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SUBJECT	[] - Leon DEGRELLE			MICROFILM	
ACTION REQUESTED - REFERENCES					
ACTION REQUESTED: SEE Para. 3					
<p>1. [] has called our attention to the 14 February 1970 edition of "Die Welt" which contains a full page article on Leon DEGRELLE, the Belgian collaborator with the Nazis whom the Belgians still would like to have repatriated from Spain.</p> <p>2. The article contains the allegation that DEGRELLE was recruited by American military forces in Spain to organize a group of resistance networks south of the Pyrenees which would be activated in case of an invasion from the East. The article states that DEGRELLE traveled through the provinces recruiting like-minded refugees and located two remote areas for training his "legionnaires" for partisan warfare. These were in the Guadalquivir valley near Seville and on a property near Constantina in the South of Spain. The necessary weapons were supplied by the American case officer. The article is not explicit about the dates of these alleged events but it was presumably some time between 1946 and 1964.</p> <p>3. While neither we nor [] can believe that American authorities ever utilized DEGRELLE in any way, [] would at least appreciate Headquarters comments on this article and the allegations.</p> <p>4. Two photocopies of the DEGRELLE article are attached.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">[]</p> <p>Attachment article noted para 4.</p> <p>Distribution:</p> <p>3 - EUR w/att (2cc)</p>					
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