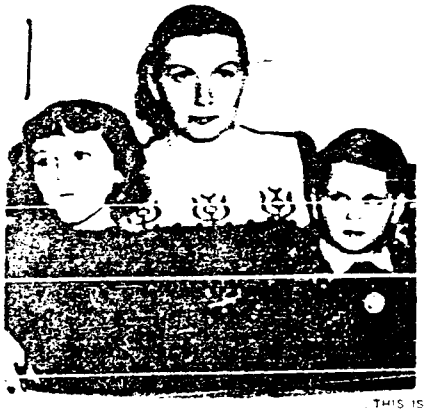

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CENTRAL FILE

252100-A (Vol. XIV)

D-~~149~~93; XII-4159
List of Informants Dropped by Intelligence Agencies 11 May 1951

CIC Hqs 66th 11 May
Reg CIC Det 1951
XII Attn:
Tech Spec

1. In compliance with paragraphs 52-54, inclusive, Chapter III, Section III of the Current Operational SOP, 66th CIC Detachment, your Headquarters, the attached Dropped Informant List is forwarded herewith.

2. Your attention is invited to the fact that there were no informants dismissed with prejudice (Annex A) by Region XII, 66th CIC Detachment, during the three month period ending 30 April 1951.

GEORGE B. RIGGIN
Major Arty
Commanding

1. Annex A
2. Annex B

t BELLMAN/mm/Tech Spec/Augs Mil 93-493

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ANNEX A

1. There were no informants dismissed with prejudice by Region XII, 66th CIC Detachment, during the three month period ending 30 April 1951.

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ANNEX B

1. The following list contains names of informants, dismissed by Region XII, 66th CIC Detachment, during the three month period ending 30 April 1951.

2. Reference is made to the numbers appearing in the column entitled "Reason for and Date of Dismissal." Reasons for dismissal have been classified as follows:

5 - Without prejudice (This term applies to individuals who have severed connection with this organization of their own volition; who have been dropped because of a shortage of funds; whose services are no longer required, etc.).

6 - Unknown.

7 - Deceased.

NAMES AND ALIASES	DATE OF BIRTH	NATIONALITY	LAST KNOWN ADDRESS	REASON FOR AND DATE OF DISMISSAL
BARBIE, Klaus	25-10-13	German	10 Mozartstrasse, Stadtbergen, AUGSBURG	5 (15 Mar 51)

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[illegible]

21 Jan 1952

[illegible]

[illegible]: Resettlement Activities Currently Conducted by [illegible] CIC Detachment

Director
Intelligence Division
Headquarters, European Command
APO 403, US Army
ATTENTION: Collection Section

1. Reference is made to your teletype message [illegible], dated [illegible] December 1951, requesting a summary of the resettlement activities conducted by this detachment.

2. At the present time, [illegible] of resettlement open to this detachment are as follows:

a. Emigration to Chile

b. Removal to a relatively non-sensitive locality in the US Zone of Germany

c. Rehabilitation on the German economy, usually by grant of money for settlement, assistance in obtaining employment, assistance in obtaining living quarters, or a combination of these methods.

3. An additional method of resettlement used by this detachment on one occasion is a procedure established by the 430th CIC Detachment US Forces, Austria. By this method, resettlement is effected to a country outside of Germany. This detachment has no knowledge of the methods employed by the 430th CIC Detachment to effect resettlement. The one instance wherein the 430th CIC's aid was solicited involved a highly complicated disposal problem which the 430th CIC Detachment accommodated this Detachment on a courtesy basis.

4. Attention is invited to the fact that the only solution presently available in resettlement of highly sensitive individuals is emigration to Chile. This detachment has established effective liaison on a personal basis with [redacted] who has been most cooperative in assisting this organization. However, it must be emphasized that continuation of such resettlements cannot be guaranteed should [redacted] be transferred or replaced by his government.

[redacted]

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SECURITY INFORMATION

D-[illegible]
Subj: Resettlement Activities Currently [illegible]

9. Disposal of [illegible] [illegible] continues to be a [illegible] application are highly [illegible] [illegible]

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

WJD/JMG/Kgr/Stgt [illegible]

M/R: TD requested summary of resettlement activities in above cited TWX.
JMG

ENTRY/EXIT RECORD OF KLAUS ALTMANN

Source (Card No.)	Date Entered	At	From	Date Departed	To
A(F) A(R)	July 19, 1969	Miami	Panama	July 26, 1969	Bahamas
B(F) B(R)	July 26, 1969	Miami	Freeport	July 27, 1969	La Paz
F(F) F(R)	Jan. 21, 1970	Miami	La Paz	Jan. 21, 1970	Bahamas
E(F) E(R)	Jan. 21, 1970	Miami	Freeport	Feb. 1, 1970	Lima

ALTMANN Quell Age A 935

Hystad Sandefjord Norway. Ine Elgesen.

R.C. Herd & Co., Baltimore Feb. 22nd 1952

Nos Romerike Norr

Blond Blue 1,75 130

B.0237575-19 Norwegian

M/S VESTFOLD

Family Name (Capital Letters) ALTMANN First Name KLAUS A-435

Country of Citizenship BOLIVIA

Passport or Alien Registration Number 237/69

Grand Stock Address (Number, Street, City and State) MIAMI HOTEL ST. MORITZ

Airline and Flight No. or Vessel of Arrival

Date of Birth Day and Year of Birth OCT 25 1915

City, Province, State, and Country of Birth BERLIN - GERMANY

Visa Issued at

Month, Day & Year Visa Issued

LA PAZ BOLIVIA

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JUN 10 1969

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D/S

Family Name ALTMANN KLAUS A-435

Country of Citizenship BOLIVIANA

Passport Number 237/69

Grand Stock Address MIAMI HOTEL ST. MORITZ

Passport Issued at

LA PAZ, BOLIVIA

Date of Birth 10 1915

Place of Birth BERLIN

Visa Issued at LA PAZ, BOLIVIA

Date Visa Issued JUL 17

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JUL 26 1969

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D/S

ALTMANN KLAUS A-435

769359

IMPORTANT NOTICE

- Retain this permit in your possession.
- You are permitted to remain in the U. S. for the time indicated.
- To remain past this period, without permission from Immigration authorities, is a violation of law.

WHEN YOU LEAVE THE UNITED STATES

- By sea or air, surrender this permit to transportation line.
- Over Canadian border, surrender this permit to Canadian Immigration Officer.
- Over Mexican border, surrender this permit to United States Immigration Officer.

RECORD OF EXTENSIONS

To _____ Office _____

_____ Office _____

_____ Office _____

DEPARTURE RECORD

Port: MIAMI, FLORIDA

Date: 26 JUL 1969 [illegible]

Carrier: [illegible]

(Country of Nonimmigration)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Immigration and Naturalization Service
Form Approved Budget Bureau No. 43-R311.1
ARRIVAL — DEPARTURE RECORD
FORM I-94 (REV. 7-1-64)

You have been admitted to the United States for the period of time indicated hereon. Your [illegible] in the United States thereafter without obtaining an extension of time from the Immigration authorities is a violation of law. You are required to retain this permit in your possession and surrender it to the transportation line at the time of your departure unless you depart over the land border of the United States in which case you must surrender it to a Canadian immigration officer on the Canadian border, or to a United States Immigration officer on the Mexican border.

RECORD OF EXTENSIONS:

To _____ Office _____

_____ Office _____

_____ Office _____

_____ Office _____

DEPARTURE RECORD

Port: 973

Date:

Carrier: LA PAZ

To:

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Immigration and Naturalization Service
Form Approved Budget Bureau No. 43-R311.4
ARRIVAL-DEPARTURE RECORD
Form I-94 (Rev. [illegible])

RECORD

To

DEPAR

Port

Date MAY 1

Carrier

To

(Country of Nonimmigration)

UNITED STATES DEP
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ARRIVAL — DEP

10 - 25 - 1915

BERLIN GERMANY

LA PAZ BOLIVIA

ADMITTED A2

D-S

Month, Day and Year Visa Issued

JULY 17 1969

A435

KLAUS

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Visa Services

Washington, D.C. 20520

March 31, 1983

Mr. Allan A. Ryan, Jr.
Special Assistant to the
Assistant Attorney General
Post Office Box 28603
Washington, D.C. 20005

Dear Mr. Ryan:

I have received your letter of March 28 asking for information concerning visa lookout entries in the names of Klaus Barbie and/or Klaus Altmann.

The name Klaus Barbie was first entered into the Visa Lookout System in November 1980. The source for the entry was listing of that name in the volumes of lists of SS officers furnished by your office. There is no entry in the system in the name of Klaus Altmann.

Names of aliens included in earlier editions of Visa Lookout books were incorporated into the Automated Visa Lookout System. Those names remain in the system until removed because the ground of ineligibility is overcome or until the alien is deceased.

In addition I have had the Lookout System checked for the names of all the known aliases Barbie used, according to your memo of February 23, 1983. There are several entries in the name of Becker. Most came from the lists of SS officers you provided; none was made as early as 1969 or 1970.

Sincerely,

Louis P. Goelz
Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Visa Services

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