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1. TRACES ON HARRY MANNIL BASICALLY ARE CONTAINED IN TWO DOCUMENTS DATED RESPECTIVELY 3 AUGUST AND 19 NOVEMBER 1945. IT IS PROBABLE THAT THE INDIVIDUAL MENTIONED IN THE DOCUMENTS IS IDENTICAL WITH THE HARRY MANNIL OF REF:

A. TX-564, 3 AUG 45; DOI JULY 45 FROM A RELIABLE SOURCE; SUBJECT: NAZI ESTONIANS IN SWEDEN. SUBJECT IS DESCRIBED AS A FORMER ECONOMIC STUDENT AT TARTU AT TIME GERMANS OCCUPIED ESTONIA. IN 1942 HE ALLEGEDLY JOINED THE GERMAN RUN ESTONIAN POLITICAL POLICE FOR WHICH HE AND HIS FRIEND OTU MEES PERFORMED SURVEILLANCES ON ESTONIAN NATIONALS IN TALLINN, ESTONIA. IN 1944 HE WENT TO SWEDEN WHERE HE CONTINUED HIS SURVEILLANCE ACTIVITIES. DESCRIPTION: 155 CM TALL, ROUND FACE, RATHER SMALL PIERCING EYES, BLOND HAIR, BROAD SHOULDERS.

B. LA-9949, 19 NOV 45: SUBJECT: HARRY MANNIL, ESTONIAN NATIONAL BORN 17 MAY 1920 AT TALLINN, APPLIED AT AMERICAN LEGATION STOCKHOLM ON 15 AUG 45 FOR IMMIGRATION VISA TO ENTER U.S. AT TIME HE EMPLOYED WITH "INSTITUTE FOR MARKNADSUNDERSCKNINGAR," SVENVAGEN 90, STOCKHOLM. MANNIL STATED THAT HE ATTENDED UNIVERSITY OF TARTU FROM 1939 TO OCT 1943 AND IN 1942 WAS EMPLOYED IN THE PRICE CONTROL OFFICE OF THE ESTONIAN GOVT. HE ADMITTED THAT HE JOINED A "SELF-PROTECTION GROUP" IN ESTONIA IN SEPT 1941 AND LATER VOLUNTEERED FOR SERVICE WITH ESTONIAN SECRET POLICE AND WORKED FOR THEM AS A FILE CLERK UNTIL NOV 1941. FROM NOV 1941 TO APRIL 1942 HE CLAIMED TO HAVE BEEN EMPLOYED AS A PROCUREMENT OFFICER FOR A SELF-PROTECTION GROUP IN ESTONIA. HE DENIED HAVING DONE ANY SURVEILLANCE WORK WITH OTU MEES, BUT ADMITS HAVING KNOWN MEES. HE DENIED THAT HE HAD EVER PARTICIPATED IN THE PERSECUTION OF JEWS BY THE SELF-PROTECTION GROUP.

MANNIL STATED THAT HE LEFT ESTONIA FOR FINLAND IN OCT 1943

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AND WENT FROM FINLAND TO SWEDEN IN OCT 1944. HE LEFT ESTONIA "FOR FEAR OF BEING MOBILIZED INTO THE GERMAN ARMY" AND FINLAND AFTER THE RUSSIAN OCCUPATION. HE LISTED AS ONE OF HIS REFERENCES PROFESSOR E. POOM, WHO IS RELIABLY REPORTED TO HAVE BEEN AN ESTONIAN COLLABORATOR AND THE CENTRAL FIGURE OF A GROUP WORKING WITH THE GERMANS. MANNIL DENIED KNOWING ANYTHING DEROGATORY ABOUT PROFESSOR POOM, WHO WAS FORMERLY HEAD OF THE FACULTY OF ECONOMICS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF TARTU AND WAS SUBSEQUENTLY IN STOCKHOLM.

MANNIL ALLEGED THAT SINCE HIS ARRIVAL IN STOCKHOLM HE HAD BEEN CONTINUOUSLY PERSECUTED BY THE ESTONIAN SOCIETY WHO CLAIMED THAT MANNIL HAD COOPERATED WITH THE GERMANS. HE COULD NOT EXPLAIN THE REASON FOR THIS NOR COULD HE SATISFACTORILY EXPLAIN HIS CONNECTION WITH THE ESTONIAN SECRET POLICE. (COMMENT: REPORT INDICATES THAT "AN OBJECTION WAS REGISTERED TO THE ISSUANCE OF A VISA TO SUBJECT").

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