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15 September 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, SB

SUBJECT : Status of Action on HEINE v. RAUS Case

Following is a further summary report on HEINE v. RAUS action:

1. Court Action:

A final hearing has been set for 28 September, and Judge Thomsen may render his decision on the motion for summary judgment shortly thereafter.

2. Results of TDY to London and Germany:

a) [] provided me with a letter of introduction to Colonel Rebane, former [] now in Augsburg.

b) Together with [] I debriefed Colonel Rebane in a Munich safe-house for two full days. While he has no concrete proof of HEINE's recruitment he provided a great deal of confirmatory information and a good many leads. He is fully convinced that HEINE was recruited when he was first in NKVD captivity in late 1940-early 1941, and Rebane is entirely at our disposition for future use in this case. At an appropriate time he will suggest to the Chairman of the Estonian World Council that HEINE be invited to appear before a special commission to examine his background. If HEINE accepts, and if Rebane sits on the commission, he is absolutely confident that he can demolish HEINE's legend.

c) A former Estonian agent of Frankfurt Ops Base was contacted in Heidelberg. He provided several leads which may be worth follow-up after the hearing.

d) I discussed with Bonn Base officers the support which we require from the BFV with respect to check-out of certain elements of HEINE's background.]

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3. CI Analysis:

- a) All new material received (i.e., from Rebano, Raus, etc.) is being checked out, names traced.
- b) Results of CI analysis to date are being compiled in report form.

4. Liaison with Canadians:

RCMP has apologized for their slow response to our requests, stating that they are swamped by the volume of material which we have sent them. They promise results of their analysis and responses to our requests soonest. We are tickling them on the matter of RAUS bringing "ESKIMETS" to Washington, which requires only "yes" or "no".

5. Liaison with Swedes:

We have an interim reply from [] stating that the TIEBAR [] officer is checking for an "official reaction" to our request for information on the TIEBAR [] which might bear on HEINE's bona fides.

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