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○ Martin Bormann

NY T-1, who has furnished reliable information in the past, recently advised that during the past summer (1973), while travelling in Europe, she met a man who furnished the following information concerning Martin Bormann:

He said that Martin Bormann, formerly a high-ranking Nazi official in Germany, is alive and living in Zurich, Switzerland, under the name of Doctor Kusner. In the last days of World War II, Bormann obtained a large amount of looted art objects and German dollar bonds from Nazi custody and had this shipped to Switzerland. Bormann then obtained a diplomatic passport from the Vatican, using the identity of a dead Swiss national. He then proceeded to South America to join other Nazis in hiding there. Eight months later, he travelled to Switzerland, where he joined other Nazi fugitives, such as:

1. Heinrich Muller, Chief of the Gestapo
2. Walter Schellenberg, Chief of the Abwehr
3. Otto Skorzeny, who kidnapped Mussolini
4. Mrs. Otto Skorzeny
5. Major Hans Wagner, Abwehr Chief in Bucharest

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Bormann and the above sought and are still seeking ways to convert the dollar bonds and art objects into cash or to exchange the bonds for legitimate bonds. He said there are three freight cars full of loot, with a value of one hundred million dollars.

According to the man who related this information to NY T-1, he saw some of these looted bonds and when he learned of the conspiracy of the former Nazis he withdrew from assisting them.

At first he wished to have a newspaper article or series of articles to be written by NY T-1 concerning this, which would expose the conspiracy and the whereabouts of the Nazi war criminals and for which he and NY T-1 could expect payment from the publisher, plus a finders fee for the recovery of the one hundred million dollar loot. However, he then realized that the Nazis would kill him if such articles were published, but believed that if he could get to the United States he would be secure against any Nazi reprisals.

The man said he was questioned by the Swiss Economic Police and furnished this information to them, but apparently no action was taken by them because "Dr. Husner" (Bormann) was allowed to found a "banking firm" in Switzerland. The man stated that there is certainly a Nazi-paid informant in the Swiss Economic Police who passes along any information to the Nazi fugitives, and for this reason the man cannot go to the Swiss Police with all the details of the scheme. He also said he cannot go to United States authorities in Europe as they would conduct an open investigation, which would reveal his identity and lead to his death.

According to the man, there are statements on file with the Swiss Economic Police, Zurich, Switzerland, from persons who have been duped in this conspiracy, which prove all his allegations.

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The man also advised NY T-1 that a number of former Nazis live on the Island of Fuerteventura in the Canary Islands. Large land holdings in the Jandia section of the island are either owned by ex-Nazis who receive the income from them, or are sites of their residences. A man named Winter reportedly acts on behalf of the Nazis in their real estate dealings.

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