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TO : Chief, Foreign Division M  
Attention: [ ]  
FROM : Chief of Station, Vienna

DATE: 26 September 1951

SUBJECT: GENERAL - Operational  
SPECIFIC - Meeting with [ ] [ ]

Reference: MAS-A-750

1. [ ] met with [ ] on 19 September 1951 in a Graz restaurant and reported the following on his activities during the past month:

- a. Continuing his efforts to track down SANITZER contacts in Graz, [ ] contacted Josef STEINER (see paragraph 3, a of MAS-A-750) who stated that about a year ago he had received a letter from SANITZER, through an intermediary in Vienna, inviting him to join the East German police. STEINER did not reply to that letter but remarked to [ ] that he had not definitely discarded the idea of joining SANITZER's staff one day, especially in view of the worsening economic situation in Austria. When [ ] said that he might be interested in joining SANITZER himself, and would like to know more about service in the East German police, Josef STEINER promised that he would try to re-establish contact with SANITZER through the former police officers in Vienna, Max KAIBLINGER and (fnu) KAMBA.
- b. KAIBLINGER and KAMBA are known to [ ] as fanatical Nazis, who participated in the Nazi Revolt of July 1934 and were subsequently sentenced to long prison terms by the Austrian Government. After the Anschluss, KAMBA and KAIBLINGER returned to the police service.
- c. In a Graz cafe, [ ] met Kaethe GANSTERER, whom he had known during the war as an agent of the Gestapo in Vienna. GANSTERER, about thirty-five years of age, a native of Vienna, comes from a good middle class family but later had affairs with several Vienna police officials which finally led to her employment by the Gestapo as an informant and agent. During the war the "Church Section" (Kirchenreferat) of the Vienna Gestapo used GANSTERER as an intermediary between the Gestapo and Cardinal Theodor INNITZER of Vienna. GANSTERER showed [ ] a map of prints, showing churches and monasteries in Austria which INNITZER had given her as a present. GANSTERER came to Graz in 1949 and is at present employed as a waitress in a Graz cafe of dubious reputation. GANSTERER knew SANITZER well during the war, and about one year ago, a Graz Kripo

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official, name as yet unknown, accompanied by a high-ranking police official from Klagenfurt, name also unknown, called on GANSTERER and the Klagenfurt police official delivered to her a personal letter from SANITZER, inviting her to join SANITZER's staff in Bautzen. According to the Klagenfurt police official, SANITZER was then the police president of Bautzen. [ ] feels sure that GANSTERER knows the identity of the Graz Kripo official and he hopes to obtain the name at his next meeting with her.

3. [ ] intends using GANSTERER as a sub-agent, and as a trial assignment, he asked her to visit the restaurant and hotel "Wienerwirt" where Eugenio RICCIOLI is currently residing. GANSTERER complied with [ ] request and learned from the owner of the hotel that RICCIOLI was in Italy but would probably return to Graz towards the end of September 1951. The hotel owner further stated that RICCIOLI was in contact with one (fnu) TELEKI, a hog raiser, living in or near Kumberg, Styria. TELEKI allegedly exports pigs to Hungary, and [ ] suspects that he might be an intermediary between RICCIOLI and the mob. The hotel owner also confirmed an earlier report (WAS-A-510, para 5) that RICCIOLI is in contact with one (Countess) (fnu) BIELEWSKI. Comment: The TELEKI mentioned above is probably identical with (Count) Karoly TELEKI, who, however, is not a Communist.)
4. [ ] expressed himself optimistically about the possibilities of establishing contact with SANITZER in the near future. In addition to pursuing the contact with STEINER, [ ] intends to call on Hans KASPAR (see para 3 of WAS-A-750) who was reportedly also in contact with SANITZER. [ ] also believes that GANSTERER, who has excellent police contacts in Graz and Vienna, will be of assistance to him. [ ] arranged to stay in GANSTERER's apartment whenever it was necessary for him to remain in Graz over night and [ ] had the impression that [ ] would not be averse to having an affair with GANSTERER. In order to establish direct contact with RICCIOLI, [ ] in his capacity as an insurance salesman, intends to call on him upon RICCIOLI's return from Italy, in order to sell him an automobile insurance policy since RICCIOLI allegedly intends to buy a vehicle in Graz.
5. [ ] also noticed the newspaper reports on the disappearance of the lawyer, Napoleon BIRNY (WAS-A-777) and supplied the attached clipping from the Graz SPOe paper "Neue Zeit", dated 3 September 1951.
5. [ ] supplied the following background information on Josef STEINER and Hans KASPAR in Graz:
  - a. Josef STEINER, born 14 January 1906 in Graz, divorced, address: Hammer-Purgstallgasse 23. STEINER came to Graz from Trofaiach in April 1950 and is at present employed as a driver by the firm Lothar Gladaro, electrical appliances, Graz, Kastellfeldgasse 24. STEINER joined the NSDAP in 1931, participated in the Nazi Revolt of July 1934, subsequently fled to Germany, joined the SS and in 1939 became Hauptsturmfuehrer in the SA.

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- NR b. Johann KASPAR, born 12 October 1906 in Vienna, former Kripo officer, divorced, address: Graz, Neu-Eart, Widmannstettergasse 9, c/o Mrs. Baerthaller. In December 1947 KASPAR was sentenced to eighteen months in prison for war crimes. He is at present employed by a coal firm in Graz, name and address unknown.
6. For Vienna: Please ask  to check the Vienna Police files for background information on Kaethe GANSTERER, Max KALBLINGER and (fnu) KAMBA. GANSTERER was allegedly imprisoned by both the Austrians and the Soviets after the war.

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