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Escaped German PW.

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APO #494

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Case No. R-1532

1 December 1944

MEMORANDUM FOR THE OFFICER IN CHARGE:

SUBJECT: KUEPPERS, Wilhelm,
Escaped German Pw.

RE: Interview with Confidential Informant.

This investigation is predicated on basic communication from the A.C. of S., G-2, RAAC, dated 10 November 1944, ref. G/P1834/BR, subject: "Escaped German Pw". The Communication states that Subject should be arrested and A.C. of S., G-2, RAAC, be notified. This investigation was requested by Lt. Colonel Floyd C. Snowden, Chief, CIC, RAAC.

These agents, on 30 November 1944, interviewed a confidential informant, considered to be very reliable, who stated that he is personally acquainted with KUEPPERS, Wilhelm, a Catholic priest and at the present time, he is in a religious institute in the Vatican. He also added that he saw the Subject, on numerous occasions, in the Vatican, knows that he is an escapee, and had dinner with him. The informant stated that KUEPPERS told him he was forced to join the German Army, as an interpreter, because of his knowledge of languages, and at one time, he served as an interpreter for General ROMMEL.

AGENTS' RECOMMENDATIONS:

The confidential informant is very reliable and, therefore, these Agents firmly believe Subject is in the Vatican. It is recommended that the case be closed.

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