

FROM: IRP/ SALZBURG, Austria DRP 2.860 DATE OF REPORT 12 June 1956 1w

SUBJECT IDENTIFYING DATA

CLASS IRP CONTROL NO. FAMILY GROUP NO'S  
Expellee Salzburg-11,220 Not Applicable

NAME (SURNAME) (FIRST NAME) (MIDDLE NAME) (NEE) SEX  
MIDLER Michael Male

ALIASES Not Applicable PRESENT NATIONALITY Ethnic German from Romania

DATE OF BIRTH (DAY) (MONTH) (YEAR) PLACE OF BIRTH (CITY) (COUNTRY)  
26 Apr 1922 Girk Romania

ACCOMPANYING MINORS (NO SEPARATE REPORT PREPARED)

NAME	SEX	DATE OF BIRTH	PLACE OF BIRTH	IRP CONTROL NUMBER
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A. RECORDS CHECKS	RESULT	DATE	RESULT	DATE
U.S. RECORDS CHECK	NR	17 May 56	NR	8 Mar 1956
U.S. RESIDENCE - INS			NR	21 Mar 1956
U.S. RESIDENCE - "B"			R	21 Mar 1956
OTHER CONSULAR DISTRICT RECORDS				
66th CIC CRF	NR	18 Apr 56		
AUSTRIAN POLICE	NR	23 Mar 56		
BDC	NR	20 Mar 56		
US SPONSOR CHECK	NR	17 May 56		

CID, US Army, Linz  
Gendarmerie, Schardenberg  
Community Office, Schardenberg

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SOURCE METHODSEXEMPTION 3B2B  
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DATE 2007

LEGEND: R. RECORD. NR. NO RECORD

B. SPLIT INVESTIGATIONS: FOR COORDINATION WITH State  
NONE

C. REMARKS: ...  
ATTENTION IS INVITED TO PARAGRAPH (S) 1 j.  
"MILITARY" THE INVESTIGATION IN THIS RECOGNITION CASE HAS BEEN CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY ESTABLISHED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND THE BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION AND NATIONALITY SERVICE.

D. JOHN W. BROWNLEE, Case Review Officer  
Frank Klein, Investigator  
Investigator  
David J. Bergeron  
DAVID Reviewed/PROCESSED

E. DISTRIBUTION IRP/W. ORIGINAL & 4 VISA OFFICER, 1 CONTROL OFFICER, 3 CLASSIFICATION

DB 1537

NAME	IRP CONTROL NO.
SCHOLLER, Michael	Salzburg-14.220

SPONSOR(S) (NAME AND ADDRESS)

DETAILS:

On 21 Mar 1956, the files of the Community Office, Schardenberg, were examined and revealed substantially the following information:

Name: SCHOLLER, Michael  
 Date of Birth: 26 Apr 1922  
 Place of Birth: Birk, Nord Siebenbergen, Rumania  
 Nationality: Ethnic German from Rumania  
 Citizenship: Undetermined  
 Occupation: Unskilled laborer  
 Marital Status: Single  
 Religion: Protestant  
 Parents: Michael and Marie Scholler nee Schatz  
 Residences: unknown date - 6 Aug 1955 Russia  
 6 Aug 1955 - date Camp Schardenberg  
 Remarks: No derogatory information recorded.

1. On 24 May 1956, SUBJECT was interviewed and stated substantially as follows:

a. SUBJECT, who denied having ever used an alias or any name other than that listed above, was born on 26 Apr 1922 in Birk, Nordsiebenbergen, Rumania. SUBJECT exhibited for examination Birth Certificate No. ZL 207/1956, issued at Schaerding am Inn, Upper Austria on 22 Mar 1956. SUBJECT also produced his prisoner of war release certificate, issued by the Ministry in Vienna, Austria on 6 Aug 1955, and his income tax card 1954/55 No. 538, issued on 1 Sep 1955. SUBJECT is an Ethnic German from Rumania and claims having had no other citizenship.

b. SUBJECT'S residences are as follows:

1. From birth to 15 Apr 1942, Birk 338, Siebenbuergen, Rumania
2. 15 Apr 1942 to 13 Feb 1945, Military Service in Russia, Rumania, Hungary
3. Feb 1945 to 6 Aug 1955, Prisoner of War in Russia
4. Entered Vienna, Austria on 6 Aug 1955
5. 6 Aug 1955 to date, Camp Schardenberg, Room 49

c. The following are the only references SUBJECT was able to submit:

1. Andreas Gellner, Camp Schardenberg, known since 1925
2. Johann Dietrich, Camp Schardenberg, known since 1925
3. Georg Binder, Hinding 27, Freinberg, District Schaerding, Upper Austria, known since 1925
4. Georg Menjes, Camp 117, Asten, Upper Austria, known since 1925
5. Johann Lindert, Camp 117, Asten, known since 1925
6. Susanne Menjes, Camp Schardenberg, known since 1925
7. Johann Ziemer, Camp Schardenberg, known since 1925
8. Michael Schertzer, Camp Schardenberg, known since 1925
9. Johann Letter, Camp 117, Asten, known since 1925
10. Maria Lindert, Pram 3, Taufkirchen, District Schaerding, known since 1925
11. Matthias Schermer, Pram 3, Taufkirchen, known since 1925
12. Michael Dietrich, Camp 67, Wegscheid, Linz known since 1925
13. Josef Entzmann, Kriegstrasse 252, Karlsruhe, West-Germany, known since 1951
14. Vincent Sonntag, Schellmanwaldplatz 2, Jockrin, Rheinpfalz, West-Germany, known since 1951

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15. Franz Hirschvogel, Passau, West-Germany, known since 1951
16. Dr. Josef Loecker, Walzenkirchen 19, Upper Austria, known since 1954
17. Michael Buchinger, Freistadt, Upper Austria, known since Feb 1954

d. SUBJECT is presently single.

e. SUBJECT lists his relatives as follows:

Father: Michael Scholler, born 1899 in Birk, Rumania, residing in Camp Schardenberg  
Mother: Maria Scholler nee Schatz, born 1894 in Birk, residing in Camp Schardenberg  
Brother: Johann Scholler, born 1927 in Birk, Rumania, residing at 113 Homshire Ave. Erlton, New Jersey.

SUBJECT has no relatives residing in Iron Curtain countries.

f. SCHOLLER has never been in trouble with any law enforcement agencies.

g. SUBJECT is anti-Communist in his political beliefs, favoring the democratic form of government. SCHOLLER is not, and has not been, affiliated with any political organization. Since 3 Apr 1956, he has been a member of the Austrian Trade Union.

h. In 1950, SUBJECT suffered from pleurisy in Enjepr-Petrowsk, Russia as the result of exhaustion. SUBJECT presently enjoys excellent health and is not suffering from any contagious disease. Neither SUBJECT nor any member of his family has ever suffered from any mental disorder. SUBJECT denied ever having used narcotics.

i. From 1928 to 1936 SUBJECT was a student in Birk and completed eight years of formal education. SUBJECT is literate in the German, Rumanian and Hungarian languages and speaks some Russian.

j. From 15 Apr 1942 to 13 Feb 1945, SUBJECT served as a Sergeant with the 6th SS Cavalry Division of the Waffen SS in Smolensk, Charkow and Birowograd, Russia. On 13 Feb 1945, he was captured by the Russian Forces in Budapest, Hungary. From Feb 1945 to Oct 1948, he was in the prisoner of war camp in Astrachaw, Russia. On 13 Jul 1948 SUBJECT was sentenced by the MVD (Soviet Security Police) to serve twenty-five years at hard labor in Russia because he served in the German Army as an SS Sergeant. This was a general sentence for all members of the SS. From Oct 1948 to Jul 1950, he was interned in Camp Vorkuta, Russia, where he worked in a cement factory; from Jul 1950 to Jan 1951, he was interned in Camp Enjepr-Petrowsk where he worked on the construction of an automobile factory; from Jan 1951 to Feb 1954, he was interned in Stalingrad, Russia, where he worked building apartment houses; from Feb 1954 to May 1955, he was interned in Camp Rowda near Sverdlovsk, Ural, Russia; from May 1955 to 3 Aug 1955, he was imprisoned in the Butirshaja in Moscow, Russia, and from 3 Aug 1955 to 6 Aug 1955, he travelled from Moscow via Hungary to Vienna, Austria, where he was released.

k. SUBJECT stated his employments as follows:

1. 1936 - Apr 1942, farmhand on his parents farm, Birk 338, Rumania
2. 15 Apr 1942 - 13 Feb 1945, military service
3. 13 Feb 1945 - 6 Aug 1955, prisoner of war in Russia
4. 6 Aug 1955 - 17 Sep 1955, unemployed

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5. 19 Sep 1955 - 18 Nov 1955, employed as an unskilled laborer, Construction Company Steinbichler, District Schaearding

6. 18 Nov 1955 - 3 Apr 1956, unemployed, received charity amounting to 130 ANS (Austrian National Schillings) (Current rate 26 ANS equal 1 US Dollar) monthly.

7. 3 Apr 1956 - date, employed as an unskilled laborer, Construction Company Steinbichler, Schaearding

1. On 6 Aug 1955, SUBJECT arrived in Vienna, Austria with a prisoner of war transport from Moscow, Russia and moved from there to his parents' residence in Schardenberg, Upper Austria.

m. SUBJECT was open minded and made a very good impression on the interviewer.

2. Between 21 Mar 1956 and 21 May 1956 the following persons were interviewed:

Andreas Gellner (listed reference), born 17 Feb 1911 in Birk, Rumania, residing in Camp Schardenberg; who first met SUBJECT in Birk in 1925 and who had frequent contact with him in Birk until 1942. No contact from 1942 to 6 Aug 1955, and frequent contact since 6 Aug 1955.

Johann Dietrich (listed reference), born 4 Jul 1904 in Birk, Rumania, residing in Camp Schardenberg, who has known SUBJECT since birth and who had frequent contact with him in Birk until 1942. No contact from 1942 to 6 Aug 1955, and frequent contact since 6 Aug 1955.

Georg Binder (listed reference), born 21 Jul 1922 in Birk, Rumania; residing at Hinding 27, Freinberg, District Schaearding, acquainted with SUBJECT since 1925 in Birk, who had frequent contact with him from that date to 1942; no contact from 1952 to Aug 1955, and frequent contact since.

Susanne Kienjes (listed reference), born 14 Oct 1923 in Birk, Rumania, residing in Camp Schardenberg, acquainted with SUBJECT since 1925 in Birk, who had frequent contact with him from 1925 to 1942; no contact from 1942 to Aug 1955, and since that date, she has had frequent contact with SUBJECT in Camp Schardenberg.

Johann Wimmer (listed reference), born 30 Oct 1911 in Birk, Rumania, residing in Camp Schardenberg, who first met SUBJECT in Birk in 1925 and who had frequent contact with him from 1925 to 1942 in Birk; no contact from 1942 to 6 Aug 1955; and frequent contact since Aug 1955.

Michael Schortzer (listed reference), born 4 Feb 1889 in Birk, Rumania; residing in Camp Schardenberg, who has known SUBJECT since 1925 in Birk, and who had frequent contact with him from that date to 1942, no contact from 1942 to Aug 1955, and frequent contact since Aug 1955.

Maria Lindert (listed reference), born 18 Jul 1910 in Birk, Rumania, residing at Taufkirchen 3, District Schaearding; who has known SUBJECT since 1925 and had frequent contact with him in Birk from 1925 to 1942; no contact from 1942 to Aug 1955, and frequent contact since that date.

Matthias Schermer (listed reference), born 26 Oct 1880 in Donnersauk, District Blasendorf, Rumania, who has known SUBJECT since 1925 in Birk, and who had frequent contact with him from that date to 1942, no contact from 1942 to Aug 1955, and frequent contact since that date in Camp Schardenberg.

Michael Ruchinger (listed reference), born 14 Jan 1909 in Hirschbach, District Freistadt, Upper Austria, residing in Hirschbach, who first met SUBJECT at the end of 1944 in Prisoner of War Camp No. 5110/24 in Nevada near Sverdlovsk, Russia and who was acquainted with SUBJECT until the end of Apr of 1955 in Russia; from Apr 1955 to Feb 1956 no contact with SUBJECT; in Feb 1956 Source met SUBJECT in Linz; since that time they correspond with each other.

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(Dr.) Josef ~~X~~ockher (listed reference), born 15 Jan 1915 in Sankt Georgen im Attergau, Upper Austria; residing at Rotenmehlgrasse 64/14/5, Vienna XII; who first met SUBJECT in the prisoner of war camp in Nowda, Russia in Feb 1954, and who had frequent contact with SUBJECT from Feb 1954 to Jun 1955.

Sources stated in effect that SUBJECT is approximately 34 years old, born in Birk, Siebenbuergeren, Rumania. SUBJECT is single. His parents, Michael and Maria Scholler nee Schatz reside with him in Camp Schardenberg and SUBJECT intends to immigrate with his parents to the United States. Sources stated that SUBJECT'S brother, Johann Scholler resides in Erlton, New Jersey. SCHOLLER attended elementary school in Birk, Rumania from 1928 to 1936 and is literate in the German, Rumanian and Hungarian languages and has some knowledge of Russian. SCHOLLER is a farmer by profession. SUBJECT worked for his parents until 1942 on their farm in Birk, Rumania and from Sep to Dec 1955, he worked as an unskilled laborer with the Steinbichler Construction Firm in Schaerding. SUBJECT received charity amounting to 130 KES monthly. From 1942 to the spring of 1945, SUBJECT served as a Sergeant in the Waffen SS in Russia. From the spring of 1945 to Aug 1955, SUBJECT was interned in Russia. Source Fuchinger stated that SUBJECT was sentenced by a Russian Military Court to serve 25 years at hard labor in Russia because of serving in the German SS. From 1945 to 13 May 1955 SUBJECT was interned in various labor camps in Russia; from 16 May 1955 to 3 Aug 1955, he was in a jail in Moscow. On 6 Aug 1955, SUBJECT came to Austria with a prisoner of war transport. SUBJECT moved to Schardenberg in Aug 1955. SUBJECT will not return to Rumania. He wants to start a new life in the Western World. SCHOLLER is not, and has not been, affiliated with any political party. He is known to be anti-Communist and pro-Western in his political beliefs. SUBJECT has never been arrested or involved in any trouble with the police of any nation. SUBJECT exhibited no abnormal character traits and is honest, trustworthy and reliable. He enjoys an excellent reputation in the community.

3. On the dates indicated, the following persons were interviewed concerning SUBJECT:

23 Mar 1956, Michael Scholler (developed reference), born 6 Nov 1890 in Rumania, residing in Camp Schardenberg; SUBJECT'S father.

23 Mar 1956, Maria Scholler nee Schatz (developed reference), born 27 Nov 1894 in Rumania, residing in Camp Schardenberg; SUBJECT'S mother.

21 Mar 1956, Anton ~~X~~ Jakob (developed reference), born 1899 in Rumania, residing in Camp Schardenberg; SUBJECT'S neighbor; acquainted with SUBJECT since Aug 1955.

23 Mar 1956, Georg ~~X~~ Fritz (developed reference), born 1889 in Yugoslavia; residing in Camp Schardenberg; SUBJECT'S neighbor; acquainted with SUBJECT since Aug 1955.

23 Mar 1956, Agathe ~~X~~ Kaufmann (developed reference), born in 1921 in Yugoslavia; residing in Camp Schardenberg; SUBJECT'S neighbor; acquainted with SUBJECT since Aug 1955.

25 Mar 1956, Rosa ~~X~~ Poelker (developed reference), born 1899 in Rumania, residing in Camp Schardenberg; SUBJECT'S neighbor; acquainted with SUBJECT since Aug 1955.

23 Mar 1956, Therese ~~X~~ Schoenboeck (developed reference), born 1921 in Rumania; residing in Camp Schardenberg; SUBJECT'S neighbor; acquainted with SUBJECT since Aug 1955.

25 Mar 1956, Jakob ~~X~~ Gallanz (developed reference), born 1898, Rumania, residing in Camp Schardenberg; SUBJECT'S neighbor; acquainted with SUBJECT since Aug 1955.

26 Mar 1956, Wonibald ~~X~~ Takas (employment reference), architect, Steinbichler Construction Company, Kaiserstrasse 10, Schaerding am Inn, Austria; SUBJECT'S supervisor; acquainted with SUBJECT from 19 Sep 1955 to 18 Nov 1955.

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SCHOLLER, Michael

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DETAILS:

26 Mar 1956, Helmut Prinstinger (employment reference), employee, Steinbichler Construction Company, Kasernenstrasse 10, Schaearding am Inn, Austria; SUBJECT'S supervisor; acquainted with SUBJECT from 19 Sep 1955 to 18 Nov 1955.

Sources described SUBJECT as being an honest, hardworking individual, and a diligent person of high moral character. No derogatory information was revealed concerning SUBJECT. Sources further confirmed substantially the information imparted above.

4. Austrian Police files available to the Linz and Vienna Offices revealed no derogatory information concerning any of the above Sources.

On 17 Apr 1956, Source Michael Buchinger listed the following persons who have known SUBJECT from Rumania and during his internment; Vinzenz Sonntag, born in Rumania, residing at Schelmenwaldplatz 2 in Jog-<sup>U</sup>rin, Rheinpfalz, Germany; Josef X~~Kn~~zaann, born in Rumania, residing at Griegstrasse 232, Karlsruhe, Germany, and Harald X~~L~~ewerger, residing at Eisenbahnstrasse 39, Freiburg, Breisgau, Germany.

AGENT'S NOTE: All attempts to locate and interview the following persons met with negative results; Georg X~~G~~enjes, Camp 117, Asten, Lys; Johann X~~L~~indert, Camp 117, Asten; Johann X~~L~~etter, Camp 117, Asten, and Michael X~~D~~ietrich, Camp 67, Linz.

On 14 May 1956 a report received from IRP/W and the following information was revealed:

JOHN X~~R~~ICCI, sponsor, and JOHN SCHOLLER, SUBJECT'S brother, interviewed and background information obtained. SUBJECT was allegedly born in Birk, Roumania, on April 26, 1922, and attended elementary school in that city until 1937. Reportedly worked as a bricklayer in Birk, Roumania, from 1937 to 1943. SUBJECT said to have entered Nazi army in 1943, was captured by the Russians in 1944, and was a prisoner of war until the fall of 1955. After his release by the Russians, SUBJECT reportedly went to camp in Schardenberg, Austria, and has been residing with parents during last nine months. If admitted to United States, SUBJECT will reside in Camden, N.J., and will work as a bricklayer for FRANK X~~S~~CHETTER of Camden, N.J. No adverse information received regarding physical or mental health. SUBJECT said to be single and has never married.

Names of references and sources appearing in this report were examined through files available to IRP Headquarters and no derogatory information was revealed.

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