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FORM OF REPORT

PROJECT: QKSNITCH

DATE OF REPORT: 17 December 1952

FILE: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of contact: 16 December 1952

Approximate length: 2 1/2

Present: Agent(s): RNSPLUNT

Case Officer(s): \_\_\_\_\_

(1) Agent submitted \_\_\_\_\_ written reports on (main subjects):

1. Copies of Gesellschaft brochure #9 "Kalter Krieg - Angriff und Abwehr" which has already been distributed. The final one - #10 - is still in the works owing to the recent printing strike. It will be out and distributed before the middle of next week.
2. Cover mock-ups for brochure #10; I selected one I thought best.

(2) Agent reported orally (summarize briefly; if detailed report necessary, submit on separate sheet and attach to this form.)

1. Von Hellermann and von Kleist had an appointment with von dem Basse of the Federal Chancellery (Lens office) to seek government backing for Gesellschaft. They were not successful and there is now no hope that Bonn will keep the organization going. According to RNSPLUNT, the Chancellery spokesman made it quite clear to them that the government was aware they had been American supported but did not actually know by whom or by what means.
2. The Gesellschaft is now getting some nibbles from the Bundesverband der Deutschen Industrie - but the possibilities are still cloudy and uncertain. RNSPLUNT says its a question of how much assistance the Gesellschaft could be to the coalition parties in the forthcoming election - and what role the Gesellschaft could play, if any. It would be difficult for them to support any one party because of (a) their previous basic rule against involvement with any single party and (b) their mixed political complexion; some members being CDU, others FDP and some DP.
3. That no new Gesellschaft sections have been formally organized, although 35 have been ready for some time and merely awaiting official recognition from Gesellschaft headquarters. RNSPLUNT has called a halt to various trips by Vorstand members to the sections; Bombeck for example wanted to visit Hamburg, Bremen and other North German chapters; his request for travel authorization was refused. (I told him this was quite correct.)

*Did they say anything or did they just let it drop?*

*( ) It was not discussed*

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(3) Case Officer instructed Agent:

1. That our next meeting - scheduled for January 6 - would be the last and that I would bring his severance salary for 3 months at that time, plus the same for the office secretary.
2. Told him to carefully review his own schlussrechnung figures in the light of the financial worksheet I gave him and to account for discrepancies noted. If his figures cannot be made to match our own, I will bring Doug to the next meeting so that the two can go over the monthly figures.
3. Told him that unfortunately we could make no financial settlement for Harnisch, von Hellermann and von Kleist as we have done for him and the office secty. Explained that we could not consider them as salaried employees since their names had never been submitted for that purpose. He agreed we had no obligation to them; said von Kleist could probably get his old job back and he could help Harnisch get a job with the Munich power company. As for von Hellermann, who receives a small pension, RNSPLUNT said he intended to assist him out of his own pocket for a short time.

(4) Case Officer gave Agent (payments, written instructions, forms, materials of any sort):

1. 16,650 DM (190 DM of this to pay for secretary's Inas bonus, rest to cover final brochure costs.)
  2. Some financial data from our side to assist him in making up his final accounts.
- 5) Special remarks (including additional observations about Agent's person, security, etc.)

(6) Next meeting (date, hour, place -- if out of town): 6 January 1953 - Stuttgart  
1200 hours - Bahahof.

(7) NOTES:

1. For first time, RNSPLUNT hinted clearly that he would like to be employed by us in some capacity in the future. He went about this rather shyly, but his interest was evident and unmistakable. I did not encourage him - merely said that I would investigate and see if we had anything that would fit him, adding that at the same time he must realize that a good number of people, both in Munich and Bonn, appear to know or to strongly suspect that his organization was American-supported, a fact that would naturally limit his future use. He said he realized this and quite understood our viewpoint. I do not believe he is counting on anything further from us.

2. Final payments due at next meeting:

4,650 DM - RNSPLUNT salary 3 mo.
1,140 DM - Secty salary 3 mo.
1,125 DM - rent contract termination
6,915 DM - Total