

M/R to be filed in 240/AUGSBURG, Emil

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Subj: ZIPPER's eagerness to debrief RIS emigre

1. During the past 6 months, undersigned has had occasion to conduct five or six discussions with Emil AUGSBURG, ZIPPER's RIS specialist, on information furnished by [] and the [] which information has been passed to ZIPPER for the completion of their files, and as well as with the request that they add anything known to them ~~through~~^{to} this material. During these discussions one difficulty has always arisen in the difference in nomenclature employed by ZIPPER ~~vis-a-vis~~^{and} that employed by our headquarters. On these occasions, AUGSBURG has always insisted that possibly our headquarters nomenclature might be valid for a short period, that, however, the nomenclature employed by himself and ZIPPER is much more nearly correct. He insists in this context that regardless of what number any particular section, division, or directorate might have, basically its mission must remain the same, therefore the name of the organization must be at least closely akin to any previous name which it has had. To this undersigned has been obliged to agree but maintains the position that he is obliged to employ that ~~nomenclature~~ nomenclature used throughout our headquarters.

2. On these occasions, with possibly at the most, one exception, AUGSBURG has indicated that were he given the opportunity to talk with some of the Russian defectors known to be in American hands, at ~~this~~^{such} time^s he usually mentions [] and [] by name as well as the RIS defector from Turkey, that he should be able to clear up any differences in nomenclature within 4 or 5 minutes. Specifically AUGSBURG has mentioned on at least two occasions that should he have had the opportunity to debrief [] at the time that [] was first debriefed in Germany, he believes that [] would have been shown to be

and agent provocation. On one occasion when the material furnished us by the
[Australians] ^{from} PETROV was the topic of discussion, AUGSBURG indicated that he
felt that undersigned was holding out on the pertinent information received
from PETROV. On the assurance that all information received from PETROV was
being forwarded to ZIPPER, AUGSBURG merely stated that in that case, headquarters
must be holding out on undersigned since the material was extremely sketchy and
in AUGSBURG's opinion, not of a CE nature and not the sort of information which
PETROV must ~~actually~~ have. On this particular occasion AUGSBURG again mentioned
that certainly much more valuable information ^{would} ~~could~~ be forthcoming should he
have the opportunity to debrief some Russian defector. It was on this occasion ^{that}
he threw in the remark that even [] who had actually been in Germany, was
not made available for AUGSBURG debriefing; that the only people with whom he
was permitted ~~to~~ contact were the two German nationals who ~~actually~~ had not
valuable information, that is, valuable information with regard to the structure
of the RIS.

3. In AUGSBURG's opinion, the individuals who do the debriefing of the ^{defectors}
in the US are either not sufficiently informed on the RIS history or are not
sufficiently trained as interrogators. When undersigned suggested that he
was of the opinion that the people had been carefully selected for these
debriefings, AUGSBURG retorted, that in that case, the only other solution he
can think of is that we must be holding out information on him. On each
occasion when this particular topic has come up, [HERMANN] of ZIPPER headquarters
has tried his best to pour oil on any troubled waters which might arise. @
[HERMANN] has on quite a few occasions offered apologies to undersigned for
AUGSBURG's direct and undiplomatic statements.

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