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NEWS OF THE ROTE KAPELLE
AND
NO NEWS OF TWO MISSING CRYPTANALYSTS

1. Attached is an Armed Forces Security Agency translation of a recent report on the ROTE KAPELLE, supposedly from Swiss sources, submitted by Flicke.

2. Appended are negative results of his attempt to locate Dr. VAUCK and Werner SCHULZ.

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A. News of the ROTE KAPELLE

Source: Swiss National Information Center, Zurich - Lausanne.

Continuing the former resistance group which existed under the National-Socialist regime, Mrs. Greta KUCKHOFF today has the entire direction of and responsibility for continuing the activity of the Rote Drei. Main office disguised in the publishing house "Volk and Wissen", Berlin. Editor in chief - Mr. Tschesner, functionary of the SED.¹ Permanent Berlin representative - Miss Dr. Damerow, Section "OdF"² of the Rote Kapelle in Berlin - Wilhelmsplatz, VVN³ Berlin G 2, Neue Schönhauserstr. 3. Connections run from the Berlin Center to centers in Munich and Frankfurt, and from here on to Baden-Baden, then to Mülheim/Ruhr and Hamburg.

On express instructions from the Soviets Mrs. Kuckhoff is authorized, using the watchword "Kindling National Resistance in West and South Germany" to organize the intelligence section of the former "Rote Kapelle" strictly according to the model of the Hitler period. The hope is to recruit members from the ranks of the "cultural" and related societies, and replacements from the FDJ⁴, even in West Germany.

Sabotage cadre of the "Rote Kapelle" for seizing and destroying military objectives is in Leipzig, headquarters of the sabotage section. At the same time a Cultural Section in Berlin, aims to recruit dependable liaison people especially among officials and in government offices in West Germany (disguised communists) for subversive activity preparatory to X-action.

Principal agent in West Germany - Mrs. Gertrud Hühler, Frankfurt a/M; a leader in the Democratic Womens' League there. Connections with the Society

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- *1. SED = Sozialistische Einheitspartei Deutschland.
(Socialist Unity Party of Germany).
 2. OdF = Opfer des Faschismus (Victims of Fascism).
 3. VVN = Vereinigung Verfolgter des Naziregimes.
(Association of those persecuted by the Nazi regime).
 4. FDJ = Freie Deutsche Jugend. (Free German Youth).

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for German-Soviet Friendship. Latest mission specifically to win over left wing of the SPD⁵ and other members of the opposition at West German radio stations, in broadcasting offices and transmitting stations. Connection of Democratic Womens' League with Swiss Radical Socialists in Konstanz. By this route seeks to infiltrate Southwest German Broadcast in Baden-Baden. First cross-connection, via ADN⁶ representative ROTTENBERGER in Munich a flop. Close cooperation of remnants of Rote Kapelle with other ADN bureaus as so-called Soviet Information Bureaus in West Germany. In Frankfurt, Mülheim, Hamburg as well as in Munich. Supposed to be disguised as advisory bureaus in matters of taxation, commerce and law.

On a recent mission of Mrs. Kuckhoff in West Germany her chief collaborator was her long time representative in Munich, Ludwig Döderlein; purpose - to recruit go-betweens.

B. No news of two cryptanalysts believed to be employed by the Soviets.

No trace as yet of Dr. VAUCK, former chief cryptanalyst for the "Funkabwehr". Search continuing.

No Werner SCHULZ known at the University either in West Berlin or in East Berlin; also unknown at the Technical University. (Former analyst with OKH).

Cf: DF - 135 Part III, p.215.

*5. SPD = Sozialdemokratische Partei Deutschlands.
(Social Democratic Party of Germany).
6. ADN = Allgemeiner Deutscher Nachrichtendienst.
(General German News Service).

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