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FROM
Chief, EE

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SUBJECT
Derogatory allegation re CASPHERE

ACTION REQUIRED REFERENCES
See Below

1. An American advisor to ODACID has submitted the following information on CASPHERE (Identity-1) to ODACID and also to KUBARK: "CASPHERE then a professor of economics, was charged by "Hitler" (it is not clear whether this means Hitler himself or "The Government") with the detailed planning for the German occupied territory, and those yet to be occupied in the East, especially the Ukraine. The resultant project is composed of a compendium slightly under 500 pages long, of which only six to eight copies were produced. This information comes from the wife (Identity-2) or widow of Identity-3 and was sent to me by a mutual friend--a French woman. Since Identity-3 was the collaborator of CASPHERE in this scheme, I am inclined to give it some credence."

2. Information received from EUPALM, a HICOG report dated 27 May 1962, states that CASPHERE was commissioned in 1944 by the Reich Ministry of Economic Affairs to do a paper on reorganization of economic affairs in post-war Germany. A perusal of extensive EUPALM files does not further expand this information. Our own files contain an unevaluated ODEWY report which states CASPHERE was charged with the economic development and exploitation of the Kolo on the Warta area in Poland on behalf of the Nazi's during WW II. CASPHERE's denazification file, in summary, indicates CASPHERE has a blameless record regarding the Nazi Government before and during WW II and contains no material which lends substance to the above charges.

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Identity Sheet

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3. While we have no reason to credit the above allegations, it is conceivable that the Soviets may become aware of them and choose to use them against CASPERER. The records available to us do not substantiate the information in para 1 above although the para 2 material could possibly have a bearing on this allegation. Because Identity-3 was allegedly CASPERER's collaborator on the plan in para 1 above, we think it possible that Field and Headquarters traces on Identity-2, with appropriate biographic data supplied by the Field, may shed some light on the present information. We do not have enough information to trace Identity-3 and therefore suggest that the Field can gain pertinent information through a check on Identity-2 who is said to reside in Wetzlar.

4. We would also appreciate your querying [] on the general subject of CASPERER's activity during WW II with special attention to any economic functions performed for the Ministry of Economic Affairs of the Third Reich. In discussing this with [] defer to the Field as to how much detail should be provided him. We shall await the results of your action.

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IDENTITY CHECK

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| IDENTITY 1 | - | Ludwig FERNAND |
| IDENTITY 2 | - | Mrs. Edna KERN - LEVY Resident Worker |
| IDENTITY 3 | - | Dr. KERN |

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