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SUBJECT: UJDREADFUL

1. Earlier this summer we received a routine name trace request from OSI, Munich, on UJDREADFUL, giving his exact true name and address, as well as an estimated age which tallied well.
2. We replied to OSI that Subject is of interest to us in both an operational and security context, and asked them to tell us the nature of their interest. They were not able to give a reply for some time except an interim reply that the Munich A-2 positive outfit had asked, as they had the name as an agent prospect for legal traveller ops.
3. On this date I saw a letter dated 24 August 1955 and signed by the A-2 positive ops case officer who had queried OSI originally; his name is Eugene KLEIN.
4. KLEIN got the tip from fnu FISCHER, a German employee of the 7051 AISS, interrogation outfit in Munich (CO is Col. TERRELL). FISCHER stated that his brother-in-law, name not given, was a business acquaintance of UJDREADFUL, and that UJDREADFUL travels to Poland, Hungary, CSR, Bulgaria, and other satellites as representative of Zellstoffwerke in Kehlheim. FISCHER said his brother-in-law could arrange an introduction to UJDREADFUL, who seemed to be a promising legal traveller lead. After receiving our trace reply, KLEIN allegedly dropped all further interest.
5. The firm in question seems to be Zellstofffabrik Waldhof, which has a factory in Kehlheim, telephone 841. The main offices of the firm are in Wiesbaden, and it has been mentioned previously in East-West trade matters and is carded in our files. I am compiling traces.
6. OSI is willing to arrange for us to interview FISCHER. However, assuming FISCHER might report his interview, conceivably even as far as UJDREADFUL, we would have to be careful who saw FISCHER. After all, this may be a provocation on the part of a hostile service through UJDREADFUL. Another alternative is that ZIPPER is using UJDREADFUL in legal traveller operations.
7. We cannot get to A-2 positive ops through OSI as they do not appear to be on the best of terms, and their liaison is conducted solely through the new A-2 CO who visits OSI offices.
8. I therefore suggest, and 829 agrees, that we arrange to meet A-2 CO directly and explain the case to him and get him to have KLEIN follow up through FISCHER as though the lead were being taken up operationally, at least to the point where we determine to our satisfaction that UJDREADFUL has actually been behind the Iron Curtain.

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