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DATE: 25 November 1947

TO : Chief FEM
FROM : Chief of Station, Heidelberg, Germany
SUBJECT: Operational: Emil PUHL
REF : MGH-W-487

1. The attached clippings are from the indictment in the Ministries case. #1 identifies PUHL. #2 is from Count Five of the indictment: War Crimes and Crimes against Humanity; Atrocities and Offenses Committed against Civilian Population. #3 is from Count Seven: War Crimes and Crimes against Humanity; Slave Labor. There is no other mention of PUHL.

2. On his next trip to Nürnberg, Armstrong will try to get some details on PUHL and how his case stands.

Chief, Munich Ops Base

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NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT
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EMIL PUHL - Member of the Board of Directors of the Reichsbank (Reichsbankdirektorium) from 1935 to 1945; Vice President (Vize-Praesident) of the Reichsbank from 1939 to 1945; Chairman of the Verwaltungsrat of the Reichskreditkassen from 1935 to 1945; member of the Verwaltungsrat of the Verrechnungskasse from 1935 to 1939; member of the Aufsichtsrat of the Deutsche Golddiskontbank from 1935 to 1945; member of the "NSDAP".

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49. The defendant PUHL, as the leading official of the Reichsbank, directed and supervised the execution of an agreement between Funk and Himmler for the receipt, classification, deposit, conversion and disposal of properties taken by the SS from victims exterminated in concentration camps. These properties totalling millions of Reichsmarks in value included, among other things, gold teeth and fillings, spectacle frames, rings, jewelry and watches. To insure secrecy, the deliveries from the SS were credited to a fictitious account and the transaction was given a code name. The proceeds were credited to the account of the Reich Treasury under the defendant SCHWERIN-KROSIGK.

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