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MILITARY: Former German intelligence officer; during WW II headed CE section of German Air Force "Forschungsamt"; 25 years (as of 1953) practical experience experience in positive intelligence work.

1951: together with Rolf BUCHOW (journalist) and fnu RICHTER (both "Forschungsamt" colleagues), employed as security specialist for [] Gruppe, psychological warfare operation conducted by Berlin Operations Base; worked under cover of Kaiser Ministry for All-German Affairs in Berlin which published Volkspolizei, propaganda magazine against East Zone in defection of VOPOS; was direct contact of HOEHER (V-2996) 1953: Feb, HOEHER kidnapped, and at request of HOEHER's case officer OHLBRECHT asked Public Safety for removal HOEHER case from custody German police; subsequently OHLBRECHT made unauthorized use of Public Safety and GCIS channels to serious jeopardy of BOB's relationship with these agencies; Public Safety threatened his arrest; a check revealed his excessive interest in "outside" activities, incl. black market dealings with East (radio tubes); OHLBRECHT had been proposed to (Dr) Otto JOHN, BfV Chief, to head a "special" BfV office in Berlin (possible BfV attempt to penetrate Zipper) but GV L took him over directly in Sep. '53; he is believed working with fnu GRUBE (another "Forschungsamt" colleague), notorious East-West trader, reported by DDR papers as influential "hit" at Leipzig Fair; it has been reported that OHLBRECHT with his former [] Gruppe associates BUCHOW, RICHTER and RADER (a NWDR commentator) have established contact with an "Allierter Dienststelle" (printing "publications" for satellites, esp. Poland and Czech.). OHLBRECHT, BUCHOW and RICHTER are members of the FDP; OHLBRECHT is reported to be in FDP security "Ausschuss". A GV Leiter, his a/o was Berlin/SEGD. In Dec., GV L moved OHLBRECHT out of Berlin.

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