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Chief [ ]

Chief of Mission, Frankfurt

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UJDUK Brief

Reference: E37A-277

1. Thank you very much for reference. We are anxious to receive any similar material in the future. However, we do not desire to transmit any traces of the persons mentioned to UJDUK through [ ] If ZIPPER wants such traces, they can easily give them to us directly. We would not want to take the chance of ZIPPER's guessing that a reply handed over by INGRAM originated with POB. We are attaching available POB traces for Bern information only. For EE [ ] and EE may be very well informed on the persons in question. If so, POB would appreciate receiving from EE a resume of available traces.

2. Attached POB traces certainly do not rule out the possibility that the sign "5" may indicate Rote Kapelle, and your guess was certainly justified. However, we believe you will agree that it is impossible to form anything like a definite conclusion, and that several other possibilities exist, including an Italian service, a Catholic church service, a German service unfriendly to ZIPPER, and perhaps others. For an answer, we shall have to await further information from [ ] or more definite [ ] and EE traces of the persons involved.

3. It seems to us strange that UJDUK should pass along such a paper to [ ] unless they were quite sure [ ] would know exactly why he was receiving such a paper, and the nature of any symbols contained in the paper. Under the circumstances, one gets the impression that UJDUK expects [ ] to pass the paper along to someone definitely interested in intelligence personalities, and even that similar material had previously been passed through the same channels. Probably not KUBARK, or the symbols would have been explained. Perhaps to the Austrians? Regardless of this point, [ ] would appear to be quite justified in asking UJDUK what he was expected to do with the brief, and for identification of the unclear symbol. If you agree, would it be feasible to have [ ] query UJDUK? It may be, of course, that you feel [ ] originally showed you the brief sufficiently reluctantly that you would not want to press him further.

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