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TO : AB/O30, BERLIN
FROM : AB/O16, ANZON *RWC*
SUBJECT: Field investigation of prospective X-2 agent

1. Attached is the XYZ-1 form on Kuno WIRSICH submitted to us by Munich on 2 August 1945.
2. You will note in item 10 that WIRSICH was a lawyer in Berlin until 1943 and, in item 11, that he was a member of a Communist cell (presumably in Berlin), some members of which are named. In elaboration of item 14, it might be said that the subject claims to have joined the Waffen SS in 1939 to penetrate it and obtain incriminating information for distribution through his Communist cell. Some critiques on the SS and NSDAP, prepared by him, were turned over to the 3rd Army IC by the subject.
3. Promised Action: Could you kindly confirm, so far as is possible, the subject's life in Berlin? If, at a minimum, you can confirm through the phone book the existence of the law firm mentioned by him, that will be helpful. If you can contact the members of the law firm and discover their opinions of his political and SS affiliations, that will be helpful. If any of the characters mentioned in paragraph 11 of the XYZ-1 form can be identified by you, that would be ideal.
4. We would appreciate any comment you may have on the difficulties involved in attempting to carry out the requests embodied in this letter. So far as field investigations are concerned, we are still at the evolutionary stage.

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