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29 May 1952

Region III, 66th CIC Detachment

SUBJECT: Maria KUTH

RE: Investigation by German Federal
Security Agency (FSA)

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... 1952, after a preliminary conference with United States
FSA (Bundesamt fuer Verfassungsschutz) presented an
... results of their investigation of SUBJECT's intelligence
... insofar as they pertain to American personalities. The
... SUBJECT was known as "Operation Crown" (Fall Krone), bore the
... "Secret" (Geheim). The following is a translation of the
... fact report (See EXHIBIT "I");

TRANSLATION

... of 'Operation Crown'.

... approximately in April 1948, a former captain of the German Military
... Command, Armed Forces Press Section, named KUNZE began to establish
... an extensive intelligence network in FRANKFURT (UTM) 32UM47752. KUNZE
... came from BEW. IN (UTK) nea (E53/775) and received his orders from there.
... Chief emphasis in procurement of intelligence at that time was the
... obtaining of original documents from the Economics Council in FRANKFURT;
... an interest in military objectives has been determined, and on one occa-
... sion this concerned the observation of an army ammunition depot near
... GIESSEN (UTH) 32UM87704. At Whitewide 1949, KUNZE committed suicide
... because his collaborator and co-worker FRANKENBERG had misused funds
... belonging to the intelligence organization for private purposes. In
... May 1949 various co-workers of the KUNZE intelligence group were visited
... by a Mrs Maria KUTH from BEW. IN for the purpose of paying off out-
... standing financial obligations to the agents. She took up contact
... particularly with FRANKENBERG and still maintains it.

- b. On 13 September 1951 the FSA received a report that Mrs KUTH had
... contacted a former member of the KUNZE organization with the request that
... he obtain for her at all costs a job as secretary in the BLANK Office.
... Through this informant she was brought in touch with an agent of the
... FSA who claimed to be a member of the BLANK Office under the name of
... PETERSSEN, and who offered to support her application. After consultation

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with the BLANK Office, KNUTH's application was rejected, allegedly because she did not fill the requirements. The BLANK Office endeavored to retain her contact with the BLANK Office, PETERSSEN, as an informant in order to fulfill her mission. Through the operational operations a number of personalities connected with the enemy intelligence service, the chief points of emphasis in the mission, and the controlling agency were to a great extent clarified. Informant PETERSSEN was accepted as a full time co-worker by the organization and is presently receiving a fixed monthly salary. He is being handled by KNUTH. The missions he has been assigned are directed primarily toward the preparations for the establishment of the German Military contingent.

- c. After the conclusion of a three (3) month probationary period KNUTH explained to PETERSSEN that they were working for the Polish Intelligence Service. This allegation meanwhile has been confirmed by detailed observation in BERLIN.

II. US Subjects and American Agencies which have come up in 'Operation Crown'

- a. Miss LARRY SEBASTIEN, BAC GODESBERG (UTM) 32ULR6917, Hohenzollernstrasse, NICOG.

Miss SEBASTIEN is about 28 years old, small and dainty. She is employed as simultaneous interpreter by the US High Commission and allegedly is used as interpreter or official stenographer at the most important official conferences of US High Commissioner Mc CLOY. SEBASTIEN has taken part in the negotiations in PARIS, the last occasion having been February 1952. (Return from PARIS, 7 February 1952.) According to a statement made by KNUTH she earns fifteen thousand dollars (.15,000) a year and thus is counted among the highest paid employees of the High Commission. KNUTH and SEBASTIEN are close friends. They visit one another frequently in their respective apartments. In her application for employment in the BLANK Office, KNUTH gave SEBASTIEN as a reference. From repeated remarks made by KNUTH it is to be assumed as a probability bordering on certainty that the contact between KNUTH and SEBASTIEN is not only of a personal, but also of an intelligence nature. The following information about SEBASTIEN has been extracted from available reports on meetings:

1. Extract from a report on meeting with KNUTH on 12 November 1951

.....'KNUTH told me that she had spent the weekend with an American girl friend who worked for the Allied High Commission as interpreter. This woman told her when political questions came up in the conversations that Germany apparently did not know what a powerful factor it represented at the minute in the international political arena. According to the opinion of this American

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a liaison between a reunited Germany and Russia meant peace, and liaison with America meant war. In the opinion of many Americans, America requires this war in order not to collapse of an inflationistic depression. This American woman stated that every American who voiced opinions in any way opposite to the government line would be attacked immediately as a Communist. There is no longer any such thing in the States as individual freedom of opinion.....'

2. Extract from a report about a meeting between PETERSEN and KNUTH on 12 November 1951

.....'KNUTH reported on the weekend visit of Maguy SEBASTIEN to her home. On this occasion SEBASTIEN told about the auto trip which she made alone through France in August 1951. The more important point of this story was the impression which SEBASTIEN received on her trip home when she visited VERDUN. Maguy claimed she found in VERDUN an actual American troop camp. She said the French population was very depressed and beaten down and the general impression was "This is already war." Then PETERSEN asked in surprise whether the US actually had so many troops in France, KNUTH replied, "You would be surprised at what Maguy told me in this respect. Maguy is really one of my best friends. She has told me a lot about US finance plans etc, and she also told me that not the Russians, but the US actually want war. Maguy also completely shares our opinion that Germany is proceeding on a dangerous path under ADENAUER's policies. Germany would do better to establish good relations with her neighbors on her borders. You see, Maguy has told me sorrowfully that she is not a Communist, but that if she made such statements to other people she would immediately be persecuted as a state enemy." Further KNUTH stated that in the opinion of Maguy, who interprets primarily at negotiations with the French on the Petersburg, Dr ADENAUER is following a very poor policy in leaning so heavily on the French considering France is the poorest partner for Germany.....'

3. Extract from a report on the meeting between PETERSEN and KNUTH on 8 January 1952

.....'KNUTH explains the fact that she had not been able to take a planned trip because of a kidney ailment. Allegedly she spent the whole time at home. In explaining this statement she further said that Miss Maguy SEBASTIEN had appeared at her home suddenly one day. SEBASTIEN was travelling by car with her friend Cyril (apparently a given name) to England over New Years. KNUTH

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suggested that after her trip I would soon meet Maggy SEBASTIEN and stated "You will then hear from Maggy herself that America is fighting a most desperate struggle for her existence, a struggle which they will lose!!....."

4. Extract from a report about a meeting between PETERSEN and KNUTH on 7 February 1952

.....'KNUTH then said that her friend Maggy SEBASTIEN had been to PARIS recently and was returning to BOEN (OTM) 32ULB7623, today, 7 February 1952. She said she would have to see Maggy immediately after her return because she would be bringing much news with her....'

5. Extract from a report about a meeting between PETERSEN and KNUTH on 5 February 1952

.....'KNUTH had intended to invite me to a carnival party. Other guests were to be Maggy SEBASTIEN and an American national named Ferner LOEWENTHAL (see II c) and another American with the given name Jerry. Afterwards, however, KNUTH changed her mind because she did not want to introduce me to a larger circle of her personal friends. On this subject she stated, "After thinking it over, I can see that it might not be good for our further work if you become known to too large a group. It would be better if we spend a nice evening with Maggy, who is one of our gang." During the meal KNUTH stated that she was spending the weekend with Maggy SEBASTIEN in BAD GODESBERG. She said that although she talked with Maggy every day by phone this visit was necessary because there are so many things to talk about which can not be mentioned on the phone.....'

6. Extract from a report on a meeting between PETERSEN and KNUTH on 29 February 1952.

.....'KNUTH showed me two (2) photos which she had made at her home on Thursday, 26 February 1952. This was the day of the costume ball which I originally was supposed to attend. According to the pictures, there must have been eight (8) people present aside from KNUTH. KNUTH identified the ladies shown in the picture as Maggy SEBASTIEN (very pretty) and Evalyn (apparently Mrs. LOEWENTHAL). On Rose Monday KNUTH claims there was a second party at her home comprised of sixteen (16) people, among them Maggy SEBASTIEN and her friend Cyril.....'

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7. Extract from a report on a meeting between PETERSEN and KNUTH on 20 March 1952

.....'On the subject of Naguy, KNUTH stated that she had called up shortly after her arrival from BERLIN and that she talked to her by phone everyday. Noteworthy was the following statement: "I still have to clear something up with Naguy. I have told her that I go to BERLIN to visit a doctor. She does not know anything about the real reason for my trips." Compared with the former reports made by KNUTH, this statement was very conspicuous and my suggestion of spending a nice evening with Naguy at KNUTH's home was received by KNUTH without the enthusiasm which she had formerly shown. She did not reject this suggestion, merely passed it over lightly....'

NOTE: After KNUTH returned to BERLIN, PETERSEN was taken on as a full time co-worker in the Polish organization. It is to be assumed that KNUTH received instructions from her control not to bring the new man into contact with other important co-workers.

8. Extract from a report on a meeting between PETERSEN and KNUTH on 20 March 1952

.....'In the course of a short discussion of the political situation in Western Germany, KNUTH remarked that she had read an original report by Mc CLOY on the SPD (Socialist Party of Germany). She claimed that this report was very interesting and said that she learned from it about the various groups within the SPD, which is rather split up.....'

NOTE: It appears probable that KNUTH received this report from SEBASTIEN although she did not name her source.

9. Extract from a report on a meeting between PETERSEN and KNUTH on 26 March 1952

.....'At the outset of the conversation KNUTH stated that she had not gotten home until noon. She spent the preceding night and the morning of 26 March 1952 with Naguy SEBASTIEN in BAD GODEBERG. Because of her, Naguy missed work in the morning and went to the Petersberg later by taxi.....'

NOTE: Through extensive observation it has been ascertained beyond doubt that KNUTH is a lesbian and that her circle of friends also comprises people with these tendencies. Consequently the possibility must be considered that this factor might also play a role in the relationship between KNUTH and SEBASTIEN.

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b. Gerhard HUSSEL (phonetic) FRANKFURT, Hessen Area (see Area 129)

HUSSEL allegedly works in the State Department directly with the High Commissioner. He is in contact with KNUTH. The following information about HUSSEL has been extracted from reports available here:

1. Extract from a report on a meeting between PETERSEN and KNUTH on 26 February 1952

GERHARD
HUSSEL

.....'At about 2030 hours there was a telephone call which must have come from long distance because there was an advance notification by the Post Office. The caller was addressed by KNUTH as "Gerhard" and in a familiar form (Du). From the remarks made by KNUTH it is to be assumed that the caller knew about KNUTH's trip to BERLIN and wanted to see KNUTH beforehand. Noteworthy statements by KNUTH: "So your plan is progressing well. Oh well, you do have the most important man." "That would be very interesting, but at what price?" (After a short reply by the caller.) "I can answer that for you only after I come back." There followed a lengthy debate about a time for a meeting. While KNUTH suggested 27 March - i.e. after her return from BERLIN - , the caller apparently urged a meeting beforehand. KNUTH then agreed that the caller should visit her in COLOGNE over the weekend (1 or 2 March) providing he called beforehand. After the conclusion of the conversation, KNUTH told me that the caller was the son of the famous Professor HUSSEL (phonetic) from Harvard University. He was formerly a German and now works directly with Mc CLOY in the State Department. As a lawyer he allegedly is supposed to be reorganizing German law study along American lines. KNUTH said that this HUSSEL was very much in love with her and wanted to marry her, but she did not have any interest in him at all as a man, but rather for other reasons which I probably could understand. These other things KNUTH explained in the following way: "HUSSEL has a car with GI plates which he places at my disposal at any time." (See IIg 2 and 3). With a significant look KNUTH stated, "You can probably imagine that a car with GI plates is of the utmost importance to me for certain trips.".....

c. Werner LOEWENTHAL, Allegedly HICOG:

Werner LOEWENTHAL is supposed to be from East Prussia, became an American citizen after immigration, works for the US government in FRANKFURT, and in November 1951 moved to BORN. He and his wife are in contact with KNUTH and SEBASTIAN. The following information about the LOEWENTHAL couple is extracted from reports available here:

1. Extract from a report of a meeting between PETERSEN and KNUTH on 23 November 1951

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.....'KNUTH regretted my inability to go to BAI GIESBERG for a visit, because this weekend an American couple named LOEWENTHAL were to come to Haguy's. Mr LOEWENTHAL is an East Prussian, had a department store in ELBING, and became an American after his immigration. LOEWENTHAL used to work for the US government in FRANKFURT and a few days ago moved to BONN. Mrs LOEWENTHAL is allegedly from BERLIN and has the given name Evelyn. KNUTH claims to be very close friends with the LOEWENTHAL couple. The LOEWENTHALs visited KNUTH in COLOGNE/MUEZELHEIM on 20 November 1951. According to KNUTH, LOEWENTHAL is now working for the US High Commission in BONN.....'

2.'The LOEWENTHAL couple was also present at the carnival party which started out at KNUTH's home on 26 February 1952. Among others present was also Haguy SEBASTIEN. (See IIA 5 & 6).....'

*EDUARD
RODITI

NOTE: X An informant reported on 13 February 1952 that there was a Richard LOEWENTHAL in BONN, Kessenicher Strasse 181 who is a representative of the British newspaper "Observer". According to information from the British Press Liaison Office in BONN, this Richard LOEWENTHAL is supposed to come from ELBING, East Prussia and is supposed to have immigrated to England in 1933. According to a remark made by KNUTH on 19 February 1952, however, Werner and Richard LOEWENTHAL are not identical and have nothing to do with one another.

*WEST GERMANY
P. 2 - U.K.

- d. Edward RODITI, Interpreter, No permanent address.

RODITI is employed as an interpreter with the International Labor Council in GENEVA. He is also working for the American weekly "Mercury". He was in contact with KUNZE and still maintains contact with KNUTH, FRANKENBERG and SEBASTIEN. The following information about RODITI has been extracted from reports available here.

1. Extract from a report on a meeting with informant in FRANKFURT on 6 October 1951

.....'One of KUNZE's important collaborators was a Mr RODITI. RODITI is supposed to be an American, a former emigre and a Jew (?). RODITI appeared at the meetings with KUNZE sometimes in an American uniform and sometimes in civilian clothes. The conferences with RODITI were always conducted in very secretive manner behind locked doors. According to statements made by KUNZE to the informant, KUNZE and RODITI became acquainted in BERLIN. RODITI has been seen recently at FRANKENBERG's home.....'

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2. Extract from a report about a conference with informant in **FRANKFURT** on 12 October 1951

.....'RODITI's first name is Edward. As far as the informant has been able to ascertain, RODITI is homosexual. At one time **FRANKENBERG** had a love affair with RODITI's boy friend. Whenever RODITI appeared there was a considerable flurry about passing material. RODITI flies regularly between **FRANKFURT** and **BERLIN** carrying material with him. In the opinion of this informant RODITI was employed with Military Government in **BERLIN**. RODITI has also been seen at **KURKE**'s home.....'

3. Extract from a file note dated 23 October 1951 about an interview with H. F. on 13 October 1951

.....'F. stated as follows: During the years 1945 and 1946 a certain RODITI was employed as an interpreter in **MUNSTER** (UTM) 220V9049. He was considered an American with a pronounced Spanish or Indian background and was considered one of the most capable people. F. has the impression that RODITI was a very well versed and well travelled man who is extremely reserved, but who tries to learn as much as possible from persons with whom he converses. He is presently employed as an interpreter at the International Labor Court in **GENEVA**, and also interprets at almost all international conferences. He has a very widespread circle of acquaintances ranging from **Thomas MANN** and **EINSTEIN** to **PICCASSO**. In Germany he has pretty close contact with the group about **ROESTLER**, **HUBER-HEIMANN** and **Ruth FISCHER-KISLER**. He has worked for the American weekly "Mercury". F. met RODITI again in September 1951. This contact was established through **KNUTH** who lives in the same house as F. On this occasion **KNUTH** stated that she was a friend of RODITI and that RODITI visited her regularly.....'

4. Extract from a report on a meeting between **PETERSEN** and **KNUTH** on 8 November 1951

.....'In our conversation about foreign friends **KNUTH** told me that her best friend was an American named **Edward RODITI** who had studied in **BERLIN** and did not belong to the usual "hard-headed" Americans. On this occasion **KNUTH** gave me a letter from RODITI to read which he had just written from **ANKARA**. In this letter, which was just personal, and written in general terms, RODITI mentioned that after conferences in **ROME** and **ATHENS** he had now returned to **ANKARA**. In this letter, which was just personal, and written in

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General name RODITI mentioned that after conferences in BOEN and others he had now returned to ANKARI and had hopes of getting a good conference. If he did not, that was not too bad because he had made enough money to afford a three (3) or four (4) month vacation which he wanted to use to write a book.....'

5. Extract from a report about a meeting between PETERSEN and KNUTH on 27 November 1951

.....'KNUTH told me that Edward RODITI was coming to Germany from Turkey in three (3) weeks and would come to BOEN. As soon as he came KNUTH wanted to arrange a nice tour of the COLOGNE night club for herself, RODITI, SEBASTIEN and me.....'

6. Extract from a report about a meeting between PETERSEN and KNUTH on 8 January 1952

.....'On Friday, 11 January Edward RODITI is coming to Haggy's in BAD COBENBERG. KNUTH wants to see him before she leaves on her trip because she expects from RODITI "important information which could be of importance in evaluating the over all situation".....'

e. Mr FORSTER, US National

One of KUNZE's letter drops in FRANKFURT was a secretary in the Travel Office on Oultentstrasse by the name of HARBEMEHL. An informant was sent there by KUNZE to inquire after a package addressed to him. HARBEMEHL stated to the informant that this package was not yet there because Mr FORSTER had not returned from leave from the US. Mr FORSTER was allegedly employed by an American air transport agency in FRANKFURT, and was supposed to be carrying mail for KUNZE from BOEN to FRANKFURT.

f. Joachim KNORFFEL, Employed by HICOG, FRANKFURT

On 26 January 1952 FRANKENBERG visited an informant and inquired after art prints which KUNZE had left there. On this occasion FRANKENBERG asked whether the informant had available a room for a good friend named Joachim KNORFFEL who worked in FRANKFURT. On this occasion FRANKENBERG emphasized her good connections with HICOG (See IIg 1).

g. Additional leads on contacts of the Polish Intelligence Service organization with American Agencies

1. On 26 January 1952 FRANKENBERG, accompanied by an art dealer named PACH from FRANKFURT, visited an informant. FRANKENBERG said that PACH was expected to take over the art prints which had been stored

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in the informant's safe soon after KNUTH's death. On 31 January 1952 a picket from the transportation firm LIEBROTH in FRANKFURT appeared and passed the prints. According to remarks made by the packer the freight was to leave that evening with the American Military Train for BRUNN, addressed to the firm VOE LEBECKS.

2. A surveillance of KNUTH's residence on 21 March 1952 revealed the following: "About 1900 hours a Chevrolet with American plates 20-18252 pulled up in front of KNUTH's house. The driver went into KNUTH's house briefly, then left. Soon afterwards a Mercedes with American State Department license 288 US appeared. Meanwhile the Chevrolet had returned and was parked in front of KNUTH's house. The driver of the Mercedes removed from his vehicle several pieces of baggage and carried them to the Chevrolet in which he placed them. After some time KNUTH left her house with the driver of the Chevrolet, both got into the vehicle and departed via the Autobahn in the direction of FRANKFURT."

NOTE: Observation in FRANKFURT revealed that KNUTH did go to FRANKFURT and visited FRANKENBERG.

3. On 26 March 1952 KNUTH mentioned to PETERSEN that she was going to PARIS on 7 April 1952. She remarked in this conversation "This time I am travelling in style with a GM car.".....

2. On 9 April 1952, a previously arranged operational conference on Subject case was held at the offices of the FSA, COLOGNE, Unterhanshorben 35, attended by OIC Liaison Officer to FSA Thomas S. FUGLES, Major Eugene L. MALENTY, Operations Section, Headquarters, 66th OIC Detachment, and J. Thomas DALE of Region III, 66th OIC Detachment, for the purpose of determining the nature and extent of further operational commitments to be undertaken by the 66th OIC Detachment insofar as US personalities were concerned. On this occasion it was learned that due to an indiscretion on the part of an undercover agent of the FSA, the case had been compromised to Maria PENNER of COLOGNE, who was a close contact and liaison of SUBJECT. Consequently consideration had to be given to the almost complete certainty that SUBJECT would be warned of the operation against her immediately upon her return from her trip to PARIS on 14 April 1952. It was decided that the FSA would immediately prepare an indictment against SUBJECT and her German accomplices insofar as they had been ascertained, and would attend to obtaining from the German Federal Attorney arrest warrants to be executed immediately upon SUBJECT's return. It was further agreed that 66th OIC Detachment would undertake to effect the apprehension of SUBJECT in collaboration with German and British authorities, and would hold SUBJECT under the provisions of SCF 96 at the 7707th European Command Intelligence Center (ECIC) until the intelligence interrogation of SUBJECT had been completed.

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3. On 9 April 1952 the FSA prepared an indictment and detailed charge sheet against SUBJECT on charges of high treason. The following is a translation of the indictment with substantiating documents (See EXHIBIT "II"):

"SUBJECT: Indictment Against Maria KNUTH for High Treason.

The following persons are herewith indicted on charges of high treason:

1. Maria KNUTH nee WOLZPORTZ, born 22 September 1910 in COLOGNE, address COLOGNE-Muelheim, Rhodiusstrasse 4.
2. Paul GERBTS, born 28 August 1895 in AACHEN (UTM) noa (3/K48), residing in COLOGNE-Muelheim, Rhodiusstrasse 4.
3. Mrs. Sophie GERBTS nee VINKEN, born on 28 June 1897 in COLOGNE-Muelheim, residing in COLOGNE-Muelheim, Rhodiusstrasse 4.
4. Erna BEITZ, born on 2 April 1896 in SCHNIEDERMUEHL (UTM) noa (P54/R94), residing in BERLIN-Wilmersdorf, Leubusheimerplatz 11.
5. Dr. med. Hans-Oskar SCHASPER, BERLIN-Charlottenburg, Giesebrechtstrasse 7.
6. Gerda FENNEWITZ, born on 14 July 1914 in RUYTENBROCK (UTM) noa (P54/W.O) residing in BERLIN-Charlottenburg, Schlotterstrasse 47.
7. Hildegard STORBE, born on 30 August 1908 in BRISE (UTM) noa (noa), residing in BERLIN-Wilmersdorf, Duisburgerstrasse 12.
8. Harald STIASNY, residing at BERLIN N 4, Oranienburgerstrasse 46 and BERLIN-Charlottenburg, Wilmersdorferstrasse 123 (A shop known as Noni-Kleidung)
9. Ilse-Monika STIASNY, residing at BERLIN N 4, Oranienburgerstrasse 46 and BERLIN-Charlottenburg, Wilmersdorferstrasse 123.
10. Harald ISSNER, born 21 November 1909 in BERLIN-Charlottenburg, residing in BERLIN-Wilmersdorf, Am Grosseen Wende 24/26.

The above named are all members of an espionage ring which, on orders of Polish Intelligence Service, is engaged in spying out state secrets in the Federal area. The following has been determined in detail:

- 44 1. Maria KNUTH had been trying, since the Fall of 1951, to obtain employment in the WALK Office in order to obtain there information for her employers. WALK: Her letter of application attached hereto in photostat (Enclosure 1)

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After this attempt had failed she established contact with Witness WAGNER, whom she took for an employee of the BLANK Office. She obtained from him objects which, if they had been genuine, would have been state secrets. EVIDENCE: The statement of Witness WAGNER which, with inclosures, is attached as Inclosure 2.

On the basis of evidence given by the Witness WAGNER it has been proven that Maria KNUTH is guilty of high treason in favor of the Polish Intelligence Service under the provisions of paragraph 100a, item 2, of the Penal Code.

- Ad 2. The GEBETS couple have been described by Maria KNUTH to Witness WAGNER as good Communists and completely loyal to her. According to a statement made by Maria KNUTH to WAGNER, they have keys to her residence and guarantee that no material delivered to KNUTH is in her home longer than one (1) hour. Thus there is strong suspicion of complicity in the crime of high treason. As evidence for this, reference is made to the statement of Witness WAGNER (Inclosure 2) which has already been cited in evidence.
- Ad 4. Erna SKITZ is involved in the espionage ring by virtue of the fact that Maria KNUTH lived with her during her trip to BERLIN, in the course of which she delivered to the Polish Intelligence Service the state secrets obtained from the BLANK Office, and also by virtue of the fact that Harald ISSNER, who is listed above under No. 10, visited KNUTH at the SKITZ home and also picked KNUTH up there. EVIDENCE: Testimony of the above-mentioned WAGNER (Inclosure 2) and of Criminal Commissar (retired) SIEBERLING, whose statement is attached as Inclosure 3.
- Ad 5. Dr Oskar SCHAEFER (Second address: OST-GLINICKE, Wald Allee 39, directly on the border of the Soviet Zone). Dr med Hans-Oskar SCHAEFER is involved in the espionage ring insofar as he was named by Maria KNUTH to her employers as a reference for the Witness WAGNER, although he had never seen him. In evidence for this the statement of Witness WAGNER is submitted (Inclosure 2). During the observations conducted on the occasion of the visit of Maria KNUTH in BERLIN, Dr SCHAEFER appeared when Maria KNUTH and her friend, Gerda PENNEWITZ, after visiting the Schlosspark Theater in BERLIN-Steglitz on 17 March 1952, met Dr SCHAEFER in the Ratskeller, BERLIN-Steglitz, evidently by appointment. Noteworthy in this connection is Maria KNUTH's statement to WAGNER: 'Dr SCHAEFER is counted as one of our people.'
- Ad 6. Gerda PENNEWITZ, BERLIN-Charlottenburg, Schinoterstrasse 47, is an intimate friend and co-worker of Maria KNUTH. According to a statement made to WAGNER, KNUTH had put emphasis on a good contact between him and

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Ad 10. Harald ISSNER was first observed on 12 March in the Kleist Casino together with Marie KNUTH, Hildegard STORBE and Ilse-Monika STIASNY. On this occasion it was conspicuous that ISSNER, in contrast to the other participants, was heavily indulged in alcohol, constantly observed his companions, and was treated by them with respect. During a dance with KNUTH, ISSNER talked to KNUTH so intensely and seriously that both forgot they were dancing. This incident, particularly in the atmosphere in which it took place, appeared very curious. On the same occasion ISSNER paid the bill for the five (5) bottles of champagne drunk by the women. After leaving the club all four (4) parties drove in a taxi first to the home of STORBE on Dulsbergerstrasse, then proceeded further to Laubhainersplatz, where the taxi stopped in front of the SKITZ home. There KNUTH got out, as did ISSNER also briefly. ISSNER then continued in the same taxi to BERLIN-Nikolassee, after which he rode back to Potsdamerplatz. There he changed taxis and rode to the Brandenburger Tor and again back to Potsdamerplatz. At Potsdamerplatz he once more changed taxis and drove to BERLIN-Nikolassee, Von Luckstrasse. This is evidenced in the statement of witness STRUBING, attached as Inclosure 3. On 14 March ISSNER visited KNUTH in the home of SKITZ. In front of the house he parked the vehicle with license KB 054 967, which is licensed to Harald ISSNER. A short time afterwards ISSNER, KNUTH and STORBE left the SKITZ house and drove off in ISSNER's car.

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On 16 March at 1345 hours, KNUTH left the home of SKITZ and traveled by subway to the Schoenhauser Allee Station (Soviet Sector). She then walked to Bornholmerstrasse 93, where she presumably visited the third floor apartment of a Mrs E. CHARLEY, who has been determined to be a family SED (Communist Party, Eastern Germany) functionary. On this day KNUTH remained in this house approximately three (3) hours, and left it with a man who accompanied her to the Schoenhauser Allee subway station. This man limped with his right leg. On 17 March KNUTH visited the same house again during the period 1410 to 1720 hours, and again left in the company of the man observed the preceding day. The two (2) people parted company in the vicinity of the house. KNUTH went on to the Schoenhauser Allee

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subway station, while the man concerned entered a vehicle which had been parked at the corner of Schoenhauser Allee and Wisbystrasse. This vehicle bore the license plate H-586 and a plate with the letters CD. The fact that KNUTH's companion had not parked his car in front of the house in which the meeting took place indicates that he did not want to reveal his presence in this house by parking his car in front of it. The above mentioned vehicle, license number H-586, was observed on 18 March 1952 parked in front of the Polish Military Mission in BERLIN-Charlottenburg, Schluterstrasse 42. Other vehicles parked there carried official license plates with similar numbers. This is evidenced in the statement of Witness STRUEBING. The connections between the above-mentioned persons are outlined in the sketch attached as Inclosure 4.

For the President:

/s/ Hollan "

The following is a translation of Inclosure 1 to EXHIBIT "II":

"Maria KNUTH

Cologne-Saalheim, 8 November 1951
Rhodiusstrasse 4

To the BLANK Office
BOEN/Rhein, Argelanderstrasse

SUBJECT: Application for Employment as Secretary

I have learned that the BLANK Office is looking for personnel.

I should like to apply for a position as secretary. As can be seen from the attached biographical statement, I conducted the current correspondence for two years in the business of my parents. I have refreshed and improved my knowledge of stenography and typing during the past year so that I am competent to fill a position as secretary.

I request the opportunity of a personal interview.

With the highest esteem,

/s/ Maria Knuth

Inclosure: Biographical statement.

References: Dr. Maria OFFERMANN, Dentist, COLOGNE-Lindenthal, Wilbenberg-
strasse 11.
Paul OFFERMANN, Owner and Director of the Tourist Agency,
GROSSKÖNIGSDORF/COLOGNE.

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Rolf FRIEDRICH, Owner of Nickelait Brothers factory,
COLOGNE-Zollstock, Yornabirgstrasse 115.

Miss Hedy EEBASTIEN, SAU GORSDORF, Hohensollernstrasse.

Miss Ther JANDROHN, Metro Goldwyn-Meyer, BERLIN-Halensee,
Albrecht Achillesstrasse

The following is a translation of Inclosure 2 to EXHIBIT "II":

"Mr Eduard WAGNER, COLOGNE, Untersachsenhausen 33, appears voluntarily and deposes as follows:

In September 1951, through personal connections which I had to FSA, I learned that Mrs Maria KNUTH, residing in COLOGNE-Muelheim, Rhodinsstrasse 4, had applied for a position in the Federal Chancellory, specifically in the office of the Plenipotentiary of the Federal Chancellor for Questions Concerning the Increase of Allied Troops (BLANK Office), BONN, Argelanderstrasse 105. In the course of the dealings which KNUTH had with the BLANK Office it became clear that Maria KNUTH could not be considered for employment in this agency. Since Maria KNUTH took me for an employee of the BLANK Office, she was interested in establishing closer relations with me. Since this time (2 November 1951) I have met Mrs KNUTH frequently. At the outset Mrs KNUTH did not assign me any clearly defined missions, but rather attempted to determine in general my willingness to provide her with information. After she had convinced herself of my readiness she asked me for the first time on 28 November 1951 to get her information about persons active in the BLANK Office (General HEUSINGER, Graf KIELMANNSEGG). Thereupon I gave her some general information about these two (2) gentlemen. On 10 December 1951 Mrs KNUTH asked me whether I were in a position to watch and to judge current developments within the BLANK Office. She asked me what I earned and whether I would be able to conceal additional income in the future. She further led me to believe that additional details in this direction would be discussed at the beginning of January 1952. She asked me further what role General von GERSDORF played in the agency. She also wanted to know what time-schedule was used by the BLANK Office as a basis for the establishment of a German Contingent. Thereupon I gave her that information which was known to me from the press and which I was able to supplement with information received from the BLANK Office.

I met Mrs KNUTH on 20 December 1951, which was, according to what I told her, my birthday. On this day Mrs KNUTH asked me particularly about the opinion held by Graf KIELMANNSEGG on the formation of the European Army, and what opinion he held regarding the reaction of the Russians to the establishment of a European Army. She further asked me whether General HEUSINGER could not be won over to 'our cause', and proposed to me that General HEUSINGER in the future be designated only with the cover name 'Harry'. On the same day Mrs KNUTH also broached the subject of a

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conference of experts on the possibility of radio work, and asked me if I could not make available to her for about a week a copy of the minutes of this conference. Mrs KNUTH told me that she would photograph any documents which I made available to her for a short time, and then return them to me. Subsequently, Mrs KNUTH said on that day that she was principally interested in the group around General HUSKINS and said that I would receive from her very precise requirements. In a letter dated 5 January 1952 Mrs KNUTH invited me to her home on 6 January 1952 for another discussion. During this meeting she told me she was going to BURLIN in the near future. She stated that she was particularly interested in charts and secret documents. I promised to procure material of this nature.

The next meeting with Mrs KNUTH took place in her home, (COLOGNE-Steelhof, Rhodinstrasse 4) at about 2000 hours on 15 February 1952. When I entered the house I found Mrs KNUTH in lively conversation with two (2) persons heretofore unknown to me, who were later identified as housekeeper GERTS and his wife. Mrs KNUTH told me later that these people had been Communists for years and were devoted to her. When we later discussed the question of the security of our work, she added that these people had the key to her apartment and that I could be assured that one (1) hour after my departure from her apartment a house search could be made to no avail.

After we had eaten Mrs KNUTH brought up the subject of our work together and revealed to me that she had finally received permission to begin working with me. She explained to me that in her organization it was customary to watch new co-workers closely for at least half a year and then put them on trial for at least two (2) months. The cards were laid on the table only after this probationary period had been passed successfully. Mrs KNUTH emphasized that she had received severe reprimands on my account, and that when the exception was made in my case, she - Mrs KNUTH - was charged with full responsibility of further developments. She said verbatim, 'I am so convinced of you and I know that you can give me most important material.' She further stated that she wanted to arrange to have my probationary period last only one (1) month. To that end, however, she said she would have to have important material from me soon. I then turned over to her the material which I had received from the BLANK Office (Annex 1). Mrs KNUTH told me that this was wonderful. The best part was the conclusion to be drawn from the document which indicated that I got to see HEUSINGER's most secret material. In the further course of the discussion she told me, 'Our co-workers are told clearly only after the probationary period with whom they are dealing. I should like to tell you this today, however. My bosses are not the Soviets. It is Poland. You know, when you are working for Poland it is something different - even from the human point of view - from working directly for the Soviets.' I said that she certainly must know that there were in Poland a pro-Soviet and an anti-Soviet group, whereupon Mrs KNUTH replied, 'It is the government group

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... I was surprised to find that I could not see the sketch (Annex 1) very clearly, and I took it from an angle. (This photograph is a black and white photograph of the document I gave her.)

After this she told me that she had the following plans:

1. I was supposed to procure additional important material by about 12 or 13 March 1952.
2. I was to present a detailed biographical statement which also was to contain a picture of my political convictions.

With the photographs of the documents and with my biographical statement, she then wanted to meet her boss. She said she was convinced that he would drop the requirement of further probationary work and confirm me immediately as a co-worker.

In the further course of the evening she gave me 200 DM with the explanation that this sum was to be considered as an advance on my future first salary.

Mrs KNUTH immediately developed the photographs she had taken and told me, after she had seen the developed negatives, that the results were not satisfactory, whereupon she urged me to bring the material with me the next time. The next meeting took place on 15 February 1952. I brought the material (Annex 1) with me. In the meantime Mrs KNUTH had procured two (2) tripods and an electric exposure meter. The sketch was photographed first in eight (8) sections, then in four (4) sections, and finally as a whole. Mrs KNUTH developed the film immediately in her bathroom, and informed me that all photographs had turned out nicely.

She further requested me to procure for her:

1. Another important sketch or a secret document.
2. A resume of the present status of the preparations for a German Contingent.
3. Details on the armament, equipment, housing, and training of the German Contingent, and on the plans which had been developed for "X" day.

In addition she urged me particularly to procure for her a chart of the stationing of the coastal defense forces.

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She told me further that she planned to fly to BERLIN on 5 or 6 March in order to push through my final engagement on the basis of these documents. She promised that she could then pay me a monthly salary and bonuses for good work. Mrs KNUTH told me that after I had been accepted by the center in BERLIN I was to use the cover name of 'Ernst BOLDT'.

The next time we met in Mrs KNUTH's apartment at 2000 hours on 29 February 1952. She asked me immediately whether I had brought her the documents she had asked for. I gave her a sketch of the coastal defenses (Annex 2) which I had received from the BLANK Office. Mrs KNUTH also photographed this sketch, this time using a new Retina camera, which she gave me after the photographs had been taken, with the suggestion that I practice with it on amateur subjects, experimenting also on reproduction of photographs and newspapers. On this occasion also Mrs KNUTH developed the photos immediately and ascertained that they were satisfactory.

In the further course of the discussion we went over details concerning the sketch of the coastal defenses (Annex 2). Mrs KNUTH asked me to explain the various tactical symbols contained in it. On the basis of some handwritten notes I had made I gave her the explanations she desired and she noted them down on her typewriter. Before I departed, Mrs KNUTH asked me for a receipt for the Retina and also for the 200 DM she had given me at our last meeting. The receipt I had to sign 'Ernst BOLDT'.

We agreed that I was to call her by telephone after her return from BERLIN on 18 March 1952, in order to arrange a new meeting.

On 20 March 1952 I spoke to Mrs KNUTH again after her departure from BERLIN, the arrangements for the meeting having been made by telephone. She told me at the outset that she was quite satisfied with the results of her trip and that her people in BERLIN had given their approval for my work. She told me that I was the only co-worker who was permitted to enter her apartment and who had been fully informed of the actual circumstances of the work. The others did not even know her address, and some of them did not even know her name.

In the further course of the discussion Mrs KNUTH gave me the sum of 500 DM and stated that this was a fixed amount on which I could count every month, whether I produced a lot or nothing at all. She added that there were no limits on the payments for good production. In the further course of the evening Mrs KNUTH gave me the document attached as Annex 3, with nine (9) requirements which I was to fulfill for her. In explanation of paragraph 3 of Annex 3 she told me that she was also interested in the economic preparations for the future armed forces. She said she knew that various firms which had participated in the building of the West Wall (Aachen, Aachen, Siegfried Line) had been invited by the BLANK Office to submit estimates on the possibility of equipping military units with specific equipment to various installations.

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Before we parted company she asked me to receipt the 500 IM with the signature 'Ernst BOLDT'. We agreed on our next meeting at the usual time on 26 March 1952.

On the occasion of the meeting on 26 March 1952, I gave her the material on the organization of the BLANK Office (Annex 4). Mrs KNUTE commented that there were very many secretaries among the names listed in the material and said that there must be many more members of the BLANK Office. Thereupon I promised to bring her a complete list as soon as I had the opportunity.

In the further course of our discussion Mrs KNUTE urged me in a rather emphatic tone to procure original documents. She emphasized especially that she was interested in knowing what was being discussed at NAFC in PARIS about a future German air force. She said she planned to go to PARIS in the near future and to look into this question there herself.

The next time, by previous agreement, I visited Mrs KNUTE at her apartment on 4 April 1952. On this occasion I gave her the organizational chart of a motorized infantry division (Annex 5), which I had also received from the BLANK Office.

In a discussion of the methods of transmitting this intelligence material, Mrs KNUTE told me that she sent all her information in the form of micro-photographs which she made herself. However, she said, there was still another method of transmitting photographed material. She said it was possible to separate the emulsion layer from a film, and in so doing this layer for ten (10) Leica exposures could be rolled together so small that it produced a roll the size of a match. The emulsion layer of an entire Leica film containing thirty-six (36) exposures made a roll the size of one-third (1/3) of a cigarette. She further told me that she had attempted to separate the emulsion layer of a film of photographs which she had made recently and through some carelessness had completely destroyed the film.

In the further course of our conversation she showed besides an interest in the organization of a German division, also interest in organizational plans of American units which might possibly have served as models for the working out of German plans. She asked me to procure any such American charts which might be available in the BLANK Office. We agreed to meet the next time on the Tuesday after Easter 1952.

/s/ Eduard Wagner

The above statements have been read by me, have been found correct, and have been signed as follows:

/s/ Eduard Wagner

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On the occasion of our discussion on 15 February 1952, Maria KNUTH told me the following: In the face of the reprimand which she had received from her employers for having recruited me prematurely, she had been forced to defend herself. In so doing, she had claimed that I had gone to Dr SCHAEFER in BERLIN, Giesebrechtstrasse 7, for a medical consultation on her advice. Dr SCHAEFER had examined me and had then made an appointment with me for that evening. She told me that I should tell her employers, if they should ever ask me, that in the course of my conversation with Dr SCHAEFER I had come to realize that I was not alone in my opinions and that it would be worthwhile to participate actively in this affair. 'You see,' said Maria KNUTH, 'Dr SCHAEFER is counted among our people.' When I suggested that there was danger that inquiry would be made of Dr SCHAEFER, Mrs KNUTH said, 'I have already taken care of that.' On the same occasion KNUTH gave me an exact personal description of Dr SCHAEFER so that I would be informed if I were ever asked how he looked, and she also said that Dr SCHAEFER had definite leftist leanings.

With reference to Miss Gerda PENNEWITZ, BERLIN-Charlottenburg, Schlusterstrasse 47, Mrs KNUTH told me the following: PENNEWITZ is her very close friend and co-worker. She is living in a marital triangle with Dr SCHAEFER and his wife. Mrs KNUTH further indicated that Miss PENNEWITZ was to move to DUESSELDORF (UTN) 32ULB4576, in the near future, where she was to accept a job in the Elisabeth Arden Salon. She would receive a good salary there, but that was not the main point. There is something special behind Miss PENNEWITZ' move which she will tell me about later.

/s/ Eduard Wagner "

(TRANSLATOR'S NOTE: Annexes 1 through 5 to Inclosure 2 have not been translated inasmuch as they represent material especially fabricated for SUBJECT by the PS. in collaboration with the BLANK Office.)

The following is a translation of Inclosure 3 to EXHIBIT II:

"Criminal Commissar (retired) Johannes STRUBING, resident of COLOGNE, Untersachsenhausen 33, appears voluntarily and deposes as follows:

At the end of February 1952 I was commissioned by the PSA in COLOGNE to travel to BERLIN during the first days of the month of March in order to carry out a surveillance of Maria KNUTH, resident of COLOGNE-Muelheim. According to information I was given, Mrs KNUTH was to fly to BERLIN on 6 March 1952. Upon checking the passengers arriving at the airport in BERLIN/Tempelhof, it was ascertained that KNUTH was not among them. Information received from the PSA on the same day by telephone indicated

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Around midnight all four (4) persons left the Kleist Casino and went to Lutherstrasse where they entered the Eldorado night club. This is one of the most notorious places frequented by homosexuals and lesbian women. The service staff as well as the performers are without exception transvestites who, in part, have official permission from the authorities to wear the clothes of the opposite sex. During their stay there the three (3) women drank five (5) bottles of champagne, while the man accompanying them exercised reserve in his drinking and observed, in addition to the women, the guests in the immediate vicinity.

The conduct of Mrs KNUTH, STOEBE and Mrs STIASTNY with regard to the service staff and the regular guests led to the conviction that they were very well known, which probably is to be attributed to their lesbian proclivities. It was observed further that STIASTNY prepares the wardrobes of the masculine ladies who frequent the place and also provides costume changes for the performers.

On this evening it was incontrovertably determined that KNUTH and STOEBE are indulging in a liaison in which KNUTH plays the feminine and STOEBE the masculine role.

Excited by her abundant consumption of champagne, KNUTH talked so loudly in the club that it was clearly overheard that during the carnival season she had been visited at her home in COLOGNE by two (2) men, one of whom came from Himmelstrasse in VIENNA. KNUTH made this fact appear important without, however, revealing the actual circumstances. In consequence of her loudness she was asked several times by her male companion to be quiet. The man paid the bill.

At about 0400 hours on the morning of 13 March 1952 all four (4) persons left the Eldorado and went by taxi first to the home of STOEBE on Duisburgerstrasse, where STOEBE and STIASTNY left the vehicle. Mrs KNUTH and her companion drove to Laubenheimer Flats 11, where both had a brief conversation on the street, and KNUTH then entered the home of Mrs Erna SEITZ. Since KNUTH did not leave the SEITZ home again during the night it appeared probable that KNUTH had established residence there. In the course of further surveillance it was determined beyond doubt that KNUTH lived during her BERLIN visit with Mrs SEITZ.

Mrs KNUTH's companion then drove in the waiting taxi from Laubenheimer Flats to BERLIN-Nikolassee, had the vehicle turn around there and drove to Potsdamer Flats. Here he changed taxis, drove to the Brandenburger Tor and back to Potsdamer Flats, again changed taxis and drove back to Nikolassee, all without apparent reason. At Von Luck Strasse he left the taxi and paid his fare. For security reasons, as a result of his peculiar conduct, further surveillance of this man was broken off so that it was not determined where he went on the morning in question.

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On 13 March 1952 it was determined that the address of the vehicle owner was BERLIN-Schlachtensee, Am Grossen Wannsee 24/26, in the boat house of the Wannsee Sailing Club.

On 13 March 1952 KNUTH left the SKITZ residence at approximately 1020 hours and went by subway to the corner of Klosterstrasse and Rathausstrasse (East Sector) where she presumably entered a ladies' clothing shop. Since the entrances of the shops in this building are so close together it was also possible that she entered a photostat shop instead of the clothing store. From there KNUTH drove in a taxi in the direction of Alexander Platz. Due to a lack of transportation her destination here could not be ascertained.

Contact was re-established with KNUTH in front of the SKITZ residence at 2125 hours on the same day, when she drove up in a West BERLIN taxi.

On the same evening KNUTH presumably wrote for some time in the SKITZ residence, which was ascertained by observation of KNUTH's movements in her room, - it is located on the ground floor and the curtains were not drawn - which is confirmed by the fact that on the following day, 14 March 1952, when she left in the forenoon she dropped mail in a mail box.

On 14 March KNUTH left the SKITZ residence in the forenoon and was followed to the corner of Kurfaerstendamm and Oliver Platz. Due to unfavorable traffic conditions contact was broken, but re-established on the same day at about 1930 hours in front of the SKITZ residence. At approximately the same time a vehicle with license number KB 054 567 drove up in front of the SKITZ house. It was determined at the BERLIN registration office that this vehicle is licensed to a construction engineer named Harald ISSNER, resident in BERLIN-Wannsee, Am Grossen Wannsee 24/26. It should be noted that the same vehicle was observed on 15 March 1952 during the period 1700 to 1800 hours, parked in front of the house on Am Grossen Wannsee 24/26.

At about 2320 hours on the same day KNUTH, STOKER and the man who had accompanied the three (3) women in the Kleist Casino and later in the Eldorado night club, left the SKITZ residence and drove off to an unknown destination in the aforementioned vehicle.

Contact was next established with KNUTH at 0800 hours on 15 March 1952. After a few purchases of food in the forenoon, KNUTH left the SKITZ residence and traveled by subway into the East Sector. Contact was broken in the vicinity of Alexander Platz. Her whereabouts until 1925 hours remained unknown. At this time however, it was established that she was in the SKITZ residence together with STOKER, with whom she spent the following night until about 0315 hours also in the Eldorado night club.

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At 0800 hours on 16 March KNUTH was observed at the window of the SEITZ residence, which she left at about 1345 hours. She traveled by subway to the Schoenhauser Allee station (East Sector). She then went on foot to the premises Bornholmerstrasse 93, where she presumably visited the third floor apartment of Mrs E. CHARLET, who has been identified as a fanatic SED functionary. KNUTH remained at this house about three (3) hours. In the company of a man who will be discussed later, she left the house. The man separated from her in the vicinity of the Schoenhauser Allee subway station. She returned to the West Sector and went to Restaurant Oessen on Rankenstrasse, where she met the STIASNY couple and STOSBL. At 2325 hours she disappeared into the SEITZ residence.

Contact was resumed with KNUTH at 1045 hours on 17 March 1952 in front of the SEITZ residence. KNUTH went to the KDW (a department store), remained there briefly, and then went to the bakery shop MIERICKI on Rankenstrasse where she bought some cake. Thereupon she returned to the KDW, spent a few minutes there, and left without the package of cake. KNUTH proceeded then to the aforementioned premises Bornholmerstrasse 93, which she entered at 1410 hours. She remained in the house until 1720 hours, came out on the street with the man who had been observed with her on the preceding day, and who now accompanied KNUTH to the next street corner, where he took his leave of her. On this occasion KNUTH carried a rather large, rolled up bundle inclosed in white paper. It must be noted that KNUTH did not have this package when she entered the house.

While KNUTH returned to the SEITZ residence, the man proceeded to a vehicle which bore the license number H-586 and CD plates and was parked at the corner of Schoenhauser Allee and Wisbyerstrasse. This vehicle was observed on the morning of 18 March 1952 parked in front of the premises Schluterstrasse 42, where the Polish Military Mission is located. The vehicle apparently belongs to this installation because it was observed among a number of parked vehicles which had higher and lower last digits in the license number, so that it can be assumed that H-586 belongs to a block of licenses issued to the Polish Military Mission. It is noted in addition that the description of the vehicle which was parked on 17 March 1952 at the street corner Schoenhauser Allee and Wisbyerstrasse checked with that of the vehicle observed on 18 March in front of Schluterstrasse 42.

KNUTH spent the evening of 17 March with her girl-friend FRENKEL in the Schlosspark Theater in Steglitz. During the intermission both persons paid a brief visit to the back-stage dressing rooms. At the end of the performance, KNUTH and FRENKEL went to the Steglitz Ratskeller where they met Dr (med) Hans-Oskar SCHAEFER, resident in BERLIN-Charlottenburg, Gluckbrechtstrasse 7. After dinner all three (3) persons drove with Dr SCHAEFER's car first to the SEITZ residence, where KNUTH left the vehicle, went into the SEITZ residence and stayed the night. The two (2) other persons proceeded then to their respective homes.

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During the morning of 18 March 1952 observation of the SEITZ residence revealed KNUTH in the company of a woman about 40 years of age who had not previously been observed and who did not reappear during the surveillance. When she entered the house, this woman carried a package which, according to its form, could have contained a coat or dress. Both persons left the SEITZ residence at 1115 hours and went together to the Breitenbachplatz subway station. Since the two (2) women kissed one another several times in parting it has been concluded that the unknown woman was not merely a messenger for a dress shop delivering a package, but a good friend of KNUTH.

The unknown woman left Breitenbachplatz by bus in the direction of Kurfuerstendamm, while KNUTH travelled by subway to the Klosterstrasse subway station (East Sector) where she visited the store 'Harpich Sons' at Koenigstrasse 20/21. She remained there about one (1) hour and left in a taxi, which had apparently been called by telephone, in the direction of Alexanderplatz. At this point contact was broken, but was resumed again at 1940 hours on the same date in front of the SEITZ residence.

KNUTH spent the evening of the same date from 2040 hours to 0015 hours in the company of Hildegard STORBE in the Kleist Casino, which they then left and went to their respective homes.

A check with the booking agency of the British air line BEA established that KNUTH planned to fly to DUESSELDORF at 1540 hours on 18 March. She did not keep this booking, but rather left for COLOGNE at 1115 hours on 19 March 1952.

When KNUTH booked her flight for 18 March 1952 she gave to BEA the telephone number where she could be reached of 342416 which is listed to the Architecture Factory Albrocht FELLSON and Son, BERLIN-Charlottenburg, Wilmersdorfer Strasse 25. It had not yet been established what connection exists between KNUTH and the FELLSON firm. It is noteworthy in this connection, however, that the FELLSON firm maintains offices on the same street as the firm Noni-Kleidung, the alleged proprietress of which is KNUTH's girl-friend Hildegard STORBE. The two (2) buildings are located approximately 500 meters apart. It is further noteworthy that KNUTH gave this telephone number as a place she could be reached in spite of the fact that she had available a telephone in the SEITZ residence and in the Noni-Kleidung store.

On 19 March KNUTH returned to COLOGNE-Nam with the scheduled flight leaving at 1115 hours. Upon her return, according to the records of BEA, she carried only 27 kilograms of baggage.

As already mentioned, surveillance was maintained on the premises of Noni-Kleidung in the course of the observation of KNUTH's contact points in BERLIN. This surveillance established that every day a vehicle, Opel Kapitän

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with license number KB 014 362, approached the shop, and that the driver of this vehicle, on several occasions unlocked the shop door and in the evenings also turned on the alarm system after the shop was locked. It was concluded from this that the driver of this vehicle belongs to the immediate circle around the proprietor of the shop. Although Hildegard STOEBE is listed on the shop door as the proprietress, it was established from official records that the proprietress is the above-mentioned Ilse-Monika STIASTNY, who owns a second shop in the East Sector of BERLIN on the premises Oranienburger Strasse 46, under the name 'Waesche-Moni'.

According to the records of the motor vehicle registration office in BERLIN, the Opel Kapitän, license number KB 014 362, is listed to Harry STIASTNY, resident in BERLIN-Charlottenburg, Wilkendorfer Strasse 127. This address is identical with the firm Moni-Kleidung. An on-the-spot check revealed that there are no residence facilities available, so that this address must be described as a cover address.

Since STOEBE frequently drove off, after the store was closed, with the STIASTNY couple in the Opel Kapitän, surveillance was established which revealed that STIASTNY utilizes this vehicle to drive only in the East Sector and leaves it in the evening in a garage at Potsdamer Strasse 55. In the same garage box, STIASTNY has another vehicle, an Opel Olympia with license CB 004 985 - East Sector registration -, in which he travels in the East Sector.

STIASTNY is not registered in the population registry for West BERLIN. Observation has indicated that he probably lives over his wife's store at Oranienburger Strasse 46, where both he and his wife have been observed.

Observation of the Moni-Kleidung store on 12 March 1952 revealed that STIASTNY drove, together with STOEBE, after the store was closed, via the usual route to Potsdamer Strasse 55. There vehicles were changed as described above. Then he drove in the Opel Olympia with East Sector plates to Oranienburger Strasse 46 and, in the company of STOEBE, entered the presumed residence above the store Waesche-Moni. Soon afterward both persons returned to the West Sector and visited the Kleist Casino, where STOEBE joined the persons already present, namely KRUTE, Mrs STIASTNY, and the man assumed to be Harald ISSER. Mr STIASTNY thereupon returned alone to the East Sector and drove to the intersection of Mallerstrasse and Scharnweberstrasse (West Sector). He left the vehicle there and placed himself for a short time in the shadow of the house wall. During this time two (2) male individuals were observed in the vicinity of the parked vehicle. The older of the two (2) approached the vehicle with a file cover sized package which he laid in the car. Thereupon the older of the two (2) took

On the morning of April 11, 1952, at approximately 0800 hours, the driver (SUBJECT) was observed at the home of the subject, where he was last seen through the window. The following day it was observed that SUBJECT left the home with his car and drove to the tobacco shop of [redacted] where he left a car with various contents. Subsequently he proceeded to the premises of [redacted] where he presumably visited the attorney-at-law and activity [redacted].

The above statements represent, for the greater part, my own observations. The remaining observations were made by observers used by me, which in their principal points were checked by me personally and are considered correct.

I make these statements in full awareness of their significance, from memory according to my best knowledge and belief, and to that extent in the form of an affidavit.

OCTOBER, 9 April 1952

/s/ Johannes Struening

4. The indictment which has been reproduced in full in the preceding paragraph was presented to a judge of the Federal Court in KARLSRUHE (UTM) 3208238, on 10 April 1952. The court held that issuance of arrest warrants was justified only in the cases of SUBJECT and the couple GERETS, and that there was insufficient evidence to justify the apprehension of the other personalities. After coordination between the German Federal Police authorities (the Bonn Security Group), the FBI, the British judicial, legal, police and intelligence authorities, and the 66th CIC Detachment, SUBJECT was arrested by the British authorities at approximately 2330 hours on 14 April 1952 (approximately one-half (1/2) hour after her return home from a trip to PARIS in the company of Mr Gerhart BOSSERL, US national), on charges of having engaged or having intended to engage in activities prejudicial to the security of the British forces. Simultaneously the German Federal Police executed the arrest warrants against Paul GERETS and his wife Sophie GERETS, immediately after which members of the FBI conducted a thorough search of SUBJECT's residence and secured all material which did or might have bearing on the case, including direct documentary evidence of espionage activities. SUBJECT was detained over night at the British prison in WERL (UTM) 32082412, under the supervision of Mr Stanley A. FLAXMAN of British intelligence in AUNSBERG (UTM) 32083594. During the afternoon of 15 April 1952, SUBJECT was released from British custody and delivered into custody of representatives of the 66th CIC Detachment, accompanied by a female representative of the 7707th ECIC, who then delivered SUBJECT to the ECIC under the provisions of SOP 96, at approximately 2330 hours on 15 April 1952.

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In preparation for the investigation of KUNZE, which was conducted jointly by a representative of G-2, the Department of Defense, and the FBI, with the personal assistance of Witness Edward Braun, and FRANK, who in turn were joined and assisted at a later date by a source of British intelligence, the FBI had prepared an extensive brief of all facts and information available to it regarding the past history of the KUNZE-KUNTH espionage organization, and all information available on all personalities known or suspected to have been or be in contact with this organization. A translation of this brief is herewith submitted for the record:

(1) A Brief Summary of the KUNZE-KUNTH Espionage Case.

- I. Approximately in April 1948 former Captain KUNZE from the German High Command, Armed Forces Press Section, began to establish an extensive intelligence net in FRANKFURT. KUNZE had come from BERLIN but is alleged to have found residence with a family named BRUNDMANN (of (27)), FRANKFURT, Tischbeinstrasse 8 after his discharge from prisoner of war camp and prior to 1948.

The intelligence network of KUNZE insofar as it has been clarified to date can be seen from the attached sketch, Annex Ia.

KUNZE received his instructions from BERLIN and transmitted the intelligence gathered by him to Mrs Maria KUNTH, resident at that time in BERLIN-Wilmersdorf, Laubenheimer-Platz 10.

The transmittal of intelligence was accomplished in part by the means of:

- a. Couriers: (Mrs Eise BRAUCHLER (witness), LIPS (of (21)) and an old man with a knapsack who has not been identified (of (21)).
- b. Postal transmission.
- c. Through the intermediary of US nationals: Mr FORSTER and Mrs HANFOWEL (of (23)).
- d. Personal delivery by KUNZE on the occasion of a trip to BERLIN.

The chief points of emphasis in the procurement of intelligence by KUNZE during the years 1948 and the beginning of 1949 insofar as they have been identified were the Economic Council in FRANKFURT, military targets of the US Army in Germany and US military agencies.

As camouflage for his intelligence work KUNZE used an art business in which Maria-Inise FRANKENBERG (of (23)) played a major role. FRANKENBERG moved from BERLIN to FRANKFURT in January 1949, lived initially with the Witness BRAUCHLER, worked with KUNZE in the procurement and evaluation of intelligence and was acquainted with all of KUNZE's informants.

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Shortly before Pentecost 1949 KUNZE was ordered to BERLIN by telegram. After first announcing his intentions to FRANKENBERG in a letter, KUNZE committed suicide in HAVELN shortly after Pentecost 1949.

II. For a while FRANKENBERG continued the intelligence work of KUNZE in FRANKFURT alone. A few of KUNZE's agents who still had outstanding financial credits wrote directly to KNUTH in BERLIN, whose address they had received from Mrs BRAUCHLER.

III. Approximately in September 1949 Mrs KNUTH came personally to FRANKFURT and visited Mrs BRAUCHLER at her home.

On this occasion KNUTH received a package addressed to BRAUCHLER's residence. According to statements of witness BRAUCHLER the package contained a wood-cut which had a piece of white paper pasted on the back. Although BRAUCHLER from some distance was not able to discern any writing on the paper, KNUTH made notes from it on a pad.

From BRAUCHLER, KNUTH went to FRANKENBERG, who meanwhile had taken up residence at Helmsstrasse 8, where she spent the night.

In October 1949 KNUTH returned to FRANKFURT, after first announcing her arrival by letter in advance (see Annex 2).

According to the statement of Witness Mrs von HOLLY (of 16) KNUTH visited her the end of 1949 or the beginning of 1950 in order to persuade Mrs von HOLLY to continue the intelligence work she had allegedly performed previously for KUNZE. The contact between KUNZE and Mrs von HOLLY had been established through a certain RODNER, DAHREHOF, Immerstrasse 10, apparently in ignorance of the true activities of KUNZE.

KNUTH was seen in FRANKFURT in the company of FRANKENBERG during the year 1950 by the witness Mrs JESKE. In addition, the cleaning woman who works for FRANKENBERG - Mrs WENIGFEL, Eppsteiner Strasse 29 - claims to have seen KNUTH in the FRANKENBERG residence (Helmsstrasse 8) during the year 1951.

After her return from a two-week stay in BERLIN, KNUTH traveled to FRANKFURT, where she was observed at about noon on 22 March 1952 by surveillance agents of the FBI as she was leaving the FRANKENBERG residence. The contact between KUNZE and FRANKENBERG consequently had been established as late as 22 March 1952.

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IV. [REDACTED]

In September 1952 KNUTH approached the [REDACTED] who was already known to her through his connection with [REDACTED]. She requested him either to act as the [REDACTED] for [REDACTED] purposes in the [REDACTED] office, or to provide her [REDACTED] with the possibility of obtaining employment of a clerical nature in the [REDACTED] office.

After her discussion with the [REDACTED] HAHN, KNUTH went to [REDACTED] and wrote HAHN a letter (Annex 3) on 19 October 1952 in which she announced her return for 26 October 1952.

Since this time the [REDACTED] through its own operations has been able to identify a part of the KNUTH circle of co-workers (see sketch Annex Ib, to the left of KNUTH).

The [REDACTED] was further able to develop certain leads which by virtue of intensive surveillance during the stay of KNUTH in [REDACTED] from 5 March 1952 to 19 March 1952 resulted in the identification of contact points and of probable co-workers in the intelligence organization (see sketch Annex Ib, right half).

- V. According to the available information it is certain:
- a. that KNUTH's employers represent the Polish Intelligence Service, and
 - b. that KNUTH has taken over at least a part of the intelligence net set up by [REDACTED]. The key figure in this complex is [REDACTED].

Due to the fact that it has become necessary to break off prematurely the penetration operation of the KNUTH complex, it has not yet been satisfactorily ascertained which of the former agents of the [REDACTED] group are still active for the Polish Intelligence Service, whether through KNUTH or through another control.....

VI. The background information available so far on those persons who have been identified in connection with the [REDACTED]-KNUTH espionage case has been gathered together, partly in individual reports and partly in compilations, and is inclosed under items (2) through (32).

VII. The person indicated in the attaché letter in under the name **PERKINS** is an active cover agent of the FBI.

SMITH, **van BUREN**, **Mr. BASTIEN** and **Mrs. BROWN** must be considered in the course of the investigation as witnesses, since they have played an essential role in the identification of the **KNUTH**-**SMITH** espionage case.

VIII. In the course of interrogations FBI will provide any additional material which might not be included in the present background material.

IX. **ROBERT**, **Miss Peggy SEBASTIAN** with 'Cyril' and 'Jerry', the **LOEWENTHAL** couple, **HUBBARD**, **KNOWLES**, **MIYER** and **FORSTER** belong to the direct sphere of responsibility of the US authorities.

The background on these persons so far as available has been already turned over to the Liaison Officer, consequently has not been included in this file.

(2) Copy of letter dated 12 April 1952:

SUBJECT: Indictment Against Maria **KNUTH** and Others for High Treason.

RE: Letter to the Federal Attorney at the Federal Court dated 9 April 1952, File III-4156/52.

Addenda to items 7, 8 and 9 and to the statement by Witness **STRUBING**, Inclosure 3.

The following addenda are submitted for use in the interrogations regarding the Polish Intelligence Organization espionage complex in **BERLIN**.

1. Ad 7. Hildegard **STORBE**:

- a. During a check of the physical situation of the residence of **Hildegard STORBE**, **BERLIN-Wilmersdorf**, **Duisburger Strasse 12**, it was ascertained that there are on her door a paper card on which is written by hand 'STORBE' and a metal plate with the name 'BARTEL'.

A check of the responsible police precinct revealed no registration for a person named 'BARTEL' in the house **Duisburger Strasse 12**.

According to an FBI report a man named **Edo BARTEL**, born on 23 October 1914 in **ITZEHOE/Holstein**, resident in **BERLIN-W. Glindestrasse 10**

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(reddish blond hair, approximately 5'10" tall) has been reported as an informant of the Polish Military Mission.

Due to the shortness of time an identification in this case could not be effected.

- b. During the surveillance of the business establishment Noni-Kleidung, BERLIN-Charlottenburg, Wilmersdorfer Strasse 127, no store manager Hildegard STORKE is listed, it was ascertained that on 8 March 1952 STORKE was picked up during the evening hours in a car with license number KB 079 648 by a taxicab driver named Heinz BLANOWSKI, born 12 October 1911 in BERLIN-Pankow, resident in BERLIN-Wilmersdorf, Konstanzer Strasse 5. The residence of BLANOWSKI is located about three (3) or four (4) minutes walking time from the Noni-Kleidung store. The basis for the acquaintance between STORKE and BLANOWSKI has not yet been ascertained. It is known that STORKE maintains a lesbian liaison with HEUTH. On the other hand it was been ascertained that BLANOWSKI was found guilty in 1949 of violation of paragraph 175 of the Penal Code (homosexuality).

2. Ms 9. Ilse-Monika STIASNY:

Through penetration operations in the homosexual and lesbian night club Eldorado the following information has been obtained:

- a. The men and women with abnormal proclivities who frequent the Eldorado wear almost exclusively clothes produced in the Mond shop. The proprietress of this shop is Ilse-Monika STIASNY.
- b. According to the remarks of an unwitting source in the Eldorado, Ilse-Monika STIASNY allegedly owns two (2) motion picture theaters in West BERLIN, one (1) of them being the 'Camera Daylight Movie House' on Potsdamer Platz.

The 'Camera' is a so-called 'border crossing' movie which is primarily attended by residents of the Eastern Sector and of the Eastern Zone who want to see a West German movie. Upon presentation of their Eastern identification papers they receive a ticket at the reduced price of 25 Pfennigs (West).

This motion picture house is said to have been the scene of kidnapping incidents in BERLIN.

The registered proprietor of the 'Camera' is Friedrich Wilhelm VOSS, born 28 April 1915 in WITZEN, single, resident in BERLIN-Pankow, Berliner Strasse 79, telephone 24 69 26.

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According to information contained in the 'Lexicon of BERLIN Economy', the 'Danzig' establishment was originally located in the Eastern Sector and was moved to West BERLIN in 1948. Listing in the business registry has not yet been applied for. The aforementioned Lexicon also indicates that the present sole owner VOSS formerly had a partner whose identity could not be established due to the shortness of time.

- c. According to remarks by an unwitting informant in the Eldorado, the motion picture house and business establishments of Ilse-Monica STIASNY serve merely as a cover for other activities, among which allegedly is a traffic in cocaine.
- d. Ilse-Monica STIASNY is married. She allegedly spent the week prior to 12 March 1952 in GARNISON-PARTENKIRCHEN.

3. Ad S. Harald STIASNY:

- a. During the surveillance of the shop Modi-Kleidung, BERLIN-Charlottenburg, Wilmersdorfer Strasse 127, it was observed on 13 March 1952 that Harald STIASNY drove in his car from the Modi-Kleidung shop to the tobacco shop of Elsa BRAUN, BERLIN-Charlottenburg, Sophie-Charlottenstrasse 84.

When he entered this shop STIASNY was carrying a blue file cover which he no longer had when he left the shop.

The proprietress of this tobacco shop is Elsa BRAUN, born 8 November 1912 in BERLIN, single, resident in BERLIN-Charlottenburg, Sophie-Charlottenstrasse 86.

- b. After leaving this tobacco shop Harald STIASNY entered the premises Reichelsdorffstrasse 35, where he probably visited the attorney and notary Dr Paul SAHN. SAHN has been identified as having been born on 29 September 1894 in FLECKENBACH. He lives in BERLIN-Charlottenburg, Reichelsdorffstrasse 60, and is alleged to be single.

4. Statement of Maria KURT (Danzig):

On the evening of 7 March 1952 KURT entered the shop Modi-Kleidung, BERLIN-Charlottenburg, Wilmersdorfer Strasse 127. Immediately after she entered this shop a young lady not further identified entered the shop and received from KURT a package with which she immediately entered the premises Reichelsdorffstrasse 60.

A check of all registered telephone numbers in Berlin, Germany, which according to information available, was made by SA [redacted] on 12 December 1952 in BERLIN, Germany, failed to list Herbert KLEWER, BERLIN, Germany, born 12 May 1921 in Poznan, Poland.

(3) **SUBJECT: Leads for Interrogation on the BERLIN Complex**

1. The chief Polish Intelligence Service agent, former Captain KNUTH, who was active in FRANKFURT during the years 1948 and 1949, had contact with KLEWER antique shop in BERLIN. KNUTH was also visited in FRANKFURT by the proprietor of this antique business.

The following information has been ascertained regarding the KLEWER Antique Shop:

It is an old antique shop with a very good reputation. The original proprietors were the KLEWER Brothers. The present proprietor is Herbert KLEWER, art and antique dealer, BERLIN W 30, Eisenacher Strasse 9, telephone 24 72 01.

According to the telephone directory he maintains a shop in BERLIN-Schoeneberg, Kolonnenstrasse 56, telephone 71 30 02. The following signs are exhibited on the premises Kolonnenstrasse 56: Erich KLEWER, front building, second floor; KLEWER Brothers, Antique Shop and Workshop, factory building, third floor.

In spite of these signs neither building contains any rooms of the KLEWER firm.

Herbert KLEWER maintains his residence at Motastrasse 19, sixth floor.

Erich KLEWER has an electric appliance and radio wholesale shop located at Bahnstrasse 21, where he also lives.

Art dealer Herbert KLEWER maintains good contact with Professor Edwin REDELOB of the Free University of BERLIN.

Even during the bad times immediately after the currency reform the KLEWER antique business had extensive financial resources at its disposal.

During the surveillance maintained while KNUTH was in BERLIN, the KLEWER Antique Shop was observed occasionally.

On 10 March 1952 at 1530 hours the following vehicles were observed in front of the antique shop:

a. Passenger vehicle license 3 - 63 15 00 (licensed in Kreis
Paderborn, Westph.) and

b. Passenger vehicle license OB 009 572.

2. During a meeting between the FBI informant and Maria DEUTH on 15 February 1946, DEUTH received a telephone call from BERLIN at about 21:30 hours. DEUTH talked for a rather long time with a person whom she addressed as 'Staffen'. Then the party in BERLIN changed and was consequently addressed as 'Maria'.

In spite of the outwardly harmless nature of the conversation on the telephone, it must be nevertheless concluded from certain expressions that this was not merely a purely private call. Especially noteworthy was the remark, 'Our family has increased.'

DEUTH promised to call back 'Staffen' in BERLIN on Sunday, 17 February, and said she would soon pay a visit to BERLIN.

3. Maria DEUTH corresponds with the following persons:

a. Georg SCHULKE, clerk, born 4 May 1900 in BERLIN, married to Ottilie Rosa HARTMUTH born 1 April 1901 in WELSENKIRCHEN, resident in BERLIN W 29, Stadenstrasse 49. SCHULKE was formerly employed by the firm Kerpich Saus, dates of employment not recorded. SCHULKE has been unemployed for some time and draws unemployment compensation. (In this connection compare the statement of STRUBING, Inclosure 3 to the indictment.)

b. B. HOSHKE, c/o Kerpich Saus, BERLIN, Koenigstrasse 20-21.

c. HUCHMANN, BERLIN O 112, Borghagener Strasse 34.

d. A person whose name has not yet been established, residing in BERLIN-Wilmersdorf, Kassauische Strasse 36/IV.

A check in BERLIN established that the following persons reside on the (German) fourth floor of the premises of Kassauische Strasse 36:

- a. JACKEN, Rosa, office employee born 27 March 1889 in ERFURT, single. JACKEN has been the proprietress of a ladies apparel shop in BERLIN W 30, Hohenstaufenstrasse 10 since 25 March 1946.
- b. SCHAEFFNER, Kurt, clerk and interpreter, born 19 September 1904 in GUESSTON, married to Margot nee HARTMUTH born 20 September 1912 in ERFURT.

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SCHARFENBERG was employed as a bookkeeper by the Richard HAC EM & Co., BERLIN W 30, Tauentzien Strasse 13a, from 24 January 1949 to 30 November 1951. The firm has meanwhile changed its name. The new name is not known. SCHARFENBERG has been unemployed and draws unemployment compensation since 4 December 1951.

Further details regarding the relationship between KUNZE and the persons listed above have not been clarified due to the brevity of time.

- (4) SUBJECT: a. Dr Werner ARZT
Residence: BERLIN NO 55, Schöcker Strasse 13
Former Address: CHEMNITZ, Weststrasse 36
Occupation: Employed with the Ministry of Justice of the Soviet Zone, Clara Zetkinstrasse 49/52, telephone 42 60 18 Extension 1666.
- b. Dr Helmut HAFERKORN
Alleged Address: CHEMNITZ, Enmannstrasse 17.

1. According to reports received by the FSA there appeared in May 1949 in the residence of KUNZE, Altkoenigstrasse 10, c/o Mrs BEUCK, a gentleman who inquired for KUNZE. Since KUNZE was absent, the visitor left a message that 'Der Arzt' had been there.

About an hour later the visitor reappeared and asked Mrs BEUCK to deliver a letter when KUNZE returned. According to the contents of this letter the visitor was the attorney Dr Werner ARZT who came from CHEMNITZ. ARZT regretted that he had not met KUNZE and asked KUNZE to look him up on his next visit to CHEMNITZ. In case ARZT should not be there, KUNZE was to contact Dr HAFERKORN who would take care of all details. In the letter there was also mention made of Weststrasse in CHEMNITZ.

(5) SUBJECT: Albert BASKE

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1. During the inquiry into the background of the organization of KUNZE the following were repeated mentionings of the name Albert BASKE as the alleged chief of the organization in BERLIN. In derivative from the name Albert BASKE, the recognition sign 'Albert' was used in contacts of agents and couriers.
2. KUNZE flew from FRANKFURT to BERLIN on 15 August 1948. When he left KUNZE told BRAUCHLER that he would send money within the next few days. Mrs BRAUCHLER was to go to the KfA office as soon as he sent her a telegram to that effect and then draw for Mr KUNZE the money from Albert BASKE.

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In giving these instructions KNEZE did not indicate to BRAUCHLER any particular window or any particular clerk at the Effekten-Bank. Between 10 and 20 November 1948 the expected telegram arrived with approximately the following contents:

'Pick up 150 pieces, of them 100 pieces to Mrs BRUCK and 50 to.....'

After receiving the telegram BRAUCHLER went to the bank and according to KNEZE's instructions asked at one of the windows for the money. The clerk at the Effekten-Bank did not ask Mrs BRAUCHLER for her name but merely said, 'For Mr KNEZE of course, of course,' checked in a card file, and then said that there was not yet any money there. Two (2) or three (3) days later BRAUCHLER again went to the Effekten-Bank. This time after checking the card file the money was turned over to BRAUCHLER immediately in turn for a receipt on a printed form.

3. According to inquiries made so far at the Effekten-Bank in FRANKFURT there are no records of any financial transmittals from an Albert BASKI for KNEZE.
4. On the other hand it has been determined that the representative of the now defunct Deutsche Effekten and Wechsel Bank, BERLIN W 15, Listzenburger Strasse 36, is a certain Alfred HESKE, born 10 October 1902 in BERLIN.

It has not yet been ascertained whether there is any connection between Albert BASKI and Alfred HESKE.

(6) SUBJECT: Anna Maria KNEZE nee HOLZPORTZ, born 22 September 1910 in COLOGNE.

Religion: Catholic

Marital Status: Divorced 28 August 1943. Former husband former officer of the Air Force and test pilot for MESSERSCHMIDT. Divorce was granted allegedly because of infidelity on the part of husband. The husband at the present time is head of a factory for concrete window and door frames in MERMERSBERG. Approximately a half year ago, according to KNEZE, her husband allegedly proposed a new marriage with her.

Father-in-law of KNEZE was a major general and was commander of the rear army area of the Northern sector of the Eastern front. Brother-in-law Hans-Joerges KNEZE was G-2 with a General Staff and is supposed to have been killed in Russia. After the collapse in 1945 the father-in-law lived on the estate of a certain von KNEZE in Mark Brandenburg and was shot by an unidentified Russian. The mother-in-law, who for years had run a chicken coop, then committed suicide by opening an artery.

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Father: [REDACTED] born [REDACTED] in DUISBURG, resident in DUISBURG, [REDACTED] Street 11.

Mother: Died in DUISBURG on 12 August 1921.

Brothers: a. Franz HOLSPOERTZ, born on 21 September 1905 in DUISBURG, resident in DUISBURG, Finkenweg 16. Franz HOLSPOERTZ, Jr. is married to Frieda KRIEGER, born 13 October 1911 in DUISBURG. Franz HOLSPOERTZ, Jr. is employed as a master baker in the bakery of Hans DUESER, DUISBURG, Sternbuschweg 185.

b. Werner HOLSPOERTZ, born 10 October 1919 in DUISBURG, resident in DUISBURG, Finkenstrasse 5. Werner HOLSPOERTZ is likewise a baker by occupation and operates a food store on Finkenstrasse in DUISBURG.

Formal Education: Maria KNUFE attended girls High School operated by the Ursuline sisters in COLOGNE.

Professional training: Allegedly one (1) year trade school.

Two (2) years acting school, in VIENNA alleged acting training under a Mrs. REIDINGER. Willi FORST allegedly got KNUFE into motion pictures, had a one (1) year contract with Terra-Film, worked on pictures with van DIESEN.

Known former addresses: NEUMUENSTER/Schleswig Holstein (husband test pilot).

WIENER NEUSTADT (husband test pilot).

BERLIN - December 1943 allegedly bombed out, evacuated to Thuringia.

In 1946 returned to BERLIN and allegedly resided on Bernauer Strasse.

Until 1 February 1945 registered at BERLIN, Bregenser Strasse 3.

On 1 August 1948 registered officially and resident at Berlin-Wilmersdorf, Laubenheimer Platz 10 c/o Mrs. GERRARD

28 August 1950 registered out from BERLIN to COLOGNE.

According to information from Mrs. GERRARD moved to COLOGNE-Marientberg, Remigener Strasse 2.

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Present Address: On 15 December 1950 officially registered with the Police for COLOGNE-NEULAND, Neulanderstrasse 4, with a notation: 'Come from BERLIN-Wilmersdorf'.

Telephone: 77556 (Muelheim exchange), number 497.

Medical History: According to her own statement, KNUTH suffered shock and injury during a bombing attack in BERLIN in December 1943 which has resulted in a slight paralysis of the left side of her face. From a letter written by the neurologist Maria OFFERMANN, COLOGNE to the BLANK Office on 27 November 1951:

.....'I have known Maria KNUTH since 1944. After having been relieved of my physician's oath of secrecy I can inform you of the following: Mrs KNUTH was committed to the neurological section of the St Elisabeth Hospital in Neuland in 1944 for treatment of a partial paralysis of a cranial nerve resulting in a partial facial paralysis. From the case history I learned that Mrs KNUTH had strenuously worked her way up through study of the theater to become an actress. The facial paralysis came about just at the time when Mrs KNUTH was enjoying the first successes of her career. The injury has never been completely healed and through the distortion of her face her further career as an actress has become impossible.....'

From 25 September to 16 October 1950 KNUTH was in the Hedwig Hospital in BERLIN. Claimed occupation: actress. Private address not registered with the hospital. KNUTH's medical record here is restricted. According to her own statements KNUTH has had one (1) kidney removed by operation."

(Translator's Note: The remainder of this document is a personal description of SUBJECT, her clothes and her peculiarities, which it is not deemed necessary to translate.)

"(9) SUBJECT: Thea JACOBSON, resident of BERLIN, Xantenerstrasse 17.

Employed in the press department of the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Film Corporation in BERLIN, Albrecht-Achillesstrasse 65/66.

JACOBSON is a Jewess.

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1. That JACOBSON first became known in the KNUTH espionage case when KNUTH gave JACOBSON as a reference in her letter of application for a position in the BLANK Office (for espionage purposes). That JACOBSON forwarded to the BLANK Office the reference for KNUTH attached hereto.
2. According to inquiries to date JACOBSON takes care of the greater part of the visitors to the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Film Corporation. Her offices are located on the second floor of the 'Lignee-Haus', Albrecht-Achillesstrasse 65/66. On the fourth and fifth floors of this building are the rooms of the German 'Political Institute' (Hochschule fuer Politik). Telephone at the private residence Lantenerstrasse 17, number 91 68 76."

Translation

"That JACOBSON
c/o Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Corporation
BERLIN-Malensee
Albrecht-Achilles Strasse 65/66

BERLIN, 24 November 1951

To the Plenipotentiary of the Federal Chancellor

BOEN, Argelanderstrasse 105

File: I OZ-5 - 901-05 - II 4343/51

SUBJECT: Reference for Mrs Maria KNUTH, COLOGNE-Maalbein, Rhodiusstrasse 4.

In your letter of the 20th of this month you asked me to give you detailed information about Maria KNUTH. I am happy to comply with your desire and herewith inform you that I have been a very close friend of Mrs KNUTH for many years.

Approximately one (1) year ago Mrs KNUTH left BERLIN and moved to COLOGNE, since her mother had become very ill and wanted to have her daughter with her. In addition, due to an overabundance of actresses for motion picture synchronization etc., work was very difficult.

I know Mrs KNUTH only as an honest, helpful and reliable person who in her convictions has always been upright. Her political attitude during the entire period has always been impeccable, which means for me neither Nazi nor Communist.

Mrs KNUTH is intelligent, conscientious and learns very easily. She is in addition tactful, likeable and adept. All of these characteristics should make her particularly suitable for a position as secretary in the Federal Chancellery.

I am always available to you for further information.

/s/ Thea Jacobson

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REF: NY 64128, Ref III, 64th CIB Div, 29 May 1952, Subj: Maria KNUTH

(S) SUBJECT: Maria PENNINGFELD
BORN: 1 January 1917
Religion: Catholic
Father: PENNINGFELD, born on 4 March 1881 in COLOGNE, proprietor
of a photograph shop in COLOGNE-Muelheim, Frankfurter-
strasse 64.
Residence: (with father) COLOGNE-Holweide, Berg Gladbacher-
strasse 325
Occupation: Photographer

1. PENNINGFELD was first identified in the KNUTH espionage case during the course of a meeting between an informant of the FBI and KNUTH in the latter's residence in COLOGNE-Muelheim, Rhodiusstrasse 4. On this occasion the informant had turned over to KNUTH a plan of the stationing of the twelve (12) future German divisions which purported to stem from the BLANK Office. As soon as the informant stated that it was impossible to prepare a copy of this plan to scale, as requested by KNUTH, without the necessary equipment, KNUTH placed a telephone call at 2100 hours to Holweide number 1599 and asked for Miss PENNINGFELD. When this person came to the phone after approximately three (3) minutes, KNUTH asked her to take a taxi immediately and bring her a Leica with 12/10 Din film for ten (10) exposures. Approximately fifteen (15) minutes later the Leica was brought to KNUTH's residence as requested.
2. Over a long period of observation it was determined that
 - a. KNUTH pays numerous visits to the PENNINGFELD photograph shop, and
 - b. PENNINGFELD visits KNUTH's residence almost daily.
3. According to information received from other neighbors of the premises COLOGNE-Muelheim, Rhodiusstrasse 4, it is alleged that PENNINGFELD has abnormal proclivities and maintains very intimate relations with KNUTH.
4. An informant was assigned the investigation of PENNINGFELD and determined the following facts:
 - a. The acquaintance between PENNINGFELD and KNUTH has been in existence since approximately Christmas of 1950. The intimate relationship did not begin until about June 1951. PENNINGFELD considers KNUTH in her lesbian subservience as "her girl and friend".
 - b. KNUTH intends to buy in the near future an automobile (a sports car with 200 HP motor, the price of which is approximately 2500 DM). This car is to be registered under PENNINGFELD's name.

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a. In spite of the fact that the informant has not identified other of the associates of the KNUTH group, the following are:

1. One of the closest friends of KNUTH is a 'Helf' and a 'Thea' (apparently the FRIEDRICH couple).
2. A close friend by the name of 'Mary' (name changed), who is a German and to whom the informant has previously sent a 100 meter reel of KNUTH film, was seen in late FALL 1951 to an address in FRANKFURT, Germany.
3. Another friend with whom KNUTH very often talks on the telephone is a 'Miss Nagy' who lives in COLOGNE and works for MC GLOY. This 'Miss Nagy' is alleged to be an American. (Nagy HENRIETTE).
4. After a trip to BERLIN KNUTH is supposed to have brought back with her for a short time a close friend of a pronounced masculine type who was called 'Steffen'. (The identification of this person in an interview of FRIEDRICH is of particular importance.)

"(9) SUBJECT: Otto GILDENKISTER
Born: 17 January 1896 in COLOGNE
Protestant
Single
Address: COLOGNE, Deutscher Ring 28
Merchant.
Has passport since 29 August 1951

- a. Otto GILDENKISTER was first identified in the KNUTH espionage case during a meeting on 2 November 1951 in the home of Witness MAHER. This meeting concerned itself with a request for support from KNUTH in her application for employment with the BLANK Office. KNUTH discussed with the informant of the FBI whom she took for an employee of the BLANK Office, why she was seeking employment with the BLANK Office in spite of her excellent contacts with leading personalities in private industry. On this occasion she said that her friend Otto GILDENKISTER had pointed out to her that there were excellent prospects for the future in the BLANK Office and that she would be able to develop her capacities better there, capacities which went beyond ability to type. According to KNUTH, Otto GILDENKISTER has a friend who is a very close friend in turn of BLANK."

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- c. In spite of these contacts, the following are the names of her acquaintances who are known to her. Among these are:
1. One of the closest friendships of KNUTH is with a 'Heli' and a 'Theo' (apparently the FRANKENBERG couple).
 2. A close friend by the name of 'Mary' (Marie Inge FRANKENBERG), who is a nurse and to whom the FRANKENBERG couple gave a 30 meter reel of PERIOD FILM, with KNUTH's assistance, in late FALL 1951 to an address in FRANKFURT, Germany.
 3. Another friend with whom KNUTH very often talks on the telephone is a 'Miss Nagy' who lives in COLOGNE and works for EC GLOY. This 'Miss Nagy' is alleged to be an American. (Nagy SEBASTIAN).
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7. (Dr Miss) Karoline OFFERMANN should be included among the personalities to be investigated on the basis of the above."

Translation

"Dr Maria OFFERMANN
Specialist for Neurotic
and Psychopathic Ailments

Doc - 28 May 1951

COLOGNE-Lindenthal
Wildenburgerstrasse 11
27 November 1951

To the Federal Chancellery
Bonn, Argelanderstrasse 105

FILE: GE - 5 - 901-05 - IXA33/51

SUBJECT: Reference for Mrs Maria KNUTH, COLOGNE-Muelheim, Rhodiusstrasse 4

I have known Maria KNUTH since 1944. After having been relieved of my physician's oath of secrecy I can inform you of the following:

Mrs KNUTH was committed to the neurological section of the St Elizabeth Hospital in Muelheim in 1944 for treatment of a partial paralysis of a cranial nerve resulting in a partial facial paralysis. From the case history I learned that Mrs KNUTH had strenuously worked her way up through study of the theater to become an actress. The facial paralysis came about just at the time when Mrs KNUTH was enjoying the first successes of her career. The injury has never been completely healed and through the distortion of her face her further career as an actress has become impossible. During the following years Mrs KNUTH worked at synchronization. It is my impression however, that during the last two (?) years this activity has become more and more meagre so that I can very well understand that Mrs KNUTH, in her present application for employment as a secretary, is falling back on her old occupation in which she has had some training before she became an actress. Beyond that I can say nothing about her technical capabilities.

From the point of view of character she is a clever and very adaptable woman who is always willing to help. I know too little about her political convictions to permit a final opinion, however, Mrs KNUTH has frequently made strong statements against the methods of the Soviet Regime.

/s/ Dr Offermann"

Translation

*Informant report NK-531

15 October 1951

OFFERMANN, Maria Dr(med), born 21 August 1909 in COLOGNE, resident in COLOGNE-Suels, Wildenburgerstrasse 11, Telephone 4 35-45, registered at her present

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address on 1 October 1945 where she came from the Caritas Hospital Hohenlind, where she had been active as a neurologist and had undergone additional training during the war. Some while before she had already established a practice at the same address, as a neurologist, and according to various reports has a very good practice. Since she treats only private patients from the best circles she has a very good income. Originally she maintained office hours which were restricted to 0900 to 1200 hours. At the present time aside from urgent cases she accepts patients only by previous appointment 8 to 10 days in advance. She usually uses an automobile to visit her patients, however there is no vehicle registered in her name at the COLOGNE vehicle registration office.

The physician's chamber and her former place of employment, Caritas Hospital, both give her recommendations as a good and conscientious physician. She still maintains good relations with the physicians known to her from the Caritas Hospital.

While part of her neighbors give her a good recommendation, another part maintains that she leads a life which is not particularly stable and which is not in conformity with her occupation. These same persons however, state that her income is sufficient to permit her to lead the life she desires. Her receptionist describes her as a good doctor who, however, is subject to moods. She has very much to do and because of that is frequently very nervous. Dr Karl SERTORIUS, who lives in the same house, is frequently together with her. There is little to be learned about Dr SERTORIUS; no one knows what he does and what he lives from. Dr. (phil) SERTORIUS is listed in the address book but not at the population registry. He is not registered in the alien files. A female at the Caritas Hospital has described Dr OFFERMANN as a good physician with whom one can get along easily. A nurse in the Caritas Hospital described her as a capable physician and stated that she had led a stable and decent life during her period of activity at the hospital. She also comes to the hospital frequently at the present time.

Residents of the building itself stated that Dr OFFERMANN had a good practice but recently had been away frequently. Apparently she has many patients whom she treats at home. No details could be learned regarding the relation with Dr SERTORIUS.

The practice and residence are located on the ground floor and as far as could be determined are well furnished.

An elderly couple living on Wildenbruchstrasse stated that Dr OFFERMANN was very busy. In recent weeks she had frequently driven off with one or two gentlemen who picked her up in a big dark automobile. Nothing derogatory was known to them about Dr OFFERMANN.

Nothing of a political nature could be ascertained, nor a previous criminal record.

/s/ D. "

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Translation

"Informant Report

Second Report

4 April 1952

SUBJECT: Dr (phil) Karoline SERTORIUS, born on 20 May 1901 in FLITZAU who registered out from COLOGNE-Gods, Wilsenburgerstrasse 11 on 28 December 1948 to an unknown destination. She has not registered in again in COLOGNE. She formerly lived on the ground floor of Wilsenburgerstrasse 11. After the war she was no longer able to continue living there. Since the end of the war this apartment has been used for the practice of Dr (med) Maria OFFERMANN. The two are good friends. Until the end of 1948 SERTORIUS lived with OFFERMANN in the practice rooms a few times. There is a sign (very old) on the house wall: 'SERTORIUS'. A sheet of paper had been pasted over this sign apparently pointing to OFFERMANN's practice office. This sheet of paper has been torn off in part and is very dirty.

Both SERTORIUS and OFFERMANN are listed in the COLOGNE address book for Wilsenburgerstrasse 11 (residence), but do not both live there. SERTORIUS is supposed to live in FREIBURG where she is employed by the Herder'sche Bock Store. She is said to have a room in the Hildegardis-Stift in FREIBURG. Mail for SERTORIUS is sent to the Herder'sche Bock Store in FREIBURG either through the Herder'sche Bock Store, COLOGNE, Koncedienstrasse, or directly. If SERTORIUS is absent a Miss BORNHARD (phonetic) takes care of the further transmittal. At present Miss SERTORIUS is in poor health. She has been in NERAN, Italy for 8 weeks. When SERTORIUS is in the Rheinland she always lives in KROENDEL with the ADENAUER family to whom she is related.

(Hand written note: 'Employee of the Herder'sche Bock Store, COLOGNE, Source.')

/s/ B. "

"(11) SUBJECT: Paul HENSMANN
Born: 9 December 1896 in GROSS-KÖNIGSDORF
Address: GROSS-KÖNIGSDORF/COLOGNE and COLOGNE,
Aachenstrasse 537

1. HENSMANN was identified in the KNUTH espionage case when Mrs Maria KNUTH gave Paul HENSMANN as a reference in her application to the BLANK Office.

On 23 November 1951 Paul HENSMANN wrote a reference for KNUTH which follows in translation.

2. Investigation revealed that Paul HENSMANN is factory director and partner in the Terra Cotta Pipe and Clay Products Corporation HENSMANN as the business director, while a Theo HENSMANN is

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General HERSMANN and Gross HERSMANN provide overlapping activities.

Paul HERSMANN lives in a large villa, is said to have much money and may possibly be engaged, to be very well situated, and to have contacts with official agencies in COLOGNE and Bonn.

Paul HERSMANN is hard of hearing.

In COLOGNE-ROSENTHAL there is an unconfirmed suspicion that Paul HERSMANN has homosexual tendencies. In COLOGNE-ROSENTHAL Paul HERSMANN associates only with equally well situated circles and does not have any other noteworthy associations there.

According to information from persons who have good knowledge of the situation in GROSS-ROSENTHAL, HERSMANN is supposed to sympathize with leftist circles.

3. During a surveillance of Maria KNUTH's residence on 30 March 1952 it was ascertained that KNUTH returned home in a vehicle with license number BR 555 340. On that same day KNUTH had left the COLOGNE main station at 1155 hours and travelled together with a friend (Maggy SEBASTIAN) to DEEREN. While SEBASTIAN continued on to AACHEN, KNUTH must have left the train at DEEREN. Her further whereabouts could not be ascertained until the above mentioned returned to COLOGNE-Muelheim with the vehicle BR 555 340.

The vehicle BR 555 340 is registered to the Terra Cotta Plant Franz HERSMANN, COLOGNE-Breunfeld, Raschdorffstrasse 4. It must therefore be assumed that KNUTH met Paul HERSMANN or one of his brothers on 30 March 1952."

Translation

"Paul HERSMANN, GROSS-ROSENTHAL/COLOGNE

23 November 1951

To : The Federal Chancellery
Bonn, Argelanderstrasse 105

SUBJECT: Your Letter File I Ca-5 - 901-05 - XI 4343/51 dated 20 November 1951

I have known Mrs Maria KNUTH, COLOGNE-Muelheim, Rhodiusstrasse 4 since a few years before the war. I unconditionally consider her character to be decent and trustworthy. I can give no opinion on her political convictions because I scarcely discuss politics with her. At any rate she is neither radically right or radically left in her attitude.

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I consider Mrs KNUTH intelligent above the average. She has very good social manners.

Sincerely,

/s/ Paul Hensmann.

"(12) SUBJECT: Dr Rolf FRIEDRICH, Engineer *see also pg 15*
Born: 31 July 1905 in SPRITZENBACH/Thuringia
Married to Yvonne nee SMILGOWSKY born 13 July 1913 in COLOGNE
Children: Monika, born in 1937
Michael, born in 1941
Residence: Since 1 April 1951 COLOGNE-Zellstock, Vorgebirgs-
strasse 115 (In 1945 the FRIEDRICH family moved
from HOFFMUSSTHAL to COLOGNE-Marienbur, Hennegener
Strasse 2, and lived there until 1 April 1951.)

1. Dr FRIEDRICH was first identified in the course of a meeting with KNUTH on 2 November 1951. On this occasion KNUTH stated that FRIEDRICH was well acquainted with the BLANK Office because he was consulted extensively regarding the installation of new heating facilities in barracks. KNUTH claims to be on particularly friendly terms with Mrs FRIEDRICH and claims to have made a trip to PARIS with her by automobile in the Spring of 1951.
2. The official check initiated on 2 November 1951 revealed that Dr Rolf FRIEDRICH was one of the three business managers of the firm NICHOLEY Brothers, Inc, founded 1897, central heating system CRYSTALL, LONDON and PARIS, plumbing installation, pipe-lines and water works construction, COLOGNE-Zellstock, Vorgebirgsstrasse 115. Telephone 53610/11, 34853.
3. When KNUTH applied on 8 November 1951 for employment with the BLANK Office (in order to conduct espionage activities on orders from the Polish intelligence organization), she gave Dr Rolf FRIEDRICH as a reference.

FRIEDRICH sent the BLANK Office the letter of reference dated 27 November 1951, a translation of which follows. According to this document the FRIEDRICH couple have known and been friends of KNUTH since 1936.
4. At a meeting on 8 January 1952 KNUTH demanded of an informant of the FBI, whom she took for a member of the BLANK Office, information on the concrete plans in the BLANK Office for the establishment of a German military contingent. When the informant evaded the question

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by pointing out that concrete plans could not be formulated until the Military Contract had been signed, KNUTH became almost angry and said, 'If they are counting on German soldiers they must at least have decided by now where they are going to be stationed. You see, I know that barracks villages are already planned for billets for the future soldiers. There certainly must be clarity on the question of where these villages are to be erected.'

5. At a meeting on 20 March 1952 KNUTH asked the informant whether he had access to the department in the BLANK Office which dealt with the economic preparations for the coming (German) army. She stated, 'I know that various firms which worked on the "West Wall" (Note: SIEGFRIED LINE) have been invited by the BLANK office to submit estimates on the possibility of furnishing billets. I know that specifically for sanitary installations.'

When the informant asked KNUTH who in the BLANK Office had invited and received such material, she replied, 'I don't remember the name at the moment. It's an old "OT" man and he is working under WIRNER. I'll get the name for you.'

6. An inquiry of the BLANK Office revealed that a former employe of the Organisation TODT (OT), Mr KUENZEL, had at one time been used by the BLANK Office as a consultant and had thus received insight into a series of studies. Relations with KUENZEL had been broken off because he had begun to negotiate with suppliers without legitimation.

The BLANK Office has received reports from several sources that the HUNNERY Office of the Europa Prefabricated Structure Corp, whose proprietor is KUENZEL, has already been giving the impression that it is working on projects in the French area for the Allied supply base with the approval of the BLANK Office.

KUENZEL is the only former member of the Organisation TODT who has ever had official connection with the BLANK Office. It is thus to be assumed that KNUTH's claimed connection through a heating specialist with a former OT member must be a connection through Dr FRIEDRICH with KUENZEL.

The Europa Prefabricated Structure Corp has contracts with the HCOON Engineer Section (Hqs, HCOON, COHE) for the erection of prefabricated houses in Forêt de Fanchet, Forêt de Braconnes, La Rochelle, Orleans, Rochefort, Croix Chapuis and Bordeaux, i.e., for the decisive bases of the Allied supply system and therefore has access to plans of this type.

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7. At 02:30 hours on 7 March 1952, the informant was informed by the KNUTHs, a vehicle (license plate number) was seen at the residence of the informant at 115 Vorgebirgsstrasse, Cologne. The vehicle was a 1948 Ford, light blue, 3100 cc. engine, 4 door, with a spare wheel mounted on the side and a spare tire on the roof rack. The informant visited the KNUTH residence and left it again at 03:00 hours.

The vehicle BR 43 364 is registered to the firm HILDEBRAND Brothers, Inc., COLOGNE-Sollsteden, Vorgebirgsstrasse 115. The proprietor of the firm HILDEBRAND is Dr Rolf FRITZSCHE.

8. At a meeting on 29 February 1952 KNUTH showed the informant two photographs which she had made on Thursday, 26 February, in her home. This was the day of the masquerade ball. The company which went to this ball with KNUTH had gone to KNUTH's residence beforehand for a round of drinks. According to the photographs, there must have been about eight persons in addition to KNUTH. Among the female guests, according to KNUTH, there were Mrs FRITZSCHE, Maggy SCHMIDTKE and Evelyn (apparently Mrs LOWENHEIM). Among the men were two of West Germany's 100 millionaires. "

Translation

"Rolf FRITZSCHE
Licensed Engineer
COLOGNE-Sollsteden
Vorgebirgsstrasse 115/Tel 53610

COLOGNE-Sollsteden, 27 November 1951

TO: Federal Chancellery
Plenipotentiary of the Federal Chancellor
for Questions Concerning the Increase in
Allied Troops

FROM

Argelanderstrasse 105

SUBJECT: Reference for Mrs Maria KNUTH, COLOGNE-Waalheim, Rhodiusstrasse 4

Ref: Your letter of 20 November 1951, I 02-5 - 901-05-II 4343/51

With reference to the above cited letter I take the opportunity of informing you of the following:

The above named person has been known to me and to my wife since 1936 and has been our friend; we often visited the KNUTH couple in BERLIN at that time.

From the character and political point of view the above named person can be described as completely impeccable.

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While I can not give an opinion on her technical qualifications, Mrs KNUTH appears to me to be completely qualified for a responsible position due to her rapid comprehension, her good sense of tact, as well as because of her intelligence coupled with stamina and ambition, as well as because of her cleverness in dealing with people of all classes.

I hope I have been of some assistance to you with the above and remain,

respectfully,

/s/ Friedrichs"

"(13) SUBJECT: Dr Gustav SCHLOTTERER
Born 1 March 1906 in BIRKERACH/Rhin
 Protestant
 Married
 Address: DUESSELDORF, Humboldtstrasse 74a since 3 February
1951
 Occupation: Economist, at present leading employe of the firm
ESTER-Blech in DUESSELDORF.

1. Dr SCHLOTTERER was first identified in the KNUTH espionage case during a meeting on 2 November 1951 at the home of Witness HAUFER. This meeting dealt with KNUTH's desire for aid in her application for employment with the BLANK Office. She described her circle of acquaintances to an informant of the FBI whom she took for a member of the BLANK Office and in this way described her social level. After KNUTH had named several leading businessmen as 'friends', the conversation turned to the topic of former members of ministries during the Nazi period now active in the economy. On this occasion KNUTH named Dr SCHLOTTERER, who formerly worked in the Reich Ministry of Economics, 'but now has a good foundation in industry in DUESSELDORF.'

While KNUTH gave additional information about other persons in her so-called circle of friends, it was conspicuous that she apparently overheard several test questions of the informant regarding Dr SCHLOTTERER and changed the subject.

2. Dr SCHLOTTERER was during the war in fact a Ministerial Director in the Reich Ministry of Economics. In 1944 he had insight into the development and planning of the new currency for the High Command Intelligence (HIC).
3. Dr. SCHLOTTERER is today a leading employe of the firm ESTER-Blech. The full name of the firm is ESTER-Blech & Co. KG, DUESSELDORF, High Products. Part of the firm is manufacturing, etc.

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4. From statements made by a source about the espionage ring around KNUTH's predecessor, KRELL, who committed suicide at Pentacost 1949, it is apparent that the Polish intelligence service also had an important agent in DUESSELDORF.
5. On the basis of the above, the questioning of SCHLOTTERER or KNUTH must proceed on the assumption that Dr SCHLOTTERER in some way belongs to the circle of interest to KNUTH. Either:
 - a. Dr SCHLOTTERER is active from the intelligence point of view in the KNUTH organization, or
 - b. KNUTH's intelligence organization is interested in the present activities of former Ministerial Director Dr SCHLOTTERER.
6. In this connection the whereabouts of Dr SCHLOTTERER prior to 3 February 1951 should be checked, as well as the firm KRELL-Bloch in DUESSELDORF, its origin and present sphere of activity have not yet been clarified.

"(14) SUBJECT: Heinrich JAEFF
Born 4 July 1901 in INDERSDORF/Orma/Steinmark
Austrian citizen
Married to HEINRICH'S WIFE BRAUN, born 3 January 1913 in HEINDORF
One son, Michael, born 2 January 1944 in HEILBRON
Address: OOEDORF-Marienburg, Leyboldstrasse 56
Occupation: General Director of Klossner-Humboldt-Deuts Corp.

1. JAEFF was first identified in the KNUTH espionage case during a meeting on 2 November 1951 in the home of Misses REUER. On this occasion there was a discussion of the aid which KNUTH was seeking for her application for employment with the MARK Office. KNUTH described her circle of acquaintances to an informant of the FBI whom she took for a member of the MARK Office and thus indicated presumably her social level. On this occasion she also named Mr JAEFF and stated that Mr JAEFF always invited KNUTH when he had foreign guests at his home. In this way she was well informed about what was going on in industry.

"(15) SUBJECT: Heinrich JAEFF
Born 11 October 1901 in INDERSDORF, DACHAU
Citizenship: German
Married to Heinrich's Wife BRAUN, born 12 October 1914
in HEINDORF, WURTEMBERG
Children: 1 son, 21 years old
Address: OOEDORF-Marienburg, Leyboldstrasse 2
Occupation: General Director of the Oelmann-Ferd Works

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... was a member of the ... was a good friend of his and was invited by him variously when he was entertaining foreign guests."

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Gießen, 27 September 1951
Suedanlage 17

TO: Mr. FITZSCH
Colonel
Bismarckstrasse 33

CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Mr. FITZSCH,

I should like to confirm your telephone call of Wednesday afternoon, and inform you in the following so far as I still recall, further details regarding Mrs. KUNZE. (Personal data according to a Kennkarte, written by herself.)

If it is at all possible I ask you to consider my information confidential because I promised to maintain silence.

Early in May 1945 I came to know, through my official business, a Captain K. H. KUNZE of the German High Command Armed Forces Press section in FLENSBURG. In civilian life KUNZE was an advertising manager with the DORNIER Works, a gifted journalist, an artist type, and was considered decidedly intelligent. After we were taken prisoner at the end of May 1945 he was one of the few officers who conducted themselves blamelessly and were very cowardly.

Late in 1948 or early in 1949 KUNZE visited me, to my astonishment, at the business office of the Kreis Organisation in GIESSEN, under the pretext that he had met in FRANKFURT, by chance, a mutual acquaintance (ROEMER, now editor of the "Deutsche Kurier"), and had received my address from him. Since he just happened to be on his way through to COLOGNE and had a short lay-over, he took this opportunity to visit me. We readily refreshed a few old memories during this visit. On the second visit in March 1949 he inquired whether the intelligence officers of my group had been discharged and whether I had their addresses. He further asked me about the subterranean depot located in GIESSEN.

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KUNZE claimed that he, together with Mrs Marie-Luise FRANKENBERG, had an art business called 'Graphische Kabinett' in West BERLIN located at Bismarckstrasse, Southwest Korso 63.

At the third meeting early in April 1949 he tried to convince me that Germany should ally itself with a middle bloc (Baltic States, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Austria, Hungary, Balkan States, Italy and Spain) which was to be dependent neither on the West nor on the East. It would be necessary to collect the proper information in time, information which then could be exploited at the proper moment. In BERLIN there had been formed a group of former high-ranking officers and far-sweeping industrialists who provided the necessary funds. KUNZE urged me to participate. To my question as to who the leading men in this organization were, he gave no answer. My fear that the information might come into Eastern channels he attempted to dissipate by assuring me on his word of honor that this was by no means the case.

I asked for time to think it over, went to FRANKFURT, and asked the advice of a former officer known to me for a long time. We decided that I should pretend to declare my willingness to cooperate, should furnish no useable material, but should try to ascertain further details.

At the fourth meeting I received the mission of recruiting informants among the FDP members employed in the GIESSEN Depot in order to obtain exact information (the type of information was specified in detail) regarding incoming and outgoing material.

KUNZE was interested above all in whether weapons were stored in GIESSEN. I was also supposed to determine whether GROSSKOPF, whom he knew by name, was working for the British in HAMBURG. He offered to give me the necessary financial means for this. I rejected this, however, and declared my willingness to make a trip to HAMBURG on the occasion of the BREMEN Party Congress in order to speak to GROSSKOPF myself. KUNZE wanted to pick up the information personally in GIESSEN.

In the meantime KUNZE had moved from BERLIN to FRANKFURT, Altkoenigstrasse 10a c/o BEUCK. He had put up a rather high building-cost premium and intended to open an art business at Melemstrasse 8 in FRANKFURT. At the beginning he proposed that I should function there as a co-worker; however, it appears that his employers in BERLIN considered my independent cooperation to be more valuable.

After 8 weeks had passed subsequent to my return from BREMEN without my hearing anything from KUNZE, I received word from Mrs Marie-Luise FRANKENBERG, FRANKFURT, Melemstrasse 8, that KUNZE after his flight back from BERLIN had committed suicide in a city in Lower Saxony which I no longer recall.

According to my recollection I visited Mrs FRANKENBERG in the middle of November in FRANKFURT in order to ascertain whether she was informed about the activities of Mr KUNZE and whether she knew anything more about the suicide. According to all appearances Mrs FRANKENBERG did not know anything. She allegedly had taken

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Early in March 1950 Mrs KNUTH appeared again in GIESSEN. Since I gave her no information, she was considerably upset. I was able to dispel this only by writing out for her on a sheet of paper essentially the following:

'Mrs KNUTH visited me at that and that time. I intend to leave the Kreis Organization and obtain employment in the ELUSCHER Ministry. I am interested in collaboration.'

I had mentioned that I was going in the middle of March to Weisental to go skiing, whereupon Mrs KNUTH said that she also would like to go there for a rest. Then we would be able to talk things over in peace and quiet. Under the pretext of being able to help her to get a pass I then received her personal data. On 8 March 1950 Mrs KNUTH wrote from BERLIN (BERLIN-Filmstadt, Laubschneider Flats 10), cancelling her plans because she allegedly had tuberculosis.

After an Easter card I never heard from Mrs KNUTH again.

For urgent occasions Mrs KNUTH gave me an address in the Federal area. Unfortunately I have forgotten it. So far as I recall it was a doctor, apparently a female physician, name unknown, in COLOGNE-Lindendhof or COLOGNE-Lindenthal. In case you are interested I will try to get the address because I reported it in order to determine who was behind it.

Mrs KNUTH must have had good connections in industrial circles in the Rheinland. She boasted that she would be able to ascertain in a very short time, from the women in these circles, what orders had been placed or were supposed to be placed.

She once mentioned a trucking connection from PRAGUE through the Soviet Zone to BERLIN, through which information was transported.

Thus the most important points which I have remembered. If you should ask me specific questions perhaps I would recall something or other in addition.

When Mrs KNUTH is in Western Germany she always visits several people who are either working already, or are supposed to be recruited. A long period of surveillance without any action would consequently be necessary.

In addition, I personally would be interested in knowing how you found out that I had contact with Mrs KNUTH.

For today I remain with many greetings,

Your

Christa von Kelly

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"(17) **SUBJECT: Wolfgang LANGHOFF**
Director of the Deutsches Theater BERLIN
National Prize winner and Member of the German
Academy of Arts in the Soviet Zone of Germany

1. LANGHOFF first was identified in the KNUTH espionage case in the course of a meeting on 23 November 1951 with an informant of the FSA whom KNUTH took for a member of the HANE Office. On this occasion KNUTH stated that she had very good connections with the head of the British Secret Service, Colonel LONG. The relationship with LONG was so good that she would be able to get a British visa in the shortest possible period. LONG in such cases even had the passport picked up and sent it back again in an official car. With LONG's help KNUTH also went to the Festival of Britain. According to KNUTH, LONG was of assistance to her in the procurement and transmittal of textile goods from England. According to KNUTH she met LONG through Wolfgang LANGHOFF, since LONG frequented the LANGHOFF house in BERLIN.
2. In an investigation of former members of the Soviet espionage group 'Rote Kapelle' which was active during the last war, the following lead developed:

.....'In a previous letter you informed me that SCHULZE-BOISEN had once met in Switzerland a man named SERONE or VERONE. Could this possibly be Ignazio SILONE? Wolfgang LANGHOFF (BERLIN, theater director, East Zone) also was in contact with this man. I have inquired of the Swiss Federal Attorney about SILONE, who apparently is living in Switzerland. An answer has not been received.....'

"(18) **SUBJECT: Contacts of KNUTH with Foreign Diplomatic Missions.**

1. **Indian and Swedish Embassys**

In the course of a meeting of an informant of the FSA with KNUTH on 27 November 1951, KNUTH said that she had participated in a reception at the Indian Embassy in COLOGNE during the preceding week. KNUTH said, partly in fun, that it had scarcely been possible to conduct political discussions at this reception because the subject of servants made up the main content of all conversations. KNUTH emphasized, however, that she had nevertheless had a very interesting conversation with the wife of the Swedish Charge d'Affaires.

The offices of the Indian Embassy are located in BUNN, Koblentz-Strasse 222. The Indian ambassador, Prem KRISHNAN, lives in COLOGNE-Marktplatz, Koblentzstrasse 9.

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2. At a meeting of an informant with KNUTH at the home of Frank BLANK on 2 November 1951, KNUTH made list of certain 'connections' she imagines that their enemy knows them one of the ways. In that connection she mentioned participating in a reception at the Turkish Embassy in COLOGNE, where she found it particularly funny that after the conclusion of the reception it was announced, 'Now the car of Mr so-and-so is at the door.'

The business office of the Turkish Embassy is located in BUNN, Drachenfelsstrasse 8. The office of the Trade Department is in COLOGNE, Kaiser Friedrich-Ufer 71. The Turkish ambassador, Nispettin AJASLI, lives in COLOGNE, Kaiser Friedrich-Ufer 79.

*(19) SUBJECT: Connections of KNUTH with the Firm 'Elisabeth Arden'.

1. At a meeting on 20 December 1951, KNUTH stated to an informant of the FSA whom she took for a member of the BLANK Office and whom she intended to recruit as an intelligence agent, that she had had a few days before a visit from a girl friend who is a director with 'Elisabeth Arden'. This girl friend allegedly came to DUESSELDORF from Switzerland by plane and spent the night there in a hotel. On this occasion KNUTH remarked with shock about the expensiveness of the room - 30 DM. This girl friend then came on to visit KNUTH in COLOGNE, and on 21 December 1951 she flew on to BERLIN.
2. At another meeting with the informant of the FSA on 19 February 1952, KNUTH stated that she had been the day before to visit a British girl friend in DUESSELDORF. When she returned home from this visit, Miss PENNEWITZ (see special report) arrived shortly afterward from BERLIN. Miss PENNEWITZ was accompanied on this visit by a Mr von ZEDLITZ who had brought her in a car from DUESSELDORF to COLOGNE. Von ZEDLITZ is allegedly a director with 'Elisabeth Arden' in DUESSELDORF.

On this occasion KNUTH also stated that PENNEWITZ, who at present is employed as a secretary to the physician Dr SCHAEFER in BERLIN, was moving late in March or early in April to 'Elisabeth Arden' in DUESSELDORF. She is supposed to receive there 600 DM salary, 15 DM daily expenses, and 100 DM a month for hairdressing expenses. In describing the rather attractive payment KNUTH stated that 'the salary is not so important. There is something else behind PENNEWITZ' move.'

3. A casual informant (Dr EYMAN), who formerly lived on the premises COLOGNE-Muelheim, Rhodiusstrasse 4, which is also the residence of KNUTH, and who still maintains an office there at present, stated that KNUTH had appeared in his apartment in the late summer of 1951 stating that she had heard that he wanted to give up his apartment.

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"(20) SUBJECT: Family, HOLZPORTZ in DUISBURG

- 1. a. Frans HOLZPORTZ, born 3 July 1881 in DUISBURG, living in DUISBURG, Michaelstrasse 36.

Frans HOLZPORTZ is the father of Maria KNUTH. His wife died in DUISBURG on 12 August 1933.

- b. Frans HOLZPORTZ, born 21 September 1906 in DUISBURG, living in DUISBURG, Falverweg 16.

Frans HOLZPORTZ, Jr is married to Frieda BITTNER, born 15 October 1914 in DUISBURG.

Frans HOLZPORTZ, Jr is employed as master baker in the Bakery Haus DUKEDER, DUISBURG, Sternbuschweg 183.

- c. Ferner HOLZPORTZ, born 10 October 1919 in DUISBURG, living in DUISBURG, Passauerstrasse 5.

Ferner HOLZPORTZ is also a baker by trade and operates a food store on Passauerstrasse in DUISBURG.

The personalities listed under b and c above are brothers of Maria KNUTH.

- 2. Maria KNUTH, in her attempt to find employment in the BLANK Office for intelligence purposes, told an extensive 'legend' to an informant whom she knew as a former co-worker in the Polish intelligence organization. Among other things she stated in this 'legend' that she was receiving financial support from her brother to cover her living expenses. She emphasized particularly that all points in her 'legend' could be checked. The money which she received from her brother was also fully declared for taxes.

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3. KNUTH married into good circumstances. The marriage has been divorced since 1943. It is not known whether there are any alimony or support commitments on the part of the family toward Maria KNUTH. It is absolutely certain that Maria KNUTH is carried financially by the Polish Intelligence Service. Her statement that she is supported by her brother is completely implausible. If, upon checking the tax records of one of the BOLEPORT7 brothers, it should be determined that he has actually declared support payments to Maria KNUTH for taxes then it must be assumed that this brother has knowledge of the actual activity of KNUTH.

"(21) **SUBJECT:** Alfred LIPS, born 18 September 1898 in HANDBACH
Address: SOERGE, House #98, Kreis Arnstadt (Soviet Zone)

Allegedly mayor of a village, at the same time innkeeper and postmaster.

1. In the intelligence organization of KUNZE the courier service for the transmission of the intelligence gathered by KUNZE was carried out by Mrs BRAUCHLER, on KUNZE's orders. Mrs BRAUCHLER traveled for the first time in January 1949 to GOELAR, where she was to meet a courier coming from Thuringia. This meeting took place and Mrs BRAUCHLER turned over a package in which, on top, there was a weed-out. Mrs BRAUCHLER can no longer recall the exact address in GOELAR, but she claims she can identify the house. The proprietor of the house in GOELAR was an acquaintance of the courier (LIPS) from Thuringia.
2. Since BRAUCHLER learned at her first meeting in GOELAR that the courier traveled by bussacross the zonal border from GOETTINGEN, she suggested to KUNZE after her return that the courier meeting take place in GOETTINGEN.
3. The meetings which followed - approximately every two weeks there was a trip - then took place in GOELAR. (NOTE: In error for GOETTINGEN.) Each time after arriving in GOETTINGEN, the courier sent a telegram, after which Mrs BRAUCHLER left FRANKFURT. The meeting point was the Inn 'Zum Plan' in GOETTINGEN, Grenzstrasse 15.
4. On the basis of the statements by Mrs BRAUCHLER a check was made at the Inn 'Zum Plan', which established that an Alfred LIPS, born 18 September 1898, had spent the night of 8 to 9 March in the Inn 'Zum Plan'. Since Mrs BRAUCHLER always addressed the courier as 'Alfred' and the age checks with her estimate, this is probably the courier who took the information sent by KUNZE in FRANKFURT and transmitted it to Mrs KNUTH in BERLIN.

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5. In conversation Mrs BRAUCHLER learned from the courier, LIPS, that Mrs KUNZE had lived with him during the war as an evassee.
6. For the transmittal of intelligence KUNZE used various systems:
 - a. Soldered into a tin can which was provided with a harmless label like 'Floor Wax'.
 - b. Hiding the information in a Buddha figurine which then veriously made the trip from FRANKFURT to BERLIN and then back to FRANKFURT.
 - c. Loosening of the back of pictures and wood-cuts, and reinserting the back after hiding the information.
7. In addition to Mrs BRAUCHLER, KUNZE also employed an elder man as courier who always came with a knap-sack and made a very harmless impression. The location and the direction of the journey of this courier could never be ascertained by Mrs BRAUCHLER.

"(22) SUBJECT: KUNZE, Karl Heinz
(or Karl Johannes Wilhelm)
born 7 August 1898 in AFBERSBERG
Father: Wilhelm KUNZE
Mother: Johanna nee FEYRI, both living in HANFELD.
Wife: Agathe HEINE, nee SCHAEFER, living in BOMMERSDOHN/Bodensee,
House 86 2/3

Mrs KUNZE is a journalist and business manager of the Tourist Association of BOMMERSDOHN and receives pension from the Office Workers Retirement Insurance.

Brother: Allegedly in a leading position in HANNOVER or HANOVER.
Occupation: Art historian, later advertising manager for the
Deutscher Verlag. During the war Captain in Major
in the High Command, Armed Forces Press Section.

1. In May 1945 KUNZE became a British prisoner of war. His whereabouts thereafter are not to be ascertained exactly. Allegedly his wife, after the beginning of the French occupation, had liaison with a French officer. On the occasion of a visit the lover of his wife allegedly threatened KUNZE with arrest.

Early in 1945 KUNZE was captured at the home of a family BOMMERSDOHN in BOMMERSDOHN. His wife, Agathe, who took him in and offered him the opportunity to procure food ration cards and working

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papers. From February 1949 on KUNZE lived in a furnished room in the home of Mrs BRUCHER, FRANKFURT, Altheimstrasse 10.

During the night of 29 to 30 June 1949 KUNZE committed suicide in BERLIN.

"(23) SUBJECT: Marie-Luise FRANKENBERG
Born 17 November 1909 in DUISBURG

Address: FRANKFURT/a, Malesstrasse 8

Telephone: FRANKFURT 58259

1. Early in 1948 the intelligence agent of the Polish Intelligence Service, KUNZE, rented a room from Mrs BRAUCHLER, FRANKFURT, Spittelbachstrasse 26. When he did so he did not mention that this room was to be for Marie-Luise FRANKENBERG.
2. On 8 November 1948 BRAUCHLER - after KUNZE had gone to BERLIN a few weeks before - received the letter from Marie-Luise FRANKENBERG which is attached Annex 1 (Document 23). Since Mrs BRAUCHLER could not be of particular help in the desired procurement of an apartment, KUNZE came back from BERLIN late in 1948 and had an apartment built by the firm TROLL and SCHEUERMANN at Malesstrasse 8, after paying a building-cost premium of 5,000 DM.

The ROLEFF mentioned in the letter of 8 November 1948 is the merchant Karl ROLEFF, born 30 July 1917 in FRANKFURT, living in FRANKFURT, Leerbachstrasse 117, ground floor. ROLEFF came from BERLIN in 1939 and is supposed to be a close friend of FRANKENBERG.

The Emmy SCHLABGER, nee ARNOLD, who for a time rented a room to ROLEFF, was born 16 July 1911 in HERZESKIN and lives in FRANKFURT, Wolfgangstrasse 39/III.

3. In January 1949 Mrs FRANKENBERG appeared for the first time at the home of BRAUCHLER in FRANKFURT. FRANKENBERG was introduced by KUNZE as his 'fiancee' and lived with BRAUCHLER until the construction on Malesstrasse was finished. KUNZE and FRANKENBERG lived in grand style. FRANKENBERG especially was under the influence of alcohol almost daily. Her sexual excesses at that time are also noteworthy.
4. According to positive information from BRAUCHLER, FRANKENBERG took care of the greater part of the written work of KUNZE. She is informed about KUNZE's intelligence work and also knew the sources of his information.

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5. The circle of persons about KUNZ and FRANKENBERG can be seen from the sketches attached above to document 1. (Page 29)
6. Shortly before Pentecost 1949 KUNZ was ordered to BERLIN by telegram. On 20 June 1949 he wrote a letter to Mrs BUCK, in whose home he formally maintained a furnished room. The letter is attached as Annex 3 (Document 73).
7. According to information from Mrs BRÄUHLER, FRANKENBERG received a registered letter from KUNZ from DEITOLD about one week after Pentecost 1949. In content it was a farewell letter from KUNZ with the announcement of his suicide. Mrs BRÄUHLER saw this letter and states that KUNZ gave as a reason for his suicide the fact that FRANKENBERG, in her irresponsible mode of life, had used up a rather large sum of money which was destined for intelligence work. KUNZ committed suicide near HANDELN. The death has been certified beyond doubt by the Criminal Police in HANDELN. KUNZ was buried in HANDELN. FRANKENBERG attended the funeral.
8. A short time after Pentecost 1949 FRANKENBERG moved to the apartment at Kalamstrasse 8, after it was finished. For two years she shared the apartment with an employee of the telegraph office in FRANKFURT, a Miss KUNCK, now residing in FRANKFURT, Voigtstrasse 84. (See also Annex 4) - (Translator's Note: A translation of Annex 4 follows.)
9. After the death of KUNZ, Maria KUNZ, to whom KUNZ had addressed all of his courier dispatches, arrived in FRANKFURT from BERLIN, took up contact with FRANKENBERG, took care of outstanding payments to agents for KUNZ, and inquired of BRÄUHLER particularly about the following persons:
 - a. HEIM (See Annex 5) (Translator's Note: A translation of Annex 5 follows.)
 - b. A chief secretary, not known by name, at the Economics Office on Reuterweg in FRANKFURT. (Wirtschaftspolitische Gesellschaft Minister (retired) KEPPLER).

According to KUNZ this secretary had furnished KUNZ with very good material. KUNZ consequently wanted to establish contact with this woman herself. According to information from Witness HAUER, KUNZ once instructed him to go to the chief secretary of this association and pick up material. HAUER made this visit but did not meet this woman because she happened to be absent on a visit. As HAUER later learned from KUNZ, KUNZ had picked up the material from the secretary himself. HAUER further states that KUNZ had extraordinarily good

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connections with the Wirtschaftspolitische Gesellschaft. KNUTH often gave HAUTER astonishingly good information for exploitation journalistically which he allegedly obtained from the Wirtschaftspolitische Gesellschaft. The name of this secretary could not yet be ascertained.

10. After the death of KUNZE, the following persons from the former KUNZE circle have been seen in the residence of FRANKENBERG:
 - a. Edward RODITTI
 - b. Maria KNUTH
 - c. Mrs SCHARSCHEIDT, WIESBADEN (See Annex 6) (Translation follows)

11. Since about the end of 1950 or the beginning of 1951 an employee of the Yugoslav Trade Delegation, Fena LUKICIC, born 28 January 1907 in SERAJEVO, has been living with FRANKENBERG. LUKICIC was officially registered with the police at Helenstrasse 8 on 19 June 1951. FRANKENBERG is supposed to be working for LUKICIC as a secretary. It is definite that she takes care of the tickets, etc, for trips made by LUKICIC. (See also Annex 7)

The Yugoslav Trade Delegation, to which LUKICIC belongs officially, is located in FRANKFURT, Oberlindau 108, telephone 54449. Upon inquiry in this office after LUKICIC the telephone switchboard replies that LUKICIC can be reached at Helenstrasse 8 under the number 58259.

An Austrian from VIENNA, of Yugoslav extraction, whose name is unknown also works with LUKICIC.

On Rose Monday 1952 Maria KNUTH entertained a rather large group in her home in COLOGNE-Buelheim, Rhodiusstrasse 4, in which, according to her own statements to an informant of the PSA, three Yugoslavs also participated. KNUTH claims to have received interesting information about trade deals from the Yugoslavs.

On the occasion of a visit of KNUTH in the 'Eldorado' in BERLIN on 12 March 1952, surveillance personnel clearly overheard a remark by KNUTH that during the carnival period she had received visits in her home in COLOGNE from two gentlemen of whom one came from VIENNA, Himmelsstrasse.

Probably this referred to LUKICIC and his Austrian co-workers.

12. FRANKENBERG claims to have been in ZOLA, Yugoslavia in 1950, where the wife and children of the above named LUKICIC live.

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13. On 17 December 1951 FRANKENBERG was approached by an informant of the LSA in WIESBADEN (See Annex 7). According to a report from this informant there are the following additional data:
- a. FRANKENBERG claims to have moved from DUESSELDORF to BERLIN in 1942. During her stay in BERLIN she was allegedly a secretary in the German High Command and had loose contacts with air force officers about whom she states that they may have had connection with the 'Rote Kapelle'.
 - b. FRANKENBERG constantly is receiving people sent to her by Edward RODITTI whom she puts up and helps. In this connection FRANKENBERG indicated that this assistance is related to certain matters in connection with her and RODITTI's intelligence work.
 - c. FRANKENBERG mentioned also the name of an Englishman, Henry WALLACE in PARIS, Hotel Continental, with whom she wants to reestablish contact and who has very close connections with the principal in the big 'STEG' smuggling affair. FRANKENBERG describes Henry WALLACE as 32 years old, slender and about 6'2" tall.

14. Investigation in BERLIN regarding FRANKENBERG revealed the following:

FRANKENBERG, Marie-Luise, born 17 November 1909 in DUISBURG.

FRANKENBERG allegedly maintains a 'Graphic Cabinet' in BERLIN-Friedenau, Sudwestkorso 63.

Inquiry of the house administration revealed that FRANKENBERG maintained only a private residence on the premises Sudwestkorso 63. According to information from the proprietor of the premises Miss FRANKENBERG has been in FRANKFURT since the summer of last year. In addition FRANKENBERG, who was very much interested in art, is supposed to have contact with the Art Shop and Gallery 'Anja HUBER', Sudwestkorso 53, later moved to Meineckestrasse 4.

As a new address for her 'Graphic Cabinet' FRANKENBERG gave BERLIN-Wilmersdorf, Lauenburger Platz 11, telephone 833941. A call to this number revealed that FRANKENBERG never conducted any business here. Information was given that Miss FRANKENBERG is now in FRANKFURT (moved in the summer of last year).

In the house at Lauenburger Platz 11, after the note of FRANKENBERG, there lives one Miss HUBER (See special report and number 4, above, in the letter to the Federal Attorney at the Federal Court, KARLSRUHE, dated 9 April 1952, File III-4156/52.)

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As stated above, FRANKENBERG had close contacts with Mrs. KNEVE.

In the KNEVE gallery, Rindfleischplatz 4, there is presently an exhibition of works by the sculptor Professor Gerhard van Bock.

15. The exchange activities of KNEVE and FRANKENBERG were characterized outwardly by the so-called alleged "Graphic Cabinet". In order to make this cabinet more complete, KNEVE had paintings in the possession of Mrs. BRAUCHLER, where FRANKENBERG lived and where he took care of his intelligence work, a large cabinet of art prints. According to information from Mrs. BRAUCHLER, this cabinet was brought by a Firm SCHMID (apparently art dealers), WIESENHAIN. KNEVE often went to visit SCHMID in WIESENHAIN. On the cabinet with the art prints there was a label with the legend 'Property of the Firm van der BECKE, BERLIN'.

Regarding the gallery van der BECKE, the following has been established: Gallery van der BECKE, BERLIN-Halensee, Rurfursten-damm 199, telephone 976219.

Private residence: BERLIN-Charlottenburg, Altenburger Allee 19, Telephone 978986.

16. The cabinet with the art prints mentioned above under paragraph 15 was sealed immediately after the death of KNEVE (Pentecost 1949) by FRANKENBERG in the presence of the economist Dr. KLEIN from DANKSTADT (See Annex 8) and stored in the attic room of BRAUCHLER.

On 26 January 1952 FRANKENBERG visited BRAUCHLER, accompanied by the art dealer FACH. FRANKENBERG stated that FACH wanted to take over the art prints.

On 31 January 1952 a packer from the LIEBEROTH transportation firm appeared and packed the art prints. According to statements made by the packer the express package was to be shipped on the same evening on the American train to BERLIN, addressed to the van der BECKE firm.

17. When she stopped by on 26 January 1952, FRANKENBERG asked BRAUCHLER about a room which she was seeking for a Mr. Joachim KNOEPEL, employed by HICOG in FRANKFURT.

18. On 1 January 1952 KNUTH received a letter bearing the following return address:

FRANKENBERG, GODESBERG-Bittersdorf, Calmuther Weg 3

According to a check there is no Calmuther Weg in GODESBERG; however, the letter was undoubtedly postmarked in BOMM. The handwriting of FRANKENBERG in the return address was identified by an informant of the FSA who saw this letter during a meeting with KNUTH as identical with the handwriting in the letter attached hereto as Annex 1 (Document 23).

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19. The report to the Mrs HABERMehl mentioned in the letter dated 8 November 1948 (See Annex 1), the following has been ascertained:

HABERMehl, Mrs. Marie-Luise, born 8 March 1902 in FRANKFURT, resident at Frankfurt, Main Railway Station, opposite platform 22/23, maiden name FRANKENBERG, wife, 1 child, employed with the DFR (German Travel Bureau) in FRANKFURT, Main Railway Station, opposite platform 22/23. The administrative offices of the DFR were located until 1949 or 1950 in FRANKFURT, Gallusstrasse 40.

Prior to his departure in the fall of 1948 KUNZE instructed Mrs BRAUCHLER to pick up from Mrs HABERMehl a package which he expected from an agent in BAD REICHENHALL, and transmit it to BERLIN (See Inclosure 3 to Annex 5). Mrs BRAUCHLER picked up this package and transmitted it to BERLIN.

The second package affair mentioned in the same letter (Inclosure 3 to Annex 5) about which KUNZE remarks has been clarified as follows:

Before his departure to BERLIN, KUNZE left a package with Mrs HABERMehl containing important information. Since KUNZE did not want to carry this on his person, it was supposed to be carried to BERLIN by a Mr FORSTER through HABERMehl. Mrs BRAUCHLER states that she inquired about the package of Mrs HABERMehl after receiving the letter from KUNZE.

HABERMehl stated that Mr FORSTER had not yet returned from leave in the USA. Mr FORSTER is allegedly an American who was employed by an American air service, and apparently took care of courier work between FRANKFURT and BERLIN. Mrs BRAUCHLER picked up the shipment mentioned in this letter from HABERMehl and mailed it to BERLIN to the address of Maria KNUTH.

On the occasion of a visit on the part of BRAUCHLER to Mrs HABERMehl, which was carried out on instructions from an informant of the FSA on 7 November 1951, it was determined that Marie-Luise FRANKENBERG very often comes to HABERMehl in the DFR office in order to procure tickets for LUKICIC. On this occasion Mrs HABERMehl made very critical statements about the mode of life and the expenditures of FRANKENBERG, and stated that she had turned down numerous invitations to visit FRANKENBERG.

20. According to Mrs BRAUCHLER, shortly after Pentecost 1949 a (Mr) HEIK-
GERT(S), allegedly from BERLIN, appeared and asked to speak to KUNZE. This man is described by BRAUCHLER as medium tall, dark,

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SOR: III-23155, Reg III, 64th CID Det, 29 Nov 1949, Subj: [REDACTED]

In his late forties, WEINGART claimed that KREBS had engaged him as a co-worker in BERLIN. He was very astonished and upset about the sudden death of KREBS, about which he learned from WEISCHNER. WEINGART then contacted FRANKENBERG and then went to the Rheinland, apparently COLOGNE or DUESSELDORF. WEINGART claimed to have especially good contacts in DUESSELDORF.

21. As sources of information about FRANKENBERG the following are cited:
- a. Mrs SCHULTZ, FRANKFURT, Unterlinden 10-14. She was FRANKENBERG's housewife
 - b. Mrs WESTPHAL, FRANKFURT, Eppsteiner Strasse 29/III, worked for years as cleaning woman for FRANKENBERG.

APPENDIX 1

M. L. FRANKENBERG
GRAPHIC CABINET
OLD AND NEW ART, PURCHASES, COMMISSIONS AND SALES

BERLIN-Friedrich
8 November 1949
now Bismarckstrasse 7
Tel. 242902

Miss Elise BRÄUCHLER
FRANKFURT/AM, Eppsteinerstrasse 26

Dear Miss BRÄUCHLER,

After a brief unavoidable delay our plans for moving to FRANKFURT have now been cleared up and we will be very thankful to you if you would assist us in our negotiations with the authorities, as you so cordially agreed to do.

It is our plan for the time being to establish an active branch office in FRANKFURT which, however, will represent not only our interests but also those of firms with which we are connected, regarding furniture, paintings and pictures. The branch office as such, however, is to be established in the name of a rather large local business as soon as possible in order to be recognized as the head office in Germany. It is our intention to have the branch office in FRANKFURT and the main office in BERLIN. We are sure that you will be able to help us in this regard. This is our plan for the time being. We are sure that you will be able to help us in this regard. We are sure that you will be able to help us in this regard.

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SOI: III-25496, Reg III, 66th OTD Det, 29 May 1952, Subj: Maria KUNZE

So far as concerns settling the residence situation for Mr KUNZE, he would like to remind you that he was registered out from Fischbeinstrasse on travels and that he did not have his own room on Fischbeinstrasse, but rather was only a guest within the rooms of the family BRIDENSTEIN. Consequently no rooms will become vacant if he lays claim to new quarters. It is of no significance whether you accomplish his first registration for Althoenigstrasse 10a or for your home on Eppsteinerstrasse, because either of these would be only temporary until the more definite plans have been settled, which apparently will be so only by reconstructing a damaged apartment.

However, it is planned that I am to come over almost at the same time as Mr KUNZE, and therefore it would be necessary to obtain a second single room. We would thus like to ask you to consult Mrs SCHLAGER, Walfgangstrasse 39/II, telephone 52240, and arrange with her that the room in which Mr Karl ROLFF lived be placed at our disposal. The rental for both quarters will be paid by Mr KUNZE who apparently will arrive in FRANKFURT during the last days of this month.

To go on with the overall plan, we want to procure for various business reasons, with the utmost of haste, a complex consisting of four rooms, of which two are to serve as sleeping and living rooms for myself and Mr KUNZE, a rather large room as the actual business office, and a smaller room as a workshop and storage space. As Mr KUNZE has already told you, he also is supposed to take on in addition certain jobs for the HASENSTEIN & VOGLER Advertising Company, MUNICH. Since these jobs can not be carried out within the framework of my firm, he must have in addition a room, or better, one and a half rooms for these purposes; however, in order not to complicate the whole matter and in order to avoid too much wasted space, it would be very practical to have the HASENSTEIN & VOGLER setup either in the same apartment, or in the next apartment, or at least in the same house. We realize that this whole problem is quite complicated, but perhaps it can be made possible in some way, and I repeat, obviously we will repay you for your efforts within the limitations of the circumstances. We should also like you to discuss this housing problem in particular with Mr HEIN, Liebigstrasse 45, because Mr HEIN told Mr KUNZE that he was in contact with various traders and rental agents since he himself had the intention of moving into larger quarters. Mr HEIN also made the statement that the reconstruction of a room averaged about one thousand DM, and this is the sum on which we are basing all of our calculations. Regarding the situation of the quarters, we would like particularly to have you remember that we will naturally have high quality clients and that the situation of an establishment must correspond to this clientele. We thought for example of one of the rather beautiful streets bordering the former American enclave area. Perhaps you could also talk to Mrs HANDEL, who also lives in a reconstructed apartment, because the little villa streets along Eppsteinerlandstrasse in the vicinity of Mrs HANDEL's home would also be interesting.

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A preliminary to the process of issuing a trade permit for the purpose of obtaining a license for the firm in FRANKFURT, and we ask you to pay attention to the following points. We do not have a license for the police trade permit in FRANKFURT, but we have an office which we have planned, or another permit, and this is necessary for the chambers of industry and commerce. I am sending you a copy of the negotiations a statement of my trade permit for FRANKFURT, which also was then checked and issued by the American authorities. In addition, as a disclaimer, I have never belonged to the (Nazi) party or its formations. It might be best to would change the name of the firm, which at the present time is called 'Graphic Cabinet'. It is possible that in conformity with our planned broader sales basis, we might use a more neutral word, but that would be no problem because a change in name can always be made later. Only if the purpose of the firm must be formulated more exactly in the trade permit, you might try as the purpose, in addition to retail trade in graphic products, to add retail trade in antique furniture, pictures and antiques of all kinds. We would be very thankful to you if you would pay priority attention to this matter of a trade permit. If there should be any expenses before Mr KUNZE has arrived in FRANKFURT, then we ask you to get an advance from Dr HAASE, Kronbergerstrasse 20, by referring to us and this letter. If there should be any questions about our letter or later developments and inquiries become necessary, we ask you to do this either by telegram or by telephone 'urgent collect' under the number 242902.

I understand fully that we are taking advantage of your kind assistance to an exceptional degree for our affairs. However, the friendliness which you have shown toward Mr KUNZE permits us to hope that I am not asking in vain. At the same time I hope that we will be able to establish collaboration for the future, if our plan can be carried out, which would offer you very interesting working possibilities.

In the hope that I will soon learn to know you personally, and will hear from you favorably about the above, I remain with friendly greetings

Your

/s/ Marie-Luise Frankenberg

3 Inclosures

(Translator's Note: The affidavit and police trade permit have not been translated.)

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Annex 4

"SUBJECT: Miss H. KUNCK
Address: FRANKFURT/Main, Vogtstrasse 84

1. Marie-Luise FRANKENBERG who is to be described as the closest co-worker of KUNZE during his intelligence work in FRANKFURT, lived after the completion of her apartment, Malconstrasse 8 (shortly after Pentecost 1949) with Miss KUNCK for two years. Allegedly Miss KUNCK is a girl friend of Miss FRANKENBERG whom she knows from BERLIN. Miss KUNCK is supposed to be employed by the postal money order office in FRANKFURT.
2. It is known that FRANKENBERG lived a very fast life. She drank to excess and carelessly knew no bounds in her sexual excesses. Miss KUNCK who shared the apartment with FRANKENBERG, is said to have complained frequently that she was constantly disturbed during the night by the loud breaths of FRANKENBERG with men. When KUNCK complained to FRANKENBERG, FRANKENBERG is supposed to have treated her roughly and impertinently. In the Summer of 1951 KUNCK moved to an apartment in the recently finished bachelor home at Vogtstrasse 84.
3. Even though it was assumed in the course of investigation that KUNCK was not directly and knowingly set up in the intelligence work of the espionage organization, nevertheless strong suspicion has been aroused again by the fact that KUNCK has recently corresponded with Mrs KNUTH. Thus KNUTH received a postcard on 11 March 1952 which outwardly was harmless, the contents of which however lead to the conclusion that a meaning which was not clearly expressed lay behind the text of the postcard.

On 5 April 1952 KNUTH again received mail from KUNCK. "

Annex 5

- "SUBJECT: 1. Heinz ESCHÉ, born 5 December 1924 in PLIKL (OSR)
Married to Leonore ESCHÉ, 2 children.
Address: BUNN, Klingenstrasse 88
Occupation: Employee in the Ministry for the Marshall Plan
(Once worker in Section II, 2 - Reconstruction of
the Trade Economy, Raw Materials Questions, etc.)
2. Paul ESCHÉ
Address: STUTTGART, Bismarckstrasse 140
Occupation: Correspondent for the German Radio in STUTTGART

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SIR: III-2342, Box III, (44) 010 Box, 29 Nov 1952, 2041, Heins ESCH

3. Harold ESCH
Address: Apparently Yugoslavia
4. Heins ESCHER, born 19 December 1911 in BROCHERSVILLER
Married to Margarete nee SALLACK born 3 July 1907 in BERLIN
Address: SOHN, Knechtsteden 1
Occupation: Employee of the RFR (Northwest German Radio)
Stable, SOHN

1. Heins ESCHER and Peter REIN were beyond any doubt paid agents of the intelligence organization of KREBS/KWTH.
2. The details as they are known so far can be seen from a statement of Witness Erich MAUER which is attached as Inclosure 1 to Annex 5 of Document 23.

Ad 1. Additional details on Heins ESCHER

- a. His life history and his activity in FRANKFURT can be seen from his handwritten biography. ESCHER is at the present time employed with the 'ERP' (European Reconstruction Program) Ministry in BAD GODESHARD. During his two months employment in the cabinet registry, ESCHER attracted attention by the fact that he borrowed duplicate copies of committee reports from the Bundestag which he never returned.
- b. At present ESCHER is a case worker in Section II, 2 (Reconstruction of the Trade Economy, Raw Materials Questions, etc). As such he has knowledge of all secret matters which have to do with this sphere of activities.
- c. In October 1951 ESCHER tried to find support from all sorts of people to get his wife a position as telephone operator in the Bundestag, Foreign Office, or the Press and Information Office. In the course of so doing it attracted attention that ESCHER was not interested in having his wife employed by other Ministries.

The following extract is offered regarding a conversation of Witness MAUER with Heins ESCHER on 16 February 1952:

..... His (mauer's) wife is now in the clinic and just bore a baby boy. The mother, who normally lives in MUEBBLINGEN am See Oria (Switzerland), is temporarily here and can take care of the first child, a girl. His mother lives in West Germany for almost a year and always has several children on hand. He also mentioned

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That he had a number in the East and he would like to see some
authorities. He was in Berlin and he was in the East (1945-
1947). Then he mentioned that he would like to go to the East
over here but he is not interested in doing so. He mentioned
Klauber of Vienna, St. Thomas, is his contact and in the name
of 'Dr.' with him. After the deportation of KLAUBER from the East
and his family to HUNSBACH in the USA. Before the seizure of
power by the Nazis, KLAUBER was Lord Mayor of a city in the North.
After 1945 he went, leaving HUNSBACH, went to HUNSBACH on his side
and was Lord Mayor there, as an SPD man. He returned from there
allegedly after the ICP had taken over. From HUNSBACH he then
made his jump to the West and shortly afterwards became Director
of the Council of States (Landerrat) in FRANKFURT/A. Then
TROGER got his job in the Council of States.....

.....The conversation was broken off just as it was becoming inter-
esting by a Mr ILLGEN, who sat down at the table and seemed to
be a friend of ESCHER. ILLGEN, like ESCHER, is a Sudeten German,
however, from the Moravian area. He seems to be almost the more
interesting along the lines of our suspicions, so far as HANSMANN
(the source) is concerned. He mentioned in connection with ESCHER's
mother, who was talked about again, that he had visited his rela-
tives in Southern Moravia for the last time at Christmas 1951.
In order to do so he went through the Soviet Zone and from there
to Bohemia. According to his talk he had already been there
several times and intended to go back over again in the near
future.'

- d. In the middle of February 1952 it was noted that ESCHER, contrary to
his prior habits, was very well dressed. When asked about the
reasons for his obviously raised standard of living, ESCHER said
that he was receiving a monthly allowance of 100 DM from his
mother-in-law. From Inclosure 2 of Annex 5, Document (23), however,
it can be seen that ESCHER, in a request for support dated 7 March
1950, had stated that his mother-in-law was completely without
means.
- e. A frequent exchange of correspondence between ESCHER and a Mrs
DREXEL (Gerda) living in HIGGE/Kahr, Schallenstein, has also
attracted attention. This is probably the mother-in-law of ESCHER.

Ad 2. Peter HEIN

- a. The first leads regarding the connection of HEIN to KENYE
developed from the letter Marie-Luise FRANKENBERG wrote to Mrs
BRAUCHLER on 8 November 1948:

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'We realize that this whole problem is quite complicated, but perhaps it can be made possible in some way, and I repeat, obviously we will carry you far year efforts within the limitations of the circumstances. We should also like to ask you to discuss this housing problem in particular with Mr HEIN, Liebigstrasse 45, because Mr HEIN told Mr KUNZE that he was in contact with various traders and rental agents since he himself had the intention of moving into larger quarters. Mr HEIN also made the statement that the reconstruction of a room averaged about one thousand DM, and this is the sum on which we are basing all of our calculations.....'

- b. A further indication that HEIN was a direct participant in the intelligence work of KUNZE is derived from the letter from KUNZE to Mrs BRAUCHLER, included as Inclosure 3 to Annex 5, Document (23) because KUNZE, before he went to BERLIN in the Fall of 1948, gave her instructions to pick up an expected package from a travel bureau on Outlauststrasse and turn it over to HEIN. Mrs BRAUCHLER picked up the package and gave it to HEIN. The package came from BAD REICHENHALL. HEIN opened it in the presence of BRAUCHLER, who learned in this way that the contents were made up of economic and budget plans. On this occasion HEIN criticized the value of the information. From indications which Mrs BRAUCHLER received from KUNZE, KUNZE maintained an agent in BAD REICHENHALL. This man is supposed to be a former high-ranking officer, apparently a general.
- c. Mrs BRAUCHLER has given the following information in regard to HEIN: 'When HEIN was looking for another job and had received an offer from the Bavarian radio in MÜNCHEN as its representative in STUTTGART, for 1,200 DM a month, HEIN said to Mrs BRAUCHLER, "KUNZE should give me 1,000 DM a month, then I would give up all other jobs and work only for KUNZE." When Mrs BRAUCHLER told this to KUNZE, he wanted nothing to do with it, but rather appeared to be interested in having HEIN retain a good solid job.' (NOTE: The description of BRAUCHLER in regard to the job offered HEIN for 1,200 DM checks with the statement of informant HASSEMAN, who mentioned this in his report of 29 October 1951.)

According to BRAUCHLER, HEIN was very much after money. After the death of KUNZE, HEIN inquired upon her first appearance in FRANKFURT in detail after the address of HEIN.
- d. In the course of a discussion which Mrs BRAUCHLER had with Marie-Luise FRANKENBERG on 22 November 1951, BRAUCHLER was able to ascertain that FRANKENBERG was still in contact with HEIN.
- e. Witness BAUER, according to instructions, visited HEIN on 8 March 1952 at his home at STUTTGART. A report on this visit is attached as Inclosure 4 to Annex 5 this document (23). "

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Inclosure 1 to Annex 5, this document (23).

"Extract from the working file 'Operation Cross'

Number 21

Informant HASEMANN (alias HAUER) states:

'I first met Peter HEIM in the Fall of 1948 in FRANKFURT. He was working at that time for the REHM Office (Via Information) and lived with his wife in very needy circumstances in an attic room on the premises of Liebigstrasse 45, where REHM also had his residence. I subsequently came together very frequently with HEIM at press conferences and the like within the framework of our journalistic activity. Very much later, after I had become somewhat friends with him, I learned from him that he was receiving committee reports from the Council of States for a monthly fee of 50 DM from a certain ESCHÉ, who was working as secretary in the Finance Committee of the Council of States. He was working these reports into articles which he had sold to, among others, the "Frankfurter Rundschau". The reports themselves he was passing on to colleagues for money. At that time I was a witness to a discussion which he had with a Dr RAPP (now representing the "Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung" in BONN) and in the course of which such matters were discussed. RAPP bought official reports from HEIM.

Early in 1949, after HEIM had changed residences and was then living with Harald MANKE, FRANKFURT, Vogtstrasse, I first met in HEIM's residence a Mr KUNZE.....

(After 1945 MANKE was sentenced by the Americans to 10 years penitentiary for espionage. In 1949 he was working in FRANKFURT for the HAMBURG "Echo".)

.....At that time KUNZE brought to Mrs HEIM some articles of food which could be obtained only for ration cards. When I asked, HEIM told me that he had come to know KUNZE through Mr SCHÖBER (now NWDR Studio, BONN). At that time SCHÖBER had been NWDR representative in FRANKFURT. Later HEIM told me that through this man KUNZE he had found a relatively easy and nevertheless financially productive sideline. He was furnishing him with confidential economic material which he obtained through his source in the Council of States. For this activity and for occasional investigations which he carried out at the request of KUNZE, he received 400 DM monthly. Regarding the general background he further told me that KUNZE was the FRANKFURT general representative for the firm "Hans Hassenstein & Vogler" in MUNICH. In addition KUNZE had extraordinarily good connections to economic groups and seemed to function for them as a representative of their interests.

I had no cause to doubt this information because I had met KUNZE twice in the building of the Administrative Council (Verwaltungsrat), on Bockenheimmer Landstrasse. I was of the opinion that KUNZE had some kind of job to accomplish there.

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SOL: VII-25458, Rec. III, 66th QM Det., 29 May 1952, Subj: Maria HEIM

In the Summer of 1949, HEIM attempted to get for himself the job of representing the "Stuttgarter Zeitung" in FRANKFURT. He took care of the work for this newspaper completely alone in the REHM office and for that reason felt that he was justified in asking for the job. HEIM then went to MUNICH in order to gather material against REHM from former co-workers of REHM with which on the way back he then wanted to visit the STUTTGART editorial offices. On this occasion he met an old acquaintance in the editorial offices of Radio MUNICH whose name, if I recall correctly, is KATZ. This man made him the offer of representing Radio MUNICH in STUTTGART at the monthly salary of 1,200 DM.

Nevertheless, HEIM went to the STUTTGART editorial offices, but was not able to push through his original intention. He then returned to FRANKFURT and, after he had finished a few trial jobs, took over as STUTTGART representative for Radio MUNICH.

Before HEIM left FRANKFURT he made me the offer of carrying on as his successor in the information work for KUNZE. I agreed and had a discussion with KUNZE, by prearrangement, in the residence at Eppsteiner Strasse 26. KUNZE demanded of me that I furnish economic information which "is not in the newspapers".

We then wanted to discuss particular subjects upon occasion so that I would not be working blind. He was particularly interested in my continuing to furnish him with reports from the Council of States.

A certain difficulty had arisen at this time in this respect, inasmuch as HEIM's informant ESCHÉ could not be taken over by me because he had changed his job and taken a position as teletypist in the Administrative Council.

ESCHÉ had been introduced to me by HEIM early in 1949 on the occasion of a carnival party of the Council of States in the "House of the States" in KOENIGSTEIN. HEIM at that time mentioned that ESCHÉ was a poor student who urgently needed every penny.

In my search for a new supplier of official reports, I came upon a Miss SCHMIDT, who was working in the Economic Committee of the Council of States. The Chief of the Finance Committee for whom ESCHÉ had worked was at that time Mr FISCHER-MERHAUSEN (now Federal Ministry of Finance), head of the Economic Committee was Mr von der HEIDE (now Economic Committee of the Bundsrat).

Miss SCHMIDT then furnished me with the desired official reports. At the outset I gave her a bar of chocolate, later at one time 20 DM. Miss SCHMIDT died suddenly of a heart ailment in mid-Summer 1949.

After I had worked for KUNZE for 4 weeks (we had agreed upon a monthly salary of 200 DM with the payment of expenses for a probationary period), he went off on a longer long trip - it must have been about February 1949 - in the course

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which he wanted to visit. However, because of the war, I was supposed to turn over the material to the Government and he was living at Department 26.

I also frequently met KUNZE in his residence at Altmühlstrasse, Berlin, the period of my employment with KUNZE I carried out the following assignments:

- a. A conversation with the Economic Advisor to the British High Commissioner at the I.G. House in FRANKFURT, Dr SCHWABER. His conversation at that time was particularly interesting because he was in close connection to HUBARD's economic theories and even talked about that at a short time later. He was transferred back to England and got a job with the National Coal Board. SCHWABER is the son of the well-known HUBARD economist SCHWABER, was in exile and married the daughter of the former HAMBURG Lord Mayor PETERSEN. SCHWABER, at that time, came forth with the so-called "SCHWABER Plan" which proposed the revitalization of the German economy by profinancing, according to the well established principle of an economic fund exchange (Wirt-Wechsel). KUNZE was interested in this plan and I succeeded in obtaining from SCHWABER one copy of this document, classified "Confidential".
- b. KUNZE was particularly interested in decartelisation and on that subject I had several discussions with Allied gentlemen whose names I can no longer recall. I also had some dealings with the three-power control group of I.G. Farben and with a Dr von KELLER, who was a member of the German counter-group to this official agency which was just being established at that time.
- c. I obtained administrative plans of the Federal Railways from the Main Administration of the Federal Railways in OFFENBACH, in which KUNZE was interested....."

Inclosure 2 to Annex 5, this document (23)

"Heinz ESCHÉ
FRANKFURT-Ischersheim
Unter den Ulmen 7

FRANKFURT/M, 25 November 1949

Brief Personal History Statement

Personal Data:

Heinz ESCHÉ, born 5 December 1924 in PLKIL (CSR)

Married, 1 child

Refugee (Number 496370)

Political Involvement: 'Not affected by the law' according to a decision from the Spruchkammer COBURG Landkreis dated 30 September 1947.

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picked up the package for further transmittal to Mr HEIN; and secondly, on the evening before my departure I gave you a little package with the request that you send it on through Mrs HASEMANN. This little package has not yet arrived. I would be grateful to you if you would go to Mrs HASEMANN after you receive these lines, and in case the package is still there get it back. Then I would ask you to send this package, perhaps folded once again, simply as a registered letter to me here. There are a few business letters in the package which I urgently need for further work here.

With the best thanks in advance, I greet you and your sister most humbly

/s/ K. H. KUNZE "

Inclosure 4 to Annex 5, this document (23)

"SUBJECT: Peter HEIN
Reference: None
Source: HASEMANN
Date of Incident: 8 March 1952
Date of Report: 9 March 1952

Personalities: Peter HEIN, Correspondent for the Bavarian Radio in STUTTGART, Neu Weinsteige 140

Incident: As instructed HASEMANN visited HEIN in STUTTGART on Saturday, 8 March 1952. He had not seen HEIN since the latter had left FRANKFURT, where he was working for the "Stuttgarter Zeitung" in the KUNZE office in the year 1949. HASEMANN had at the time informed HEIN by letter of the death of KUNZE. As already reported, HASEMANN, after HEIN's departure and after having met KUNZE through HEIN, worked for KUNZE and furnished material as a successor to HEIN. HEIN, who originally received from the Bavarian Radio a monthly salary of 1,300 DM in addition to expenses, now receives according to statements of his wife only 600 DM. In spite of that he maintains an automobile and the family intends next year to move to another apartment for which they are already procuring furniture. Mrs HEIN works a paid half-days. HEIN allegedly is working as a free contributor to the "Wochen-licher Merkur". He showed himself in the course of the conversation, which dealt mostly with political problems, to be a convinced supporter of ADENAUER.

HEIN came upon the subject of KUNZE on his own and asked HASEMANN about KUNZE's sudden death. HASEMANN told what he knew about this. HEIN then mentioned that he had been in FRANKFURT early in 1951 and at that time had seen Mrs FORTZEL, who had told him something about KUNZE's death in her somewhat hasty and confused way. HEIN then

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mentioned what a decent person KUNZE had actually been and wanted to hear from HASEMANN why he had so suddenly committed suicide. When HASEMANN told him probably because he had a lot on his conscience, HEIM then related how KUNZE had tried again and again in various conversations to convince him of the necessity of cooperation with the East. On this occasion HASEMANN heard that SCHOBBER had at one time brought him (HEIM) to KUNZE, that SCHOBBER himself, however, had not previously known KUNZE but rather had been brought together with him by an acquaintance who, like SCHOBBER, was employed by the NWDR, and had then been asked by this man to look after KUNZE and help him get a start in FRANKFURT. HEIM did not know the name of this third person. HEIM still spoke of Miss FRANKENBERG with a certain respect. She had always impressed him with her grand front and elegance. It turned out without HASEMANN asking that HEIM had known of the contacts between Dr SCHAIERER, 'Stuttgarter Zeitung', and KUNZE. KUNZE himself had mentioned this connection. HEIM said that Mrs KUNZE had been unfaithful to her husband with the French in KORNHOF and through this activity, which she continued even after her husband returned, had driven KUNZE away from her. KUNZE had told him that. Thus it came about that HASEMANN was able without attracting attention to inquire after the names of people who had worked with KUNZE. HEIM wanted to know who had continued to work with KUNZE after he had departed from FRANKFURT. HASEMANN told about the woman from the Wirtschafts-politische Gesellschaft. HEIM, however, did not know the name any longer. Then HEIM asked whether SAUER had continued to work for KUNZE. SAUER lived on the top floor of the house Eppsteinerstrasse 26, his family is still living there. He himself (Translator's Note: One (1) line is missing). and had to do with the Bundestag. He can be reached under the telephone number 27646. HASEMANN said no and said that he knew Mr SAUER through Mrs BRAUCHLER, but had not known that SAUER was working for KUNZE. HEIM then answered that that surprised him because that had been one of KUNZE's best people. He had met SAUER several times with KUNZE and knew that SAUER was working for KUNZE. SAUER at that time was in the Administrative Council of the United Economic Area - President Dr FRIEDER. HASEMANN asked HEIM in this connection whether he had known that ESCHER, his informant from the Council of States, had also later worked in the Administrative Council. HEIM then said, 'Oh, you mean the student, was his name ESCHER or was it ESCHER?' Up until then HASEMANN had definitely had the impression that HEIM, after his departure from FRANKFURT, had actually had nothing to do with the affair MK (Maria KUNZE), but then it became fairly obvious, and HASEMANN is no longer able to answer the question regarding HEIM's connection with this affair to the effect that HEIM probably has nothing more to do with it. HASEMANN told them at the request of Mrs HEIM that after the death of KUNZE he had demanded some outstanding salary and a few expenses from Miss FRANKENBERG and then suddenly a woman had come from BERLIN and had

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brought the rest of the money. HASEMANN mentioned no names. However Mrs HEIN asked, 'Was that a dark, very elegant lady?' HASEMANN said he could no longer remember. If HEIN after KNUTH's death had nothing more to do with the affair, and if now his wife with her questions was hinting at KNUTH - the tone and expression of the questions, however, gave the impression that she was thinking of someone definite - then HEIN and his wife, or at least the wife, if the husband does not know about it, must have met KNUTH once before while KNUTH was still alive. This however, according to the situation, appears improbable because even BRANDELER with whom KNUTH lived, did not know KNUTH personally so far as HASEMANN knows. Thus it appears, if the meaning of this question is not being misinterpreted, that HEIN or at least Mrs HEIN later became acquainted with KNUTH or with another person who has something to do with this matter and also is very dark and elegant. This would mean that they have to do with this affair, or at least have been in contact with her after their departure from FRANKFURT at least once. In the further course of their conversation there were no new factors. When he was leaving HASEMANN then said - he had spent the whole afternoon with HEIN - that HEIN should also visit him if he should come to BONN. He then could spend the night with HASEMANN. HEIN agreed. However, first he wanted to inform him, as HASEMANN had also done, by teletype when he was coming. He said that it would be soon, because 'at least every month he had something to do in the area of BONN and COLOGNE.' He did not mention what he had to do here. As a correspondent for the Bavarian Radio, however, he has no business up there. Neither would his activities with the 'Rheinischer Merkur' take him to BONN or COLOGNE. HASEMANN did not want to draw particular attention to this statement and consequently did not ask what he was doing or why he had to come up here. This brings up the question as to whether HEIN submits a monthly report to KNUTH. If he does that then he will certainly not visit HASEMANN at least until he has told KNUTH about HASEMANN, and probably will not visit HASEMANN until on his way back from seeing KNUTH. KNUTH would certainly order him not to visit him if she knows about this. If, however, he does give advance notice of his visit then one would possibly be able to establish with whom HEIN meets in BONN or COLOGNE. It is to be assumed that on such trips HEIN uses his automobile and probably takes his wife with him. He mentioned something like that. When HASEMANN asked him why he had not visited him long ago in BONN, HEIN said, 'After all, I did not have your address.'

Comment: During the first part of the visit HASEMANN had the impression that HEIN had nothing more to do with events past. Three things, however, shook this impression in HASEMANN. First of all was his feigned inability to recall the name ESCHÉ. (HEIN had a lot to do with him and otherwise has a very good memory.) The second thing was the

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The visit on the part of HASKAHN was thoroughly motivated. HEIN had met APPEL, representative of the 'Stuttgarter Zeitung' in KORN, during the morning in the 'Stuttgarter Zeitung' Building. APPEL was in STUTTGART for the elections. From APPEL HEIN learned the actual, or the feigned reason for HASKAHN's visit in STUTTGART.

Annex 6

- "SUBJECT: a. SCHARSCHMIDT, District
Address: WIESBADEN, Ringkirche 10
Occupation: Engineer
- b. SCHARSCHMIDT, Johanna born 1899
(Mother of DISTRICT SCHARSCHMIDT)
Address: WIESBADEN, Schoene Aussicht 28

1. According to information received from Mrs BRAUCHLER, the intelligence agent KUNZE was often visited by a 60 year old woman from WIESBADEN named SCHARSCHMIDT. Allegedly KUNZE was a friend of this lady from BERLIN.
2. Shortly before Pentecost 1949 Mrs SCHARSCHMIDT, accompanied by her son, came in her son's automobile from WIESBADEN to visit KUNZE. Mrs BRAUCHLER on this occasion saw the son SCHARSCHMIDT turn over to KUNZE a metallic object which was pointed on one side. KUNZE packed this object in a carton and took this with him on his last trip to BERLIN (Pentecost 1949).
3. BRAUCHLER adds that KUNZE once told him that Mrs SCHARSCHMIDT had a brother in the Taunus who had a little house and that this would be a fine place to set up a radio transmitter.
4. Mrs SCHARSCHMIDT, even after the death of KUNZE, has been seen in the apartment of Marie-Luise FRANKENBERG, Melanstrasse 81 "

Annex 7

"SUBJECT: Approach to FRANKENBERG by Land Security Agency, WIESBADEN on 17 December 1951.

The meeting lasted from 1430 to 1700 hours.

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Miss FRANKENBERG has in her apartment the office of the Yugoslav citizen and member of the Yugoslav Trade Delegation LUKICIC, who also lives there, and in addition to him an Austrian from VIENNA, of Yugoslav extraction.

This Austrian, according to information from FRANKENBERG, has only been working with LUKICIC for a short time, and since he is not able to fulfil demands made of him he is expected to be sent back to Austria shortly.

FRANKENBERG is working in LUKICIC's office as a secretary and according to her own statements, takes care of all his correspondence insofar as it is written in the German language. It was ascertained that FRANKENBERG speaks English and French fluently.

FRANKENBERG stated that she had moved from DUESSELDORF to BERLIN in 1942 in order to separate from her fiance at that time, an art dealer.

During her stay in BERLIN she was a secretary in the German High Command and according to her own statements had various connections with air force officers about whom she says that they might possibly have had some connection with the 'Rote Kapelle'.

As she stated further, the art business of her fiance, in which she also was a partner, did not go along very well, consequently both decided to move to Western Germany in order to open up an advertising agency. However, before this advertising agency was set up her fiance committed suicide.

When asked whether this suicide had any connection with the Russian contacts of her fiance, FRANKENBERG first evaded the question, then said that she considered that quite possible and that after all it was this fiance who had gotten her mixed up in certain things. (She doubtlessly meant her activities as an Eastern agent.)

FRANKENBERG further said that even in BERLIN she had gotten into contact through her deceased fiance with a former member of the Allied Control Commission, an American national, Edmund RODITI, who presently is working as an interpreter for an agency which she did not want to define any further, and who was working in ANKARA.

RODITI is supposed to stay in ANKARA until 20 December 1951. There he is supposed to be reached through the address 'Kadifgarin' (Middle East), P.O. Box 155, ANKARA. From 20 December 1951 on he is supposed to travel to ISTANBUL, ATHENS, ROME and BUCHAREST. He is approximately 40 years old and 5'10" tall.

FRANKENBERG is continually being approached by people sent by RODITI whom she takes in and helps. FRANKENBERG insinuated that this assistance was connected with certain matters which had some connection with her and RODITI's work (last).

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In addition, FRANKENBERG stated that her friend Mrs KUTH, who lived in COLOGNE-Buelheim, Rheinfurstrasse 4, used to be a dancer and through the support of certain people in the Golf Club, had tried to get a job in the BLANK Ministry.

However, Mrs KUTH had not been able to fill the requirements, and in addition, the man from the BLANK Ministry who had supported her belonged to the 'civilian clique' in the Ministry, whereas the tests given her were given by the people of the 'military clique', and consequently these people were interested primarily in finding a girl who also came from military circles.

Miss FRANKENBERG showed me a letter from her girl friend in which she wrote that she had not fulfilled the requirements and that her contacts had let her down.

Miss FRANKENBERG expressed her readiness to report the names of the contacts of her girl friend at the latest by the middle of January.

In addition, Miss FRANKENBERG mentioned the name of a Britisher, Henry WALLACE, in PARIS, Hotel Continental, with whom she definitely wants to reestablish contact and who is in close touch with the main figure in the big 'STEG' manipulations in FRAEFURT. The name of this chief manipulator, who at present is a fugitive, will be reported by Miss FRANKENBERG tomorrow by telephone.

Henry WALLACE is described by Miss FRANKENBERG as 32 years old, 6'2" tall and slender.

In addition Miss FRANKENBERG stated that last year she had been in ZOLA in Yugoslavia, where the wife and children of LUKICIC live.

Miss FRANKENBERG obviously was inhibited in this conversation because she felt that she was being overheard by LUKICIC. LUKICIC was not in the room with us, but had placed his Austrian assistant in a corridor to listen through the door.

Miss FRANKENBERG gave me the impression that she would be willing to give me further information about her Russian connections without any further difficulty.

Annex 8

**SUBJECT: Wilhelm KREIB, born 21 August 1912 in DARMSTADT
Residence: DARMSTADT, Fall. KREIBER, J.
Occupation: [redacted]
KREIB was a reserve Lieutenant
1933-34 1937-38**

1. Witness WILHELM, who for a long time had considerable insight into the intelligence work of KREIB in FRAEFURT, reports that KREIB had an important

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KUNZE, who also knew Marie-Luise FRIEDRICH very well, was particularly active after the death of KUNZE (Paris, 1945). FRIEDRICH spent some time with Mrs BRAUCHLER at Regentstrasse 26, and she was taken to the attic room and there sealed up a large number of letters and papers were located which were used to conducting the intelligence work.

2. The police in DARTMOUTH, in its inquiries after an assassin of KUNZE there, so far have identified only the above-cited Wilhelm KUNZE. Whether this person is identical with the agent of KUNZE has not yet been established. Since Mrs BRAUCHLER however knows that KUNZE, a confrontation could be possible in order to verify the identity. "

"(24) SUBJECT: Hermann WESTFELD born 17 June 1915 in FRANKFURT
Address: FRANKFURT, Schneiderstrasse 2
Occupation: Employee in the Page Office of the Police
President

1. The intelligence agent of the Polish Intelligence Service KUNZE especially asked Mrs BRAUCHLER for a connection in the Police President. He was particularly interested in the procurement of statistics about the strength of the police and similar matters.

Thereupon acquaintance was established between KUNZE and WESTFELD. According to information received from Mrs BRAUCHLER, KUNZE dealt with WESTFELD. WESTFELD is supposed to have agreed to cooperate in return for payment. Allegedly, however, WESTFELD is supposed to have disappointed KUNZE in establishing for his connections with other persons.

2. KUNZE turned over to Mrs BRAUCHLER the attached notes which refer to specialized police literature. BRAUCHLER was supposed to ask WESTFELD which of these publications he could provide for KUNZE. "

Annex 1 to Document (24)

"Specialized Police Publications in the Western Zones.

British Occupation Zone:

'Die Polizei'	Publisher: HANNOVER, Yorkstrasse 16
'Polizei-Rundschau'	Publisher: LUEBECK, Klingenberg 8
'Polizeiseitung'	Publisher: HANNOVER, Prinzenstrasse 1 Hagedorn-Verlag

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SOI: III-25428, Reg III, 66th CID Det, 29 Mar 1952, Subj: WITTEKIND

"(26) SUBJECT: Fritz WITTEKIND
Berlin, Harfuerstendamm 154b, 4th floor

Engineer and Technician, Journalist

1. WITTEKIND was identified in the KUNZE/KNUTH espionage case in the following way:

KUNZE, a former Major in the High Command who according to evidence, worked for the Polish Intelligence Service and during the years 1948-1949 worked in FRANKFURT (KUNZE committed suicide at Pentacost 1949), first appeared at the home of Mrs BRAUCHLER, FRANKFURT, Eppsteinerstrasse 26 in April 1949 with a request that he be given a room for his alleged fiancée Marie-Luise FRANKENBERG. Mrs BRAUCHLER gave KUNZE, or rather FRANKENBERG a furnished room. In this room KUNZE took care of his intelligence agents. KUNZE was introduced to Mrs BRAUCHLER by a Mrs SAUER, who lived in the same house, Eppsteinerstrasse 26.

2. Mrs SAUER's maiden name is WITTEKIND and she is a sister to the above-named journalist Fritz WITTEKIND. When she introduced KUNZE, Mrs SAUER emphasized that he was a friend of her brother. In the course of working almost one year with KUNZE, Mrs BRAUCHLER learned that Mrs WITTEKIND in BERLIN had had a love affair with KUNZE and had introduced him to her rather extensive circle of acquaintances. According to his own statements to Mrs BRAUCHLER, KUNZE lived almost always with a friend of Mrs WITTEKIND when he visited BERLIN.
3. Mrs WITTEKIND visited KUNZE and FRANKENBERG on the occasion of an exhibition in FRANKFURT.
4. In the opinion of Mrs BRAUCHLER, Mrs WITTEKIND is aware of the intelligence activities of KUNZE and FRANKENBERG.
5. Mr SAUER, according to clear statements of Mrs BRAUCHLER, was active in the procurement of intelligence for KUNZE and was also paid for this activity. In 1948 SAUER was employed by the Economic Council in FRANKFURT and there worked on pass affairs. At the present time SAUER is an employee of the Foreign Office (Pass Department) in BONN.

"(27) SUBJECT: BRUNDSCHNEIDER
FRANKFURT-Sachsenhausen, Tischbeinstrasse 8

1. According to information from Mrs BRAUCHLER, KUNZE lived provisionally with a family named BRUNDSCHNEIDER in FRANKFURT-Sachsenhausen, Tischbeinstrasse 8 before he officially took a room with Mrs SAUER, Eppsteinerstrasse 10. KUNZE was a very good friend of one of the BRUNDSCHNEIDER sons.

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2. According to investigation so far the following persons with the name of BROKIDENSTEIN live at Fischbeinstrasse 8:

- a. Herbert BROKIDENSTEIN, born 2 June 1925 in FRANKFURT/Main
Occupation: Printer
- b. Klaus BROKIDENSTEIN, born 6 July 1928 in FRANKFURT/Main
- c. Wilhelm BROKIDENSTEIN, born 23 May 1893
Occupation: Printer

(a and b are the sons of c)

3. Extract from a letter from FRANKENBERG to Mrs BRAUCHLER dated 8 November 1948:

....As far as concerns settling the residence situation for Mr KUNZE, he would like to remind you that he was registered out from Fischbeinstrasse on travels and that he did not have his own room on Fischbeinstrasse, but rather was only a guest within the rooms of the family BROKIDENSTEIN. Consequently no rooms will become vacant if he lays claim to new quarters. It is of no significance whether you accomplish his first registration for Althoenstrasse 10a or at your home on Eppsteinerstrasse, because either of these would be only temporary until the more definite plans have been settled, which apparently will be so only be reconstructing a damaged apartment.....'

"(28) SUBJECT: ^{JW} ROBERT, born 7 June 1921 in BRESLAW
Occupation: Radio Technician
Address: FRANKFURT/MAIN, Oberlinden 82 c/o DAHM

According to official police registration, allegedly moved on 22 May 1948 to AUFKIRCH (Kaufbeuren).

It can be proven however, according to the statements of Mrs BRAUCHLER, that ROBERT was in FRANKFURT, Unterlinden 10 or 12 early in 1949.

1. ROBERT is supposed to be licensed as an amateur radio operator.
2. KUNZE planned to replace the slow and dangerous transmission of the intelligence gathered by him to his center in BERLIN by setting up a radio station. Consequently he established communication with ROBERT, who then acted as a relay in BERLIN's home to alert KUNZE and FRANKENBERG. The radio station was set up in a room in a house in the BRAUCHLER home. When KUNZE is reconstructing learned that ROBERT was licensed as an

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"(31) SUBJECT: Dr. HAASE, Kurt, born 22 August 1903, in AMMENTHAUSEN,
Frankfurt am Main,
Germany.
His work is a book shop in FRANKFURT, Germany.

1. Dr. HAASE was first identified in the espionage matter KUNZE/HAASE through a letter with FRANKFURT address to Mrs BRAUCHLER on 8 November 1951. The passage in this letter with reference to Dr HAASE (as contained in the special report for FRANKFURT) is as follows:

.....'If there should be any expenses before Mr KUNZE has arrived in FRANKFURT, then we ask you to get an advance from Dr HAASE, Krambergstrasse 20, by referring to us and this letter. If there should be any questions about our letter or later developments and inquiries become necessary, we advise you to do this either by telegram or by telephone "urgent, collect" under the number 24290.....'

2. Mrs BRAUCHLER states that KUNZE and Dr HAASE were very close friends. They visited one another frequently. From conversations which Mrs BRAUCHLER overheard, the following additions can be given:

Dr HAASE, during the war, was in BERLIN and came to FRANKFURT only after 1945. HAASE has been in the art business also only since the recapitulation. HAASE is a doctor of engineering or a doctor of chemistry. Since Dr HAASE often helped KUNZE out with money, and since BRAUCHLER was able to ascertain Dr HAASE lived on a grand scale even though there was scarcely any art business during the period after the currency reform, she asked KUNZE once how Dr HAASE was able to afford such a life. KUNZE said that Dr HAASE wrote special opinions and judgments for industrial enterprises and thus earned a good living on the side. So far as BRAUCHLER recalls, KUNZE mentioned the chemical industry.

3. According to information from the branch office in FRANKFURT of the Land Security Agency in WIESBADEN, dated 18 November 1951, HAASE is presently living in HAMBURG. An inquiry in HAMBURG revealed that HAASE had not registered with the police in HAMBURG.

"(32) SUBJECT: Connections of KUNZE to the Polish Consulate in FRANKFURT.

According to information from witness BRAUCHLER, KUNZE definitely had contact with the former Polish Consul in FRANKFURT, DOMKE. In the course of a visit to Mrs BRAUCHLER, KUNZE mentioned that the package from RAD REICHSFALL (see Document (23) - HABERMEHL, HEIN, FORSTER), which later came through the travel bureau (Mrs HABERMEHL), was to be picked up by the Polish Consul, and in addition KUNZE met DOMKE numerous times in the home of BRAUCHLER.

