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Dear General Truscott,

As you know the arrest of NAUMANN and his associates on 15 January last, and the subsequent handling of the case, has been handled by the British High Commissioner and his staff and not by me. In a recent discussion with him, however, I said that I hoped that, now both the individuals concerned and their documents had been handed over to the Federal Authorities, he would agree, in view of the Intelligence interests that arise, that I should forward to you personally a paper which contained a review of the position.

2. The High Commissioner accepted my proposal and I therefore enclose a study of what, for convenience sake, has been called on the British side 'The Gauleiters' Circle'. I would like to make it particularly clear that the study has not been passed to any French authority nor to any German authority other than the Federal Chancellery.

3. The study was written very shortly before the arrests took place and the Federal Attorney-General will doubtless establish very many more facts than appear in the study, but I am informed that examination of the impounded material while it was still in British hands gives ample confirmation of this previous analysis of the 'Gauleiters' Circle'. - British Designation of Werner Nauman associates

4. I hope, therefore, that the paper will give you an idea of this conspiracy and its ramifications, but I would ask that it be handled on a strictly 'need-to-know' basis and be confined to those of your staff whose duties require that they should be cognisant of it.

Yours very sincerely

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