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1. Thompson's version as follows. Details being pushed.

A. In Bern Oct 18 G4 learned from Prince Henry Liechtenstein that General von Gehlen alias Gontard visited Bern with Major Waldmann and Hugo Thurn und Taxis who wished operational contact with Liechtenstein. Latter declined. I told G4 he suggested to Gontard that latter meet Grapefruits who connected with reestablishment Austrian Army and related services.

B. When G4 returned Bern Nov 18 was introduced to Liechtenstein legation to Brehm Halter who said he von Gehlen's aide. Suggested to G4 monthly meeting for exchange German and Austrian political development.

C. G4 reported meeting with Brehm to Thompson on return from Bern and was reluctant have anything to do with Brehm organization. Brehm called at DAO. Thompson did not report this info to Vienna, but wishing keep an eye on ODEUM activities in Salzburg area, suggested G4 keep loose contact.

D. Monthly meetings continued. Brehm also met brother of Josef Duerfeld then working as clerk for G4. Brehm submitted very low level overt military and political reports and received from G4 completely overt Austrian political info. Since nothing of interest resulted, Thompson lost tract of Brehm contact.

E. As of 21 August 49, Brehm told G4 DAO had report from Salzburg about RIS not being found there and that Josef Duerfeld said to be member this group. Between 4 and 10 Sept, Brehm gave G4 some reports concerning this net. On strength Brehm's "fairness" in revealing RIS activity Salzburg area and expression his wish to help destroy it, G4 felt constrained admit Josef Duerfeld penetrated net on G4's instructions. He gave Brehm copy some of Duerfeld's reports. Above reported to Thompson early Oct 49. Latter advised G4 Duerfeld's usefulness therefore at end.

Comment: Thompson reports Josef will shortly leave for Italy to work for ~~unsub~~. Brother will soon immigrate to Canada. No longer works for G4.-

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F. 14 Sept Brehm case Salzburg and told G4 Subject Brehm's reports was agent 7010 Philip Geron, working for Brehm's sub-section out of Munich under former Hungarian gendarmerie Col. Strobl. Brehm also gave G4 schematic diagram of Begus group and questionnaire to fill out on group, which G4 refused to do saying had lost track of case since arrest unspecified members of group by US authorities.

G. Early Oct Brehm case Salzburg much distressed over arrest of Geron and asked for any new Begus information. On Thompson's instructions, G4 said he has nothing. Brehm then said would be in Salzburg with US official 15 Oct to clear up Geron matter. He said also Karl von Winkler wanted contact him with Grapefruits to discuss basic military problems. G4 told him not interested, as such questions premature.

H. Thompson, who has not discussed case with G4 since our cable ~~change~~, ~~believe~~ ~~claim~~ in 6th sentence para 277 (IN 15333) either made or ~~made~~ by Brehm, although if made by G4 would have been easy for him arrive at in view Chalker's publicity. Grapefruit and S2 could also have contributed to this assumption in G4's mind.

2. Subject your instructions we would like to have G4 sever all contact with Brehm immediately. We endeavoring impress Thompson and through him his sources on importance procedural conformity. G4 will be instructed have NO contact with Winkler.

3. Do you want our copies of reports exchanged between G4 and B?