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1. ARTICLE CONCERNING GENOUD AND ARAB TERRORIST ACTIVITIES IN EUROPE APPEARED IN ITALIAN WEEKLY MAGAZINE "GENTE" SEPT 70.

GIST OF ARTICLE FOLLOWS:

A. DEFENSE OF THREE TERRORISTS WHO ATTACKED EL-AL AIRCRAFT IN ZURICH AND WHO ON TRIAL IN ZURICH WAS ORGANIZED COMPLETELY BY UNION OF ARAB LAWYERS WHO UTILIZED ASSISTANCE OF BANKER OF GENEVA, FRANCOIS GENOUD, WHO ADMINISTRATOR OF ARAB COMMERCIAL BANK OF GENEVA AND WHO HELD IN GREAT TRUST BY PFLP.

B. GENOUD OWNED BAR "OASIS" IN LAUSANNE DURING WWII WHICH SERVED AS LETTER-DROP FOR NAZI INTELLIGENCE. AFTER WAR, GENOUD REAPPEARED AFTER PERIOD OF SILENCE IN FRANKFURT WHERE DIRECTED PUBLISHING HOUSE OF NEO-NAZI SYMPATHIES. GENOUD HAS CONSTANTLY BEEN VERY CLOSE TO NAZI CIRCLES AND MAINTAINS CONTACT WITH NUMBER OF EX-OFFICIALS WHO HAVE MOVED TO EGYPT AND OTHER COUNTRIES OF ARAB WORLD. THESE ACQUAINTANCES OBTAINED FOR HIM NECESSARY INTRODUCTIONS

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INTO HIGH CIRCLES OF ARAB WORLD. HE PLACED HIMSELF AT SERVICE OF ALGERIAN FLN AND FOR PERIOD OF TIME WAS ALSO INTERMEDIARY BETWEEN BEN BELLA AND NASSER. WORKING WITH EX-CAPTAIN OF SS, HANS REICHERBERG, HE FOUNDED IMPORT/EXPORT FIRM IN MUNICH CALLED "ARABO-AFRIKA". SOMETIME LATER, REICHERBERG BECAME ECONOMIC COUNSELLOR OF PEOPLES' REPUBLIC OF ALGERIA AND GENOUD BECAME ADMINISTRATOR OF ARAB COMMERCIAL BANK IN GENEVA, WHICH ALREADY CONSIDERED EGYPTIAN GATHERING POINT FOR ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE.

C. EMIR OF KUWAIT MADE DEPOSIT OF 500,000 POUNDS STERLING TO GENOUD'S BANK FOR ORPHANS OF WAR OF ALGERIAN LIBERATION. SUM DISAPPEARED. ACCUSED OF HAVING USED IT FOR PFLP, GENOUD REJECTED ACCUSATION AND ANNOUNCED HE HAD TRANSFERRED MONEY TO ARAB PEOPLES' BANK OF ALGERIA, BUT THIS BANK SAID IT NEVER RECEIVED THE MONEY.

D. GENOUD APPEARED IN ZURICH AT TIME OF TRIAL OF TERRORISTS AS OFFICIAL SUPPORTER AND AID OF PFLP. HE ACCOMPANIED ARAB LAWYERS, OBTAINED AUDIENCE WITH PRESIDENT OF COURT, AND COMPLETELY SUCCEEDED IN PARTICIPATING AS "COUNSELOR" IN CONVERSATIONS BETWEEN LAWYERS AND PRISONERS.

2. OF COURSE, BERN CANNOT JUDGE DEGREE OF ACCURACY OF ABOVE

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INFORMATION, BUT FEEL IT SHOULD BE INCLUDED IN RECORD ON GENOUD.

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