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 NAZI WAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT  
 DATE 2003 2005

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194 PJS/JM  
 14 JUN 56

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 SECURITY INFORMATION

ROUTING	
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TO : DIRECTOR  
 FROM : FRANKFURT  
 ACTION: EE 6  
 INFO : CI, CI/OPS, CI/OA, FI, FI/OPS, FI/RI 2, SR 3, WE 4, S/C 2

upswing  
 EE/AGE  
 FOR ACTION BY JD  
 SUSPENSE DATE

FROB 3953 (IN 30253) 14 JUN 56 ROUTINE PRIORITY

TO DIR INFO FRAN PULL BRLN CITE FROB  
 STUT

CALL CART  
 RE FROB 3954\* (NOT TO BRLN STUT)

1. REQUEST TRACES FROM RECIPIENTS ON HEINZ PANNWITZ BORN MAGDEBURG 1911. MEMBER BERLIN KRIPO 1936-40. WITH PRAGUE GESTAPO INVESTIGATING SABOTAGE POLITICAL MURDERS 1940-42. IN CHARGE INVESTIGATION HEYDRICH MURDER PRAGUE. BRIEF MILITARY SERVICE FINNISH FRONT 1942. 1942-45 IN PARIS AS CHIEF SONDERKOMMANDO ROTE KAPELLE HANDLING GERMAN PLAYBACK OF SOVIET AGENTS OTTO TREPPER AND FRITZ KENT. CAPTURED BY FRENCH IN AUSTRIA AT END OF WAR. TURNED OVER TO RUSSIANS. 1945-56 IN LYUBYANKA JAIL, VORKUTA CAMP USSR. REPATRIATED THRU FRIEDLAND JAN 56. RECOGNIZED AS LEGIT RETURNEE. NOW LIVING LUDWIGSBURG NEAR STUTTGART. UNEMPLOYED.

2. FOR PULL: PLS CHECK U.S. FILES ONLY. [ ] STATES HE ADVISED OF PANNWITZ RETURN BY ALIAS FRIESEN, <sup>K</sup>MUTZBACH EARLY 56. WE DO NOT WISH FURTHER DISCUSSION WITH UPSWING AT THIS TIME. PLS POUCH FILM OF ALIAS REGER ROTE KAPELLE STUDY FOR FROB REVIEW, RETURN.

3. BRLN PLS CHECK STATION FILES ONLY.

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4. COS FILES CONTAIN SEVERAL WARTIME REPORTS CONFIRMING PANNWITZ  
ROLE PRAGUE PARIS. XX-11808 STATES PANNWITZ KEPT KENT TRANSMITTER GOING  
AFTER KNOWING IT COMPROMISED HOPING IT MIGHT SERVE AS COMMO CHANNEL BETWEEN  
RUSSIANS NAZIS. PANNWITZ REPORTEDLY CONVINCED THERE NEED FOR COMPROMISE  
AGREEMENT WITH RUSSIANS. NO POST WAR TRACES OR CONFIRMATION HIS TURN  
OVER TO RUSSIANS.

END OF MESSAGE

\*CABLE SECRETARIAT COMMENT: NO RECORD IN THE CABLE SECRETARIAT AS OF  
1305, 14 JUN 56.

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