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MEMORANDUM

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TO : COPS
FROM : []
SUBJECT : GENERAL - Operational
 SPECIFIC - Meeting with [] on 6 July 1955
REF :

Meeting Arrangements:

1. The meeting took place at []'s apartment at 1600 hours on 6 July 1955.

Operational:

2. Introduction of the new Case Officer. [] was introduced to Grspinal I as [] ^{name}. It was under this name that [] had met Grspinal I on several occasions in New York during 1952-53. [] did not recognize [] immediately, however, after a few seconds pause, he stated that he remembered seeing the case officer in New York. The purpose of the meeting was for [] to introduce [] to []

3. Abendlaendisch-Akademie On about 4 July, [] had a talk with a former acquaintance of his, [], who now lives in Munich and represents a group known as Abendlaendische Akademie, which is a "Catholic, conservative group with very close ties to General Franco". (ZIPPER's connection with the Akademie is, of course, known to us.) [] expressed interest in putting out a German edition of Wochen-Fresse and said that the Akademie had 1,500,000 DM at its disposal for the support of a good weekly. In describing the reasons of the Akademie for considering this project, [] said that [] wanted a conservative and positive weekly and regarded Der Spiegel and other German news magazines as "negative". [] knew beforehand that [] was no partisan of Spiegel. He gave the following information concerning the Abendlaendische Akademie:

a. Its main backer in Germany is a (Freiherr) (or Graf) von Blumberg-Zeil (or something similar). It also has industrial money behind it, possibly from Domag.

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b. It is sponsoring broadcasts from Radio Madrid which "are more effective in Eastern Europe than RFE" [] quoting []. (Comment: What he means is that it is promoting an unofficial very rightwing Ostpolitik. This is important if not known.)

[] was to talk with [] further during a stay in Munich on his way to Geneva.

4. Sued-Ost Kabel. On about 5 July, [] was visited in his office by a (Mr.) Fiala (fnu), who used to work on the Nazi-period newspaper in Bratislava (Pressburg). FIALA is working with Oskar von RAAY, born 19 June 1903 in Duesseldorf; ^{business} who was an active journalist during the Nazi era in Vienna. Von RAAY apparently put out a publication in Vienna during the war which mainly concerned trade with South-East Europe. (He also befriended []'s father during the years that he was barred from journalistic work, obtaining work for him as a researcher first in Vienna and later in Amsterdam.) FIALA and von RAAY are trying ^{proposed} to set up a trade paper which will handle especially information needed ^{Pub.} by East-West traders with the Satellite states. It is to be called Sued-Ost Kabel, a name which von RAAY has used before (possibly the same as ^{business} that of his wartime publication). In September 1954 they published their first sample edition in Duesseldorf; at that time they were supported by the League of German Industrialists and allegedly the publication was approved by the German Federal Government. Since then, however, there have been no further editions and allegedly von RAAY is having trouble getting the project off the ground, partly because German sponsors want him to publish in Germany while he says Vienna is the only place for such a paper. FIALA and von RAAY have asked [] whether he wants to participate in the venture; he said he was interested and is expecting to talk with von RAAY in Vienna after he returns from Geneva. [] says that von RAAY and FIALA apparently are interested solely in making money, but that they have contacts with the East. FIALA told [] that he had just conferred with persons at the Czech Embassy, unit he had been guaranteed that 20,000 copies of Sued-Ost Kabel would be taken by the Eastern European countries. (We were asked about Sued-Ost Kabel in BONN-2449, February 1955. We answered in EAVA 10337, 12 April.)

5. A. M. TIMOSCHENKO. [] asked [] if he had had any further contacts with Soviets since the last meeting with the case officer. [] stated that he had received a telephone call from TIMOSCHENKO who extended an invitation for him to have dinner with TIMOSCHENKO and some important visitors from Moscow. Since [] was planning on four days leave, he was unable to accept the invitation. [] requested the case officer to provide him with a brief biographic sketch of subject, if the information was available in Kubark files.

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Communications:

6. The following, communication arrangements were made:

a. Agent to case officer. Agent is to call [] on ops telephone /32 h 2. In these calls, he will identify himself as [] *cover name for []*. English will be the language spoken.

b. Case officer to agent. Case officer will call agent at his office and identify himself as [] The telephone number in his office is A 28500. No extension is necessary, just ask for [] in true name. Agent usually arrives in his office at 0830. He is always out between 1300-1500; usually remains in office until 1930. *cover name for []*

c. Place of meeting. The Landtmann Cafe will be used, if telephone arrangements are made to meet at a cafe. In the event telephone arrangements are made to be at [] place," it means at his apartment.

Personal:

7. [] will leave Vienna on 16 July 1955 for the Big-Four Conference in Geneva. He will arrive in Geneva on 18 July and stay at the Hotel Albert Premiere.

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