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Subject: Colonel Otto SKORZENY Report No. TAB-1718
Place Acquired: Buenos Aires, Argentina Date of Info: Current
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Source: Has contacts in clerical circles Date of Report: 8 July 49

1. Source reports that Colonel Otto SKORZENY, the German SS officer renowned for his rescue of Benito MUSSOLINI in the last war, has been observed in the city of Cordoba, Argentina. SKORZENY is said to have arrived from Italy by boat some three months ago.
2. Subject traveled with Croat documents furnished by (Father) Stjepan DRAGANOVIC, a Croat priest active in Slav immigration. SKORZENY, who is well-known to Father DRAGANOVIC, traveled under an assumed name.
3. The necessary documentation was obtained in Rome and it is reported that high officials of the Vatican used their influence to acquire them for him.

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