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- In the appeal of the former leaders of the League of German Youth (RDJ) to have their case transferred from Hessian to Federal jurisdiction has been denied. (This appeal was initiated independently of the previously reported action to have the case transferred through Federal Government intercession). The denial does not constitute an indictment and a new appeal is being prepared. The preliminary hearings in the case of the five former RDJ leaders, scheduled to begin on 2 February, have not yet been held.
- 2. The German Mission understands that the proceedings in Hoses will end when the Hessian prosecutor turns the case over to the Federal Prosecutor. This transfer is expected to take place shortly. The German Mission will deliver the U.S. statement on the BDJ affair after the case has been withdrawn from Hessian jurisdiction.

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