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REPORTS ON GERMANS

Hans HERMERSCHMITH and others

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You have had previous references to the Senora Viuda de HUGUET, of Valencia, concerning her business, as well as her activities and family.

*Hermann, Enrique*

Her son-in-law, KUMMERMANN, in addition to attending to the business of his wife and mother-in-law, owns a manufactory of advertizing (or display) artifles and office specialties, formerly belonging to another German named A. M. NEUDERMUTH, calle del Maestro Gonzalvo, No. 31, Valencia. Given to understand that he had been included in a list of Germans to be repatriated, and his business added to the Allied Black List, the mother-in-law of KUMMERMANN, applied to General ARANDA to find a way out of the matter.

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It would seem that thanks to her action, KUMMERMANN has been left off the list of Germans that are to be repatriated, in spite of his having been an outstanding personality among the Germans.

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Enrique KUMMERMANN is a very great friend of Hans HERMERSCHMITH who came to the home of Enrique, in Valencia, from France when he was disembarked by the Allies. He brought a large quantity of money from France, having acquired property valued at 500,000 pesetas which he had put in the name of Julio YSAURO, Polina de Jucar, Valencia.

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The Spanish police were going to arrest Hans, but he was warned of what was to happen by another policeman and succeeded in escaping in a Fiat car, license VI-2194, property of Manuel PORTA, of Beniarj6, Valencia, a friend of these Germans.

He reached Madrid the 31st of May and got in touch immediately with a Spaniard named Pedro MONZON, fruit dealer in the Plaza de Legaspi, in Madrid, Stall No. 102, who resided in the Paseo de las Delicias, 126, Madrid, and with whom he is on very good terms commercially, and closely akin ideologically, since MONZON is a Falangist.

Hans, the German, brought with him 250,000 pesetas when he fled from Valencia, and he hid temporarily in the home of MONZON, but on the 31st of last month, and in the car previously mentioned, he also went to see another German friend of his who lives in the calle de Velazquez, No. 134, whose name is Jorge.

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an individual of about 40 years of age, tall, slender, scanty hair, blond coloring, married to a German. We know few particulars since the man called Jorge never uses his surname, having entered Spain from Germany under cover of an expedition of repatriated Spanish workmen, as one more of these men-- he surrounds himself with the greatest mystery and precautions that make it extremely difficult to verify anything about him. Nevertheless, we know that this German, Jorge, is a great friend of Miguel PRIMO DE RIVERA, ex-minister of Agriculture, residing in the same house in the calle de Velazquez, and, apparently, the latter arranged his position in Spain, facilitating documentation and supply cards, using women's assumed names.

The porter in this house has been warned also under no circumstances to mention that "Jorge" lives there and all communications and contacts that he has are made from the residence or over the private telephone of Miguel PRIMO DE RIVERA. This German, to judge by Hans, disposes of a great deal of money.

*Jorge*  
Reverting to HERMERSCHMITH, he, accompanied by MONZON and Jorge, went to Madrid to dine at the casa "Roson"- calle conde de Romanones. During the dinner, they exchanged impressions among themselves concerning the situation of Hans HERMERSCHMITH and decided to call upon Ramon FECED, radical ex-minister of the Republic, in order to get him to do what was necessary to straighten out matters. During the interview with FECED, the latter told them that due to the good friends he had at the British Embassy, he would do what was necessary to have Hans removed from the German repatriation list.

The 7th of this June, a letter was sent to Hans from the Viuda de HUGUET, in care of the fruit dealer MONZON, containing an affidavit issued by the Alcalde of Valencia, in which it was set forth that Hans was a resident of Valencia who had never absented himself from Spain at any time. With this document and the efforts of Ramon FECED, General ARANDA, Rafael CALVO de GARCILLAN, and of the "Director General de Seguridad", Senor RODRIGUEZ MARTINEZ, he had sufficient documentation to be able to return to Valencia without fear.

According to the participants, the night of the 1st of this month, Hans was in the Café Lepanto, calle de Alcalá, Madrid, celebrating a reunion with two individuals, one of them belonging to the Spanish police, living in Madrid, calle de Mesón de Paredes, No. 30, 3rd floor, right, and the other named Hermenegildo GARCIA,

Secretary of the "Ex-combatientes," living in the offices of the Ex-Combatientes, calle de San Lorenzo, 5, Madrid, to arrange that while the necessary action was being taken to regularize the situation of Hans, in case there should be any delay, he could hide out in the home of the policeman previously mentioned.

In conversation with these two individuals Hans told them: That in the event of his repatriation, he would be judged very severely for his activities during the war and that rather than submit to being repatriated he would (literally --hide in a pit with a tin of sardines) go into hiding. For whatever they had done or might do in his behalf the policeman and the ex-Combatiente each were sent a box of oranges and a box of artichokes from the fruit stall of MONZON.

On the 6th of this month, Hans bought a DKW motorcycle for 15,000 pesetas, in order to avoid too much prying into his goings and comings.

He left Madrid for Valencia on the 9th of this month on the motorcycle, but suffered a slight accident on the outskirts of Valencia and was obliged to rent a car for the rest of the way. He expects to return within a few days, and meantime, he has left as his trusted representatives to keep him informed or to take any necessary action the proprietors of the Camiseria Lainez, Preciados, 2, Madrid, whose names are Tomás and Angel MOREIRA LAINEZ. Tomás lives in the calle Isaac Peral, No. 10, Madrid.

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