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- 1. Further information just available indicates need for caution in dealing with HOETTL.
- 2. Source quoted in above cable stresses Hoettl long identified with extremist S<sup>S</sup> clique and that Kalten-brunner and Mueller unlikely genuinely favor understanding with Western Powers.
- 3. Kaltenbrunner could hardly approach Western Powers especially through man like Hoettl without news reaching Schellengerg and thus Himmler soon, considering SCHEELGAULEITER SALZBURG and ROESENERSSUFF under him both Himmler men and personal foes of Kaltenbrunner.
- 4. Source thinks it probable Himmler using Kalten-brunner and Hoettl in hope of embroiling Western Powers with Russians since negotiations likely to become known. Hoettl known to have been in close touch summer 1944 with Hungarian and Slovak circles in contact with Russia.
- 5. Source's opinion on other subjects has been found generally reliable.

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