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1. I suggested to Newham during a trip to DTDAILY on routine matters that he put Munich on his itinerary and contact Harry Sperling in order to talk over the following matters.

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a. Reiteration of the working arrangement between the Kampfbund in Goettingen and RFE. The collection of information for RFE in certain refugee camps near Goettingen was an original courtesy provision designed to compensate RFE for their part in transmitting and administering the SGGRIND funds for DTLINEN. A recent reorganization of the Kampfbund, and Newham's election as its head, made it advisable for the check of continuous smooth working relationships between DTLINEN and RFE. The subject of the Kampfbund is dealt with in a separate dispatch.

b. The DTLINEN reports for SGGRIND, which have been channelled through RFE, have for a long time been unsatisfactory to SGGRIND without our ever being able to discover for what reason. Newham was to talk this over with Sperling and attempt to receive from him specific instructions as to how they should be written in order to fully satisfy SGGRIND headquarters in New York.

c. When Sperling informed me in early April that the continuation of SGGRIND funds for DTLINEN were questionable, the uncertainty of this financial source became a matter of great concern. In order not to be again confronted with the uncertainty in the transmittal of funds, Newham was instructed to inquire from Sperling personally as to what information he had on SGGRIND's intentions for continuation of these funds.

2. Newham contacted Sperling as planned and talked over the matters in question with the following results:

a. Sperling informed Newham that the third installment of the original \$150,000 grant had been transferred to the National Committee for Free Europe in April. With these \$50,000, support for DTLINEN at the rate of \$7,500 monthly was assured until October 1952 inclusive.

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b. Sperling indicated that all along SGRIND thought it to be the responsibility of RFE to report on the accomplishments of DTLINEN with the SGRIND funds. Sperling admitted that this responsibility had been bucked to [ ] who had transmitted Newham's own reports to RFE in Munich. It was agreed between Newham and Sperling that the RFE representative in Berlin, fnu Koch, would be permitted to visit DTLINEN headquarters and submit a supplementary report of his own to RFE for submittal to SGRIND in the future.

FXI: Newham was instructed to confine Koch's visit to the overt part of DTLINEN and to its humanitarian and welfare activities. It is believed that this procedure will help SGRIND to overcome some of their misgivings about DTLINEN's political activities.

c. It was further agreed that RFE would continue to receive from the Kampfbund regular reports from satellite refugees to aid them in preparation of their programs.

3. A continuation of SGRIND funds after the present allocation or grant runs out in October is highly desirable and all attempts should be made along those lines. Not only does the SGRIND grant serve a really honest purpose of great value, which makes DTLINEN still the largest and most effective humanitarian organization of private nature, but it also from the DYCLUCK point of view is of considerable importance in taking the sting out of communist allegations that DTLINEN is an American espionage organization. In order to accomplish the above it is hoped that the combination of reporting by Newham through our channels on the one side and Koch's reporting through his channels on the other will satisfy SGRIND. In addition to that, we would like to recommend, if it should be feasible, Home Office support and aid in that direction. We also believe a trip by Newham to the United States early this fall for the purpose of personally applying to SGRIND for an additional grant should be considered.

4. A report by RFE or Sperling that he was visited by Boudreau constitutes a case of mistaken identity. Boudreau has and continues to be out of the picture completely and lives in semi-retirement in WSCORNY writing a book on the cold war, modestly supported financially by DTLINEN.

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