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BEGRIPPLE-2 Contacts**

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1. As reported in reference to COS and EE, a former police colleague of BEGRIPPLE-2's was exposed as cooperating with a Western IS in the East Zone press. We asked B-2 to write up details on this man and on any other former Krippe colleagues who might be of IS interest. B-2 came up with the following list:

a. Eurt MORITZ, Kriminal Director, born 6 February 1902 in Magdeburg, last residence West Berlin-Zehlendorf, Clayallee 333, current residence Wiesbaden, address unknown. MORITZ worked for an unidentified American Agency in West Berlin until 1954, the time he was recalled by the police and made chief of the Krippe in Wiesbaden. Just prior to his termination by the American Agency his true name and address appeared in the East Zone press in connection with his IS activity. B-2 does not recall details of the affair and is no longer in touch with MORITZ. This information is submitted also to FOB in view of the fact that MORITZ was the subject of EGMA-3308 of 21 April 1953.

b. Stephan KOHNKE, Kriminalrat, born 26 September 1896 in Gorn/Neustadt, West Prussia, lives Berlin-Charlottenburg, Spandauer Strasse 54. KOHNKE is allegedly an employee of HIS in West Berlin and has an office in the neighborhood of Breitenbachplatz. In early December 1956 he was seen interrogating a Slavic type individual in a cafe on the corner of Waits and Himmelsstrasse. He had a notebook and was taking down in detail what the individual said. He is involved in a love affair with a woman of questionable morals. B-2 seldom sees KOHNKE and is not a social acquaintance of his.

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c. Erich MENKE, Kriminal-Obersekretär, born 12 February 1897, lives Berlin-Lankwitz, Ravensteinstrasse 19. MENKE is being retired from the West Berlin police force in January 1957 and B-2 initially recommended MENKE to us for possible use as a surveillance agent. We told B-2 to inquire indirectly about MENKE through social acquaintances and B-2 found that MENKE has a daughter who lives in West Berlin but works in East Berlin. In addition, MENKE is romantically involved with a woman who is much younger than he is and who is trying to force him to marry her. We thus did not consider him for our use.

2. We are forwarding the above information for indexing in permanent files. No name traces are required.

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