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SUBJECT: Dr. Gerhard von MENDE  
RE : Schewtschenko Scientific Association  
TO : Commanding Officer, Hq 970th CIC Detachment, EUCOM,  
APO 757, US Army

1. Inclosed MCIC, subject and file as above, dated 3 December 1947, indicates that an alleged representative of British intelligence interests, Dr. Gerhard von MENDE, has contacted a Ukrainian society in MUNICH, presumably for intelligence purposes.

2. Further data concerning MENDE and the Schewtschenko Scientific Association is being gathered and will be forwarded subsequently.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: Dr. Gerhard von MENDE

RE : Schewtschenko Scientific Association

1. The following information concerning Subject and his connections with the Schewtschenko Scientific Association, a Ukrainian literary association, has been obtained by the undersigned agent from an as yet uncoded source, and is submitted as being of intelligence interest.

2. a. The Schewtschenko Scientific Association was founded in 1892 in LESBERG, Poland, by a Professor Doctor BRUSCHENSKIJ. The society was named after the Ukrainian national poet Taras SZEWTSCHENKO (1814-1861), who became the spiritual leader of the Ukrainians through his works, which stressed nationalism and independence among Ukrainians. BRUSCHENSKIJ founded the society after he had emigrated from KIEV, Russia, where the Ukrainians were not allowed to practice their religion at the time. During World War II the society ceased all activities. In the summer of 1947 Prof. Dr. Volodymir KUBIJOWITSCHE re-established the society in MUNICH within the framework of the student body of the Ukrainian seminar in MUNICH. Prof. Dr. KUBIJOWITSCHE has the reputation of being an outstanding scholar and a Ukrainian nationalist. His main scientific work, an atlas of the Ukraine and its neighboring countries, is regarded as one of the foremost works dealing with geography, ethnology and sociology of the countries to which it pertains.

b. A few months ago the society entered into contact with Dr. MENDE, who represented British intelligence interests. As far as is known at the present time, responsible officials of the society reached an agreement with MENDE whereby the society would cooperate with MENDE in the field of intelligence. It is assumed that the society's main activity involves Soviet intelligence.

c. Dr. MENDE was born in 1904 in Latvia, where he attended high school. MENDE studied thereafter in Germany

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and Sweden, specializing in Turkistan and Caucasian affairs. After graduation Subject was named guest professor at the university of BRISLAU and at the university of BERLIN. At the outbreak of the war between Germany and Russia, MENDE was appointed eastern expert by the ministerium for Occupied Eastern Territories. Despite this appointment, MENDE is stated to have remained an open critic of German politics in the East, and was an advocate of the principle of granting freedom to the small nations of the East, especially those nations which had been incorporated into the Soviet Union. MENDE is the author of: "Der Nationale Kampf der Russland-Turken". He is reported to be presently working for the British intelligence service in recruiting assistants from among German scientists who are experts on Eastern affairs.

3. AGENT'S NOTES: The source of the above information has been instructed to obtain further data concerning MENDE, his activities and attempts to employ the SCHEWTSCHENKO Scientific Association along intelligence lines.

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