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<p>14. MENDE, GERHARD v. [ ]</p> <p>CIRCA SIX MONTHS AGO AECAMBISTA-4 WAS APPRISED OF THE FACT THAT GERHARD von MENDE, [ ] OVERTURES FOR A MEETING WITH AECAMBISTA-1. MORE RECENTLY GERHARD von MENDE SPOKE TO VLADIMIR BORTNIK RE MEETING WITH AECAMBISTA-4 ON THE OCCASION OF A PRESS CONFERENCE IN BONN WHICH WAS ATTENDED BY BORTNIK ALONG WITH OTHER EMIGRE JOURNALISTS. VON MENDE INDICATED TO BORTNIK THAT THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT WAS INTERESTED IN ESTABLISHING SERIOUS POLITICAL RELATIONS WITH THE AECAMBISTA-1 EMIGRE REPRESENTATIVES.</p> <p>IN VIEW OF THIS AECAMBISTA-4 TRAVELED TO BONN IN EARLY JUNE 1956 WHERE HE WAS MET AFFABLY RECEIVED BY von MENDE AND KONRAD (PHONETICALLY). VON MENDE RELATED THAT HE WAS MILDLY TAKEN TO TASK BY BRAEUTIGAM FOR HAVING OMITTED THE AECAMBISTA-1 ORGANIZATION FROM AMONG THE CONTACTS OF von MENDE'S OFFICE. ACCORDING TO von MENDE, THE WEST GERMAN GOVERNMENT IS CURRENTLY PRINTING A LIMITED NUMBER PUBLICATIONS (IN THE GERMAN LANGUAGE) CONTRIBUTED BY EACH EMIGRE GROUP AND THAT MATERIAL EMANATING FROM AECAMBISTA-1 WOULD LIKEWISE BE WELCOME AND PRINTED. VON MENDE ALLEGEDLY ALSO APOLOGIZED TO AECAMBISTA-4 FOR GERMAN LANGUOR INSOFAR AS ESTABLISHING SUCH CONTACT; HE FURTHER EXPLAINED THAT HIS CONTACTS WITH AETOMAC-2 WERE PURELY PERSONAL IN VIEW OF THEIR WW II ASSOCIATION AND THAT AECAMBISTA-4 SHOULD NOT TAKE THIS TO MEAN THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT PREFERRED CONTACT WITH AETOMAC-1 TO THAT OF AECAMBISTA-1. VON MENDE EXPLAINED THAT HIS OFFICE COULD NOT ENGAGE IN ACTIVITIES SIMILAR TO THAT OF PECHORD BUT THAT HE WOULD BE WILLING TO OFFER A NUMBER OF SCHOLARSHIPS TO AECAMBISTA-1 CANDIDATES IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE OFFER TO PRINT VARIOUS PUBLICATIONS.</p> <p>VON MENDE, ACCORDING TO AECAMBISTA-4, CONSIDERED AECAMBISTA-4 TO BE A GERMANOPHOB BECAUSE OF CERTAIN PUBLICATIONS ORIGINATING FROM AECAMBISTA-4'S ADVISERS DURING WW II. THE PUBLICATION WAS ANTI-NAZI IN NATURE WHICH, ACCORDING TO AECAMBISTA-4, WAS INTERPRETED BY von MENDE AS ALSO BEING ANTI-GERMAN; THIS WAS USED von MENDE BOTH DURING WW II AND SUBSEQUENTLY AS PRETEXT NOT TO HAVE CONTACT WITH AECAMBISTA-1. AECAMBISTA-4 EXPLAINED THAT THE PUBLICATION IN QUESTION WAS AUTHORED BY LEON RUDLEVSKYY BUT WAS ATTRIBUTED TO AECAMBISTA-4.</p>			
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