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<p>On 15 January 1953, Informant 3848 reported to this Agent that he had obtained information concerning the intelligence activities of Richard KAUDER-KLATT from the files of the Austrian State Police, Salzburg, Land Salzburg, Austria. Informant stated that KAUDER-KLATT became a member of the German counter intelligence in 1930 and subsequently became the head of a German intelligence organization in Sofia, Bulgaria. His German superiors regarded the information supplied by KAUDER-KLATT as generally reliable, but proper evaluation of the information was impossible since KAUDER-KLATT did not disclose the source of his information, which allegedly were excellent within the Soviet Union. One of the operational methods used by KAUDER-KLATT was to tour the German-occupied Balkan countries as a member of a troupe of artists. In 1941 KAUDER-KLATT was stationed in Hungary where he was allegedly arrested, on an unknown date, by the German authorities on suspicion of being a double agent. After the end of World War II, KAUDER-KLATT moved to Salzburg, where he operates an export-import firm, located at Schwarzstrasse 30. The firm actually serves as a cover for his intelligence activities. KAUDER-KLATT allegedly maintained casual contact with an unidentified US intelligence agency, and was also employed with the British intelligence service until November 1951, at which time he was dropped because he frequently submitted false information. During the period that KAUDER-KLATT was associated with the British intelligence, he used the cover name (fms) Richard. During 1949 - 1950 KAUDER-KLATT attempted to organize an Austrian intelligence service but due to the fact that he was known to be unreliable, he could not obtain financial support and was, therefore, unsuccessful. One of KAUDER-KLATT's contacts in the British intelligence was one Victor Altmann alias McCally, a former British intelligence operator, who at one time held Austrian citizenship and who frequently visits KAUDER-KLATT. Altmann is currently working for the Israel intelligence service, and KAUDER-KLATT has also been working for this organization since the beginning of 1952. In the spring of 1952, KAUDER-KLATT attempted to organize a troupe of artists to tour the Near East in order to gather information for the Israel intelligence service. Two persons who allegedly helped KAUDER-KLATT in this endeavor were Alexander Szeman alias Raffone, born 18 March 1905 in Madusoverenda, Hungary, a dancer, Passport No. 690624, issued on 22 May 1951 in Rome, Italy; and Jose Babco, born 4 June 1900, Passport No. 2510131, issued 7 September 1950 in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Szeman and Babco were allegedly members of the troupe of artists with which KAUDER-KLATT operated during World War II. (C-5)</p>																
A. TYPE AND NUMBER OF SPECIAL AGENT HOLF E. KIRBY, S/A CIB 4804 CIC, Sub-Set "A" (Salz)																

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4. SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

On 29 January 1953 the files of the 430th CIC, Sub-Detachment "A" were examined for information concerning SUBJECT and were found to contain the following information:

Agent Report, S-16616, dated 2 December 1952, Subject: "KAUSER-KLATT, Richard, born 6 September 1900, Former German Intelligence Agent", reports that Richard KAUSER-KLATT was a former German intelligence agent who is allegedly working with the National League (National Liga - NL), a Communist-front organization whose services the British intelligence had allegedly attempted to recruit. (Evaluation C-3)

AGENT'S NOTES: 1. On 29 January 1953, the files of this Sub-Detachment were examined concerning the other personalities and organizations mentioned in this report with the following results:

Agent Report, S-14176, dated 2 July 1952, Subject: "ALTMANN Viktor alias MALIAN alias ALLAN, Alleged British Agent", reports that Altmann is an alleged British agent in contact with Richard KAUSER-KLATT. (Evaluation C-3)

CGS Intercept No. 0009836, dated 24 September 1952, disclosed that ~~Jean Rakos, Pesta Restants, Salzburg, wrote Ferenc Rakos, Bolny~~ ~~Janez Ucca 46 11/17, Budapest VIII, Hungary, that he had arrived two~~ ~~MONTHS ago from Toronto, Canada, after fifteen years absence from~~ ~~Europe and desired to return to Hungary.~~

CGS Intercept No. 0009886, dated 17 November 1952, disclosed that ~~Jean Rakos~~ ~~wrote Ferenc Rakos, Bolny Janez Ucca 46 11/17, Budapest~~ ~~VIII, Hungary, that he had visited the Hungarian Embassy in Vienna~~ ~~to have his passport extended and had petitioned the Embassy to~~ ~~allow his return to Hungary. Rakos stated that the Hungarian~~ ~~Embassy was to notify him of its decision in approximately two~~ ~~months.~~

The HNSK is listed as a Hungarian refugee anti-Communist resistance group in Salzburg, Austria.

5. OTHER DATA AND CHARACTERISTICS OF SPECIAL AGENT	6. SUMMARY OF SPECIAL AGENT
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<p>On 12 December 1962, Josef Soltra, born 1 January 1911 in Vienna, Hungary, a member of the Hungarian Warriors Comradeship Federation (Magyar Barcook Hajtarsi Kozossege - MMK) Intelligence group in Salzburg, Lend Salzburg, Austria, reported to Informant 3702 that Josef Rakes, born 4 June 1900, residing at Bergstrasse 17, Salzburg, is suspected of being a Hungarian intelligence agent. (P-0)</p>		
TYPED NAME AND ORGANIZATION OF SPECIAL AGENT ROLY S. HINCH, SA CJC 450th CJC, Sub-Det "A" (Salz)		SIGNATURE OF SPECIAL AGENT <i>R. Hinch</i>

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