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*Probably true
of importance*

Rolf Engel could not be considered as a space specialist. He is a specialist in solid propellants and small rockets. He probably has considerable background in small missiles, but is not believed technically qualified in large missiles and liquid rocket engines.

At the present time Engel is employed by the Bombrini Parodi Delfino a chemical firm. He is also employed on a consultant basis by SISPRE

Considering the positions of both Engel and Boelkow it is quite probable that they would engage in such meetings and be concerned with the Germany-France-Italy joint military development program. ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~

The French German and Italian Governments have been negotiating for some time to establish a joint military development program, which will include GUIDED MISSILES. AT A MEETING IN FEB. 1958, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE THREE COUNTRIES MET ON THIS PROBLEM, BUT NO FIRM COMMITMENTS WERE MADE OR A CTUAL WORK PLANNED.

IN LATE 1957 ENGEL ARRIVED IN ITALY AND BECAME ASSOCIATED WITH AN ELECTRONICS CONSULTANT NAMED SALZE. HE WAS EMPLOYED BY SISPRE AS A CONSULTANT AND LATER EMPLOYED BY HFD AS CHIEF ADVISOR ON ROCKETRY AND MISSILES.

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