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<b>SECURITY INFORMATION</b>		<b>AGENT REPORT</b>		PAR-4321	
NAME OF SUBJECT OR TITLE OF INCIDENT		ACTIVITY	DATE SUBMITTED		
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A REPORT OF FINDINGS

The following information was obtained on 16 June 1952 by this Agent from Informant 6030, who in turn had obtained the information during the course of a conversation with Erich KERNHAYER:

The former Slovakian Minister of Culture, Professor Dr. Ferdinand DURCAUSKY, recently paid a number of visits to Erich KERNHAYER in Grunden, Upper Austria. Dr. DURCAUSKY, who recently arrived in Austria from South America, allegedly stated that very little sympathy for the United States is to be found in Argentina. The present policy of the United States towards the South American countries is fostering a tension which may develop into difficult complications. DURCAUSKY is anxious to enlist the aid of Erich KERNHAYER as KERNHAYER possesses excellent personal contacts among the Slovaks residing in Austria. Within the near future, DURCAUSKY is scheduled to take an official vacation in Grunden, but in reality he will utilize the occasion to formulate the exact methods to be employed between DURCAUSKY and KERNHAYER for future joint operations. DURCAUSKY is allegedly employed by some unknown American agency. *RE HIS INTEL PITCH TO [redacted]*

A short time ago Dr. Wilhelm HOETTL approached DURCAUSKY in Linz, Upper Austria, and introduced himself as the representative of a German office. Anxious to enlist the aid of DURCAUSKY, HOETTL stated that he was looking for qualified, trustworthy Slovaks who would be trained by him and be well paid for their services. These people would be employed to obtain political and military information from the Eastern Zone of Austria, Czechoslovakia and Hungary. HOETTL stated that he is kept busy in Linz maintaining contact with agents who have been assigned to Czechoslovakia and Vienna. HOETTL told DURCAUSKY to think the proposal over carefully and then write an answer to his (HOETTL's) co-worker, Baron Harry MAIST, Post Office Box 331, Main Post Office, Linz, Upper Austria. *(C-3)*

*RE MAIST'S LINKS TO DR. W. HOETTL AND TO INFORMANT*  
*FILE CHECK: EMIL VAN TONGEL*

The files of this Sub-Detachment disclosed the following information:

AR 1/24131, dated 10 January 1952, Subject: KRELIARTZ, Michael - Meeting in Grunden, states that Emil van Tongel told the interviewing Agent that he (Tongel) is an informant for Baron Harry MAIST, Linz, Esthlehamstrasse 1, who is believed to be an intelligence operative for an American Intelligence Agency in Germany.

Ferdinand DURCAUSKY is listed in numerous reports as the former foreign minister in the cabinet of the Slovakian Puppet Government which collaborated with the Germans from 1940 to 1944. DURCAUSKY is also mentioned as directing the formation of a Slovak Liberation Committee.

The files of this Sub-Detachment contain numerous references concerning Dr. Wilhelm HOETTL as an intelligence operator. In AR 3-12482, dated 22 January

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