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DISPATCH NO. NEAA-114

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DATE: 9 July 1953

TO: Chief, NEA

FROM: Chief, KUZARK, [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: GENERAL Operational [REDACTED]

SPECIFIC: FAIRFIELD, (tau)

1. [REDACTED] got the following information from [REDACTED] at their most recent meeting in Cairo. Evaluations: G-3.

2. In the late spring of 1953 subject, born in Prague, Czechoslovakia, of German origin, arrived in Egypt on business for the German "Schrottstelle" (the concern responsible for selling the inventories and machinery of liquidated German war plants). Subject had been the director of "Crinpol" a Czech trading company representing "Skoda" before World War II. During the war he was director of "Dova," a Slovakian State trading company under the German Protektorate and also spent some time in Rumania on business for the Reich. He returned to Prague in 1945 and after the inception of the Czech communist regime escaped into West Germany. At this time he renewed his wartime acquaintance with Dr. Wilhelm VOSS.

3. On his arrival in Egypt he contacted VOSS and the latter was able to help him establish trade representations for "Schrottstelle." He then went to Beirut to arrange the organization of a company to build a munitions factory in the Lebanon for the manufacture of sub-machine guns, mines and aerial bombs. Initially, the factory would employ about 300 persons with definite plans for future expansion. The capital would be provided by rich Lebanese merchants interested in providing arms for the entire Middle East. Subject would provide the machinery from "Schrottstelle."

4. Subject did not inform VOSS about the Lebanese project as the latter has for some time been interested in a similar operation with himself as the director. This project, which was reported in [REDACTED] 671, has never gotten beyond the idea stage because of its size and the amount of money involved. [REDACTED] feels, however, that the plan of subject is more modest and therefore more likely to be acceptable to Lebanese money sources.

5. The above is being forwarded for the information of the Beirut Station as well as that of Headquarters. Sooley would be interested in knowing whether subject was successful or not.

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