MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Officials of the West German Government Examining Captured German Records on EICHMANN

1. On 21 July 1960, a team, consisting of three members of the West German Government, began examination of captured German World War II records held at the Federal Records Center in Alexandria, Virginia. Access to these records had previously been approved by the Department of State.

2. According to the chief searcher at the Federal Records Center, the following three members of the West German Ministry of Justice were engaged in the examination and were seeking to find information about Adolf EICHMANN, about his department in the RSHA, and about other persons who had committed war crimes, or had collaborated with his department:

   Dr. Erwin E. SCHUELE, the chief of the team.
   Kurt HINRICHS, assistant to Dr. SCHUELE.
   Mrs. Gertrud RUNGE, secretary.

3. According to the chief searcher, the team had found many documents which it considered important and which it requested be microfilmed by the Federal Records Center. The microfilms are to be forwarded to the West German Government. Having completed its examination of the documents at this repository on 9 September 1960, the team began examining the United States War Crimes Trials records which are in the custody of the National Archives, presumably the team will also request microfilms of documents of interest in this collection.

4. On one occasion during a visit to the Federal Records Center, the undersigned saw Dr. SCHUELE and Mrs. RUNGE very briefly as he passed by the area in which they were working. Based on this brief observation, the following description is recorded:

   a. Dr. SCHUELE appears to be approximately 55 years of age, 6', 195 lbs., thinning brown hair, receding forehead, wears brown horn-rimmed glasses.

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b. Mrs. HUNGE is approximately 42 years old, 5'7", 175 lbs., heavy set, round full face.