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1. We note that the cover firm run by Victor ALTMAN at Bürklestrasse 7, Frankfurt am Main, employs one KURT RAHL, also listed as living at that address. In August 1952 RAHL happened to meet the sister-in-law of a member of a surveillance team employed by Berlin Operations Base, who mentioned that her brother-in-law was looking for work. The surveillance agent shortly after received a letter from one Dr. Helmut Joachim GRAP, of Bonn/Lützen, mentioning RAHL's name and asking RAHL's name for a Lebenslauf and photo. Nothing came of this incident in the end, however.

2. Dr. GRAP is the chief of what appears to be a large intelligence net, presumably reporting to British Intelligence. He knew that he was still active in April 1953, when he hired Altmann, formerly an agent of EDDOEN.

3. We know very little of Dr. GRAP's operations, except that they are supposed to be extensive and reach into Poland and the R.D.F.R.S.R. countries. It appears unlikely that the GRAP-ALTMAN net (if it is a continuing, as seems probable) could be a private organization.

4. You may pass this information to G-2, NSA, except for RAHL's name. We should like to see any future correspondence which concerns or divides ALTMAN's present CCP activity, plus any information you may have on Dr. GRAP.

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Helmut Joachim GRAP

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