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<p>ACTION REQUIRED: For information only</p> <p>1. Under separate cover I am forwarding you a very informal report made by Major Clark, the US Army liaison officer at this Base. It was addressed to the chief of the Collection Branch of USAREUR in Heidelberg. The report--his view of CATIDE--was done as a last job before Clark's transfer back home at the request of his chiefs at Heidelberg.</p> <p>2. Clark need not have given us this report but did so as a courtesy and out of friendship to us. He did, however, ask that we--in the State Department phrase--"protect source." I request, therefore, that you not discuss it with anyone who might mention it in Army circles.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">[]</p> <p>Distribution:</p> <p> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> C/FE w/att USC <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2-COS/G/Bonn w/att USC <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1-COS/G/Fran w/o att <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2-C/CSR, Fran w/o att </p> <p>Attachment: Army report</p> <p style="text-align: right;">[]</p>																																											
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Background Information - BND (C)

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Intel Div Rep, Munich

16 Nov 65

(S) Per your request, I will attempt to give you my candid impressions of the BND, gathered over the past two years of association with them. I will not attempt to make this a study, just a rambling account of my personal, limited views on this thing called the BND.

A. Relationship in General (USAREUR/BND): I can put it in one word - excellent. We have a good friend, with nearly complete cooperation - there is still a little problem in the SET field which I will explain later. This would come as a shock to some USAREUR officers if they were told, but it is true - USAREUR is not the U.S. Army, just a small portion of it; therefore, the LNO to BND should either be a DI or LA representative. It is difficult to attempt to represent DA (or DIA) when you have met few from back there, never been briefed on their activities, or know little about their requirements, etc., etc. The AFMNO represents the USAF and the Navy LNO represents the US Navy; however, the Army LNO represents USAREUR. Hope you see what I am trying to point out.

B. Relationship with DAD Liaison Base: Excellent; over the years the change of personnel within the DAD base has removed the "old timers" and their suspicions. Receive no interference in my job, but do receive plenty of support. Particularly happy to have access to their local safe-house for luncheons, parties, etc; you know how the Army is about money!

C. BND: Without having the background of a philosopher or a political analyst, I will give you my personal views of the BND at this time - November 1965. I think that the BND, right now, is probably in a shaky position. Why? Well, let me give you a thimble-size history of the BND, as I see it. The BND has progressed from the end of WWII in stages; there were:

1. Stage I: Start of the BND: Capable, young officers, small unit, dependent on the U.S., willing to work (for money), led by an imaginative leader (The "Doctor"); in short - a pretty sound outfit.

2. Stage II: Ca. 1955: West German Intelligence Service (BND) became independent of U.S.; increased in size; eager to support the new West German Republic, lots of big plans and hopes; still led by the Doctor (who, unfortunately, didn't delegate authority to his subordinates). BND made a pretty good show for a few years.

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