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TO : Chief of Base, Pullach

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Info: Chief of Station, Germany
Chief of Base, Bonn

FROM : Chief, ET

SUBJECT | GENERAL : Operational
| SPECIFIC : Activities of Karl HASS

ACTION REQUIRED: None, for your information

1. The [] Station has provided Headquarters (OPMA-13693) with a lengthy report on the activities of Subject who is suspected of engaging in intelligence activities for the German Intelligence Service.

2. The Subject is reported by a [] Station source as having been travelling since January 1957 on behalf of the West German Government Military Graves Commission. According to the same source HASS was refused entry into France by the French Government early this year while travelling on behalf of the Graves Commission.

3. According to the same [] source HASS has been authorized to set up his own office in a different location than the offices of the rest of the Commission in Rome, which is at 8 VIA della VISA. The [] Station suggests that the Subject is using the Graves Commission as an espionage cover.

4. HASS reportedly stated to the source that there are at least five separate (other) "German information-gathering nuclei" directed by an ex-officer with whom HASS is in contact. The ex-officer is said to have a cover office located at a new gallery joining the VIA delle TERME di DIOCLEZIANO and the VIA TORINA, Rome 5.

5. Another current contact of HASS is said to be a BASILIUS (alias) his former agent in the "Centro Cattolica Georgiano", a group organized by HASS which obtained valuable information from the USSR prior to the Allied occupation of Rome. BASILIUS, possibly a German citizen, is reported to live in Bressanone where he is a manager for an insurance company specializing in agriculture.

6. The source stated that HASS had "insistently" made reference to a former SD Captain of Como, CLAMENS, (undoubtedly V-2665) who HASS claims to have currently "an important directive function in the GERLEN service." The source

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stated that the reason for these references was not clear.

7. Prior to his employment with the West German Government Military Graves Commission HARR was reported by another source as working on behalf of the S.I.R. (Societa Italiana Rappresentanza Import-Export) and for "Rheingold" (film distributors) in Rome.

8. Our files disclose no information which would tend to show that the Subject was connected with UFS-ING.

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