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SPECIAL [ ] Near Eastern Connections

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ACTION REQUIRED: See paragraph 6

1. [ ] recently provoked [ ] into some generalizations [ ] Near Eastern connections. Some of this information has been reported [ ] previously. It is repeated here for the sake of the confirmation.

2. [ ] states that no former SSHA people are being used by [ ] in near operations in the Near East. He says he knows every source they have and none of them are war criminals or former SS men. In fact, he stated no former Abwehr or SD types are included. He claims all of their sources are clean and not tainted in any way by former Abwehr or SS work.

3. In fact, one of the greatest headaches for UTILITY today is the repeated appearance of alleged [ ] agents all over the world. Many are falsely giving out the word that all are [ ] agents, when in fact they may be East German or Soviet agents.

It seems to me that any person of SSNA or Abwehr background in the Middle East seems to be a target of mutual interest with the aim of clarifying their true ties.

4. The hardest one for me to crack at the present time is the competing activity of Paul EBERHARD, born 21 July 1917, Limbeck, Lüneburg, on the CSU, the Foreign Office and the Chancellery's office, has created a net based on Lebanon and extending into the Middle East. The people involved are of dubious leanings (many have SD and Abwehr backgrounds as well) and yet the information is used, unfortunately, by the Foreign Office to check [ ] reports. Other individuals discussed with [ ] are:

5. Eberhard MORN (born 20 October 1917, Forest, Belgium, [ ] spent World War II in Turkey under commercial cover. After the war, he lived in International trade between Germany, Austria, Switzerland and Italy. He lives there in Kiewizien but is now supposed to have a permanent residence in Hamburg.

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b. Franz BADENACKER (alias BECHLING) (born 2 Feb 1900, Hanover, Germany) counselor of Legation retired, was sentenced by the Nuremberg Court to three to five months in jail for assistance in the mass murder of 1,000 Serbian Jews. While two appeals were pending, BADENACKER was freed on a writ of his defense counsel. He fled to Syria and now lives in Damascus, a self-employed export-import businessman.

c. Adolf KICDAN (201-04-1932) was born in Israel and became an SS-Obersturmbahnführer. He is reported to have lived in Argentina under the alias CLEMENS since 1952. One rumor has it that despite the fact that he was responsible for mass extermination of Jews, he now lives in Jerusalem.

d. Johannes von LEBER, born 25 January 1902, Viat-Lubbe bei Cadebusch/Mecklenburg, presently resides in Cairo, Hotel 105, Rue St. Jean. Von LEBER went to the Gymnasium and studied law in Kiel, Breslau and Berlin. He chose the career of diplomat and belonged to the German Foreign Office until 1928. Then he switched to journalism and devoted himself to intelligence propaganda. In 1928 he became a member of the NSDAP, and of the SS in 1933. In 1938 he became a member of the National Literary Chamber (BDK) and the National Press Chamber (NPK). He was appointed SS-Obersturmbahnführer in 1935 and in the meantime was chief editor of the NS-publication 'Will' and 'Macht'. He was also Professor of Oriental Studies at the University in Jena. After the war he succeeded in escaping both Russian and American imprisonment. He stayed in Germany until circa 1950 and then emigrated to Argentina with his family. He was employed there by the publishers of the magazine 'Der Weg', which appeared monthly in Buenos Aires, and in 1954 he published 'Bekämpferwerk', a work which concerned the illegal activities of the German resistance before and after the second World War. Since early 1956 von LEBER has resided in Egypt. His main activity is that of Professor of German at the Cairo University Faisal Al-Ameen. He also holds an important position with an Egyptian radio program, 'Bismi der Araber' and since 1950 has been engaged by the Egyptian Ministry of Information to translate and interpret Arabic language sources at a government language school. He is occasionally armed with propaganda tasks by the Ministry of Information.

Von LEBER's daughter, name unknown, desires to study in Germany. Her father has approached the German Embassy in Cairo to this effect, fearing that an entry permit would not be granted by them, and has been advised by the German Government that she may do so if she wishes. Von LEBER has become a Muslim and has taken the first name ANIMIF (phanisti).
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5. [ ] could like to have from us all we know about these
people i.e. [ ] with what he has. None of the above, nor their associates,
are working for [ ] In fact, RADEMACHER has publicly made statements that
he could never work with ILINT.

6. We assume Headquarters has a good deal of information not available
to us here. May we have full traces on these people, cleared for passage to
[ ]. There is no information in the Munich files which did not originate
- note that we asked for information on von LEERS in August 1977

Approved by: [ ]

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