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TAGS: PGOV, PEPR, CVIS, GE (ZOGLMANN, SIEGFRIED)
SUBJECT: POSSIBLE 212(A)(33) INELIGIBILITY

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COMMENT AND ACTION REQUESTED: THIS MESSAGE IS BEING SENT PRIOR TO OUR HAVING RECEIVED BDC SUMMARY OF APPLICANT'S SS CAREER, DUE TO THE FACT THAT ZOGLMANN WISHES TO LEAVE GERMANY ON TRIP TO NORTH-AMERICA, TO PARTICIPATE IN VARIOUS GERMAN-AMERICAN TRICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS, ON SEPTEMBER 26. ZOGLMANN, WHO WAS A MEMBER OF THE FEDERAL GERMAN BUNDESTAG FROM 1957 TO 1976, HAS BEEN VERY FORTHCOMING IN RECOUNTING HIS CAREER DURING THE NAZI PERIOD, AND WE HOPE THAT THE DEPARTMENT CAN REACH A DECISION BASED ON THIS CABLE, AND WHATEVER OTHER INFORMATION MAY BE AVAILABLE, IN TIME FOR A VISA TO BE ISSUED FRIDAY, SEP. 23.

- 1. VISAS DONKEY
- 2. ZOGLMANN, SIEGFRIED
17 AUG 1913 NEUMARK, BOHEMIA

FOR COORDINATION WITH State

3. BORN IN BOHEMIA 1913, ZOGLMANN FIRST CAME TO GERMANY IN 1934 AT THE AGE OF 21, TO PURSUE HIS PROFESSION AS A JOURNALIST. HE JOINED THE HITLER YOUTH IN 1934, AND WAS ACTIVE AS A LEADER OF THE HITLER YOUTH IN BERLIN, WHERE HE WORKED FOR THE BERLINER TAGESBLATT. HE JOINED THE NSDAP IN 1940.

4. IN 1940, ZOGLMANN WAS DRAFTED INTO THE WEHRMACHT (NOT THE SS) BUT SPENT THE NEXT ONE AND ONE HALF YEARS ON LEAVE, WORKING AS A LEADER OF THE HITLER YOUTH IN PRAGUE. IN 1942, HE WAS RE-DRAFTED, THIS TIME INTO THE WAFFEN SS. ZOGLMANN STATES THAT HE WAS NEVER A MEMBER OF THE ALLGEMEINE SS. HE SPENT THE REST OF THE WAR ON VARIOUS FRONTS, AS A MEMBER OF THE FIRST SS PANZER LEIBSTANDARTE. HE WAS IN RUSSIA FROM JANUARY TO AUGUST 1943, IN ITALY AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 1943, BACK IN RUSSIA OCTOBER 1943 TO JULY 1944. AFTER THAT, HE PARTICIPATED IN OFFICER TRAINING, THEN WAS ASSIGNED TO A REPLACEMENT TROOP IN WESTFALEN, UNTIL HE WAS SENT TO THE HUNGARIAN FRONT IN JANUARY 1945. HE WAS CAPTURED BY THE AMERICANS IN AUSTRIA AT THE END OF THE

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WAR, AND RELEASED FROM AMERICAN PRISONER OF WAR CAMP IN AUGUST 1945. SINCE HE REMAINED IN AUSTRIA UNTIL 1949, WHEN HE CAME TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC, HE NEVER WENT THROUGH DE-NAZIFICATION PROCEEDINGS.

5. ZOGLMANN HAS BEEN ACTIVE IN FEDERAL GERMAN POLITICS SINCE 1952; WHEN HE WAS ELECTED TO THE NORDRHEIN-WESTFALEN LANDTAG; FROM THE BEGINNING, HE HAS MADE HIS HITLER YOUTH, NSDAP, AND WAFFEN SS MEMBERSHIP A MATTER OF PUBLIC RECORD. HE ASSERTED CONVINCINGLY DURING THE VISA INTERVIEW THAT HE HAD NEVER PARTICIPATED IN ANY ACTIVITIES THAT COME WITHIN THE PURVIEW OF SECTION 212(A)(33) OF THE INA.

6. ON THE BASIS OF VISA INTERVIEW, AND IN THE ABSENCE OF ANY ADVERSE INFORMATION AVAILABLE TO THE DEPARTMENT, CONSULAR OFFICER RECOMMENDS THAT ZOGLMANN BE FOUND NOT INELIGIBLE FOR A VISA, AND THAT HIS NAME BE REMOVED FROM THE LOOK-OUT SYSTEM.

7. A REPLY BY SEPTEMBER 23 WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED.

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