



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY OFFICE OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF OF STAFF, G-2, INTELLIGENCE WASHINGTON 25. D. C.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: DIRECTOR, ARMED FORCES SECURITY AGENCY

Attn: Rear Admiral Wenger

SUBJECT: Hans F. Richter

1. The following information regarding subject who has been conferring with members of your agency, has been obtained from Mr. John A. Boker, Jr., executive officer of H. Boker and Company, importers and exporters, of New York, who accompanied Mr. Richter in his original interview with representatives of this office:

Mr. Boker has known RICHTER since 1949 and was introduced to him by means of correspondence through business contacts in Germany. RICHTER is a German national who, prior to World War II, was in the export and import business in Australia. During World War II, RICHTER was assigned to the German Foreign Office. An individual who knows RICHTER very well and knows more about his background than Mr. Boker is a gentlepresently in the United States. Due to the necessities of business operations, Mr. Boker signed an affidavit for immigration for RICHTER. Mr. Boker, whose firm in addition to being in the cutlery line also does import and export work, has had business transactions of a nominal scale with RICHTER in that connection. At the present time RICHTER is in Washington, D. C. as a salesman for a patent, the owners of which are in Lichtenstein. In all, approximately 20 to 30 letters constitute the limit of correspondence between RICHTER and Mr. Boker. RICHTER is a married man and has two children. His family is, at the present time, in Munich, Germany. His wife is of old German aristocracy. At the end of World War II, RICHTER opened a dress goods business in Berlin, Germany, employing approximately 20 to 25 people and left this business to move to Munich. RICHTER is believed to have two brothers in Germany, all in the west zone, a small town - not remembered - in Westphalia. RICHTER is well known to various business firms in the United States. One of his friends is a gentleman by the name of Mr. Hilger, first name not remembered, in the U. S. State Department, Washington, D. C. RICHTER is a straightforward, honorable acting and appearing individual who conducts business in a direct and pleasant manner. In addition to his connection with a patent enterprise, RICHTER has his own small company in Germany. He was highly recommended to Mr. Boker through mutual business firms and as a possible business RICHTER does not have any Communist ties. Mr. Boker believes that RICHTER may be trusted in business transactions in accordance with the degree of trust required. Mr. Boker could offer no other information.

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2. No attempt has been made by this office to confirm any of the information contained in paragraph 1, and it is forwarded to you for any action you deem advisable.

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