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SUBJECT: Stefan SCHACHERMAYR's Present Activities

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1. Stefan SCHACHERMAYR, one-time closest collaborator of Erich KERNMAYR, does not adhere to any existing political group of former nazi followers. He is also opposed to the endeavors to establish a new Middle Party, including VdU (promoted by Nationalrat Dr. Ernst STRACHWITZ, Count Kunata KOTTULINSKY, Dr. Gustav A. CANAVAL a.o.), because he is afraid that clerical and monarchist circles might get former nazis under their control. For such reason he is mainly fighting Dr. Fritz BUTSCHEK, who tries to have former nazis join the 'Aktion zur politischen Erneuerung', forming the cadre of the planned new Middle Party.

2. SCHACHERMAYR's present main activity is to persistently intervene with Austrian authorities for imprisoned former nazis and to collect financial support for their families. He specially cares for persons sentenced during the RÖSNER-SOUCEK case. He wants to have either the sentenced amnestied or new proceedings reopened.

STEFAN 3. SCHACHERMAYR repeatedly crosses the Soviet zone border. When asked by source, whether he was not afraid to be arrested by the Soviets because of his well known collaboration with HÜTTL and KERNMAYR, SCHACHERMAYR said he did not worry. His former reports on Communist-Soviet activities had partly been fictitious, partly without any importance - a fact known to the Soviets. Although SCHACHERMAYR likes boasting, source had the impression that indirect connections between SCHACHERMAYR and the Soviets actually exist. ATT-2.
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4. Regarding his activity with the ROSENAUER-IRKOWSKY firm, SCHACHERMAYR seems rather disappointed; he complains about not having chance to make money, but only to be used for unimportant tasks.

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