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- Former colonel Hans Ulrich Rudel arrived in West Germany on 31 December 1957 on a business trip from his office in Venezuela. He intended to return on 6 February 1958, but the political disturbances in Venezuela led him to stay in Europe until the situation had clarified. He was planning a trip to Egypt before his return.
- In West Germany, Rudel dealt with a number of firms, including Fichtel und Sachs, Frankfurt/Main, concerning ball bearings; Rutherweitz, Wetzlar, concerning ship construction; and Siemens AG, the division concerned with electric hospital equipment. During January, he also addressed a meeting of the Deutsche Reichspartei.
- Field Comment: Rudel was in West Germany in May 1957, doing business with some of the same firms he saw this time. See RUF-2157.
- Field Comment: On his previous visit, Rudel was advised by Dr. Ulrich Naumann of the DRP not to involve himself in party activities. See RUF-2157.

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