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Relations of Various Individuals with
Gerhard von MENDE

1. As of possible interest to POB, we are forwarding the following information with respect to certain individuals who are or were in close relations with Gerhard von MENDE, head of the Office of Homeless Refugees. Source is [] *German*.
2. Von MENDE, who was formerly on very good terms with Fritz VALJAVEC, head of the Southeast Institute in Munich, is reported to have broken with the latter. Source was unable to state any concrete reason for the rupture but believes that VALJAVEC has possibly been approached by an unspecified German Service to work on their behalf.
3. Von MENDE, through one of his deputies, (fn) STAMATE, maintains extremely close touch with Gheorghe MACOVEANU, President of the UARG, and (Dr) Dumitru VASIU, President of the Association of Free Rumanians in Germany. None of the preceding individuals is on good terms with VALJAVEC.
4. (Dr) Constantin BASSU of Freising and (Dr) Virgil VELESCU, members of the Boris SIMA Iron Guard group, are in liaison with von MENDE's office. According to source, both receive a monthly salary for whatever work they may perform for the von MENDE group.
5. If POB is in a position to do so, we would appreciate a brief resume concerning the activities of the von MENDE office. We are unclear as to exactly what function his group is supposed to perform but suspect that it is a partial cover for intelligence activities. Is the group in any manner linked to ZIPPER?

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