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Preliminary Interrogation of Alice MACKERT @ Antoinette LINSER

Alice MACKERT worked for SD Amt VI/S and was evidently highly esteemed and trusted by those with whom she worked. She was the former mistress of OSTRICH. She claims she is of Swiss nationality.

Before working for the SD MACKERT says that she was with the German army administration. She says that she worked for this service in Normandy from November 1940 until April 1942; from April to December 1942 at Lille and Sens; at Frankfort from December 1942 until April 1943; in Sens in April and then back to Frankfort where she stayed until July 1943. These statements are contrary to a report which says that MACKERT was in Alencon from 1939 until 1942 and that she was presumably engaged in espionage activities from 1940. The report also says that MACKERT became a naturalised German subject in 1942.

In July 1945 MACKERT went to work for Hauptsturmfuehrer Dr. FISCHER @ SCHNEIDER, SD Referat 3b at 60 Avenue Foch, Paris. She says that she wrote reports on Brittany and the Basque country. While working for FISCHER, MACKERT did a penetration job for Standartenfuehrer Dr. ADAM. Posing as ADAM's mistress, she was introduced to a group of German officers who frequented the Hotel St. James in Paris and who were extremely well-informed as to German military plans.

In July 1943 MACKERT was sent to Nice with Dr. FISCHER who was to be Hauptsturmfuehrer RETZECK's deputy at Cannes. MACKERT says that RETZECK was formerly a military instructor with the GFP at Rennes and she also states that the GFP was absorbed by the SD.

With RETZECK in Nice were the following: Hauptscharfuehrer Dr. FILLMAN who had been in Paris; Hauptscharfuehrer LAUSER who had been in Paris

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with FISCHER and who acted as a courier in Nice; Hauptscharfuehrer SCHULZ (cover name); Sturmscharfuehrer NAGEL; Oberscharfuehrer NEBEL; Oberscharfuehrer WOHLFAHRT; Untersturmfuehrer MERBREIER a GAUTHIER who had been at Boulevard Flandrin in Paris, later at Vichy and had also worked for Amt VI in Corsica. MERBREIER acted as liaison officer between the Italian consul and Amt VI and between Amt VI and Group MAX. According to MACKERT, Group MAX was an Italian intelligence network which was turned around and worked for Amt VI. Its chief was a Colonel BARANCO, an Italian, who, MACKERT says, is now in hiding in Italy. She says that he had all his teeth pulled out to change his appearance.

The head of Amt VI at Nice was Untersturmfuehrer MOSER who was formerly with Amt VI at Montpellier. MOSER sent reports to RETZECK who forwarded them to 11 Boulevard Flandrin in Paris. MACKERT says that MOSER sent agents to Italy but not to Spain. He was still in Nice when MACKERT left in March 1944. With MOSER in Nice were: Sturmbannfuehrer GOHL; WOEBEKING, deputy to MOSER; and a female secretary DREIBHOLZ who was from Coblenz. Also in Amt VI at Nice was Hauptscharfuehrer SCHWINN, formerly a feldwebel in the Brandenburg Division and later with Jagdverband Sudwest and attached to SKORZENY. MACKERT says that she made out laissez-passer for SCHWINN's agents and also gave SCHWINN reports on the usefulness of his agents. She also says that at one time SCHWINN organised a group which he sent to penetrate the maquis. She saw SCHWINN for the last time in Berlin on 5 February 1945.

Also in Nice when MACKERT was there were MUELLER and KRAUSE (both cover names) with Amt IVb. The head of the Kripo in Nice was Oberscharfuehrer NIVERA.

With the Abwehr at Nice was Rittmeister BUCHOLZ. MACKERT says the Abwehr called on the SD for aid in making arrests.

The Amt vi representative at Marseille, according to MACKERT, was SENNER. With him was a man named MARTIN who took care of SENNER's agents who were sent to Spain and Italy. MACKERT made out laissez-passer for SENNER's agents among whom were the SCHIFFMANN family, working in Spain, and the AGNELY family.

MACKERT says that RETZECK was transferred to Belgrade in March 1944 after some kind of trouble in Nice. She says that she thinks he may have been sent into Albania to fight the maquis. She last heard of him in connection with a proceeding against him in Paris in May 1944 in which she was supposed to be a witness against him. She says that KNAPP replaced RETZECK at Nice.

While at Nice MACKERT says that they had occasion to use a Fliegendes Kommando which was attached to Drancy prison in Paris. This kommando, which was the only one of its kind in France, was called upon by various Sipo and SD offices throughout France to deal with Jewish questions. MACKERT says that when there were Jewish problems in Nice the Fliegendes Kommando would arrive. If they needed a train for deportees or any other supplies, they were furnished by MACKERT's office.

In March 1944 MACKERT was transferred to Kaunas, Lithuania where she stayed until April when she went to Riga where she stayed until July 1944. In Riga she worked with Referat IVN under the Befehlshaber Ostland Oberst der Polizei Dr FUCHS who had previously been in the Balkans and later in Lithuania. While at Riga MACKERT acted as an interpreter, worked with agents and dealt with foreign workers, sentencing them to labour camps. MACKERT says that there was also a Fliegendes Kommando at Riga which worked with the guards of the ghetto dealing with Jewish questions.

In August 1944 MACKERT went to Berlin to the Berkaer Strasse where Hauptsturmfuehrer MUELLER sent her to Obersturmbannfuehrer BERNHARD who wanted her to act as interpreter for HITLER and HIMMLER. MACKERT did

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want to stay in Berlin and succeeded in being attached to SKORZENY. She was sent to Paris in August 1944 where she was with Sonderkommando HAGEDORN. She left with the kommando for Fischingen and Badenweiler. In October 1944 she acted as a courier between Badenweiler and BESEKOW in the Berkaer Strasse.

In November 1944 MACKERT accompanied a group of Amt VI/S agents to the Gasteinhuetten at Schwarz, a pension requisitioned by SKORZENY for ski instruction for his agents. With MACKERT were the following: AMICO, BIANCHI, Daniel and Jacques MARISSAL, SORDI, BOURVEAU, Claude and Gerald AGNELY, GUY, Michel HARIPE, Edouard LOCQUET, PIERRE and RICARDO. MACKERT says that she saw the name of SKORZENY's wife, Amy, on the registry of the pension. The proprietor of the Gasteinhuetten was a certain HACK and the ski instructors were Oberscharfuehrer GROSS, a Swiss from Pontresil, and Unterscharfuehrer AUER from Kitzbuhl. The men who took part in the kidnapping of MUSSOLINI had been sent to the Gasteinhuetten for ski instruction.

MACKERT stayed at Schwarz until January 1945 when she returned to Berlin where she worked with Hauptsturmfuehrer BESEKOW and Hauptsturmfuehrer RADL, deputy and righthand man of SKORZENY. She went to Friedenthal at the end of January where she was working with BESEKOW taking care of French agents and reporting to Berlin on their usefulness. While at Friedenthal MACKERT saw RADL, BESEKOW, HAGEDORN, SCHMIEL, BRAUMFELD, DOBREWITCH, MAYER, ULLBRICH, secretary in SKORZENY's office, and Anna-Marie KRUEGER, secretary to BESEKOW and SKORZENY.

The 12 February MACKERT left with Hauptsturmfuehrer DOBREWITCH for San Remo. DOBREWITCH was with the Sipo at Verona. MACKERT passed through Verona, Milan and Genoa on her way to San Remo. At Milan she saw Sturmbannfuehrer GOHL, the head of Amt VI at Milan and chief of all kommandos for Italy. She had previously seen him at Nice where he had been

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with Untersturmfuehrer MOSER. GOHL did not wish to let MACKERT proceed to San Remo because orders had been received that all women were to be forbidden to go south of the Po. However, MACKERT had SKORZENY's orders and she was allowed to proceed.

At Verona MACKERT says that Hauptsturmfuehrer Heinz TUNNAT was head of the Amt VI/S kommando. He was chief for Southern Italy and employed only Italian agents.

In Genoa she says that the Amt VI office was in a Casa delli Estudianti.

At San Remo MACKERT worked with Obersturmfuehrer NEISSER to whom she had brought a large sum of money from Berlin. She made out laissez-passer for SENNER's agents all of whom were to be sent to France except two who were destined for the Italian maquis. NEISSER and SENNER lived in the Villa Alice and about ten agents lived in the Villa Verdi. MACKERT says that Amt VI was entirely detached from the main office of the Sipo and SD.

While at San Remo MACKERT saw Rosita CASIER @ Yvonne or Rosita de VILLIERS who was a former mistress of BESEKOW. She had been suspected of playing a double game and had been sent to the Gasteinhuetten at Schwarz and then had gone on to San Remo. She was supposed to return to Berlin but refused to go. As far as MACKERT knows she was still at San Remo when MACKERT left there.

MACKERT left San Remo 5 March 1945 and went to Wiesbaden. From there she went to Mayence where she was arrested.

Persons Known to Alice MACKERT

ADAM: Standartenfuehrer Dr.

MACKERT did penetration job for him at Hotel St. James in Paris.

AGNELY, Claud:

20; ca. 1m70; strong; looks like a white negro; curly black hair thick lips; stron; athletic. At Gasteinhuette at Schwarz Nov.44-Jan. 45.

AGNELY, Gerald:

18; looks like a white negro; protruding teeth. At Gasteinhuette Nov.44-Jan45.

AGNELY, Mme.:

Possibly at Turin with two daughters and the youngest son Serge. Oldest daughter former secretary to DARNAND.

AMICO:

Ca. 42; 1m65; thin blond hair; light eyes; round face; thin little man. Speaks French and Italian. Formerly LVF and Foreign Legion. At Gasteinhuette Nov.44-Jan.45.

BARANCO: Colonel

Italian. Head of Italian Group MAX in Nice. Had all his teeth pulled to change his appearance. Probably in Italy.

BESEKOW: Hauptsturmfuehrer

BIANCHI:

Ca.33; black hair; black eyes; round face. Speaks Italian, French and Nice patois. At Gasteinhuette Nov.44-Jan.45.

BOURVEAU:

At Gasteinhuette Nov.44-Jan.45.

BRAUMFELD:

At Friedenthal end of Jan. beginning of Feb 1945.

BUCHOLZ: Rittmeister

With Abwehr at Nice.

CASIER, Rosita @ Yvonne or Rosita de VILLIERS:

Former mistress of BESEKOW. At San Remo in March 1945.

DOBREWITCH:Hauptsturmfuehrer

35; dark hair and eyes; fairly heavy; Viennese. Speaks good Italian.

DREIBHOLZ: (female)

Secretary of MOSER at Nice. From Coblenz.

FILLMANN: Hauptscharfuehrer

At Nice with MOSER.

FISCHER@ SCHNEIDER: Hauptsturmfuehrer Dr.

Formerly Referat 3b, 60 Avenue Foch, Paris; later deputy to ZETZECK at Cannes.

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FUCHS: Oberst der Polizei Dr.  
Befehlshaber Ostland. At Riga. Formerly in Balkans and Riga.  
Ca. 40; black hair; thin; young looking.

GOHL: Sturmbannfuehrer  
At Nice and Milan with Amt VI.  
Ca. 40; lm85-86; black hair; bushy eyebrows; round face; soft voice;  
thin; gives impression of having stomach ailment.

GUY:  
Ca. 32; slightly curly light brown hair; light eyes; good teeth;  
round face; man of the world type. Formerly receptionist at Claridge's  
in Paris. At Gasteinhuette Nov.44-Jan.45. With SENNER.

HAGEDORN, Charlie: Hauptsturmfuehrer

HARISPE, Michel:  
ca. 38-40; lm75-80; black curly hair receding at the temples; strong  
squint; lisps slightly; missing five teeth in front upper jaw. For-  
mer Cagoulard. At Gasteinhuette Nov.44-Jan.45.

KNAPP:  
Replaced RETZECK in Nice March 1944.

KRAUSE: (cover name)  
IVb at Nice.

KRUEGER, Anna-Marie:  
25; dark.  
Secretary to SKORZENY and BESEKOW at Friedenthal 1945.

LAUSER: Hauptscharfuehrer  
Courier with FISCHER in Paris and Nice.

LOCQUET, Edouard:  
Ca. 32; lm68-70; thin dark brown hair; high forehead; round face;  
well-built; lisps slightly; bicyclist. At Gasteinhuette at Schwarz  
Nov.44-Jan.45.

MARISSAL, Daniel:  
22; brown hair; light eyes; myopic and wears glasses; delicate hands;  
stoops; lisps; law student. At Gasteinhuette at Schwarz Nov.44-Jan.45.

MARISSAL, Jacques:  
25; dark brown hair; dark eyes; round face; pointed nose; good teeth;  
very nervous. From Montpellier.

MARTIN;  
35; black hair; wears glasses; small; wears civilian clothes. Speaks  
excellent French.

MERBREIER @ GAUTHIER: Untersturmfuehrer  
Ca 42; lm75; dark hair almost bald; round face; small mouth; thin;  
protruding teeth. Speaks French, Italian and English.

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MOSER: Untersturmfuehrer  
Formerly with Amt VI at Montpellier; later at Nice.

MUELLER; Hauptsturmfuehrer  
At Berkær Strasse; in charge of personnel Amt VI/S1 a or c August 44.

MUELLER: (cover name)  
IVb at Nice;

NAGEL: Sturmscharfuehrer  
Ca. 45; lm70-lm75; almost bald; round face; squashed nose; heavy. At Nice. e

NEBEL: Oberscharfuehrer  
Ca. 30; lm70; blond thick hair parted on the left; strong build; good-looking. At Nice.

NEISSER: Obersturmfuehrer  
At San Remo.

NIVERA: Oberscharfuehrer  
Ca. 30; lm65; thin blond hair; small thick set.  
With Kripo at Nice.

OHLENDORF:  
Head of Amt III at Berlin.

PAUL:  
At Gasteinhuette at Schwarz Nov.44-Jan.45.

PIERRE:  
Italian. At Gasteinhuette at Schwarz Nov.44-Jan.45.

RADL: Hauptsturmfuehrer  
Deputy and righthand man of SKORZENY.

RETZECK:  
Ca. 40; bon vivant. Speaks good French.  
Formerly with GFP at Remes as military instructor.

RICARDO:  
Italian. At Gasteinhuette at Schwarz Nov.44-Jan.45.

SCHIFFMANN family:  
Agents of SENNER working in Spain.

SCHMIEL:  
At Friedenthal February 1945.

SCHULZ: Hauptscharfuehrer (cover name)  
At Nice.

SCHWINN: Hauptscharfuehrer  
Swiss; ca. 30; thin; black hair; round face; wears glasses; professional manner; not severe; very intelligent; speaks perfect French and Swiss-German. At Nice.

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SENNER: Oberstfuhrer

Ca. 38-40; lm75-78; dark hair; slightly bald; wears glasses; fairly heavy. Speaks French (?).

SKORZENY, Amy:

Wife of SKORZENY. Was at Gasteinhuetten at Schwarz before MACKERT arrived there in Nov. 44.

SOEDERBAUN, Christina:

Friend of SKORZENY; cinema actress.

SORDI:

At Gasteinhuetten at Schwarz Nov.44-Jan.45.

TUNNAT, Heinz: Hauptsturmfuehrer

Ca. 30; brown hair; good-looking.  
Head of Kommando at Verona.

ULLBRICH:

In SKORZENY's office at Friedenthal end of January 1945.

WOEBEKING:

Formerly Amt III Paris. Deputy to MOSER at Nice.

WOHLFAHRT: Oberscharfuhrer

Ca. 30; ca. lm68; thin; black hair; dark eyes; round face; right index finger deformed. At Nice.

AUER: Unterscharfuhrer

Ski instructor at Gasteinhuetten at Schwarz Nov.44-Jan.45. From Kitzbuhl.

BERNHARD: Obersturmbannfuhrer

45; big; blond hair receding at temples; high forehead; light eyes.

GROSS: Oberscharfuhrer

Ski instructor at Gasteinhuetten at Schwarz Nov. 44-Jan.45.  
Swiss from Pontresil.

HACK:

Proprietor of Gasteinhuetten at Schwarz.

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