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1. Dr. Leopold VOLLER, born 16 October 1911 in Murau/Styria, Austrian citizen, Roman Catholic, single (alleged fiancée in 1950 was Johanna NUNNER, born 28 March 1916 in Salzburg, secretary to Salzburg journalist Dr. Eugen SCHÄPF), residence in Salzburg, Schwedenstrasse 16 (formerly in Vienna IX, Grenzgasse 20/II), allegedly works for both French and U.S. intelligence. He travels extensively and frequently stays at Schloss Amras, Innsbruck. After the war he acted as an interrogator of PW's, returning from Russia, for a U.S. agency. His cover names known were VEILKE, WALTER, and BERGER.
2. In April 1950 VOLLER intended to establish a secret "Anti-Marxist Center" in Austria for the purpose of penetrating the Communist Party with agents who would collect intelligence on the Communists; another aim was to foster social reforms. This organization was to include 30 to 40 members in all; prospective collaborators were intelligence agent Dr. Karl v. WINKLER, OeVP Nationalrat Dr. Lujo TONCIG, Rolf WEST, onetime leader of OeVP's "Organisation B", and Dr. Theodor VEITER, of Feldkirch, Vorarlberg. Above plan appears to have failed; it was since no more reported on.
3. VOLLER is a Communist Party member (271361) since 8 April 1947. On 6 February 1950 he was arrested by Salzburg police in a dope affair concerning one (fnu) ROTHEBURG and one Dr. (fnu) ARNOLD of Salzburg. In March 1950 he participated in an illegal arms trade between Austria and the satellites.
4. Officially, VOLLER claims to be a correspondent and authorized Austrian representative of the "Contana" import and export agency in Vaduz, Liechtenstein. He also claims to work for the Austrian Foreign Office; at least until 1950 he was in close contact with State Secretary Dr. Ferdinand GRAF.

* Comment: Dr. Theodor WEITER, born 22 September 1907 in Munich, Austrian citizen, Roman Catholic, married, residence in Feldkirch, Vorarlberg (previously in Vienna IX, Berggasse 17/19), assistant of Feldkirch lawyers WEISS and ENDER, held close connection with the French; using French documents he frequently went to Paris where he conferred with Persons of the BIDAULT circle. During World War II he was in charge of personnel and counter intelligence matters with the Floridsdorf locomotives plant. At the same time he held contact with anti-nazis, especially with Dr. Josef MÜLLER, of Munich. After 1945 he directed a timber and construction firm in Vorarlberg. In summer 1947 he took up connection with Dr. Herbert A. KRAUS and became representative for KRAUS's "Berichte und Informationen".

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