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According to the Peter STAEHLE articles in the ~~Hex~~ Heinrich
MUELLER in the STERN, Bernard LESCRINIER as a Soviet
mouthpiece denied Heinrich MUELLER was ~~still~~ in Soviet
hands, but did not deny he had been in those hands in 1945.
Conclusive evidence in [redacted] that LESCRINIER, born about
1900, had special access to Soviets and that they used him to
funnel out propaganda. Presumably, therefore, the Sovs
were not averse to having had MUELLER but careful to deny
harboring him. Unfortunately, we still have to trace down the
article in which LESCRINIER said this, and it is most unlikely that
~~hex~~ will be given credit for writing, as he is a leg man
for better reporters who get the by-lines. If, in fact, ~~XLESCRINIERXX~~
LESCRINIER did say what STAEHLE said he said, then we can
theorize the Sovs had some reason for slanting the MUELLER stor
as they did. ~~Bulky~~ Bulky 29 224 box 10 sent for. 19 FEB
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(Note this fink was also involved with CAPOTE (F W HEINZ ???)
and Jan Eland's successor Adolf BENZ, Dutch IS Officer in Bonn.)

LESCRINIER widely known as a talkative diabetic, drunk and
generally insecure, so he would hardly be used except as a mouthpiece.
He was a UP correspondent German in the 30's .

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