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SUBJECT: MO Radio Project "PATRIOT"
TO : Director, Psychological Warfare Division, SNAEP
FROM : Chief, MO Branch, OSS-ETO

1. OBJECT: To create within the rank and file of the Wehrmacht and the junior officers, the belief that the home front on which their war effort depends, has once again failed them as in 1918, but this time because of the internecine fights for control between Goering and Himmler.

2. METHOD: The program presumes that Hitler, for whatever reason, is no longer an active factor in German politics. A faction of considerable strength, supporting Goering and by implication directed by him, comes on the air and calls for unity, patriotism and support of the war fronts. The cover is: The Goering group is sufficiently powerful to come on the air in the interests of unity, patriotism and devotion to Hitler and successful conclusion of the war.

3. SUBJECT MATTER:

A. The substance of the propaganda is urged through implication and leakage through the main expressed points: loyalty to Hitler's principles and the legend of the Fuehrer; unity within the party; complete support of the army in its battles with the enemy; the sacrifice of all personal and private party interests.

B. The essential propaganda line is never openly stated, but comes through by indirection as evidence of high echelon party struggles for control within Germany. This line is:

(1). Goering is maneuvering against Himmler to be in a position of superiority when and if defeat brings on the possibility of civil war within the Reich. Goering's preeminence will be the guarantee against such civil war.

(2). Goering built up the industrial potential of Germany and gained the confidence of the masses and industrial leaders during the process.

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(3). Goering used the airforce against England as a preliminary softening up process for invasion. The conservatism of the German navy prevented the successful conclusion of the war there and then as Great Britain has openly admitted. Thereafter, Goering advised against use of the airforce as a terror weapon in order to safeguard the German cities. It was Himmler etc, who advised the use and development of terror weapons, because Goering refused and still refuses to use the air force on anything but the actual military defense of Germany. It was Himmler who caused the present massive assaults on German domestic targets.

(4). Goering supported Hitler in the leader's first fight against party opportunists such as Roehm and Strasser, and today supports Hitler against the much more dangerous enemy, Himmler.

(5). Goering was individually approached in 1939 to make peace and take over leadership of the Reich. Out of loyalty to Hitler he revealed the plan to the Fuehrer. But Goering still is the only party official who could play any patriotic role for peace when and if the Wehrmacht desires it with the full consent of the German masses. Himmler is a police bully and spy, a murderer and torturer with whom no sane man would deal.

(6). Goering can save something from the present crisis, if the party is united around him and his calm reasonableness which is opposed to the war criminal clique led by Himmler.

(7). Stable, sober forces within the Reich have approached Goering and asked him to take over the position which Hitler delegated to him.

(8). Goering stands for army control by army generals and not Himmler opportunists masquerading as military men. He invites army support as the one coherent, traditional German force which stands between the German nation and chaos whether in victory or defeat.

4. TARGET: Ostensible. The Himmler led faction which through spreading police and party controls is seizing power in the Reich as against the older, loyal and devoted National Socialists, of whom Goering is the leader and designated head through Hitler.

5. TRANSMISSION: Most powerful medium wave available.

6. DURATION: Once a week, depending on military situation and intelligence from within Germany. At least three or four speeches and possibly more.

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