

<b>DISPATCH</b>		CLASSIFICATION <b>S E C R E T</b>	DISPATCH SYMBOL AND NO. <b>EGFA-38746</b>
TO INFO	Chief, SR Chief, EE Chief of Station, Germany	<b>EGO</b>	HEADQUARTERS FILE NO.  E J
FROM	Chief of Base, Frankfurt		DATE <b>4. Feb. 1963</b>
SUBJECT	REDWOOD REDSKIN AEA BYSS Meeting with AEA BYSS/1.	<i>JR</i>	RE: "43-3" - (CHECK "X" ONE)
ACTION REQUIRED	See paragraphs 4 and 6 below.		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> MARKED FOR INDEXING
REFERENCE(S)	A. EGFA-38618, 11 January 1963 B. EGFV-14780, 18 January 1963 C. DIR-12099, 21 January 1963		<input type="checkbox"/> NO INDEXING REQUIRED
		INDEXING CAN BE JUDGED BY QUALIFIED HQ. DESK ONLY.	
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<p>1. On 23 January 1963 the undersigned met with AEA BYSS/1 for a last meeting prior to his return to Identity-1. The meeting was arranged through <input type="checkbox"/> who was also present during the proceedings.</p> <p>2. Part of the meeting was devoted to discussing the requirements contained in references B and C. Judging by AEA BYSS/1's reaction to the reference B requirement, particularly as it concerns FJSTEAL construction practices, it was apparent that AEA BYSS/1 has made useful observations on this point and has drawn tentative conclusions to this end. We are sure his remarks will make a positive contribution to the reference B guide when he is debriefed upon his return in July 1963.</p> <p>3. During the meeting AEA BYSS/1 related some additional experiences he has had with Identity-2 (see previous information supplied in EGFA-36122, 9 January 1962). Identity-2 returned to Identity-1 off-and-on through March 1962 to inspect progress of the concrete work. On one occasion Identity-2 called to the attention of AEA BYSS/1 that a number of the concrete foundation problems which were experienced at the building site were the result of omissions in the blue prints supplied by the AEA BYSS firm. AEA BYSS/1 realized that Identity-2's findings were valid and that the AEA BYSS firm could have been held responsible for the cost of the modification. Discussing the individual points with AEA BYSS/1 and other members of his firm, Identity-2 implied or suggested by his actions that he was very fond of German tape recorders. Sensing an opportunity for minimizing Identity-2's report of deficiencies, a Telefunken tape recorder was given him by the AEA BYSS firm. AEA BYSS/1 believed that this gift saved his company a considerable amount of money. AEA BYSS/1 also believes that Identity-2 would be receptive to further gifts if presented under proper circumstances. Although AEA BYSS/1 had several contacts with Identity-2, he was unable to provide an assessment on significant personality data on him. He knows, however, that Identity-2 is Jewish, married, has two children (a girl circa 11 years old and a younger son), and that he is extremely fond of waltz and jazz music. Identity-2 speaks some German but his conversations with AEA BYSS/1 were primarily of a business nature. He gave AEA BYSS/1 his business address and telephone number in the FJSTEAL capital (noted under Identity-2). At our request AEA BYSS/1 plans to contact Identity-2 in the FJSTEAL capital on Monday, 28 January, and give him several recorded tapes of jazz and waltz music. It is hoped that upon his return to Germany AEA BYSS/1 will be able to provide more complete biographic and personality information on Identity-2.</p> <p>4. Headquarters traces on Identity-2 and on the organization employing him are requested. We have been unable to find any information on either the telephone number or the organization in our local support materials.</p>			
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: center;"> <div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">INDEX</div> <div style="text-align: right;"> <p>GROUP I</p> <p>Excluded from Automatic Downgrading and Declassification</p> </div> </div> <p style="text-align: center;">3 encl. H/W</p>			
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5. AEABYSS/1 departed for FJSTEAL by train on 26 January 1963. He has taken with him some 30 crates of diverse construction materials and spare parts needed at the erection site. He expects to spend two or three days in the FJSTEAL capital and then continue by train to Identity-2. He anticipates returning to Germany for home leave in June or July 1963.

6. Attached under separate cover, as promised in reference A, are completed PRQ Parts I and II on AEABYSS/1. Please process an OA.

*WOT*

APPROVED: [ ]

Attachments:

- A. PRQ Part I (usc), 3 cc for SR
- B. PRQ Part II (usc), " " "
- C. Identities (usc)

*attached by RID/4N 13 Feb 63*

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Identities

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Identity-1: Salavat/USSR <sup>66</sup>

Identity-2: \*GERSHOVICH, fnu  
ΔGiprogastrorprom, Moscow USSR

Telephone: 3-3-00-02 62

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PERSONAL RECORD QUESTIONNAIRE  
PART I - BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

1. Walter MEHNERT
2. Same
5. 13 December 1908; Heidenau/Dresden (now East Germany).
6. West German
7. German
8. Salzgitter-Steterburg, 34 Gerhard Hauptmannstrasse (owner).
10. Construction engineer; salary approximately DM 35,000 per annum.
12. None known.
13. Deceased
14. Deceased
15. Ursula MEHNERT, nee ~~MEHRER~~ <sup>MEHRER</sup>, born 25 May 1919 in Magdeburg (now East Germany).  
Not previously married. Resides with husband. <sup>GERMANY</sup>
16. ~~Wolfgang MEHNERT~~, male, born 21 March 1938 in Magdeburg, (now East Germany).  
Rudolf MEHNERT, male, born 8 September 1943 in Wolfenbuettel, West Germany.  
Baerbel MEHNERT, female, born 25 September 1954 in Wolfenbuettel.  
All residing with parents at 8 above.
17. One sister, married, resides with husband in Dresden, East Germany.  
A brother, fnu, resides in Munich, Germany.
18. None known.
19. German passport, number unknown.
20. Protestant
21. No known party affiliations. Was not member of NSDAP. Conservative-type German, now probably oriented toward CDU/CSU.
22. Turkey, 1932-1933, construction of sugar refinery.  
Turkey, 1953, construction of sugar refinery.
23. 10 years' schooling near Dresden followed by several years in unknown engineering school. Graduated as engineer (no diploma).
24. German--fluent  
Russian--poor--poor--fair
25. None--deferred because of essential wartime assignment as production boss in munitions manufacturing at the former Hermann Goering Works in Salzgitter.
26. None known.
27. Fully preoccupied with plant construction activities. Considered top man in field. No known hobbies.
28. Appears financially solvent. Greater portion of mortgage on his home has been paid off.

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<p>29. 1930-1939 Buckau-Wolff, Grevenbroich, West Germany, construction engineer. 1940-1946 Hermann Goering Works, Salzgitter, West Germany, production engineer. 1947-1951 Confined in prison 1951-1953 Friedrich Kooks, Duesseldorf and Koblenz, West Germany, construction engineer. 1953-1956 Salzgitter Industrie Bau, Salzgitter, West Germany, construction engineer. 1956-1959 Dorsch, Germann &amp; Wagner, Wiesbaden, West Germany, construction engineer. 1959-Present Salzgitter Industrie Bau, Salzgitter</p>		
<p>30. None</p>		
<p>31. <del>Close Associates</del> (Dr. Ing.) Fritz LEITHE <input type="checkbox"/> <sup>CIT GERMANY</sup> Director at Salzgitter Industriebau GmbH, Salzgitter. Resides <u>Wolfenbuettel,</u> <u>Vogesweg 2 GERMANY</u> <sup>CO</sup> Ludwig Sebastian MAIR <input type="checkbox"/> <sup>CIT GERMANY</sup> Salzgitter-Lebenstedt, - <u>Salderstr. 54 GERMANY</u> <sup>CO</sup>  Correspondent: <sup>CO</sup> (Frau) Christa BUJAR, <u>Acasoliangroden/Wilhelmshaven, Paul</u> <u>Hugstr. 16.</u>  <del>Ludwig Sebastian MAIR, Salzgitter-Lebenstedt, Salderstr. 54 GERMANY</del> <del>Dr. Fritz LEITHE, Wolfenbuettel, Vogesweg 2.</del> <del>Dr. Helmut KOSMUTZKI, Salzgitter-Lebenstedt GERMANY</del> <del>Dr. RHEINLAENDER, Salzgitter, Lebenstedt GERMANY</del></p>		
<p>33. See Paragraph 35 below.</p>		
<p>34. Age: 54 Apparent Age: 50 Height: 5'10" Eyes: gray-blue Face--shape: Oval Complexion: Fair Sex: Male</p> <p>General appearance: Neat Prominent features: None Other identifying features: Three fingers of right hand missing; writes with left hand.</p>	<p>Posture: Erect Weight: 175 lbs. Teeth: Good Hair: Gray-white Scars: None Build: Medium NOTE: Two snapshots attached.</p>	
<p>35. Following WW II Subject was arrested by the British on war crime charges. Released.</p>		
		
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PERSONAL RECORD QUESTIONNAIRE  
PART II - OPERATIONAL INFORMATION

Cryptonym: AEABYSS/1

SECTION I

1. Subject was first contacted in May 1960 at his home in Salzgitter-Steterburg by [ ] The lead to Subject was obtained from [ ] who described Subject as an FJSTEAL traveler and chief erector of a construction project in FJSTEAL. Subject was contacted to debrief him on his FJSTEAL travels and to assess and develop him as a regular reporting source on his company's business activities in FJSTEAL, construction progress observed, and to report on FJSTEAL personalities encountered at the construction site.
2. Subject could be turned over to any German-speaking case officer able to establish his bona fides, either by a personal introduction or by close familiarity with Subject's past activity on behalf of KUBARK.
3. [ ]

SECTION II

1. Subject is a dedicated worker in his profession, and while he harbors deep-seated anti-communist convictions, this did not preclude him from accepting a construction assignment in FJSTEAL. At the same time, his experiences in FJSTEAL have further convinced him of the futility of the Soviet system, and has also made him aware of the dangers of that system and the need to combat it by reporting information on FJSTEAL available to him through his position.
2. Disclosure by Subject of his relationship with AIS would prejudice his position in his firm and would place him in jeopardy vis-a-vis the FJSTEAL authorities. Since Subject does not receive remuneration for his services, financial controls cannot be exercised.

SECTION III

1. Meetings with Subject are being arranged through [ ] who serves as communications cut-out. Meetings are held in either [ ] or AEABYSS/1's residence. Cover maintained by A/1 vis-a-vis his wife is that case officer is a business associate.
2. Subject obtains information of interest quite naturally through his position as chief erector in FJSTEAL and long-time employee of his company.
3. Subject knows he is working for an ODYOKE service and that the case officer ostensibly works for the ODIBEX Research and Technical Liaison Unit. [ ] is known to Subject as [ ]

SECTION IV

1. No known past IS connections. Subject alleges that he would refuse cooperation with UPHILL if he were ever approached by this service. He claims he mistrusts UPHILL because of security leaks, stating, "There has been too much on this organization in the newspapers lately".
2. [ ] on whom an OA has been granted, effective 29 December 1961.
3. Subject has been briefed on operational security, and was given training in basic tradecraft. He is familiar with FJSTEAL realities.

SECTION V

1. Subject, if approached, would probably cooperate with CAVATA. It is also believed that he might collaborate with UPHILL even though he has indicated he would refuse cooperation if approached.

SECTION VI

1. Subject has been debriefed on three occasions (Dec 61, June 62 and Jan 63) while in Germany on leave from FJSTEAL. He has furnished useful PI and OI obtained by him at the FJSTEAL erection site and during travel. On two occasions he has also been briefed and has accepted special requirements submitted by Headquarters.
2. Subject obtains information by direct observation and through conversation with FJSTEAL nationals at the erection site.
3. Subject is aware that the information he furnishes is incorporated into ODYOKE intelligence dossiers.
4.
  - a. Obtain PI and OI information on the FJSTEAL erection site and surrounding area.
  - b. Assess FJSTEAL nationals as potential subjects for recruitment, and provide leads to other persons who are in a position to supplement the assessments which he is able to provide.
  - c. Supply information on his company's business dealings with FJSTEAL.
5. Not applicable.

SECTION VII

1. Not applicable.

SECTION VIII

1. Subject is not a controlled agent but a willing informant. He receives no compensation for his services, except an occasional curtesy gift such as cigarettes, etc. He accepts guidance and instructions but would, in an instance of conflict between our instructions and his opinions, most likely follow the latter while making known to us his unwillingness to accept the instruction.

SECTION IX

1. Subject's familiarity with FJSTEAL and his long-time employment as chief erector makes him a logical choice by his employer for another FJSTEAL erection assignment, once his present assignment has been completed. Since he is not disinclined to accept another tour in FJSTEAL he holds promise of being a long-time KUBARK asset for REDSKIN operations directed against FJSTEAL.

SECTION X

1. No promises or commitments have been made to Subject.
2. None made.

SECTION XI

1. Subject was traced in FROB-7981, 14 Oct 60 and DIR-10425, 8 Nov 60. Trace

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<p>results, all negative, are contained in MUNI-2654, BRLN-1170, DIR-8173, STUT-9718, FRAN-7028, NEWD-7875, ANKA-9359, ISTA-5783.</p> <p>2. Local Meldeamt check 20 October 1960.</p> <p>3. POA granted, EGFW-11659, 1 Dec 1959.</p> <p>4. POA extended, DIR-9170, 8 Jan 1963.</p> <p>5. Subject is a hard-working and rough-mannered individual whose great passion in life is his construction work. He gives priority to the immediate tasks at hand even if this involves personal inconvenience to him or his family. He is driving himself hard and demands the same devotion to duty from his co-workers. He is honest and straightforward to the point of appearing rude. He believes in personal initiative, a free economy and appears proud of his own accomplishments. He admires the U.S. for her industrial accomplishments and living standards, but criticizes the U.S. for not being militant enough in her dealings with FJSTEAL.</p> <p>6. None, except the incident reported in paragraph 1 of EGFA-36122, 9 Jan 1962.</p> <p><u>SECTION XII</u></p> <p>1. Subject enjoys a social drink. He is a heavy cigarette smoker. No other personal habits are known.</p> <p><u>SECTION XIII</u></p> <p>1. None known.</p> <p><u>SECTION XIV</u></p> <p>1. No</p> <p>2. PRQ information was obtained by research, conversation and completed traces.</p> <p>3. Termination of Subject as matters now stand would be routine.</p> <p><u>SECTION XV</u></p> <p>1. Contact with Subject is effected through <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></p>		
<p><u>Keyed to Form 1050a</u></p>		
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