



SECRET CONTROL

LILAC has submitted the following report:

1. Section IV of the Austrian State Police deals with "Abwehr" questions. This section is concerned with illegal National Socialists and Monarchists in Vienna and former Abwehr agents. As far as could be ascertained, it may be said that this section is not interested in Russian, French, English, or American agents. The section consists of about thirty people, headed by one Hans MARSCHALEK, a former concentration camp inmate; present address: Vienna XIX, Grinzingerstrasse 12. He is married.

2. Valentin STRECHA is head of Section III, Austrian State Police, which is a kind of information office. STRECHA is about thirty-two years of age. His address is: Vienna XVIII, Ulmerstr. 33.

3. Both MARSCHALEK and STRECHA are members of the Communist Party, and have worked illegally for many years. STRECHA is known as a fanatical Communist. Both are pleasant people, and MARSCHALEK is easily approached. Their circle of friends is unknown, but it can be assumed that it is made up mainly of former concentration camp victims.

4. The head of the Kommissariat in Vienna District I is Kurt Arman FRISCH. He is about twenty-seven, a major in the French Army and a member of the Communist Party. Although an Austrian by birth, FRISCH served in the French Army during the war and attained the rank of captain. He married a French girl while he was serving with the French. In recognition of his services with the army, he was given French citizenship; thus he now has dual citizenship. A few months after the war he returned to France where he was promoted to major, the rank he presently holds.

5. It is well known that the British do not like FRISCH because of his political views. A few weeks ago, the British filed an official complaint against him for not adhering to inter-allied agreements. This was caused by FRISCH's failure to notify the British (who were at the time in charge of District I) of the arrest and release of a thief in whose house a machine-gun had been found. FRISCH claimed he did not know of the incident, and that he could not be responsible for every event that occurs in his district. A request for FRISCH's removal was brought up at the Allied Council, but the French objected and prevented his removal.

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