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SUBJECT: The ALBERT-BURCKHARDT-LEIDL Case
FROM: 831

1. OKLAUSNER stated frankly that this was pretty much of a fiasco and so far it had not been handled too well either by ZIPPER itself or by other German agencies involved such as the Security Group:
2. Mrs. ALBERT has not been interrogated.
3. BURCKHARDT is free and by no means under constant ZIPPER surveillance. He has a car, a telephone and also receives mail at his brother's address at Frankenthal which is located in the French Zone. ZIPPER is trying to surveil him as much as possible but is experiencing considerable difficulty. ZIPPER's case officer for BURCKHARDT is OUDWIG who OKLAUSNER states was previously in no way involved in the ALBERT-LEIDL case.
4. BURCKHARDT has definitely given ZIPPER and the Security Group much true information. On the basis of this information an SFS or Soviet radio agent has been arrested in what is believed to be the Frankfurt area and has allegedly confessed. Similarly both in Berlin and in the Federal Republic other SFS agents have been picked up and have admitted their activities. However, ZIPPER states that BURCKHARDT has lately been able to play the Security Group against ZIPPER, has repeatedly lied to both and is suspected to have resumed some sort of contact with the East Zone.
5. As an example of how BURCKHARDT was able to play the Security Group against ZIPPER, OKLAUSNER told the following story: While

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in Berlin, BURCKHARDT insisted on chasing his very many lady friends much to the chagrin of his ZIPPER case officer. When the latter berated BURCKHARDT when he returned to their hotel at 4:00 a.m. after one of his many escapades, BURCKHARDT told the case officer to go to hell to which the case officer replied in an apparently threatening manner. After that BURCKHARDT went to his Security Group escort and complained about his ZIPPER case officer, saying that the latter had dropped his pistol right in the middle of the hotel lobby. Promptly the Security Group officer asked his ZIPPER colleague whether he had dropped his pistol to which the latter replied that he didn't even carry a gun. Immediately the Security Group officer confronted BURCKHARDT and accused him of lying to which BURCKHARDT replied with a satisfied smirk ~~XXXX~~ that all he really wanted to know was whether his ZIPPER escort was armed.

6. @KLAUSNER stated that the Sfs penetration of the ZIPPER school at Weidenkamm was still unidentified. BURCKHARDT had claimed that outside of the school there had been a dead letter drop located in one of the stacks of wood. When ZIPPER confronted BURCKHARDT with the local forester, the forester identified BURCKHARDT as the man whom he had seen repeatedly hanging around the school.

7. @KLAUSNER mentioned V-1101 as being under suspicion in connection with BURCKHARDT's testimony. (This is believed to be related to V-3910.)

8. @KLAUSNER stated that on UTILITY's instructions ZIPPER had stayed out of the Security Group interrogation of Erl. SCHWARZ. This lady is apparently one of GLOBKE's secretaries who had been a source

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of SCHWEITZER. As such she had reported to SCHWEITZER about ZIPPER's
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GRAINER. SCHWEITZER had reported this information to SCHMITZ, SCHMITZ
to ALBERT, and ALBERT to the Sfs or the Soviets. OKLAUSNER added that
when the Security Group interrogated Frl. SCHWARZ, the latter was not
at all subdued but reacted with a considerable amount of huff to any sug-
gestion that she had been working for the East, mentioning allegedly
that SCHWEITZER after all worked for the "Americans".

9. OKLAUSNER mentioned someone called JAKUSCH as also being in-
volved with ALBERT and LEIDL. The security aspects of this case are be-
ing reported under the cryptonym EVA while MAGDELENE is apparently ZIP-
PER'S crypto for the positive CE aspects.

10. OKLAUSNER promised to furnish with a report.

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