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FOR THE CHIEF

Informant Erhart FOCKE has received an offer from STANEK (see report dated 28/8) to go to Germany and work for SANITZER.

FOCKE, whose smuggling business is steadily growing worse, has been denounced to the CIC by an Adelf PETSCH, a Volksdeutsch from Czechoslovakia, BRAUNAU and RANSHOFEN, for suspected activities for the Communist Party (because of his smuggling activities FOCKE is frequently in Eastern Germany) and is under surveillance by the CIC. FOCKE will accept SANITZER's offer if he can.

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Vienna- It is reported that the former chief of the Gestapo-leitstelle in Vienna, SANITZER, who received a life sentence from an Austrian People's Court and was later freed by the Russians, is looking for candidates for the German Secret State Police among his former employees. He himself is at present the chief of a special section in Bautzen. SANITZER passes as a specialist in counter intelligence. (Spionage Abwehr.) His trial is now behind him. (?)

We wonder that in the country with the best police force it is already necessary to import such specialists. In these times there is mercy for each criminal if he appears worthy to the new flag (Russians). (?)

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