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Source: Savoy

Sub-Source: Weinert

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SUBJECT: Soviet Agent - WEINERT

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1. This report continues a series begun with basic Report No. 51, dealing with the activities of WEINERT, an NKVD agent controlled by Captain SKURIN of the Soviet Zentralkommandatur of BERLIN.

2. WEINERT has been taken into employment by the S.N.B. (Sovietisches Nachrichtenbüro), the German branch-office of TASS and mainstay of all political reportage of German newspapers published under Soviet aegis. His appointment is that of deputy chief editor of S.N.B. (SSU; presumably the BERLIN office). The terms of contract, according to WEINERT, are: a salary of RM 1,200 per month, free board and lodging.

3. WEINERT will be in direct charge of the Kulturreferat of the S.N.B. Among his responsibilities will be liaison with American and British press agencies.

4. According to WEINERT the following two former members of the Abwehr have been committed as agents by the NKVD in WEISSENSEE:

a) Fritz REISCHEE, reportedly former instructor at some training school for Abwehr II (sabotage) agents.

b) WEICHERT, former Feldwebel (Tech Sgt) in the Abwehr, also connected with Abwehr II (sabotage and insurrection). WEICHERT owns a grocery store in WEISSENSEE.

**SSU COMMENT:**

Former Abwehr II Members recruited by RIS

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Despite their avowed preference for Abwehr I (in particular Abwehr I W1) personnel as agent material, occasionally an Abwehr II operative appears to pass muster.

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