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MEMORANDUM FOR: [] EE/G/PI
SUBJECT : Inge von der TANN

1. Your memorandum of 27 June 1961 brought back some nostalgic (and painful) memories.

2. I know nothing of von der TANN's activities or even exact whereabouts since last seeing her in Salzburg in 1954, just prior to her departure for Germany.

3. The file may give an impression of my having known her better than was actually the case. I met her on only a few occasions and these were purposely set-up through GROSSBAHN. She worked (during my days on the GROSSBAHN operation) at the safe house which he had procured, close to Camp Truscott. I made it a practice never to go near that location during daylight hours--and the meetings I did have there with GROSSBAHN were always held at night. Except for the aforementioned special arrangements, she had always finished her work and had departed. I really knew her so superficially, I couldn't even begin to say anything meaningful concerning her reliability. But I do feel I must say something about GROSSBAHN's reliability.

4. Since I last saw GROSSBAHN in 1954 (and I haven't seen him since) there have been two specific developments which I think should be weighed in considering any moves in the direction of anyone previously associated in any of his so-called operations. Just at the time of his departure from Austria, we took over a singleton agent from him called SINGER, operating in the Linz/Urfahr/Eferding area. After considerable waste of money, case officer and staff time, it was discovered that the operation was fraudulent and that GROSSBAHN had misrepresented his recruitment and initial handling of SINGER. [] currently serving on the CI Staff was the case officer on this operation and can give you full details should you desire them.

5. The second development concerns a story (possibly rumor?) in which I am inclined to place a bit of credence, that GROSSBAHN's background story to us concerning his early GIS days in the Middle East was falsified. Tied to this was some slight indication that GROSSBAHN's

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name may crop up at the EICHMANN trial. Should this occur and his present whereabouts become known, Pandora's box is likely to spring open for certain.

6. Looking back over some subsequent eight years of history and experience, today I would ask myself, regarding her statement of loyalty you quote, whether this was made of her own free will or whether she did this under instructions from GROSSBAHN. I am afraid I would choose the latter.

7. If there is anything further I can be of help on in this matter, feel free to write me at the address shown on the forwarding envelope.

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G/OB/LSO

P.S. - I am returning both copies of your memorandum of 27 June 1961 as I would prefer not to keep any sensitive operational correspondence at my present location.

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