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TO : Chief []

DATE: 23 April 1952

FROM : Acting Chief, WE

SUBJECT: GENERAL - Germans in Spain
SPECIFIC - Eugene DOLLMANN

1. [] has been informed by [] that former SS Colonel Eugene DOLLMANN has recently arrived in Madrid. He allegedly obtained his Spanish visa in Italy through the intervention of the Catholic Church and travelled to Spain in the habit of a Franciscan monk. He is said to have re-established contact with Otto SKORZENY following his arrival in Madrid.

2. In the eventuality that [] has no records on subject in its files, [] is supplying the following biographical data on DOLLMANN.

3. Eugene DOLLMANN was born on 21 August 1900 in Ratisbon, Bavaria (Germany), of an English mother and a German father. He lived in Italy for many years during his youth and became intimately acquainted with the country. He joined the Nazi Party shortly after its inception and, during the early phases of the Second World War, acted as HITLER's personal representative in Italy. (The Rome newspaper *Unita*, in its edition of 10 September 1950, referred to him as "l'uomo di fiducia di Hitler in Italia.") As the war progressed, DOLLMANN became the high-level personal liaison officer between the Germans (SS General WOLFF and Field Marshal Albert KESSERLING) and the Italians (Field Marshal GRAZIANI, Minister of the Interior BOCCHINI and others). As such, he served as a key personality in maneuverings between Allied and enemy officials in March-April 1945 which brought about the surrender of all German armed forces in Italy. Following the German capitulation, DOLLMANN was held for interrogation for a considerable time by the Allies. Subsequently, in 1948, he appeared in Switzerland, where he lived under the name Eugenio von AMONN (using false Italian documentation), sporadically trying to sell his memoirs and alleged correspondence between important Nazi officials. He refused to return to Germany for fear that he might be assassinated by ex-Nazis who regarded him as a traitor. Concomitantly, he was advised that should he return to Italy he would be arrested and tried for what the Italian press described as "acts of violence and murder committed against Italian hostages"—e.g., the Ardeatine Caves episode. In early February 1952

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he was expelled from Switzerland, travelled clandestinely to Milan, and left for Spain on or about 22 February in the company of an unidentified man who was also dressed in the habit of a Franciscan monk.

4.

), However, we warn against operational use of DOLLMANN during his stay in Spain because he has already been involved with several intelligence organizations in Western Europe since 1945; his reputation for blackmail, subterfuge and double-dealing is infamous; he is a homosexual.

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