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Gmunden Field Office  
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SOI L/17678

**SUBJECT:** Nibelungen - Verlag, Bucherdienst, Buchverlag  
und Vertriebsgesellschaft, Speck & Co.

**SUMMARY OF INFORMATION:**

The following information was received from Erich KERNMAYER on 7 March 1950. Evaluation: Source "F" (reliability unknown); Information "6" (truth cannot be judged).

Source stated that he had heard from numerous friends that the "Nibelungen - Verlag, Bucherdienst, Buchverlag und Vertriebsgesellschaft, Speck & Co", who are Dr. Wilhelm HOETTL's publishers in Austria, is a Soviet controlled company. Source further stated that a certain former SD man, Dr. von BORDAJKJEWITSCH who is employed by the Soviets is the financial backer and silent partner.

**FILE CHECK:**

Files of this office reveal numerous reports pertaining to Dr. Wilhelm HOETTL.

SOI, Gmunden Field Office, dated 1 February 1950, L/17678, Subject: "HOETTL, Wilhelm", mentioned Subject's book publisher and "Die Presse".

MOIC, dated 6 February 1950, L/17677, Subject: same as this report gives details on the inauguration and personnel of the firm in which HOETTL's wife is connected.

Source: As indicated

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