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1. AT 19 DECEMBER MEETING BND AUSWERTUNG LIAISON OFFICER ALIAS HERDER GAVE [] FOLLOWING BACKGROUND ON PRESS ALLEGATIONS CONCERNING BND ASSEMBLY OF DOSSIERS ON FIGURES IN FRG PUBLIC LIFE. HERDER STATED THAT FROM 1944 ON, GEHLEN AND SENIOR ABWEHR AND SD OFFICERS WERE CONVINCED 20TH OF JULY RESISTANCE PLOTTERS AND SOVIET-RUN ROTE KAPELLE WERE EITHER IDENTICAL OR CLOSELY LINKED. THIS VIEW BOLSTERED BY ROTE DREI TRANSMISSIONS FROM SWITZERLAND IDENTIFYING RESISTANCE FIGURES SUCH AS SUBSEQUENT CDU-CONFUNDER AND FEDERAL MINISTER ERNST LEMMER AS ROTE DREI SOURCE. TO THIS DAY, GEHLEN BELIEVES LEMMER AND FELLOW CDU FOUNDER JAKOB KAISER WERE SOVIET AGENTS AND THAT TOP AGENT OF ALL WAS HITLER AIDE MARTIN BORMANN, WHO GEHLEN IS CONVINCED APPEARED ALIVE AND WELL IN MOSCOW AFTER WAR.

2. ACCORDING TO HERDER, WESTERN SERVICES AT FIRST SUPPORTED GEHLEN IN BELIEF THAT SOME OF PUBLIC FIGURES OF THE EMERGING WEST GERMAN STATE WERE SOVIET AGENTS OR INFORMANTS, OR AT THE

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