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1. Attached hereto is a CIC report titled "West German Intelligence Operatives Active in Austria". This report is being forwarded to you for your information.

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The following information was submitted on 10 June 1952 by Informant 6030, who in turn had obtained it during the course of a conversation on 7 June 1952 with Dr. Hans Freyborn, Lawyer and Salzburg Landtag Deputy for the VdU (Verband der Unabhangigen - Union of Independents). (Evaluation: Source "C"; Information: "6"). Emmelich OFCZAREK

(Dr) (fm) Offtscharer and Baron Harry Mast work together with Dr. Wilhelm Hoettl. Both Mast and Offtscharer are working in Salzburg, Austria, for the West German Intelligence Agency Blank. Freyborn professed to give as much aid as possible to the aforementioned individuals. Freyborn allegedly stated that the people working for the West German Intelligence Agencies Blank and/or Gehlen are well taken care of, both financially and otherwise, as compared to the poor treatment the Americans accord their agents. Freyborn pointed out Hoettl as the best example to prove his point.

Arthur Scheidler, former member of the SS and Adjutant to Gestapo (Secret State Police) Chief Ernet Kaltenbrunner, is presently residing in Salzburg with his wife, Iris Scheidler. For many years Hoettl was the lover of Iris Scheidler and both she and her husband are now affiliated with Hoettl. Arthur Scheidler now works together with Hoettl for the Blank Intelligence Agency. Iris Scheidler operates a ladies' wear shop under the name of Iris, Salzburg, Franz Josef-ska 9.

TN: Herbert DOTNAL aka MALLNER

Additional German Intelligence operatives, allegedly working with Hoettl for the Blank Agency include a former German Army captain (fm) Walner, presently residing in Salzburg; Rupert Mandel, a former captain in the SS, a member of the SD in Rome, Italy and later the SD in Zagreb, Yugoslavia and Baron (fm) Otho Bolschwing (German phonetic) from Altmuenster, Upper Austria who works in the area of St. Wolfgang and Strobl in the Salzkammergut area of Austria.

FILE CHECK:

The files of this Sub-Detachment contain numerous reports concerning the intelligence activities of Hoettl.

SCI, L/18634, dtd 17 April 1950, Subj: Hoettl, Wilhelm Dr., mentions Dr. (fm) (fftscharer as an alleged employee of an American Intelligence Agency, who circulated a rumor that Hoettl maintains contact with the Russians. The same report alleges that Dr. Kurt Wessely of Alt-Ansee is a double agent working for TIB in Linz (Harry Mast) and for a communist intelligence group in the Tyrol.

A/R, L/24131, dtd 10 January 1952, Subj: Reinartz, Michael - Meeting in Gmunden, states that Emil van Tongel told the interviewing agent that he (Tongel) is a knowing informant of a certain Baron Harry Mast, Bethlehemstrasse 1, Linz, believed to be an intelligence operative for an American Intelligence

5. TYPED NAME AND ORGANIZATION OF SPECIAL AGENT Encl. <u>MASA-1925</u> R0000 B. MERO	6. SIGNATURE OF SPECIAL AGENT <i>Rocco D. Melo</i>
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Numerous references to the executed Gestapo leader Ernst Kaltenbrunner.

Numerous references to Arthur and Iris Scheidler are contained in the files of this Sub-Detachment. Iris Scheidler is also mentioned as the personal friend of Hoettl.

Captain (fmu) Malner is probably identical with: Malner, Herbert, who is operating an intelligence network in Salzburg, for the purpose of obtaining information on Rumania, which is in turn forwarded to Captain Waldmann in Frankfurt, according to MOIC, S-2513, dated 6 August 1948, Subj: Technical Intelligence Branch, AJCOM, operations in Austria; and Herbert Dohnal alias Malner, residing in Salzburg/Glasenbach, Schiesstandstrasse 98, who met Margarete Grosschopf, who was accompanied by Heinz Oster, in Freilassing, Germany, as reported in A/R, S-13271, dtd 8 April 1952, Subj: Grosschopf, Margarete - Contact of Various Intelligence Agents.

Rupert Mandel is possibly identical with former SS Captain (fmu) Mandl, allegedly employed by CIC Salzburg and an alleged leader of the neo-Nazi movement in Austria, as reported in A/R, V-26839, dtd 2 January 1952, Subj: Israeli Intelligence.

In Agent Report, V-20918, dtd 4 May 1951, Subj: Nitsche, Karl, it is reported that one Johannes Lebisschak, an Austrian teacher and director of Austrian-Soviet cultural affairs, possessed background data on Bolschwing (fmu), alias Goller, Gohla. It was unknown whether Lebisschak actually maintained contact with him or merely recorded his background data.

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