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- : Chief of Station, Germany
- : Chief of Base, Munich
- : Operational/UPSWING/CART
- : Wolfgang MUENCH

INFO: EE, BOB

REFERENCE : EGLA-24970

ACTION REQUIRED: See paragraph 3

ATEX employee of Exelint, has been in contact with Muench

Private collection in file which contains material

1. After @ REIMER's return from leave, I discussed Subject with him and outlined in general the problems as cited in reference. In reply, he provided the following details concerning their operation HEHLEREI: The UPSWING agent, Hans MESSERSCHMIDT (FULL 7095), has been in touch with Wolfgang HOEHER for approximately one year during which time he has seen the latter about every seven weeks. At their meetings, HOEHER gives MESSERSCHMIDT a list of several persons living in the Federal Republic with the request that he investigate the individuals, prepare reports on them, and bring the information to the next meeting. In his capacity as a private detective, MESSERSCHMIDT has encountered little difficulty in fulfilling his assignments. HOEHER has never commented on MESSERSCHMIDT's reports nor asked for follow-ups.

2. @ REIMER states that of the approximately fifty persons so far investigated, none, except possibly MUENCH, has a background or job that would indicate a clear reason for the MFS's interest. It is true that some have traveled legally to the DDR (e.g. MUENCH) and may therefore appear attractive to the MFS as potential couriers, etc. But, as @ REIMER points out, in no case have UPSWING's file checks of the persons concerned turned up any definitive item of intelligence interest. UPSWING is therefore somewhat mystified that HOEHER should be engaging in this apparently unproductive exercise. Under these circumstances @ REIMER does not view the MFS request for information on MUENCH necessarily as a sign of serious recruitment intentions.

3. When I pointed out that a KMJUNKMAN investigation would probably follow our informing USAFE of HOEHER's apparent interest in MUENCH, @ REIMER

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did not specifically request us to hold up informing USAFE. He realizes that such is a formality we may have to observe. He did seem somewhat appalled that KUMJUNKMAN might take fairly drastic action against a person whose name is on an MFS list for reasons that are not at all clear. I stated that we would, of course, try to protect UPSWING's operational interests, but that we had referred the decision for informing USAFE to KUBARK in Frankfurt. Please let us know what action is to be taken in the matter.

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