

21 April 1950

MEMORANDUM

FROM : []
TO : []

1. Kindly request Mr. Glenn C. Wolfe, Director, Office of Administration HICOG to

- a. Authorize the Trade and Program Branch, Economic Affairs Division, Berlin Element, HICOG, to employ a food investigator in addition to the German Personnel which it is now authorized to employ. A food investigator is needed to track down unauthorized shipments of ECA financed food imports to the Russian sector and zone;
- b. Authorize Mr. Leon J. Steck, Chief of the Trade and Program Branch, Economic Affairs Division, Berlin Element, HICOG, to employ a food investigator of his own choice.

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27 April
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Lobby
Germany*

2. For your information, we propose for employment a Herr Lobbes, who occupied the same position until January this year when the cut in German personnel strength necessitated his dismissal. Lobbes is considered for recruitment by BOB as a German consultant in support of our defection program. In this capacity he will be placed in charge of a group of Germans, mostly former Criminal Police officials, who will be used by us in running down defection leads (neighborhood checks, surveillance jobs, delivery of letters, etc.). Steck is fully informed about our plans and agrees to let us use Lobbes. The advantage of the proposition as presented lies in the fact that the suggested slot is ideal from the point of view of cover. A secondary consideration is that Lobbes would be paid out of the German economy.

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Authorization to hire L. must come from:

Glenn G. Wolfe ^{HICOG}
Director of Administration, Frankfurt.

The authorization must say the following:

The T/O of the Trade and Program Branch,
Econ. Affairs Div., Berlin Element is increased by 1 person for
the purpose of employing an investigator.

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