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1. On 18 March, Hessian Minister-president Zinn reported to the Hessian Landtag that he had been forced to take action against the League of German Youth (BDJ) and its Technical Service because the Federal agencies were unequal to the task. His speech as well as the issuance of the SPD White Book had been delayed so long because he had not wished to prejudice the case before the Federal Court. The Hessian Interior Minister Zinnkann then explained that the BDJ had been outlawed in Hesse because of suspected connections with the Soviet Zone and because of the large sums of money at the disposal of the group.

2. An independent statement of the Federal Government in the 21 March press noted that the case of the BDJ leaders had been transferred to the Federal courts. This release received very little play and the German Mission believes that the case will receive little future publicity unless the whole <sup>affair</sup> case is revived by the SPD or some other group.

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