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- Refs: 1) EGBA-25871 of 21 Sept 55
- 2) EGBA-26483 of 13 Oct 55

1. In addition to BECRIPPLE-2's other activities for the BOB BEDOX Section as reported in Reference 2 dispatch, he debriefed the following listed DDR refugees of BEDOX interest during the period 16 September 1955 to 21 November 1955:

a. Josef RENKE, born 30 Feb. 1909 in Tarnowitz, last residence Legebruch/Velten, last employed as a "Brenner" with the "Henningsdorfer Stahlwerke" in Henningsdorf. Subject stated that he had taken up a collection in his factory section for the wife of a 17 June 1953 riot participant who was later sentenced to five years in prison for his activities. Subject's assistance to the woman recently came to the attention of the authorities and for this reason he was forced to leave the DDR. Subject stated that his brother had recently left Poland and had returned to the DDR after failing to opt for Poland. Subject himself had no contact within Poland and we decided not to work through him to his brother. He did give us information about his factory and about two reliable friends still employed there; the information was passed to the CALL Section. Subject was interviewed on 7 September 1955.

b. Herbert SCHMOLLING, born 1 Feb. 1914 in Odereck/Zuellichau, last resided in Guben, Wilhelm-Bahn-Strasse 39 e, last employed with the East German RR in the Freight Section at Guben. Subject claims he was arrested in July 1950 and sentenced to two years and three months in prison for "activities against the State". After his release he worked for the Sparkasse in Fuerstenberg/Oder and then was given his old position with the RR back on 1 March 1954. However, he received only the pay of a laborer for his white collar work and his family barely subsisted on the money. In addition, he was also informed upon because of his prison record. Because of these reasons he and his family left the DDR.

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Subject gave both positive and operational intelligence on Guben RR affairs. We are considering disseminating the positive information and have incorporated the operational information into our files. Subject had no leads worth exploitation. He was interviewed on 4 October 1955.

c. Adele NUNDT, born 5 July 1914 in Reppich/Galau, last residence Goerlitz, Kirchstrasse 2, last employed in the Freight Section of the Goerlitz RR Station. Subject became fed up with the living conditions in the DDR and decided to join her illegitimate son who fled the DDR in 1953 and who lives in Oberpfalz/Schwarzenfeld in the Fedrep. Subject left the DDR on 8 October 1955 with a second illegitimate child, a daughter fourteen years old. Subject had no operational leads; she provided some information on RR conditions in Goerlitz which has been disseminated by the BOB Reports Section.

d. Tilo DRESCHER, born 12 September 1935 in Weissenspring/Fuerstenberg, last resided in Frankfurt/Oder, Puschkinstrasse 14 b, last employed as a mechanic with the East German RR in the Frankfurt/Oder passenger station. Subject fled the DDR rather than be pressured into joining the Vopo and because his pro-West orientation was well known. Subject received packages of clothing and food from his sister who married an American soldier and who now lives in the U.S. He also came under suspicion for this. Subject gave biographical information on a friend of his who is still employed in the passenger station but who also intends to come to the West in the near future. Subject's brother continues as a DDR locomotive engineer but the brother is very nervous because of also being under suspicion for receiving packages from the sister in America. These leads were not considered worth exploitation. Subject gave some positive information not worth dissemination about the poor general condition of DDR passenger locomotives. He was interviewed on 12 October 1955.

e. Siegfried BORKENHAGEN, born 26 Sept 1937 in Forst, last residence Forst, Weinbergstrasse 13 with his parents, last employed in the Inspection Service of the Forst passenger station. Subject served his apprenticeship with the RR at the Frankfurt/Oder passenger station and after his transfer to Forst was told that he would have to serve two years "honorary service" with the Vopo prior to continuing his RR career. Subject's father advised Subject to escape rather than join the Vopo and after further pressure to join, Subject did leave. Subject gave us information about RR affairs in Forst but told us that all his close acquaintances there had already come to the West. We have passed Subject positive intelligence to the BOB Reports Section. He was interviewed on 13 October 1955.

f. Erich SCHULZ, born 31 August 1921 in Worin/Seelow, last resided Frankfurt/Oder Karl-Sobkowski-Strasse 6, last employed as an RR conductor on the Frankfurt/Oder Stralsund-Goerlitz-Magdeburg-Berlin passenger routes. Subject claims to have visited West Berlin regularly and to have picked up Western magazines and brochures from the West Berlin Amerikahaus which he brought with him to Frankfurt/Oder and gave to certain of his friends. Somehow the authorities got wind of these activities and inasmuch as he also had been a British POW, he was warned by friends that the

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authorities were keeping a close watch on him. Subject admitted attending a fourteen day SED Party School in 1953 with the stipulation that he later become a party member. Subject states that he was then able to get out of joining the party and that he had only attended the school to assure his transfer to position of conductor. Subject named the following Guben residents as being informants or co-workers of the SSD:

- 1) Martha HEMPEL, born ca 1897, train conductor with the RR, informant for the SSD.
- 2) fnu WERNLICH, born ca 1900, head of the SSD in Guben, resides in Cottbus, Karl-Liebkecht-Strasse 126, tall, heavy build, bald spot.
- 3) fnu PETERSDORF, born ca 1907, co-worker of the SSD in Guben, resides Guben, Karl-Marx-Strasse 23, small man with streaks of grey in hair.
- 4) fnu AUST, born ca 1909, co-worker of the Guben SSD, tall, slender, grey wavy hair, always accompanied by a black German shepherd dog.
- 5) fnu ZECH, born ca 1915, co-worker of the SSD in Guben, resides in Fuerstenberg, medium tall, slender build, black hair.
- 6) fnu HANPEL, born ca 1895, resides in Guben-Spruecke, old line Communist and co-worker of the Guben SSD, tall, slender build, grey hair, pushed in nose, bad teeth, wears shabby clothes.
- 7) Kurt FROSCH, born ca 1922, Criminal Inspector in Guben, informant for the SSD, former German flyer, residing Guben, Pestalozzistrasse 16.
- 8) Guenter BRUMME, born ca 1930, recently moved from Guben to Potsdam, works as an informant for the SSD, is 1.80 tall, slender build, dark curly hair.

Subject provided personality information on East German RR officials which we have incorporated into our files. He had no usable operational leads. He was interviewed 13 October 1955.

h. Arthur KOCH, born 30 November 1925 in Petrikau/Petrikau, last resided Halberstadt, Grudenbergstrasse 11 with parents, last worked as a laborer and mechanic with the "Maschinenbau Halberstadt". Subject's firm manufactures maritime machinery and pumping machinery for mines. In view of Subject's Polish birth, he refused to be sent into Poland on an official trip for his firm because he thought that the Poles might make him remain there. He was worried about voluntary service with the Waffen-SS and about having been an American POW in addition. He thus left the DDR prior to departure on the trip. He claimed that he was not friendly with any other employees of the firm who travel to East-bloc countries. He said he had no relatives still living in Poland. He was interviewed on 17 October 1955.

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h. Ulrich SAHLFELDT, born 17 January 1931 in Soldin-Neumark, last resided Frankfurt/Oder, Wildenbruchstrasse 11, last employed as an electrician in the Frankfurt-Oder passenger station. Subject was pressured by his supervisor to enter the Vopo and after Subject refused, he was warned by friends to leave the DDR. Subject gave some information about the Frankfurt/Oder passenger station and officials employed there which were already known to us. He could give no operational leads. He was debriefed on 13 October 1955.

i. Rudolf SCHYMURA, born 14 July 1922 in Scheikowitz/Rybnik, Upper Silesia, last lived Walbroda/Dresden, House Number 15, last employed as a packer with the radio and telephone factory "Sachsenwerk". Subject was constantly harassed to join the Vopo even though he did join the SED. He received poor jobs and poor pay, thus deciding to come to the West. Subject said that he had applied for permission to visit relatives in Poland in February 1954 and after a year of waiting finally received permission from the DDR and Polish Governments to make the trip. He traveled by rail via Frankfurt/Oder to his father's farm near Scheikowitz on 16 May 1955 and remained there until 8 June 1955. Subject gave some information not worth dissemination on living conditions in Poland and he turned in an official letter from the DDR Foreign Ministry which gave him permission to make the trip. A copy of his debriefing report and the certificate from the DDR Foreign Ministry have been turned in to the BOB MKTOPAZ representative. Subject's relatives in Poland were not deemed operationally exploitable. Subject was debriefed on 21 October 1955.

j. Heinz PRAEDEL, born 3 September 1932 in Namslau/Breslau, last lived Niegripp/Burg near Magdeburg, Feldstrasse 8, employed as a sailor on the West German barge "Martha" owned by the Kraemer firm in Hamburg until April 1955 when he was arrested in Magdeburg for going ashore without a pass. He was sentenced to six months in a DDR prison and after his release finally got a job with the DSU Magdeburg on the Magdeburg-Fuerstenberg Breslau, CSR routes. The ultimate reason for Subject's escape was dissatisfaction with conditions in the DDR and not as a direct result of his imprisonment. Subject denounced the helmsman on the barge "Martha", one Wilhelm FLINN, born ca 1905, residence on board ship but permanent residence in Hamburg, has married daughter living in Magdeburg, as a probable agent of the DDR harbor police or the SSD. This could possibly be spite on Subject's part because FLINN was the person who refused to cover for Subject after Subject's arrest in 1955. Subject gave information about himself and about DSU methods which raised some doubt as to his bona fides. He was told to return for further questioning on 31 October but never returned to the meeting. We have tried to locate him in the refugee camps without success and the possibility exists that Subject was sent out as a low level SSD informant. He was initially debriefed on 27 October 1955.

k. Wilhelm NOCCON, born 20 November 1924 in Gleiwitz, last resided Frankfurt/Oder, Akazienweg 8, last worked as a laborer for the East German RR in the Frankfurt/Oder freight station. Subject was previously employed as a fireman with the RR but was discharged from this position after being accused of breaking into a rail car destined for the USSR and stealing materials therefrom. He was then assigned as a laborer and

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felt that he was continually being watched. For this reason he escaped to the West. Subject is in mail contact with his father who still lives in Poland. He gave some information about RR affairs in Frankfurt/Oder which were already known to us and stated that since he was known as a political black sheep, no one ever became too friendly toward him. He thus had no leads other than his father, whom we decided not to attempt to develop into the inside end of a mail operation. Subject reported that one Kurt BERTHOLD, born ca 1923, former brigade engineer, and resident of Frankfurt/Oder was arrested in July 1955 for espionage. He was interviewed on 31 October 1955.

l. Gertrude VIETZ, born 11 February 1927 in Frankfurt/Oder, last resident of Frankfurt/Oder, Akazienweg 8, no occupation. Subject is the common-law wife of Wilhelm WOCON, para 1 k above. She had no leads of interest and could provide no intelligence of interest. She was interviewed on 31 October 1955.

m. Guenter SCHMIDT, born 3 December 1936 in Fuerstenberg/Oder, last resided Fuerstenberg, Frankfurter Strasse 15 with his aunt, last worked with the DSU as a sailor on the Berlin-Fuerstenberg-Breslau routes. Subject came to the West rather than be forced to join the Vopo. He provided information on the DSU which we have incorporated in our operational files. He claimed that his frequent transfer from barge to barge with the DSU prevented him from making any close friends; he thus had no operational leads. He was interviewed on 14 November 1955.

n. Herbert FRIEDRICH, born 17 June 1928 in Ostritz/Goerlitz, last resided in Ostritz, Klosterstrasse 31, last employed as a laborer with "Elektro-Chemie" in Hirschfeld. Subject says he had to join the SED to keep his job with the above firm but that he refused to go to party schools. He did take part in civil patrols of his home city and after being told to inform on his fellow workers to SED authorities he again refused to cooperate. Subject states that his family and his wife were always against his membership in the party. Because of family disapproval and SED suspicion for not reporting on his fellow workers, Subject came to West Berlin on 11 November 1955. Subject gave us fairly detailed border information covering obstacles in his area of residence. He stated in addition that Vopo soldiers had told him that the fences near the Polish village of Marienthal were defective and that the area was being used by refugees entering the DDR from Poland. We have put his border information in our operational files. He had no operational leads. He was interviewed on 17 November 1955.

o. Guenter POMIK, born 12 December 1933 in Neuentempel/Lobus, last lived in Ketzin/Brueckenkopf, Ziegelei 69, last worked as a fireman on DOS tug number 731. Subject had no special reasons for escaping the DDR other than to remain with his parents who had decided to leave. Subject gave us a little information about unloading procedures in Stettin and material transported on three trips he made there. He is not very intelligent and said he had never gone ashore in Stettin because he was too frightened to do so. He had no operational leads. He was interviewed on 17 November 1955.

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p. Johan STEINDORF, born 30 December 1900 in Kolonowska/Strehlitz, last lived Ramsdorf/Pegau Kreis Borna, Rosa Luxemburg Strasse c/o Walter, last employed as a miner in a Deutzen/DDR brown coal mine. Subject had no special reasons for leaving the DDR. His wife lives in Poland as do his two grown sons. He has not seen them since 1944 but is in regular mail contact with them. He hopes that his wife will return to the DDR as she has not optioned for Poland, and that she will then follow him to the Fedrep. One of Subject's sons works in the planning bureau of a steel factory in Poland and the other heads the chemical section of another. We are in the process of recontacting Subject to learn more about the sons. Subject was interviewed on 17 November 1955.

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q. Guenter KUNZE, born 20 May 1930 in Nordhausen/Harz, last lived Nordhause, Spangenbergstrasse 1 co Schmidt, last employed as assembly worker with the VEB "IFA", vehicle and ship building firm in Nordhausen. Subject fled the DDR rather than be forced to enter the Vopo and the SED. In addition, Subject thought he might be held responsible for the corrosion of pistons in three hundred ~~trucks~~ being stored by his firm in Tangermuende. Subject gave quite a lot of worthwhile information about the VEB "IFA" which we are translating and forwarding to the BOB Reports Section. He himself was to travel officially to Bulgaria for his firm to repair ~~trucks~~ exported by his firm which have in the meantime broken down there. He named two friends of his who also traveled officially for the firm but who were now in the West. He could give no other operational leads. He was interviewed on 18 November 1955.

2. BECRIPPLE-2 debriefed the following listed DDR refugees of DIZTAG interest during the reporting period:

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a. Guenter STECNER, born 8 June 1937 in Pegau/Oberna, Saxony, last resided Werben/Leipzig with his step-father, last employed with the DSU as a sailor on the Magdeburg-Schmilka routes. Subject said that he came to the West after having pressure exerted on him to join the Vopo. He claimed not to have any close friends because of his transfer from place to place and boat to boat and also because he never tried to be friendly. This would be born out by his low level of intelligence and a resulting inferiority complex noted by BECRIPPLE-2. Subject thus had no leads and gave us no useful information whatsoever. He was interviewed on 9 September 1955.

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b. Wolfgang HERZOG, born 27 March 1924 in Adorf/Oelsnitz, last lived Gettengruen/Oelsnitz, last worked a small farm direct on the DDR/CSR border. Subject said that he came to the West since he could not make a living on his farm and because he was under close observation by the Communist mayor of his area. He gave information about border conditions which checks out with information in our files. He was to be recalled for further debriefing by Kanouse on 24 October but prior to that time he completed processing and was flown to the Fedrep. He was initially debriefed on 4 October 1955.

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c. Kurt SCHAAK, born 27 October 1919 in Starckenberg/Wohlau, West Prussia, last resided Zittau, Lobauer Strasse 72, last worked as an office employee with Hirschfelde brown coal mines. Subject states that he took a vacation trip to visit relatives near Cologne from 15 August to 7 September 1955 and during his time in the Fedrep he constantly talked against the DDR regime. After his return to the DDR he was called into the Cadre Section of his mine and was reprimanded for his activities in the Fedrep. After this Subject was assigned only to poorly paid work and heard from friends that the SSD was investigating him. For this reason he came to West Berlin. He thinks that one of his acquaintances in the Fedrep must be working as an agent for the DDR, but he cannot pinpoint the person. Subject provided no information of interest to us. He was debriefed on 5 October 1955.

d. Eduard BECKER, born 27 February 1924 in Goldenfluss/Maerisch-Schoenberg, Sudetenland, last lived Neugersdorf/Loebau, Bebelstrasse 50, last employed in the Neugersdorf "Buntweberei". Subject said that he had worked against the DDR regime since 1951, putting up propaganda leaflets and making public slogans on fences, etc. In 1952 he was arrested for these activities by the SSD in Loebau but after a few days was released after refusing to "confess". Subject thought he was again in danger of arrest recently and on 17 October 1955 he fled the DDR. Subject has one aunt living in the CSR with whom he has no mail contact. He gave some information about border conditions in his area and reported that on 10 or 11 October 1955 a DDR border policeman, one Werner KUETTIG, born ca 1935, was killed by trigger happy Czech border guards. (CCT Comment: This has been verified by other sources). Subject gave information about his border area which was already known to us. He had no operational leads worth exploitation. His story about his resistance work did not hang together too well and may have been thought up by him to boost his chances for refugee recognition. He was debriefed on 21 October 1955.

e. Richard TICHAY, born 17 January 1927 in Herrlich/Dux, Sudetenland, last resided in Stoessen/Naumberg, last worked as a representative for the Naumberg grocery wholesale complex. Subject said that after criticizing the policies of his state run agency and being known as not a true follower of the party line, he was warned to escape. He did so on 20 October 1955. BECRIPPLE-2 had a feeling that the story told by Subject of his reasons for escape did not ring true. Subject claimed to be in mail contact with a brother and married sister living in the CSR. We did not develop these leads due to BECRIPPLE-2's suspicions and lack of need for this type of agent material. Subject was interviewed on 21 October 1955.

f. Josef MORAK, born 9 December 1912 in Zueckmantel/Ceska Lipa, last lived in Loebau/Eichegasse 2, last worked as a locomotive fireman with the East German RR. Subject claims that he has been an active critic of the Communist regime and especially when he had had too much to drink he would verbally blast the Communists. On a number of occasions he did so in the presence of one Heinz HILBRECHT, born ca. 1925, locomotive fireman working out of Loebau. According to Subject, HILBRECHT brought Subject's statements to the attention of RR authorities after which Subject

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was transferred to work as a laborer in RR warehouses. Subject thought he was under continual observation and decided to escape with his family on 28 October 1955. Subject has an uncle still living in the CSR with whom he is in occasional mail contact. Subject admitted giving the following names as leads to another agency (CIC) prior to talking with us:

- 1) Gerhard HENSEL, born ca 1919, employed at the Loebau RR Station, living Friedersdorf/Loebau, House 101 b.
- 2) Evert de NOER, born ca 1914, Dutch extraction, employed at the Loebau RR Station, resides Duerrhemnersdorf/Loebau, House 105.
- 3) Georg SCHUBERT, born ca 1917, employed as a locomotive dispatcher at the Loebau Station, member of the SED but inwardly a strong anti-Communist, resides in the Loebau RR building, first (German) floor.

Subject gave us information about rail conditions in the Zittau area. He was debriefed by BECRIPPLE-2 on 28 October 1955 and was later debriefed by [] for possible leads to East German RR employees specifically having contact with Czech rail employees. [] found that B-2 had not missed any leads. B-2 did have Subject write a bona fide letter to Subject's brother, one Walter HORAK born ca 1924, trucker, residing in Obbach, Siemensiedlung, House Number 2/d, which we do not intend to make use of.

g. Kurt HOFFMANN, born 17 Sept 1920 in Berlin, last lived Berlin-Weissensee, Thisstrasse 26, last employed with "DIA-Maschinenbau", Export Section. Subject stated that he was the only non-party member among the leading officials in his section and that he was made responsible for late completion of rolling mill parts in the Brandenburg factory. For this reason and for other reasons, Subject escaped to the West with his wife. Subject was debriefed by B-2 for positive intelligence and it was determined that Subject was knowledgeable enough for passing on to the BOB CALL Section. It was determined that Subject knew of no former co-workers who traveled officially for DIA to the CSR or to Poland and he knew of no one who might travel to these countries at a later date. He also knew of no one having contact with the CSR or Polish trade delegations in East Berlin. However, during one of Subject's later debriefings by B-2, Subject brought along his wife who is a former employee of "DIA Bergbau". Subject's wife was able to give B-2 a lead to a friend still employed with DIA who did have contact with Czech officials. This lead has been passed to [] who may develop it. Subject was initially debriefed 31 October 1955. Positive intelligence received from him by B-2 will be incorporated into reports being prepared by the CALL Section.

h. Philipp JAKOB, born 18 June 1896 in Liberec, CSR, last lived Greifswald, Kaethe-Kollwitz-strasse 10, last worked for the HO in Greifswalde as a storehouse supervisor in the Textile Section. Subject was given the job of dumping poor quality DDR textile goods on East-bloc countries and after negotiations with the

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CSR fell through, Subject was made responsible for this failure. Subject himself did not deal directly with the Czechs and has no close friends who did. He has no relatives in the CSR. He gave us no information of value during his debriefing on 4 November 1955.

i. Willy KRIEGEROW, born 20 April 1898 in Eibau/Loebau, last resided in Neugersdorf, Volksbaderstrasse 36, last employed as a bookkeeper with the city of Neugersdorf. Subject was a member of the SED from 1946 to the time of his flight on 28 October 1955. He belonged to a political discussion group composed of members of the city finance department which did not do much political discussing but which did do a lot of political joke-telling against the regime. On one occasion the group met in the service room of the finance department and while Subject was telling a joke with Ulbricht the goat, an SED Party Secretary entered the adjoining room and heard him. Within a few days one of Subject's friends warned him that the Secretary had overheard the joke and was making a complete report to the local council. Subject then came to the West rather than face what he thought to be almost certain arrest. Subject gave us information about the border area which checks with information in our files. He claims that he had no close friends of interest to us since he was looked on with mistrust by most of his friends for his party membership, even though he was known to some of them as inwardly against the regime. He was debriefed on 8 November 55.

j. Helmut KLAUBERT, born 19 October 1930 in Mistek-Koleredo, Morava Ostrava, last resided Wildau/Berlin, last employed with the "Maschinenfabrik Wildau" as a mechanic, Subject quit his job with the Wildau factory on 1 September 1955 in order to go into partnership with a mechanical engineer in an engineering office. Subject was called before the SSD and was accused of being in contact with a Western IS, from which they "knew" he had received money to go into private business. They told him that they "knew" also that his business was to be a cover business for the IS. He was told to act as an informant for the SSD and after turning in an unacceptable report to them about the political orientation of three of his former co-workers, he fled the DDR on 27 October 55. Subject stated that he was in mail contact with a good friend still living in Morava Ostrava and for this reason he was placed in contact with [] Subject was initially debriefed on 9 November 1955.

k. Martha GEBAUER nee FRENKLER, born 20 October 1911 in Tuerchau near Zittau, last lived Hartau/Zittau, House Number 130 b, last worked as a winder in the "VEB-Textil" in Hartau. Subject was forced to work the night shift in her factory during the past year and because of this strain and lack of wholesome food in her area of residence, she lost weight and became sick. In order to keep living, Subject left the DDR on 9 November 1955. Subject lived less than a mile from the DDR/CSR border and was able to confirm other information in our files about the border in her area. She had no worthwhile leads. She was interviewed on 10 Nov. 1955 by B-2 who says that her poor physical condition was verified by her appearance.

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1. Erwin FINGER, born 1 September 1927 in Graudenz, Poland, last lived in Gera, Ernststrasse 11, last worked as a specialist in the Gera uranium mines. Subject was able to work into a high position in his field but because of his refusal to join the SED he was later given lower and lower level jobs. He finally decided to leave the DDR on 28 October 1955. Subject knew quite a lot about the Johann-Georgenstadt and Gera uranium mines but his field of knowledge was not of interest to the BOB CALL Section. Inasmuch as Subject spoke Polish fluently he was interviewed by [redacted] of the BOB BEDOX Section who concluded that Subject might possibly be a penetration agent. Subject was later passed to [redacted] for debriefing on DDR/CSR border area leads. We did not tell [redacted] of [redacted] conclusions as a control measure, and [redacted] independently came up with the same opinion of Subject. A report by [redacted] will be forwarded separately. Subject was debriefed by B-2 initially on 7 November 1955.

m. Richard JURASCHEK, born 2 April 1922, in Waldbruecken/Haydebreck, Oppeln, last lived in Ebersbach/Loebau, Hempelstrasse 8, last worked as a cook with the "VEB Thermoplast" in Ebersbach. Subject admitted falsifying kitchen records in his VEB to indicate that he had given out more food than he actually had. After discovery he came to the West on 11 November 1955. Subject could not give any usable border leads and he did not know much about obstacles there. He did say that he was in loose correspondence with relatives still living in Poland and that he also had one brother and sister there with whom he was not in mail contact. Subject's leads were not worth exploitation. He was interviewed on 15 November 1955.

n. Guenter GRAHL, born 25 Nov. 1938 in Riese/Elbe, last lived there, Bahnhofstrasse 26 with his stepmother, last employed as a sailor with the DSU on the Magdeburg-Wittenberg and Magdeburg-Dresden routes. Subject stated that on 17 November he and his fifteen year old brother spoke against the DDR regime to an unknown man whom they met on the street in Riesa. The man let them talk and when they were finished identified himself as a Vopo and demanded their documents. After noting their names he instructed them to report to the Riese police station the following morning at 0800 hours. Subject and his brother fled to West Berlin the same night. Subject had no worthwhile operational leads and could provide no information whatsoever of interest. He was interviewed on 21 November 1955.

3. Field Comment. BECRIPPLE-2 conducted a total of thirty-one refugee debriefings during the reporting period. Out of the thirty individuals interviewed, one of the interviews (para 2j above) produced a lead worth exploitation; two of the interviews produced leads possibly worth exploitation; ten of the interviews produced operational information of interest to the Satellite Section; three of the interviews produced positive intelligence worth dissemination; and one of the interviews produced operation and good positive information of definite interest to another Section.

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