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14 August 1947

SUBJECT: Anti-Swiss Activities of the SS

TO: American Legation
Office of the Military Attache
Bern, Switzerland
ATTENTION: Mr. Messel

1. In accordance with our telephone conversation of 13 August, I am enclosing herewith for your information a copy of my memorandum of 25 February 1947 on the above subject, and covering letter, both same date, addressed to Messrs. Baru and Stubing at OMGUS Hq., Nurnberg.

2. Messrs. Baru and Stubing were the persons who originally acted as intermediaries in my conversations with your office and with Mr. Blum. They requested that the memorandum I prepare bear no address, and that they would see to it that it would reach the proper authorities in Switzerland. I have checked with them and they informed me that they forwarded the memorandum to your office.

3. The memorandum is self-explanatory. The only additional request I have to make at this time is as follows:

On 24 May 1947 a trial was held in the town of Zug, Switzerland. During this trial a certain Freiherr von Klimburg gave damaging statements regarding the activities of Riedweg (referred to in the memorandum in question) in the "Germanische Leitstelle". Further information regarding the nature of this trial and of the testimony rendered, and a duly authenticated copy of the transcript of the record of this trial or pertinent parts of such transcript would be very much appreciated.

4. Inasmuch as I am hard pressed for this evidence to back up charges already included in the indictment, presented to General Taylor, of Riedweg, Berger, etc., on the strength of the Swiss report referred to in my memorandum, I would very much appreciate your securing the necessary information at the very earliest opportunity.

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