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~~ROLF ENGEL WEST GERMAN ENGINEER AND GUIDED MISSILES RESEARCH SPECIALIST~~
~~JOINED THE SISPRE GROUP SUMMER OF 1957. (SISPRE ORGANIZATION IN ROME~~
~~IS SPONSORED BY ITALIAN MINISTRY OF DEFENSE; IS WORKING ON DEVELOPMENT~~
~~OF NEW WEAPONS, HEADED BY GENERAL ALDO URBANI, INCLUDES REPRESENTATIVES~~
~~OF FIAT COMPANY, FIRMECCANICA, AND BOMBARDINI-PARODI-DELFINO (LATTER~~
~~IS LARGEST FIRM IN ITALY WORKING ON AMUNITION AND SOLID ROCKET FUELS.)~~
~~SINCE 1957 ENGEL HAS BEEN TRYING TO PERSUADE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT TO~~
~~ENTER THE EUROPEAN POOL FOR ROCKET DEVELOPMENT AND HAS MADE FREQUENT~~
~~TRIPS TO THE BREMEN ROCKET RESEARCH CENTER. HE WORKED AT PR~~
~~AND WITH SKODA ^{with Skoda} DURING WORLD WAR II. AFTER THE WAR, HE WORKED ON FRENCH~~
~~ROCKET DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS, THEN AS A CONSULTANT AND TECHNICAL DIRECTOR~~
~~ON ROCKETS AND GUIDED MISSILES WITH THE EGYPTIAN GOVERNMENT UNTIL~~
~~GOING TO SISPRE.~~

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IN AUGUST 1958, PROF. ROLF ENGEL REPRESENTATIVE OF SISPRE ORGANIZATION
OF ROME DISCUSSED POSSIBLE ITALIAN-GERMAN COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH
ON MISSILES WITH MEMBERS OF PROF. EUGEN SAENGER'S INSTITUTE FOR
RESEARCH ON THE PHYSICS OF JET PROPULSION STUTTGART. IN NOV. 58
ENGEL VISITED BOELKOW ENTWICKLUNGSKOMMANDIT GESELLSCHAFT (BEKG)
HEADQUARTERS TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE BEKG EMPLOYMENT OF SOLID ROCKET FUELS
PRODUCED BY AN ITALIAN FIRM, BOMBARDINI. IN DECEMBER 1959 BEKG
PROPULSION ENGINEERS HEINZ TOEFFER, R. FUCHS AND KUNO DREYER AND
SAENGER INSTITUTE SCIENTIST PROF. DR. ARMIN DADIEU MET IN ROME WITH
ENGEL AND WITH REPRESENTATIVE OF BOMBARDINI STOCKHOLDERS, DIPL. ING.
THE
ALVARO ORLEANS-BORBON. SUBJECT OF THIS DISCUSSION WAS AGAIN THE
POSSIBILITY THAT BEKG WOULD SWITCH ITS SOLID FUEL PROCUREMENT FROM THE
WEST GERMAN FIRM DYNAMIT A.G. TO BOMBARDINI. BEKG PERSONNEL WILL HOLD
A FURTHER DISCUSSION WITH BOMBARDINI REPRESENTATIVES IN ROME ON OR ABOUT
1 MARCH 1959

field comment: ENGEL MADE CONTACT WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
SAENGER INSTITUTE IN AUG 58 AT 9th CONGRESS OF THE INTERNATIONAL
ASTRONAUTICAL FEDERATION (IAF) IN AMSTERDAM.

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IN LATE DECEMBER 1957 ENG. ROLF ENOEL, A GERMAN ENGINEER IN THE
FIELD OF SPACE RESEARCH EMPLOYED BY THE ITALIAN GOVERNMENT SISPRE
ORGANIZATION, VISITED THE BOELKOW CORPORATION IN STUTTGART TO DISCUSS
POSSIBILITES OF ACQUIRING A LICENSE FOR THE ITALIANS TO MANUFACTURE
~~THE BOELKOW COBRA ANTI-TANK ROCKET.~~
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