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TO : Zonal Agencies *AB*

FROM : B-100 - *C J*

SUBJECT: PORMANS, Viktor (Z.A. inquiry No. 652)

DATE: November 5, 1953

In compliance with your communication dated October 12, 1953 (Z.A. inquiry No. 652), recorded as Public Safety inquiry No. 2504/53, in which you requested procurement of information resulting from police record checks relative to a person by name of Viktor PORMANS, born at a date between 1918 and 1920, and allegedly now residing in Washington, D.C., checks and investigations were made, the findings of which are compiled in attached report. (See Investigation Report No. 2504/53 dated November 5, 1953 attached.)

The contents of attached German-language report are as follows:

Checks were conducted against the records of Department II, Police Headquarters, and against the files of the Criminal Police with a view to ascertain the dates of Subject's stay in Berlin and to establish further details during his periods of residence in Germany and during the time of the Olympic Games in Berlin in 1936 as well as after 1945 in his capacity as a displaced person. Inquiries were further made at the appropriate agencies of the Berlin Senate. (See para I of attached German-language report dated November 5, 1953.)

The registration records of the "Einwohnermeldeamt" which, however, have been re-established only after 8 May 1945 do not contain any reference to Subject's name, nor is he registered in other indices (including those of the Alien Police) of Department II, Police Headquarters. The files of the Criminal Police do likewise not refer to Subject.

The records of the former DP Camp at Berlin Mariendorf could not be checked since the camp is no longer existing and it is not known what became of the appropriate files or where they have been shipped.

The DP Camp maintain^{ed} a camp police service of its own which independently from German police agencies and without relations to the latter organized and carried through registration matters. The competent police precinct does not maintain any records in this respect nor could it be stated what had become of records referring to registration of DP's. The Bezirksamt of Tempelhof, too, which was locally competent for the camp, was not in a position to give any information on the former inmates of the camp and the camp files.

The Senate Department for Public Education of Berlin does not keep any records referring to the Olympic Games in 1936, nor is Subject there known by name.

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The Administrator of the Olympic Stadium of Berlin, one (Herr) JEREIT, declared when questioned that he held the same job as early as 1936. After a thorough check of all available records, he informed this unit that his endeavors to find out something on Subject had been in vain. The name of Subject does not appear in all these records. Additionally he represented that Lithuania did not partake in the sports events on the occasion of the Olympic Games in 1936 as an independent state, thus it was not possible that a Youth Group had been sent to the Games from there. Herr JEREIT suggested that a written inquiry be directed to (Dr.) Carl DIEM, residing Stadium, Cologne-Muengersdorf who likewise held a key position in the Olympic Stadium of Berlin in 1936. Herr JEREIT could not name any other persons who might be in a position to render information.

(See para II of attached German-language report dated November 5, 1953.)

This unit did not make an inquiry in writing to Dr. DIEM at Cologne-Muengersdorf since it was considered advisable to report for the time being on the findings for further decision and action by your office.

(See para III of attached German-language report dated November 5, 1953.)

In fault of any further traces and indications, other investigations are not possible for the time being, the more as it is not certain whether Subject, after 1945, stayed in Berlin as a displaced person or at another place of the Federal Republic.

(See para IV of attached German-language report dated November 5, 1953.)

For your guidance.

Enclosure:

As stated above.

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