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To: Chief, CEBr/STD

From: [redacted]

Subject: SCHREIEDER, Joseph

Reference: Your request CG-6474, Secret.

1. Reports dated in 1945-46 described Josef SCHREIEDER (SCHREIDER) as a professional policeman from Bavaria, who joined the Nazi Party in 1937. He was noted particularly for his counter-intelligence work with the German Intelligence Service in Holland. He was said to have been very efficient in this respect, having been "personally responsible for the fact that Allied activities in Occupied Holland met with less success than in other countries." According to one report, SCHEIEDER was instrumental in the capture of many Allied agents, but, due to certain friction between him and the Main Security Bureau, "the ultimate fate of some agents seems to have been taken out of his hands." SCHREIEDER was credited with having "an abnormally efficient memory." (WD-198738, 8 Aug 45, TOP SECRET; WD-237172, 28 Dec 45, Secret(?); and WD-245045, 23 Jan 46, Secret.)

2. A Dutch radio broadcast on 8 January 1949 said that "Joseph SCHREIEDER, SS Sturmbannfuehrer Kriminal-direktor and leader of the Englandspiel," was soon to be brought to trial in a Netherlands court. He was accused, among other things, of "giving instructions to Wilhelm A. AHLBRECHT for the murder of thirteen Dutchmen near Dronrijp." (FBIB Hilversum, 10 Jan 49.) A year later an Amsterdam publishing firm was said to be withdrawing Joseph SCHREIEDER's book Englandpiel, as a result of protests - "protests against the fact that the very man who had ruined so many Netherlands patriots would now derive royalties from his misdeeds." (FBIB Hilversum, 10 Jan 50.)

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