SUBJECT: Hartmann LAUTERBACHER

Hartmann LAUTERBACHER, Born 24 May 1909 in Reutte, Tirol. His father was a veterinarian. Subject attended Volksschule in Reutte and Kufstein and Reformrealgymnasium in Kufstein, and the Drogistenakademie in Braunschweig from 1929-1930.

LAUTERBACHER joined the Hitler Jugend in 1923 and rose to the position of deputy of this organization. He was a member of the Nazi party and holds the NSDAP gold insignia. He was Gauleiter of the NSDAP in Gau-Suedhannover-Braunschweig,; SA Obergruppenfuehre; Oberpraesident of Province Hannover and promoted to SS OGF, Stab RFSS in January 1944.

Subject was captured near Tamsweg on 30 May 45, but escaped from British internment and went to Italy where he used the aliases Giovanni BAUER and Walter DETERDING. Conflicting reports place subject in Italy in 1948 if not later.

Allegedly Subject received monetary support from his brother Hans, who was identified with an intelligence organization financed by the Americans. Subject was attacked by the Communist Newspaper L'Unita around April 1950 as a former Nazi leader being assisted by the church. As a result he was interned in Frachette d'Alatia Camp by the Italians. Prior to this arrest he was in contact with the Italian Service. He reportedly escaped from the Camp and made his way back to West Germany by mid-51, where he made contact with a Western Intelligence Service.

While in Italy he was associated with Neo-fascist circles. He was described as having right radical connections and toying with neo-fascist ideals. He reportedly founded the Rome section of the International anti-Bolshevik organization Anti-Bolsheviska Magyarch Arovonala, known as NAESZ, during late December 1948, with Karoly Ney. There are also indications from reports that he had contacts with elements working for the Russians, namely one German Volkspolizei Major WALHEIM or WALDHEIM, in 1949. Subject has many contacts in Italy among his ex-high-ranking nazitype friends.

It was reported that he was identical with the leader of the Deutsche Block, described as clandestine neo-nazi and pro-soviet organization in the American Zone of Germany.

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Subject is supposedly an active homosexual and has been all of his life.

Subject was brought up a catholic, is married and has three children. He is supposedly a heavy drinker and smoker.

Subject is a member of the BND.

Associated with Willi HOETTL in Austria, about 1950.

Associate of Oskar STAEBEL, friend of WAGNER-DELIUS, etc.