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Gerhard von MENDE

Source: Polish citizen of Ukrainian descent now resident in the US. Formerly on the staff of Warsaw University, he has been active for the last 30 years in working for the creation of a free Ukraine. An anti-Communist Catholic, he is in touch with anti-Communist separatist Soviet minority groups throughout the world. Extremely subjective in his views on the Soviet Union, he was in close touch between World Wars I and II with the Polish General Staff and its efforts to promote dissension within the USSR. Source received the following information in a letter dated 16 April 51 which came through the regular mail from an Azerbaijan-born German citizen who is now a resident of the UK zone of Germany and who was formerly assistant editor of Die Befreiung which is issued in Berlin and was the national organ of Azerbaijani refugees in Germany prior to 1945.

1. "As I have told you before (see OO-B-18609, 20892 and 25801), I had the opportunity about two years ago (1949) to observe Professor von MENDE in his efforts to associate the British with his war-time co-workers. These co-workers were those Ukrainians, White Ruthenians, Georgians, North Caucasians, Azerbaijanians, Turks, Volgartatars and Kirim Turks who, during World War II, were active in the East Ministry of the SS. Among those people were a few old immigrants, who up to that time were not known to our national movement and whose activities and capabilities were not known to us. Among the new ones, who came from prisoner camps and who were made co-workers, no one in particular can be pointed out since most of them, especially the Azerbaijanians and Turks, due to their Bolshevik education and upbringing, were not very intelligent.
2. "In 1949, month-long meetings took place between the British and the people furnished by von MENDE. Professor von MENDE brought all these former co-workers to the ABN. Even though at that time several large immigrant organizations existed in Munich, as for example, PROMETHEUS, INTERMARIUM AND ALON, von MENDE ~~XXXX~~ succeeded, with the help of his former co-workers of the East Ministry, who were then partially organized in groups and housed by the British in special buildings, to convince these other immigrant organizations that his people were supporting only the ABN. Hence, it was through this intensive support that the ABN slowly became important. The main supporters of von MENDE in the ABN are: (a) the Ukrainians-STETZKO and Roman ILNYTZKIJ, (b) the Turk-"Prince" 'Veli Kayyum' KHAN" and (c) the Caucasians - A von ALSCHIBAI (Georgian) and Ahmed Nebi MAGOMA (North Caucasians). The two Caucasians and Veli Kayyum are completely devoted to von MENDE and carry out his orders to the letter.
3. "It naturally must be well known to Mr von MENDE that his former recipients of orders for whom the ABN is now making a lot of noise as a front organization, have no weight or respect in the immigrant circles. It is something entirely different whether one succeeds in becoming a "national chief" or "politician" through a dictatorship as during the thousand-year Reich, or whether someone through his own personality, his own knowledge, his own political capability and background has followers among the masses. As such, Professor von MENDE uses the ABN, probably by the request of the British secret service, as an admiration institute (vere delungsanstalt) for

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his prodigies. The ABN not only admires the prodigies of von MENDE but also von MENDE himself. Hence, a short time ago, the ABN 'Korrespondenzblatt' published an interview with Professor von MENDE regarding the Vlassof Army. In the interview, von MENDE represented himself as a friend of the non-Soviet countries and Vlassof as an instrument of the SS chief office and the SS Foreign office. The 'Korrespondenzblatt' further represented von MENDE as 'a very important German politician during the time of World War II who had a leading position in the political section of the East Ministry'. In the interview this 'important German politician in the East Ministry' did not mention the East Ministry at all but rather tried to make the impression that, under his jurisdiction, the political section of the East Ministry did not participate in the Vlassof experiment and was, in fact, against it, since this experiment was directed against non-Soviet countries. In my opinion, the ABN is not only being used as a political cleaning institution for former members of the East Ministry, SS and Army, to make them presentable for society, but is also attempting to make the impression on the German population (whose opinion of the East Ministry is very low) that members of the East Ministry were above reproach and are therefore being given a chance to rehabilitate themselves.

4. "At the present time, von MENDE is trying to bring Veli Kayyum, Magoma, Dudanginski and Aleschibaia to the US and is trying to do this through the ABN. Thanks to the Munich, Edingurgh and other proclamations, the ABN has become known to the public, and von MENDE is taking advantage of this moment to obtain US entry permit for those gentlemen.

5. "In addition to this, von MENDE is trying to reorganize the weak and colorless Caucasian section of the ABN and is trying to form a United Caucasian Press organ, direction of which he intends to give to his former North Caucasian co-worker of the East Ministry, Alihan KANTEMIR. This KANTEMIR fled to Switzerland after the collapse of the Third Reich and in doing so received help from his countryman, Hider BAMMIVAT.

6. "Von MENDE's ultimate goal is to make popular in the US all those people who served Hitler and Rosenberg. von MENDE and his keen supporters assume that one of these days the US will organize immigrants from non-Soviet countries as leaders and "national chiefs" for those respective countries and for all these purposes the ABN is used merely as a go-between channel."

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