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1. Forwarded herewith in one copy for EE only are CIC and recent Gramaba reports which represent the traces gathered to date on Alois EDER. This information is summarized as follows:

a. Gramaba report dated 24 April 1954. Alois EDER is apparently again very active for the VdU. He and three other members of the VdU recorded a meeting of the FSOs (Freiheitliche Sammlung Oesterreichs), another right-wing group competing with the VdU, held in Linz on 27 March 1954. EDER is a "political swine." It is alleged that EDER is the one who in the 1953 elections arranged clandestinely to have SPOe-written articles published in the VdU newspaper. For this coup, he allegedly was paid AS 40,000 by SPOe Bundesrat Karl KRAMMER.

b. Gramaba report dated 26 April 1954. The FSOe is endeavoring to determine Alois EDER's activities and is having him surveilled.

c. Gramaba report dated 12 June 1954. On 24 April 1954 EDER was elected to the Upper Austrian Land leadership of the VdU. He was assigned the position of Propaganda Referent. EDER is editor of the Mitteilungsblatt published by the VdU. He is said to be paid AS 1500 per month for this task.

d. Gramaba report dated 30 July 1954. The following persons are or were intelligence contacts of Alois EDER: Dr. Gerhard REBNER, born 31 December 1926, residing in Vienna, employed in the Bundesleitung of the OeVP; Ludwig LEHNER, residing in Vienna, works primarily on Soviet OB.

e. Gramaba report dated 30 July 1954. Alois EDER was put into contact with Ing. Alfred MAYER, residing Weyringergasse 5, Vienna IV, by Wilhelm HOSTTL. MAYER may now be in contact with Amt Blank through EDER.

f. CIC Report L/26434, 22 January 1954. An Austrian criminal

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policeman arrested in Urfahr in November 1953 admitted under interrogation that he was paid AS 1500 monthly for reports he submitted to EDER every two weeks. He was of the opinion that EDER works for Amt Blank. Dr. Gerhart LEHNER of Vienna is also employed by EDER as a source. Col. HEINZ allegedly maintains close liaison with EDER.

g. CIC Report L/26434, 17 September 1952. Contains results of CIC investigation of EDER, including biographic details and list of all previous CIC traces. Nothing particularly significant. Mentions contact with Wilhelm HOETTL, Gerhard LEHNER, Adolf SLAVIK, activity for VdU and Nationale Liga. He was once expelled from the VdU in 1950. Last army rank was SS Obersturmfuhrer.

2. SOB checks indicate that Gramsba reports on EDER have previously been forwarded to EE with the following dispatches:

- a. EASA-1172, 8 April 1953.
 - b. EASA-1455, 11 June 1953.
 - c. EASA-1734, 23 July 1953, forwards seven Gramsba reports pertaining to EDER's contacts with Norbert VORBUCHNER, Karl KRAMMER, Wilhelm HOETTL, and the Linz Police Direction, as well as his East-West trading activities.
3. Further traces will be forwarded as received.

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