

TO : Chief, EE

10 February 1958

FROM : Chief of Base, Frankfurt

INFO: COS

SUBJECT: General -- Operational/CALL

MOB

Specific -- Name Trace Request on Erwin BRANDT

BOB

ULS

CLS

Reference: MIBA-9277, 19 June 1951 (Biographic Information)

1. All addressees are requested to expedite trace and respond by cable on:

Erwin BRANDT

DOB: 4 March 1899

POB: Goehren/Mecklenburg

ADD: Duesseldorf, Schwerinstrasse 21. TEL: 448012

2. He was criminal advisor to RSHA IV A 1 (Headquarters of the Reichs Security Service) from 1932-1941, when he entered the Army. Two years ago he was arrested by the Court in Deggendorf, Bavaria, while there as a witness in the trial of a colleague. He was imprisoned (Untersuchungsgefängnis) in Frankfurt, tried last year in Duesseldorf and sentenced for two years. He has appealed the case to the Bundesgerichtshof in Karlsruhe, and is free pending the Karlsruhe Court ruling. BRANDT was under charge of beating up and causing the death of Communists while they (some of Rote Kapelle) were under investigation. His defense was that the beatings were ordered by higher authority and were intended to help get confessions out of the Communist members of the Rote Kapelle.

3. BRANDT has worked for Frederick FLICK for the last five years as office manager of the Flick office in Duesseldorf. He was approached by the BIS, in the past, but responded negatively. He was asked last year by colleagues in Berlin to get back into security work in order to combat Communism, but he said no.

4. There are the following documents available in COS/FOB on BRANDT:

MGEA-579, 29 October 1951 (to effect that it had been decided not to contact BRANDT)

MIBA-10371, 18 October 1951

MGKW-10561, 13 September 1951 ✓

MGKW-10249, 22 August 1951 ✓

MGKA-31824, 15 August 1951 *not rec'd Hgtr*

MGEA-484, 6 August 1951 ✓ SR/CE

BRLNF-4575, 14 August 1951

MGSA-4511, 26 July 1951 ✓ SR/CE

DECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
SOURCE METHOD EXEMPTION 3B2B
NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT COPY
DATE 2008

SECRET

BEST AVAILABLE COPY

MGPA 9278, 19 June 1951 ✓ SR/CE ✓
 MGBA-9533, 18 July 1951
 WBLA-6257, 11 July 1951 ✓ SR/CE ✓
 MGKA-30547, 3 July 1951
 MGPA-5174, 29 July 1951
 MGHA-10805, 28 June 1951 ✓ SR/CE
 MGBA-9329, 26 June 1951 ✓ SR/CE
 MGHA-2615, 7 January 1948
 MGH-2483, 5 February 1948 (HSC 188) ✓ SR/CE
 MGHA-2615, 7 January 1948
 MGHW-646, 16 December 1947 ✓ SR/CE ✓

(MG 3A-9277, ✓) not in FRoB

5. For COS: All Agency Trace Forms are attached for A-2, MID and OSI.
6. For BOB: Please check the Berlin Documents Center.
7. For EE: Subject is an acquaintance of []
8. Reason for trace: Subject is under assessment as a potential CALL asset.

Approved: []

Attachments:

- A - All Agency Trace Forms (Herewith)
- B - CLS Check Sheet (Herewith)

Distribution:

- 3 - EE without attachments
- 2 - COS with attachment A herewith
- 2 - MCB without attachments
- 2 - BOB without attachments
- 2 - ULS without attachments
- 2 - CLS with attachments A and B herewith