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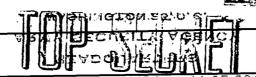
Chief, Army Security Agency, Europe

APO 757, o/o Postmaster

New York, New York Attention: ASA 90

- 1. With reference to letter of Army Security Agency, Burope, dated 8 March 1947, subject: TICOM Status, the following further information is supplied herewith:
- a. Paragraph 3 of your letter states "Ivery effort will be made to locate members of Hungarian and Finnish eryptologic bureaux". It is considered inadvisable to make any contact with or show any interest in members of the former Finnish organization in view of special circumstances concerning them. Colonel Schukraft from GIO, who will visit your Agency in the near future, will explain these circumstances to you verbally.
- b. Two rolls of 16 mm micro-film containing the index to the interrogation reports and copies of DF series Nos. 15, 17, 19-25, 31-34, 37, 40-47, 50-52, 55-57, 59-62, and 65 have been shipped to you. In most cases the missing numbers in the DF series have been issued by TICOM in London as D series publications. The micro-film index does not include the latest interrogations received.
- c. It is agreed that further interrogation of is not advisable, if any risk of compromise of our interest is involved. In regards to has there been any evidence of further travelling by him as indicated by Wendland (refer to I 202) who expected to revisit Berlin? It is suggested that Colonel Schukraft may be interested in your records on and other Brown List personalities, if discussion of this subject is feasible.
- 2. Copies of the interrogations of have been received from LSIC. Appearently usic does not

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intend to issue this report in the I series. We are proposing to LSIC, therefore, that they assign you I series numbers from 1000 on, and that you issue any future interrogation with your I number assigned. You would then send copies direct to LSIC and to ASA. The number of copies required by LSIC is not known at present, but it is desired that three sopies be supplied ASA. One copy is needed for file, one for internal circulation here, and we are committed to furnish the Havy with one copy. In the event that future interrogations similar to the ones of ________ are undertaken, it is desired that ASA be informed that such interrogation is underway in order that ASA may have the opportunity to pose specific questions, if necessary. This would not interfere with your earrying out such preliminary investigation as seems proper to your interrogator.

3. The word "Rochrensutel" occurs in a captured document available here:

"Paragraph 4) Eineats von Rochrensuteln.

"Den Korps Hachr. Abteilungen wurden am 22.2.42 je 10 Rochrensutel sum Binsatz in der abhoergefachrdeten Zone bei den Korps unterstellten Divisionen sugeviesen.

"Bis sum 1.6.42 ist von den ausgestatteten Divisionen dem A.O.K. 4/A.N.F. ein kurser Bericht weber Einsatz und die dabei gemachten Erfahrungen in 3-facher Abfertigung vorzulegen."

Any information on the meaning of the term (or of the second component "Sutel") and/or the nature of the device is desired as are copies of any of the reports mentioned as due by 1.6.42 or information as to where such reports may be found. Records show that A.O.K. 4 was in Armee Gruppe Nitte (Eastern Front) and comprised in February 1942 the following units:

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52, 260, 263, 237 Not.
216, 331, ID, 19 Panser, 10 ID Mot.
31, 34, 331 ID (3, 19 Panser, 211,
403 Sich /Security/)
19 Panser, 10, 52, 331 ID Mot)
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during February?)









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The reports sought might be found among records of any of the above units and ASA's interest in the "Rochrensutel" kept in mind in the event that TICON should discover a prisoner with possible knowledge of the subject.

- 4. As an item of interest to TICOM, the British report of a circuit between the area of Hamburg and the area of Cologne using typical Abvehr procedure may be cited. A5-94 has questioned TICOM on any information available on the Abvehr, and it is possible that similar questions will be addressed to you. A brief review of the relations between the Abvehr and Himmler's RSHA is given in Volume VII of "European Axis Bignal Intelligence in World War II", and a pertinent bibliography cited. It is thought that such references plus additional information may be available through counter intelligence, if details are needed by you.
- 5. Copies of the Brown List available here do not include the name of Selchow of Pers ZS. It is desired to learn if any trace of him has been found since V-E Day, in which case interrogation may preve advisable. Determination of his full name is desirable (there has been some speculation that Selchow may have been a cover name).

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- 6. All possible details regarding a calculating machine invented by Dipl.Ing. Konrad Zuse, in particular the large algebraic calculator, are desired at ASA. Zuse is supposed to have his plant at Hinterstein 19, Allgaeu, Bayern. Information available here comes from interrogation of a partner of Zuse in developing the calculator, Dipl.Ind.

 Reference: Ref. No. AIV/IS/35; Air Division, Headquarters United States Forces in Austria; Air Interrogation Unit (Int. Center-Austria); APO 777 US Army-AESTRICTED.

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