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Sicherungsgruppe

at present Munich, 25 January 1962

Interrogator:

Federau, KM

Re: The laboratory assistant

Georg WEICKERT,  
born 18 June 1906 in Dresden,  
res. in Munich,  
Geblonzer Str. 6,

**DESENSITIZED**

per DOI 70-17

Answered a summons to the office

DD 2 at the Munich Police Presidium

and testified as follows:

Testimony:

In December 1961 I read in the Bildzeitung that a pianist Hans CLEMENS had been arrested for espionage. As I knew a former pianist from Dresden by the same name to be a dreaded SS leader, I thought he was identical with the man who had just been arrested. As Hans CLEMENS was a brutal SS man, I went to the Munich criminal police in order to find out about this man.

Today the interrogator showed me a picture of the man who was arrested. I am certain that I recognize him as the former SS leader Hans CLEMENS from Dresden.

I have known Hans CLEMENS since childhood. He lived in my neighborhood on Concordienstrasse. His father was a Dresden choir director.

I remember that before 1933 CLEMENS worked as a pianist in a movie theater in Dresden-Briesnitz. I used to see him almost every day in the restaurant where we used to hang out. Before 1933 I never noticed that he had anything to do with politics.

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After Hitler came to power CLEMENS suddenly appeared in an SS uniform. He was immediately given a rank. I think he had one or two stars on his epaulettes. Later he had the epaulettes of an officer.

I often noticed CLEMENS leading a commando troop, driving a car through the city and on the streets arresting people he thought were politically unreliable.

I can still remember that one of these people arrested was a certain

Kurt KAISER,

who after the war was considered in Dresden to be a victim of fascism and has since died. It's true that KAISER was in prison, but he was back home in Dresden even before 1945. CLEMENS is said to have interrogated KAISER personally. I cannot say whether CLEMENS committed any atrocities with KAISER. After his release KAISER was always sick. He once told me that the SS had beaten him up. I cannot say whether CLEMENS beat KAISER.

CLEMENS also arrested the sister of a friend of mine,

Hans EULITZ (phonetic)

dealer in cigarette machines  
formerly residing Dresden, Buergerstrasse,  
present residence Dresden, street unknown.

She was also arrested for political reasons. I now recall that the sister's first name was Elfriede and she was married. Mrs. BABISCH, as her name is now, was in prison only a short time. I cannot say whether this woman was mistreated by CLEMENS or not.

I cannot remember any other persons who were arrested by CLEMENS or mistreated by him.

I never found out whether CLEMENS personally shot anyone or whether anyone was ever shot because of him.

I can only keep stressing that CLEMENS was greatly feared in Dresden as an SS leader.

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I remember that he had a high job in the Dresden Gestapo, Bismarckstrasse.

In reply to a question I state that I do not know whether CLEMENS was sought by the East German authorities after the war for war crimes.

I do know, however, that his wife was evicted from the apartment after the war. As far as I know she last lived at No. 5 or 7 Lichtenbergweg, Dresden N 23. She had to get out of this apartment.

Later it was common knowledge in Dresden that Russians used to come and go into the room in which Frau CLEMENS lived. It was also said that she had contracted a venereal disease from the Russians she went around with.

In reply to a question I state that I do not know whether Mrs. CLEMENS performed services as an informer for the Soviets or for East Zone authorities or not. Nor do I know whether Mrs. CLEMENS ever went to West Germany. This was, however, generally assumed.

I personally have never seen Mrs. CLEMENS together with Russians.

I cannot make any other specific accusations of CLEMENS.

These statements were by no means meant as revenge. CLEMENS never did anything to me personally. He only warned me once by saying I ought to keep my mouth shut and not say anything against the Nazis.

With the statements I made today, I want to say that a man like CLEMENS has not changed by living in our West German society. I believe that CLEMENS can still be punished today for his deeds as a one-time SS leader.

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My childhood friend

WILLI PAPPENFUSS,

who lives here in Munich, Rotwandstr. 26, can also add to these statements about CLEMENS. As far as I know he is at home now.

I have personally read through this testimony. Everything has been written as I stated it to be. My statements are the truth. I confirm this by my signature.

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at present in Munich, 25 Jan. 1962

MEMORANDUM:

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On the basis of the statements made by Hans WEICKERT (cf. page 4 of the WEICKERT testimony of 25 January 1962) the undersigned questioned the mechanic

WILLI PAPERFUSS

born 4 April 1900

res. Munich, Rotwandstrasse 26,

for information.

PAPERFUSS stated that he had known Hans CLEMENS from Dresden in the years prior to 1933 and then later as SD leader.

In 1938 he (PAPERFUSS) moved to Munich and lost track of CLEMENS. After 1945 he had seen CLEMENS again in a POW camp in Italy. He kept away from CLEMENS, however, although the latter had tried to be more friendly with him because he was an old acquaintance from Dresden. PAPERFUSS did not want to have anything to do with CLEMENS as a former SD member.

PAPERFUSS knows only in general that CLEMENS was feared in Dresden as an SD leader. It was said that CLEMENS had numerous persons arrested for political reasons, or that he had instigated or had something to do with their arrest. (PAPERFUSS) cannot, however, remember any specific cases. Nor did he ever learn that CLEMENS had shot anyone or been involved in shootings.

As PAPERFUSS was unable to provide any pertinent information in the present hearing, a testimony of witness has not been prepared.

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