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- b. Carry out the vertical reorganization. This is Priority II, to go into effect 1 October.
- c. Establish one centralized Registry for incoming mail. This was priority III to follow immediately on the heels of b above.
- d. Establish a central log for all cases, according to the Dutch mechanical system. (Comment: This is so far not further explained.)
- e. Establish a central repository for all dossiers. They are at present held by the individual Referaten. Workbook-type files, however, are to remain with the Referaten or be maintained at Department level.

All these recommendations have allegedly been approved by SCHRUEBBER and work on step a has already begun. Steps d and e will be accomplished slowly as the new organization begins to shake down.

- 4. The departmental breakdown is still as described in Attachment A to EDNA-8630. A more detailed treatment of the new organization follows. It should be kept in mind that the numbering of the departments, their precise functions and the manning of individual slots cannot be regarded as fixed, although it seems unlikely major deviations will be made from the details given below.

A. Abteilung I - Administration (Verwaltung). Chief: Reg. Dir. Herbert POLENZ

No definite changes are yet planned for this department, although there appears to be a good chance that at the wish of the Ministry of Interior the administration of some of the functions serving a number of the departments might be placed under Abt. I, but under the direct operational control of Vice President RADKE, whom SCHRUEBBER considers to be the chief operations officer of the BfV. These functions would include: Hauskapelle (investigation and surveillance group - at present 8 men under the leadership of Dr. Frau HALSWEG or HALSWEG & LOECHNER, and including Frau OLDEN, Frau HOLZ or HOLTZ and Frau ARENDS - all freie Mitarbeiter); technical (audio surveillance, clandestine photography, etc. - at present Guenter KRAUSE is the only man in this section, but it is planned to have at least two more persons); KUENAST (Kuestennachrichtenstelle or Coastal Intelligence Office in Hamburg, (a covert office, the primary function of which is investigation of hostile intelligence activity in the harbor area - it is also possible this office may remain under the control of the new CE department); Camp Valka (where the BfV have a small team of 3 or 4 people who have not only CE interests but interests in the extreme aspects of emigre or refugee politics as they may be mirrored there). In the event that Abt. I does take over the administration of their centralized functions, there is a possibility that the direct control will be exercised by Fran: MICHEL on behalf of Vice President RADKE. MICHEL is at present deputy to Richard GERKEN, chief of the Collection Department.

B. Abteilung II - Counter-Espionage (Spionagebekämpfung).

It is in this department that the most far-reaching changes are scheduled. (See Chart A). Richard GERKEN will head the department and will have under him two large and one small sections as follows:

(Note: MICHEL has told us that there are at present only 12 case officers in all of Abt. II. There are 2 in each of the LFV's except Nordrhein-Westfalen, which has none, a total of 18 additional CE officers.)

- (1) Collection (Beschaffung) - Chief: Erich WENGER & Eduard WOLTERS, former freier Mitarbeiter who has only recently been taken on as an employee (Angestellter). He is considered by many to be the most capable of the BfV's operational officers. His specialty has been W/T cases. He is being advanced over the heads of many officers (Beasten), but according to MICHEL, will almost certainly receive final approval. The only other choice for this post is MICHEL himself.
  - (a) General Complaint Cases (Allgemeine Verdachtsfaelle).

This was originally scheduled to be called Active Cases (Spiele) but this term was objected to by the Ministry and was changed. It is uncertain yet who will head this section, although the names of RR Karl ESCHWEILER and RR Dr. Walter STRAUSS have both been mentioned in this connection. STRAUSS is not regarded as an effective man and it has been said frequently that GERKEN would like to remove him entirely from his department. It is the task of this section to investigate all CE leads which come to the BfV's attention to collect information enabling the evaluators to determine whether a profitable case can be made or not.
  - (b) Sabotage - Chief: Hans Joachim FLOETSCH. He will have as his assistants Herbert DEUTSCH, and a secretary.
  - (c) Legal Residencies (Legale Residenturen) - Chief: Heinrich WEYDE. This section will have charge of coverage of all Soviet and satellite embassies, consulates and other official installations in the Federal Republic. He will also have Heinz LIESINGER, presently working under Dr. STRAUSS, to assist him, plus 1 or 2 other persons yet to be appointed.
  - (d) W/T Cases (Funkfaelle) - Chief: Hans WATSCHOUNEK. All two-way, regardless of hostile service involved, W/T cases will come under this section. Cases involving blind transmissions will not. WATSCHOUNEK will have 1 or 2 other persons and a secretary to assist him.
  - (e) Special Cases (Besondere Verdachtsfaelle) - Chief: Not yet certain. We have heard variously that there will be no chief, but that REINHOLD will serve as senior case officer and that Paul MISCHKE is another possibility for the appointment. At any rate it appears probable that REINHOLD, MISCHKE, Willi BLENS, Johannes STRUEBING & Johannes STAHLMANN, Karl-Hermann KLEINBERGER and others not yet named will work in this section. The section will be charged with running those CE cases which do not fall into one of the sections above named.
- (2) Evaluation (Auswertung) - Chief: ORR Dr. Lorenz BESSEL-LORCK, present chief of Abt. III/G. As senior man in this department, he will also

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serve as over-all deputy to GEFROEN in the latter's absence. III/2 has now 31 people. The Evaluation Branch of the new CE Department has submitted proposals for an additional 13.

- (a) General Complaint Cases (Allgemeine Verdachtsfälle) - Chief: Not yet named. This section will screen the work of corresponding section of the Collection Branch and will - presumably in consultation with the Department Chief - decide the disposition of the various leads, i.e. whether they should be turned over to an executive agency, dropped, turned over to the BND or an Allied service played.
- (b) RIS (Sowjetischer ND) - Chief: Konrad KOCH. This appointment, we have been assured, is firm even though on paper the slot is still occupied by RR Ewald EMERLIND, who is not regarded very highly. The section will be divided into a sub-section for the Legal Department - a continuation of KOCH's present work - and a sub-section devoted to all RIS activity not involving the Soviet Embassy in Poland. Ernst-Ludwig ROSEMAN, former SED member, will head this section. Others to be assigned are, among others, another former SED member, Eugen KRUEGER, Heinrich LINDNER, and Karl RING.
- (c) RIS (Ministerium fuer Staatssicherheit) - Chief: Still unnamed but possibly Christian HOFFMANN.
- (d) Satellite Services (Satelliten ND) - Chief: Unassigned. Dr. Paul MUEHLER and Johannes AREND, among others will be assigned to this section.
- (e) Cooperative Analysis (Kooperativer Analyse) - Chief: Unassigned. The name of Ewald EMERLIND has been mentioned for this job as a means of side-tracking him and at the same time keeping him busy. He will, however, have no responsibility with the CE Department. His duties will be handled by another analyst.
- (3) Central Branch (Zentral Referat) - Chief: If this department maintains the common functions mentioned under paragraph 4 above, Franz WICHTER, who is shortly to take his fitness examination for Regierungsrat, will probably be in charge. If the possible changes cited in 4 above do occur, this branch will likely retain control only of a central operational registry to keep track of paper routing and to maintain the operational card files (phone numbers, license numbers, bank accounts, addresses, physical descriptions and the like). In this latter respect, help may be needed by Hans-Joachim HERRMANN.
- Abteilung III (National Referat) (National Links) - Chief: Dr. Gertmann NOLLAU, present deputy chief of Abt. III (Evaluation). This Department will concern itself with the clandestine collection and evaluation of information on the KPD and Communist front organizations, the SED and the Soviet Zone government. Detailed personnel information on this department is not yet available. See chart B.
- (1) Collection (Beschaffung) - Chief: Gerhard JUNGJOHANN. Subordinate to this branch will be the three BfV covert operations offices of Einheit

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(Bundesnachrichtenstellen) in Kassel, Hannover and Luebeck and the present office in West Berlin, known as the Bundesunternehmen or BÜ.

- (2) Central Branch (Zentral Referat) - Chief: Dr. Werner BAUER, who has similar duties now under Abt. III. In addition to running the Department Registry and special card files, this Branch will also administer the three BfV interrogation teams (Vorpruefungsgruppen) at the transient camps in West Berlin, GiesSEN, and Uelsen.
- (3) Evaluation (Auswertung) - Chief: FR Heinrich ENGELHARDT, who heads the present KPD evaluation section of Abt. III.
  - (a) KPD/SED Group. These two parties are treated as one because the PC control of the KPD makes it unrealistic to regard them as separate entities. Subordinate to this group will be two Referate dealing with over-all Communist policy (Referat Politik) and with Communist activity in industry (Referat Betriebsgruppen).
  - (b) Front Organizations Group (Tarnorganisationsgruppe).
  - (c) Soviet Zone Group (Sowjet Zone) - This group will concern itself with governmental and political developments in the Soviet Zone.
4. Abteilung IV - Radical Right Wing (Extrem Rechts) - Chief: Reg. Dir. Rudolf MERZ, present chief of Abt. III, and SPD observer within the BfV. This appointment represents a slight demotion for MERZ in that it gives him one more peer - his present deputy NOLLAU - and removes from his supervision the highly important Left Wing evaluation responsibility. He is clearly not pleased by the reorganization. His comments will be reported elsewhere. Not a great deal is presently known about the manning of this section except it can largely be assumed that those members of Abt. II and III who are now engaged in right wing collection and evaluation will continue in their functions under the new department.
  - (1) Collection (Beschaffung) - Chief: FR Dr. Sigismund Hans von BERGE und HENNINGSDORF.
  - (2) Evaluation (Auswertung) - Chief: Dr. Hans Carl Hermann NITZACK, as yet still an employee.
5. Abteilung V - Security (Geheimschutz) - No organizational changes are forecast for this department which was treated in some detail in EDNA-3377 of 1 June.

Chart A

CE Dept.  
Chief  
(OBERGEM)

Collection - (WOLTERS)

Evaluation - (BESSEL-LONCK)

Central Branch

Genl. Complaint

Registry & Cards

Genl. Complaint

W/T Cases  
(VATSCHEVNIK)

Surveillance  
(LOSCHNER)

MFS  
(HOFFMANN)

Sabotage  
(PIETSCH)

Technical

Satellites

Legal Residences  
(MAYNE)

KUENAST

RIS  
(KOCH)

Special Cases

Valke

Legal  
(KOCH)

Illegal  
(ROSEMAN)

Comparative  
Analysis

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Chart B

