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25 March 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, CI/OA

SUBJECT: UMPFENBACH, George [ ]

REFERENCE: Your memorandum dated 20 February 1957

1. Action regarding this POA request has been transferred from EE/C to EE/G/DA. We regret the delay that has occurred in this matter, but it was caused by the unfortunate misrouting of several pertinent documents.
2. A synopsis of traces is attached.
3. A more complete biographical survey on Subject is attached.
4. The field is still interested in contacting and assessing Subject and has asked for a cable reply; therefore, we request the POA on an expedite basis. An analysis of Subject's background and of field traces has resulted in the suspicion that Subject, with an intelligence history, may be an opportunist. We are concurrently informing the field of the regrettable delay in issuing the POA and apprising them of our suspicion regarding Subject in order that they take it into consideration during assessment.
5. With the above in mind, we reiterate our POA request.

[ EE/G/DA ]

Attachments:

1. Traces (2 copies)
2. Bio data (2 copies)

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ATTACHMENT 1.

SYNOPSIS OF TRACES ON UMPFENBACH

1. Headquarters: EGFW-3526, 25 January 1957  
No derogatory information.
2. Chief of Station, Germany: EGQA-85671, 15 January 1957  
OSI, MID and A-2 indicated no trace.
3. Pullach: EGLA-22063, 16 January 1957  
No derogatory information.
4. Berlin: According to FOB, Berlin issued a no trace reply dated 20 December 1956, Headquarters, however, has no record of this reply.
5. CIC: EGQA-86530, 12 February 1957  
Other than biographic data which, if pertinent, is included in attachment 2, the following information was recorded: On 29 July 1950 Subject volunteered his services to an AIS in Frankfurt/M as an informant to aid in bringing into the hands of this IS an alleged amount of 700 grams of uranium, that was allegedly to be sold to the highest bidder. (B-2)

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