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SUBJECT: Heinz SCHMALSCHLÄGER (former Oberst)
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1. Heinz SCHMALSCHLÄGER, former Chief of Operations for Leitstelle III/Ost für Frontaufklärung has been regularly discharged by US Army on 9 August 1945 at Bad Aibling and has lived at his home (Bilowstrasse 8, Nürnberg). On 8 November he was brought to Munich on our request by ROBOT. He now lives with his friends at Ottlostrasse 19, München/Pasing.

2. PERSONAL DATA:

Born 17 January 1893 at Mantens, Southern France. While still an infant his family moved back to Germany. His education consisted of 4 yrs of Volksschule, 3 yrs of Mittelschule, and 2 yrs MEX at Kgl. Bayr. Kadettenkorps. In 1914 he was sent to the front as an officer/aspirant; in November of the same year he received his commission as a 2/Lt. In 1919 he returned from the Eastern Front (now a 1/Lt.) and went to a hospital recovering from wounds. In 1920 he resigned his commission and followed a civilian occupation (as a manufacturer in Nürnberg) until 1936.

3. Coming from a well-to-do family he has made numerous pleasure trips to Italy, Switzerland, Austria, and Czechoslovakia. During this war he visited most of the remaining Eastern (Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Slovakia, and Russia) and Balkan countries (Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Greece, Hungary, and Roumania).

4. He married a Frl. Gertrude WERLE in 1923 and has two sons (Peter -20 and Wolfgang -19). His wife, the two sons, and mother live in Nürnberg (Bilowstr.8). By religion he is a Roman Catholic.

5. ARMY CAREER:

In 1936 he joined the Abwehr as a Rittmeister; in 39 he was made a Major; in 42 an Oberstleutnant; and in Jan 45 - an Oberst.

6. He served in the Abwehr in the following capacities:

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- 11-1-36 - 3 .3.38 - Stab General Kdo VII, Ast/München (IIIc, IIIf)
- 14.3.38 - 30.3.38 - Stab General Kdo XIII, Ast/Mürnberg (IIIf)
- 1.4.38 - 25.9.42 - Stab General Kdo XVII, Ast/Wien (IIIf), Chief of a Kdo in Yugoslavia and in Greece.
- From 25.9.42 on - Kommandeur of the Leitstelle III/Ost für Frontaufklärung.
- On 9 August 1945 - Discharged by Americans at Bad Aibling.

7. DETAILS ON HIS WORK IN ABWEHR, 1936-45:
 In 1936 he was an Abwehr liaison officer to Pionierstab 16 which at that time was engaged in construction of a defensive line along the Czech border, from Hof to Cham. Since this line was in many cases only 25-30 miles from the border he was assigned to the engineers as a counter-espionage officer.

8. Otherwise he was Chef of Referat IIIc in Munich, reviewing the cases of people accused of treason and interrogating those of the foreign workers who were arrested for having engaged in fishing or hunting in the forbidden zones close to munition and other war manufacturing plants. In addition he was also Chef of IIIf (counter-espionage; his territory of operation was the Southern and Eastern border of Bavaria.

9. transferred to the newly established Kdo XIII in Nürnberg in 1938 he became Leiter of Abw III and Referat for IIIf; his territory of operation was the NE border of Bavaria.

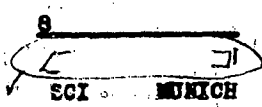
10. When the Kdo XVII was created he was transferred to Vienna (1938) as Leiter of the Referat IIIf; his efforts were directed against agents coming out of Hungary and Slovakia.

11. During the war against Greece he led an Abwehrkommando whose object was preservation from sabotage of all important operational army materials.

12. At the outset of war against Russia he became the Chef of the newly instituted Fernaufklärungsverbände (forward echelon of the Stab/Wall, operational intelligence units).

13. NOTE: A more detailed report on points 7-12 will be available in the near future.

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