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TO : Chief, EE
INFO : COS, BOB, FOB, MOB (LD), FE
FROM : Chief of Base, Hamburg
SUBJECT: LCHARVEST/CAHELM
Hjalmar SCHACHT and the Deutsche China-Gesellschaft

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ACTION REQUIRED: None

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1. We are enclosing for Chief, EE only, a copy of a letter from Hjalmar SCHACHT to Wolf SCHENKE in connection with fund-raising activities of the Deutsche China-Gesellschaft. In the letter, which was dated 6 November 1957, Schacht suggested some changes in a draft circular fund-raising letter prepared by Joachim HERTSLET and enclosed a draft written by Schacht. Schacht also referred to a meeting in Düsseldorf, presumably of DCG members who were to participate in the fund-raising campaign. Schacht mentioned the names of POHLE, JAKOFF, KALETSCH and FRIEDENSBURG as persons he was to contact for contributions these are apparently directors or representatives of German firms.

2. In Schacht's draft, he mentioned the sum of DM 60,000 as the proposed annual DCG budget. The draft circular, which was to be sent to firms, also claimed that DCG leaders had had friendly talks with the following Communist Chinese: CHOU En-lai, CHEN Yi, CHU Tu-nan, KUO Mo-jo (President of the Academy of Science and Vice-president of the Chinese parliament), WANG Ping-nan, NAN Han-chen (President of the Society for Foreign Trade) and CHI Chao-ting (Vice-president of the Foreign Trade Society). The general theme of the circular was that the two power concentrations of Russia and the United States represented a threat to West German trading possibilities and that West Germany must try to establish its own trade relationships in the under-developed countries of Asia and Africa while this was still possible. According to the circular, the DCG had been assured by leading personalities of Communist China (namely, those listed above) that the close ties of China to Russia by no means represented a desire to exclude the participation of Western countries in the technical development of China.

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