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COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS REGION VIII
970TH COUNTER INTELLIGENCE CORPS DETACHMENT
Berlin, Germany

VIII-7497

8 APR 48
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SUBJECT: Hans LOEBES

CROSS REFERENCE: Security Check

CASE CLASSIFICATION: Personnel

1. REASONS FOR INVESTIGATION: At the direction of the Commanding Officer, 970th CIC, Region VIII, the undersigned Agent initiated an investigation of Subject with special emphasis on Subject's alleged connection in the 20 July 44 attempted assassination of Adolf HITLER. This information was requested by 1E (SIA) Intelligence Staff, 250 Hq CCG (EE) BACH (S), as Subject is being considered for employment with the above named agency for the position of Kriminal Police Sergeant at the Regional Records Bureau, HANOVER (LSS/1 SS) British Zone.

2. SYNOPSIS OF PREVIOUS INVESTIGATION: Previous investigations on Subject

Hans LOEBES
Born: 27 April 1906 in HELZIG (NSA/Z 30)
Present Address: BERLIN-Tempelhof,
Wulfila Ufer 80
Previous Occupation: Professional Kriminal
Policeman
Present Occupation: Business employe

were conducted by this office (See SRI dated 30 Apr 47, Subject: Hans LOEBES, File No. VIII-7497, and SRI dated 7 August 47, Subject: Hans LOEBES, File No. VIII-7497), which revealed no information not already known to British authorities as indicated in letter dated 2 Feb 48, Public Safety Branch, CID, Land Sachsenhausen, 250 Hq CCG (EE) BACH S, Ref: No. 250/NS/1254/2/1/PS-CID, directed to Regional Intelligence Officer, BACH. (Ltr attached to cover papers).

3. SYNOPSIS OF PRESENT INVESTIGATION:

a. A discreet neighborhood and Local Arbeitsamt Check revealed that Subject was employed by

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Max POSTOLA
BERLIN-Tempelhof, Germaniastr 146-9

as an employee in a clothing factory from 16 Mar 46 until
20 Oct 47. Subject was then employed by

Otto BUKOWSKI
BERLIN-Tempelhof, Gottlieb-Dunkelestr
50-68

as a purchaser in a clothing factory from 20 Oct 47 until 31
Dec 47, and from 1 Jan 47 until the present time Subject has
been employed by

Herbert GATTEN
BERLIN-Tempelhof, Gottlieb-Dunkelestr 50,

as a business employee.

Subject was arrested 22/4/47 as an AAC by this organization.
However, further investigation revealed that Subject's S. rank
of Obersturmbahafuehrer was nominal, due to his position in the
Kriminal Police and also connections with participants in the
attempted assassination of Adolf HITLER on 20 July 44. Subject
was then released upon orders from Hq 870th CIC, Region VIII.

b. Records indicate that Subject's only connections
with the plot were through his friendship with General KRENS.
Subject's only part in plot appears to be an assignment as a
chauffeur in order to drive General KRENS to a certain place at
a certain time, which Subject was never called upon to do.
Subject was arrested by the Nazis not because any connection was
made with Subject regarding his part in the plot, but because of
his close friendship with General KRENS. The lightness of sentence
imposed on Subject appears to verify this.

c. Records do not reveal Subject as having connec-
tions with any other members for the planning and execution of
the plot, although Subject was known to other members by virtue
of his high position in the Kriminal Police and in the SS.
These persons whom the records name are either dead or missing.

d. Subject was considered for employment with this
Region in June 47. However, due to past connections and
affiliations Subject was considered unfit for employment with
this organization in any capacity whatever.

4. UNDEVELOPED LEADS: None.

5. AGENT'S COMMENTS AND CONCLUSIONS:

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a. All known facts tend to indicate that Subject has always carefully considered all condition and angles before taking any chance or any side of any question in doubt. While Subject states that he fully and firmly believed in the principles of the Nazi Party until 1938, it has come to the attention of the undersigned Agent that Subject did not change his opinion of the Nazi Party until 1943 at which time military events clearly indicated that Germany was suffering a severe setback and was probably going to lose the war. This conclusion was stated by

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Born: 6 Nov 1906 in Koenigsberg
(OSS/G 40)
Present Address: BERLIN-Steglitz,
Fabeckstr 61
Occupation: Former Kriminal Policeman

who further pictured Subject as a fanatic Nazi whose repeated attempts to gain membership in the SS were refused because of Subject's short stature. It was only through the intercession of General HENNE that Subject was allowed to join the Nazi Party. It is indicated that Subject and his friend General HENNE attempted to use their position in the Nazi Party and also in the SS to further their own interests, namely, self-protection. Previous to his arrest in 1944 Subject gave no indication of being anti-Nazi, but rather that he was willing to "play ball" as long as he could hold his position in the Kriminal Police.

b. All of the close friends and business associates of Subject who did maintain contact with Subject from 1938 until 1944 have either been killed or have disappeared. Although many Germans claim to have been active participants in the plot, none can produce sufficient evidence to substantiate their claims. It is therefore virtually impossible to locate or contact a true participant in the plot.

c. The undersigned agent in the capacity of investigator wishes to make no recommendations regarding the advisability of hiring or not hiring Subject. It is for the agency concerned to determine from the foregoing information which is evaluated C-3.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS:

a. It is recommended that a copy of this report be forwarded to requesting agency.

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Special Agent GIC
Tempelhof Field Office

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