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DATE 2006

1. C L A S S E N , Dr. Wilhelm
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3. 28 Oct in St. Tönis near Krefeld 1903
4. German
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6. München
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8. male,
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11. studied at the Universities of Jena, Köln and Münster in the fields of German philg., philosophy, geography, and rel. sub.-certif. of matur. 1927- promotion to Dr. of philosophy
1928-29 first and second tech. state exams
12. - - 1.4.51 to 31.11.51 with firm Deutsche Getränke" as bus. manag.
13. 1931 as assessor at the Deutsche Oberrealschule (sec. sch.) in Athens Greece; 1932 as faculty member at the state college and the college for economic affairs (Kotogakko and Kotoshogyogakko) in Yamaguchi, Japan. Was in this position until 1935
1935 returned to Germany-given an assistantship in philoso. at the University of Heidelberg
1937 awarded the Dr. habil. taught philosophy and know. of foreign countries. 1947-48 interpreter with military gov't.
1942 received professorship
14. from 1 April 51 to 31 Nov 51- Düsseldorf
15. a. Hans Christoph Freiherr v. Stauffenburg, Rüstiesen (Württemberg)
b. Hubertus Prinz zu Löwenstein, Amorbach (Odenwald)
c. State Sec. Dr. Otto Lenz, at Bundeskanzleramt in Bonn
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26. 1939 in German Air Force. After short training transferr. to OKW (German High Command) Section WPR (worked here as analyst of enemy propaganda and east-asian questions. 1941 member of an academic delegation which was sent to visit Japanese colleges. Sent three months visiting all royal and private universities. Had no political duties to fulfill. Again recalled to OKW Sect. WPR at own request. This lasted until Oct 1944. Then transferred to OKW Ausland/Abwehr (foreign counter. esp.) Amt VI/Mil. At first served here as rep. for East Asia, later (from Jan 1945) was rep. manag. for this section. From 1 May 1945 (dissolution of group) transf. to Information Section, Group East Asia, of the Dönitz Gov't. After dissolv. of Dönitz Gov't. interned until 1947.
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28. - - 1932-1935 Japan; 1935 North China and Manchuria,
1941 Japan
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