

# DISPATCH

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TO	Chief, AF	PROPOSED	ACTION	ACCOMPLISHED
INFO	Chief, WE COS, Munich COB, Frankfurt Bonn	*	MARKED FOR INDEXING	
FROM	Chief [ ]		NO INDEXING REQUIRED	
SUBJECT	Kurt August Herman BUTTNER [ ]		ONLY QUALIFIED HEADQUARTERS DESK CAN JUDGE INDEXING	
			ABSTRACT	
			MICROFILM	

ACTION REQUIRED - REFERENCES

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CIT: GERMANY  
ACOTONOU, DAHOMEY

1. On 23 July 1963, during a visit to Cotonou, Dahomey, [ ] was advised by [ ] that subject had remained in Cotonou from the time of the coup in Togo in January 1963 until June 1963. [ ] said that he had also seen him driving his car in Lome several times during this period. The reason that [ ] is familiar with Subject is that he purchased some of the latter's furniture in Lome, visiting his home there several times, and meeting Subject's wife and daughters. [ ] learned of the sale of Subject's furniture from the German Embassy in Cotonou. He said he met BUTTNER in Cotonou and was told the latter was connected with the German Embassy.

2. The above story is rather peculiar. Although this was our first meeting with [ ], we are impressed with his seriousness and intelligence and have no reason to doubt the facts as he related them. We had been under the assumption that Subject had returned to Germany shortly after the coup and had remained there, though his family stayed in Lome until June. It is rather strange that the Germans would keep him in Cotonou for six months at a time when the Togolese authorities were looking for him, and it is stranger still that he drove to Togo on more than one occasion. Why the Germans, or BUTTNER, sold some of his furniture in Cotonou rather than in Lome where it was located is also puzzling.

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