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FROM : Chief of Base, MUNICH [ ]  
SUBJECT: GENERAL - REDSOX/Operational

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SPECIFIC - Dispatch of Russian Orthodox Priest to Berlin  
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1. [ ] reports that on 3 August 1954 he received a telephone call from Sergal FROELICH who wanted to talk to him about the Orthodox priest who has just been sent to Berlin by Bishop ALEXANDER. FROELICH has known RONEFOT for some time and [ ] that he has some connection with the AIS. In the subsequent meeting [ ] obtained the information summarized below.

2. Pantaleimon BOGOV arrived in Munich from Madrid en route to Berlin during the last week of July. Prior to his departure for Berlin he met FROELICH and spoke to him about his projected assignment. We have no information as to whether this was a chance encounter or whether it was specifically arranged by one or the other participant.

3. FROELICH learned that BOGOV's assignment had been arranged by Metropolitan ANASTASY and that negotiations with BOGOV had been conducted through Bishop ALEXANDER in Munich. BOGOV flew from Madrid to Munich, spent several days with Bishop ALEXANDER, and went on to Berlin by plane on 2 August. The Bishop paid his travel expenses and gave him IM 500 to get started in Berlin.

4. BOGOV is an old emigre, a former Czarist Colonel who worked in Czechoslovakia before World War II as an engineer. His family was killed during an Allied bombing of Prague shortly before the end of the war, and BOGOV decided to devote the rest of his life to religion. After the war BOGOV lived for a time in Munich, and later went to France and thence to Spain, where he was close to Grand Duke VLADIMIR.

5. BOGOV told FROELICH that Bishop ALEXANDER had not mentioned to him any possibilities of contact with Allied or German authorities in Berlin. He was given merely the address of the present leader of the western-oriented Orthodox community, M. GEPASIMUK, of Helmsaendertrasse 26, Berlin III.

6. ALEXANDER told BOGOV that the prospects were favorable for return of the Russian Cathedral on the Hohenzollerndam. He did not state how this was to be achieved.

7. BOGOV is characterized by FROELICH as a person of firm character,

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courageous, and very aware of the problems he will face in Berlin. He knows that he can expect attention from Soviet agents, possible provocations and even kidnapping attempts. He does not want to tie himself closely to [ ] particularly in view of recent overt Soviet action against the group. His political orientation is decidedly monarchist, and FROELICH suggested that the RIS would be well aware of this and might conceivably use it in any operation run against him.

8. ROGOV told FROELICH that he would be willing to make contact in Berlin with an "appropriate confidant of the Americans". He stated that such a contact should use the password: "I am conveying kind regards from the Grand Duke VLADIMIR".

9. Headquarters will have access to a considerable file on FROELICH, much of it not favorable. To the best of our knowledge he is still employed by the Blank office in Munich. We are unable to comment as to his motivation for passing this information on to [ ] and thus to the AIS - there seems on the face of it to be no particular profit for him in this business. BOB will undoubtedly have further information on ROGOV and his church activities and may desire to take action or suggest possibilities for implementation of EGNA-13601. We presume that there will be better ways of establishing contact with ROGOV than by use of the recognition-signal suggested in paragraph 8.

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