

SUBJECT: Heinrich MAST

1. Heinrich MAST, son of Wilhelm MAST and Herwine MAST, was born on 26 December 1897 at Lina, Austria. Subject was married in 1925 to Martha ROCCABONA, they have a son, George, who was born in 1930.

2. Subject served from February 1912 until the end of the end of the last war in military service as a private in the Landesschützen Reserve Battalion in Hainburg, Austria and later became a sergeant in the artillery. He was supposed to have organized a resistance movement in his unit in 1914 at Olmütz, Germany, which cooperated with the Czech Freedom movement.

3. After his military service came to a close, Subject in 1917 worked for the Landestelle for upper Austria of the Zentralberatungsstelle fuer Volksdeutsche in Lina. Later in 1918, he worked for the Universum Publishing House.

4. Before World War II, Subject took an active part in the Legitimist movement from 1918 to 1922; he also maintained contact with National and National-Socialist circles. Sometime around 1936, he was arrested by the Austrian police due to his collaboration with the Christian-Socialist party which called upon him in 1935 to prepare information reports on the illegal NSDAP (NAZI) party. Subject had gained the confidence of many of the leading members of the NSDAP party and passed all pertinent information to his contacts in the Christian-Socialist party for monetary reward. While in prison he revealed details of the information work he was performing, which resulted in the arrest of other members of the Christian-Socialist party. Subject was tried and sentenced to two years in prison; he was released in February 1938. In March 1938 he was re-arrested by the Nazis for revealing party secrets, but was freed in August 1938 owing to the fact that he had not been a member of the NSDAP and could not be indicted.

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