

COURIER

EXLA-24983

Chief of Station, Germany

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Chief of Base, Pullach

Info: EE

Operational/UPSWING/HIWAY

MID/Frankfurt Name Check on V-14411

ACTION REQUIRED: COS: Please secure statement for UPSWING from MID

1. Under separate cover is a request from MID/Frankfurt that V-14411's name be checked with PCB and UPSWING. The memo gives only V-14411's name and the following squib: "allegedly employed by allied intel in 1955 in Austria".

2. Because V-14411 has for a decade been one of the most widely known Western intelligence operatives in the HIWAY field we feel certain that there is more behind MID's query than evaluation of a 1955 allegation. Therefore, since UPSWING rightfully asks for clarification of the requesting unit's interest when a query touches on an active V-Mann, we are withholding further action pending receipt of a clear statement of MID's reason for initiating the check.

Approved by _____

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