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EILITZ, Herbert

(wrongly reported as EYLITZ)

DOB: Ca 1907

Desc: 174 cm, muscular build, olive complexion, black hair,

heavy black eyebrows, dark eyes.

Kriminal Kommissar and SS Untersturmfuehrer, now in Referat Nahere Osten of Amt VI under Dr. Graeve.

History and Activities: He was, and probably still is a Social Democrat. He statted as a Schupo man in Aachen in 1942/43 He took the Kommissar course at Sipo school where Merz became friendly with him, and was posted to Amt VI on 6 Mar 43. Merz had numerous contacts with him after that date.

Schupo, Sipo school; Stapo, Koeln; Sigp School, Amt VI. Minor official in Amt VI, Referant Nachere Osten RSHA (Amt VI is Foreign Intell arm) Source: Brit Interagation of Hans Hermann MERZ - late Dec 1943 and Jan 44. Wash X2 Int 55 . Interogation done at S.I.M.E., GHQ, M.E.F. Unit.

Hans Hermann MERZ, DPOB: 7 Apr 1910 Harburg/Hamburg in summation by Brits of their interrogation of him admitted true mission to mid-East on behalf of the RSHA Amt VI Near East Section: Stated -

MERZ after being assigned to NE Section conferred with and received most of his instructions from Kriminal Kommissar (Auf Probe) EYLITZ, whom he had previously met at the Kommissar course and who is, according to Merz, heald of VI c 13 and directly responsible to Dr. Graefe (Graeve). Eylitz gave Merz instructions to:

a)penetrate Greek underground organizations in order to discover a means of sending a courier to the M.E. (middle East)

b) to report to HOESSELBARTH in Athens

c) contact Tappenbeck VI c 13 rep in Greece

d) keep Amt VI in Brln informed of his progress through Hoesselbarth or Tappenbeck.

(Note: Merz, by reason of his previous successful penetration of underground organizations in Poland, was to establish a link between MiP in Warsaw and the Poles in the Middle East - 1943. This link was to be exploited by Amt VI for its own purposes.) MiP (Miecz i Plug-Sword & Plough) Polish party to be used by Amt VI to establish contact with Polish HQ, Middle East Aimed at collaborating with Germas ws common enemy Russia Leaders hoped party would not be only the main political factor, but also greatest military power in Poland - allthis per Merz

EYLITZ also informed Merz that He (apparently Eylitz tho not clear) was instructed to recruit Polish workers in the oil wells of S. Poland for sabotage purposes. The saboteurs who were probably to be trained in Poland itself so that they should not suspect that they would in fact be carrying o t sabotage on behalf of Amt VI, might be transported to Persis by plane - To destroy oil wells in the Baku area.

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