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DATE: 11. April 1958

TO : Chief, EE

INFO: MOB,

FROM : Chief of Station, Vienna ^{AK}

SUBJECT: GENERAL— OPERATIONAL/GROOVY/

SPECIFIC— Transfer of to Project

HEADQUARTERS ACTION REQUESTED: As indicated below.

1. It is requested that be transferred to Project for the remainder of this fiscal year. There are sufficient funds in Project to cover this addition. You will note from the attached contact reports that Agent is determined to sever his contact with KURAPK in the near future.

2. Even though Agent is a marginal asset he is the sole unofficial entry we have to Salzburg Police files. is presently handling . In the coming months he plans to do a detailed debriefing of this Agent for the purpose of spotting another recruitable Salzburg police source.

3. While we stand very little chance of convincing Agent to continue in our employ, we will try to convince him not to sever his connections with us entirely. Conceivably Agent may agree to a relationship entailing less frequent contact.

4. will continue to see in Salzburg every two weeks. MOB/GRARB is requested to transfer its file to Vienna. Requests for unofficial Salzburg police checks should be addressed to VOB.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: COFS, COS, [] DATE: 17 February 1958

FROM: [] NO: VIM/19479

SUBJECT: [] - Meeting on 15 February 1958

ACTION REQUIRED:

MEETING:

1. [] and the undersigned met agent at 2030 hours, 15 February, on a lonely, dark road in Salzburg. (The undersigned does not know the exact location of the meeting place. It is presumed that [] will fill in the details.) We then drove to another stretch of lonely, dark road by the river and parked for approximately thirty minutes. After agent became nervous because of some traffic in the area, we moved to another location and parked for another thirty minutes. Actual meeting time with agent was approximately one hour. It was required that we drop him off in town prior to 10 o'clock when he was due to go on duty again.

ADMINISTRATIVE:

2. [] paid agent AS 1400 salary for February. Agent was asked to sign the receipt at [] insistence. Agent had previously printed a name on the receipt.

OPERATIONAL:

3. The first half of the meeting was taken up with routine business and a discussion with [] and agent, the subject of which was two traces run by this agent. The first trace was on a woman resident of Salzburg, whose daughter was visiting her from Yugoslavia. Agent's ZMA trace did not reflect the fact that the woman had a daughter. The undersigned pointed out to [] that unless the daughter was living with Subject, she would not necessarily be Anmelded and there would be no record of the daughter in the ZMA. This was confirmed by agent, who said that even though Austrians are required to register after 24 hours, many do not, especially when they are staying with relatives. The other trace concerned a seamstress (fnu) WIELAND, which we had requested agent to do. WIELAND was a possible accommodation address lead [] had. Agent reported that WIELAND was not resident in Salzburg. [] pointed out to agent that WIELAND's name and address were in the 1957 Adressbuch for Salzburg and [] called her on the phone, using the wrong number plcy, and determined that the woman was actually resident there. To this, agent replied that he had not run the ZMA check himself. He said he had had a (fnu) FEICHTNER, a Salzburg Stapo man, do the trace for him. He said obviously FEICHTNER was in error and he would check into it.

4. [] also told agent that he was only paying him AS 1400 monthly because we had no proof that he was actually paying [] or [] any money. Agent did not seem disappointed and merely said

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he would pay them himself. Then [] got involved in a discussion of the agent's finances. Agent has recently purchased a new apartment for AS 25,000. [] asked him how he was financing this purchase. Agent said that he was borrowing AS 15,000 from the Police Credit Union, which loan he was required to repay at the rate of AS 100 monthly. Agent said that he had saved the other AS 10,000 required for the purchase of the apartment. At this point, the undersigned interjected and asked him how much money he was making monthly. Agent stated he earned AS 3,100 monthly; of this, his take-home pay was approximately AS 2,800. Out of this monthly salary he was required to pay approximately AS 200.00 for his quarters and AS 495.00 for the schooling of his child monthly. Thus, out of the remaining approximately AS 2,000, agent stated he was saving AS 1,000 a month. Agent was not exactly happy about our prying into his finances. He went off on a side issue of how much money he gives to charity. He claimed that he realized he was earning a salary from us and that even though it was for a good cause, he felt that his conscience troubled him because he was breaking police regulations; as a sop to his conscience, he contributed approximately AS 400.00 monthly to worthy charities in the Salzburg area. The undersigned asked him where he saved his money, in a bank or a hole in his backyard. Agent stated that he kept it in his home. At this point, [] asked him whether or not his wife knew of his activities for us. Agent stated rather emphatically that she did not and he said that he concealed his additional income completely from his wife. Neither [] nor the undersigned wished to question him further on this matter as he was obviously uncomfortable.

5. At the conclusion of this conversation, agent was rather nervous, due to passing traffic. We were parked near a Gasthaus on a lonely, dark road. So then we proceeded to another area where the undersigned asked agent what access he had to various check places. The upshot of this conversation was that the agent has direct, unrestricted access only to the Verkehrsamt, where he can call on the telephone, and the Strafregister, which he can consult personally. All other places such as ZNA, Rathaus, Political Register, etc., agent is required to go through either [] or []. He claims rather naively that for all other queries, he is required to have a case to which he can logically attribute this query. When asked why he simply could not include the query under one of twenty going cases, agent stated that he was afraid that his superiors would discover some irregularity and question him as to the reason for the inclusion of a strange name.

6. The undersigned asked agent how many police there were in Salzburg, to which agent answered he thought there were approximately 500 uniformed policemen and 100 policemen in Abteilung I and II combined. Somewhere the undersigned had an idea that there were approximately 700,000 people in Salzburg. Thus the undersigned asked the agent if that was not too few policemen for Salzburg and he said, no, that was quite enough.

7. The undersigned then asked him what the make up of Abteilung II was. Agent stated there were five groups in Abteilung II, very similar to the way the Vienna Police Abteilung II is set up. He was the chief

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of the 4th Group, which is concerned with robberies and breaking and entering. His grade is Rayon Inspektor. Thus, he has no real reason for doing any personal investigations himself. I would assume that is why he pays [] [], who is an employee in his section and probably has the logical case reasons for making the queries.

8. The undersigned asked the agent what the marker numbers of the police in Salzburg were. Agent stated that the police car license numbers started with 118. Gendarmeries cars started with 119 and taxis started with 25. The undersigned asked agent if the Verkehrsamt license numbers were set up by number or alphabetically. He stated that he thought they were set up by number and he did not know exactly whether they were set up by name.

9. The undersigned then asked agent to prepare a report on the Stapo in Salzburg. Agent said that he had daily contact with the Stapo there. Unknown to the undersigned, [] [] had already given him an outline for a report on the Stapo, which the undersigned looked at and then ceased further conversation on this point.

10. Agent was asked how he came to recruit [] [] and [] [] to do his work for him. Agent either misunderstood the question or refused to answer it. He stated that he merely asked them to do something for him and when they did it, he paid them a small sum of money. The undersigned asked agent what their reaction was to receiving money from him. Agent stated they said, thank you.

11. [] [] asked agent about procuring a Salzburg police telephone book. Agent was obviously unwilling to do this and stated that he had previously procured a telephone book for us and they had little changed in four years. In any follow-up discussion with this agent, we should require him to bring a telephone book to the meeting and have him annotate any corrections of which he is aware. It appears highly unlikely that the Salzburg telephone book has not been changed in four years. If the Vienna Police telephone book is any indication, it is published yearly, and even within the period of one year there are considerable changes.

SECURITY:

12. The undersigned does not think much of this car method of meeting this agent. [] [] is very worried about being seen in an American 7C plate car in Salzburg. [] [] and the undersigned originally planned to meet agent in the Stein Hotel in Salzburg, where [] [] earlier had rented a room. The plan was that [] [] would go and pick up agent, tell him to come to the Stein Hotel, and give him the room number where the undersigned and [] [] would be waiting for him. Agent refused to come to the hotel, as he said he was known to all the portiers in town. Thus, our meeting with agent was delayed by thirty minutes as [] [] then came back to the hotel, picked up the undersigned, and then we drove and picked up agent on a lonely, dark road. Agent is

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very frightened of being seen in this car. When another car approaches, he hides his face, he watches to see whether the car turns around or whether it slows down. He routed [] through some dismal back, bumpy roads in order to avoid the main thoroughfares. Parked on the side of the road as we were, we were forced to turn on the car lights to read any notes we had or to take any notes. Agent seemed to cringe every time we did this.

13. The next meeting is set up for approximately 25 March. This meeting will take place in the agent's mother's house in Hallein.

14. Agent is a lumbering, unimaginative, frightened man. Though briefly questioned, he definitely does not want to work for us any more. He again used the pitcher-to-the-wall analogy. It is difficult for the undersigned to say at this time what the real reason for his wanting to quit is.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

15. In view of agent's desire to quit, the undersigned recommends the following:

a. That either the undersigned or [] go with [] to the next meeting o/a 25 March and from that moment on, take over this agent from []

b. Whichever VOB member goes to Salzburg, we ought to milk him dry of any information we can. This milking dry process, I think, should be organized in the following manner. We should go with a list of questions concerning the Stapo and police in Salzburg, meet in agent's mother's house, where we can talk for longer periods of time and go down the list of questions. On those questions which the agent cannot answer, he should be requested to bring a detailed report to the next meeting. The undersigned recommends this method of doing it because agent is a difficult man to debrief on any one subject. Lacking any experience with this agent, I would guess that it is probably due to his pangs of conscience or to his simple, unimaginative nature. Trying to get any substantive information out of him is like hitting a sponge. The information comes out, but in a rather disorganized and piecemeal manner.

c. At the conclusion of the debriefing, we might decide to ask agent to introduce us to some personality in the Stapo or police in Salzburg. At any rate, we will have enough biographical data to possibly make an independent approach. I believe that any debriefing of this agent should occur only after we have examined all the agent's production.

d. I then believe agent should be terminated with an adequate bonus and told that he should not work for any other intelligence service with the implied threat that if he does, we will see that his superiors are informed.

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e. As an alternative and depending on what is determined in the coming meetings, the undersigned recommends that probably it would be a good idea to put agent on ice, telling him simply that we would like to have the alternative of contacting him occasionally for incidental help which he can give us. For this service, he will be paid a modest sum. I believe that if such a pitch is accompanied with a good termination bonus, agent will be considerably more receptive to such a future arrangement. I must re-emphasize, however, that this alternative pitch is based on a great many intangibilities. It is, of course, motivated by our obvious tactical necessity to have some agent of this type in Salzburg, no matter how inadequate he may be.

CONCLUSION:

16. The undersigned did not go into the Referent system with agent as time was very short and our constant moving from place to place made conversation rather difficult. Also, the undersigned felt that raising the Referent question would indicate to agent that we knew more about the workings of the police than we should.

17. Our first meeting, scheduled for 11 February in Berchtesgaden, did not come off because agent logically enough interpreted the meeting arrangements in the letter as being simple cover conversation for an actual meeting in Salzburg, where he has always been met. Agent stated that he would prefer not to have meetings in Germany because he would prefer not to go there, having no logical reason for covering such a trip. The undersigned suspects that the agent does not have a Reisepass which, of course, he does not need to travel to Germany, but in the absence of a Reisepass, he would probably be required to use his police identification, which he is naturally reticent to do at the border check points.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: COS, CORP, [] DATE: 31 March 1958

FROM: [] NO: VIM/19802

SUBJECT: 14 March Meeting with []

ACTION REQUIRED:

MEETING:

[] was met at 2000 hours at a vacant parking lot in Salzburg. This has been planned to hold a meeting in a small town outside of Salzburg. The heavy snows, however, made this impossible. Agent refused to meet in a cafe or Gasthaus, but made the suggestion that we go to the apartment of a friend of his. The apartment was located near the city hospital in Salzburg. The address of the apartment was not obtained, nor was the name of the occupant obtained. Agent erratically declined to provide us with a name of the owner, This information can be obtained in the future.

PRODUCTION:

[] turned over his reports on the makeup and duties of the Salzburg STAPO. This report answers the questions posed in the attached questioner.

[] stated that he had been requested to be on the lookout for leads into the Komando Sitzenheim. In response to this request he passed over the names of two persons who apparently have access to this Austrian army post: a) JANECEK, Gertrude; born Behmarn, on 24 December 1922 in Baden by Vienna. Subject is married and accepted a job in the Army post on 1 March 1958 as (teletype operator.) Her husband is Walter JANECEK, born on 7 November 1919 in Vienna. Subject is presently (chief bookkeeper in an industrial concern near Salzburg.) b) WISLAND, Marianna; born Simonda on 17 January 1927. Subject is married and moved to Salzburg on 14 July 1953 from Anthering.

It is of some interest to note that [] gave information on the Salzburg STAPO and persons with access to the Austrian army camp near Salzburg without verbal reservations. This is in contrast to [] who stated that he did not wish to give information which indicated that Austrian targets were worked on.

PERSONNEL:

Shortly after sitting down to the meeting with agent, agent spoke of the relief we would feel when our relationship ceased. He stated that he felt like a man with an intolerable weight on his shoulders because what he was doing for us was a crime against his country. I suggested that though it might technically be true, he was morally right in what he was doing inasmuch as his aims and aspirations of Austria are the aims and aspirations of the Western Democracies. Agent rather startled me with the response that he was not a Democrat. The Catholic church was the important political element to agent. If the Catholic church could work together with the totalitarian system, agent stated that he would support this totalitarian

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system. I then told agent that he was speaking in paradoxes. The Catholic church could only exist in our time under a Democratic form of government. The Catholic church is anathema to totalitarianism, which cannot allow divided loyalties. (My case study for Paul BIANCHARD agent would make.)

It can be seen from the foregoing what a narrow and unrealistic person agent is. He did, however, seem to be somewhat gratified to have been given a rationale for his work on our behalf.

Agent was truly frightened in being involved in the work which he is doing for us. Whether this fright is attributable to the tasks which agent has been required to perform; i. e., information on the Salzburg STAPO, it is difficult to say. In any event, as of now agent feels himself to be a traitor.

Agent's military career was also discussed. Agent stated that he was an anti W/T man in Holland. He stated that he had taken part in the capture of four underground W/T operators. He said that all those persons whom he witnessed being captured were rather nice fellows, but he justified his actions by thinking of the numbers of German Austrian soldiers these persons might have caused to die. I suggested to agent that in his own small way he might well have been lengthening the war. It soon became apparent that it was useless to converse with agent on such a sophisticated philosophical level.

OPERATIONAL:

Within the short time after the meeting began, it became apparent that [] was something less than the ideal agent. Without making a decision as to whether an attempt should be made to retain [] in agent status, he was questioned on personalities within the Salzburg STAPO who might come into consideration as his successor, if and when [] would be terminated. The most attractive agent prospects are those persons employed in the intelligence section of the STAPO. This section is headed by Rudolf RICHTER, who is about 42 years of age. [] does not think highly of RICHTER either professionally or as an individual. Agent stated that RICHTER never completely recovered from the blow he probably received when he was rejected by the SS on the grounds that his head measurements did not coincide with the ideal of the true Aryan type. Working under RICHTER in this section are FEICHTINGER (previously reported on) NIMMER, [] and Johann ANGERER, who is about 42 years of age. In agent's opinion ANGERER is the most capable person within the group.

In regard to FEICHTINGER, agent told us that there was no chance that FEICHTINGER would again accept work for an intelligence organization. He had previously cooperated with an intelligence organization, most probably UPSWING, and has often told [] that he has had more than enough. Agent stated that FEICHTINGER had often told him to break off his relationship with us in order that agent might sleep without nightmares. Agent's parting comment concerning FEICHTINGER was that, "if you think I am frightened of this business, you ought to get to know FEICHTINGER. He is twice as frightened". In any event, it would appear that FEICHTINGER is out as a [] replacement.

[] was questioned as to what requests of ours he could carry out

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personally, and which requests must be passed on to a third person. [] stated that the only thing he had done personally is to request information from the traffic department on the ownership of vehicles. He stated that he feels it unwise for him to personally do Haus Kastors, ZMA's and Straf Register checks because he does not ordinarily do this type of work. I told [] that he could easily change his habits to the extent that he could do some of these checks on his own. Agent had to admit that cover for our requests was no problem since the rule concerning police informants is the same in Salzburg as it is in Vien and Innsbruck; namely, that cops are not required to divulge the name of their informers. As of now, I believe that the chances are good that agent can be persuaded to carry out these assignments personally.

FUTURE PLANS:

It would appear that we are confronted with the following possibilities:

- a. To continue contact with [] till June, in the interim trying to determine which person it would be possible and advisable to recruit; probably with the assistance of []
- b. Convince [] that he should continue his cooperation with us. I feel at the present that this might well be possible to convince agent to continue on the basis that he would not be requested to provide information of a type which would again bring him into conflict with his conscience, such as the two examples referred to in the above. We could probably rely on agent for such things as Haus Kastors, ZMA's, and Straf Registers, and car license checks.
- c. Part company with agent without obtaining through him a secure introduction to the agent candidate of our choice and without contacting him at all in the future.

Future meetings will be helpful in suggesting which course of action should be taken. As of now, COS and COPS should make a policy judgement as to the importance of VOR having a controlled police source in Salzburg.

NEXT MEETING:

It was arranged to meet agent on 11 April at 1830 hours in hotel WINKLER in Salzburg. I told agent that I would be registered as John KAPLAN at the hotel. As a cover story, I told agent to say, were he questioned, that he had received a phone call from an American by the name of KAPLAN who complained that his car had been broken into. It would appear that meeting places with agent will no longer be a difficulty.

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