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Attention: Colonel Robert Schow

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From: John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Subject: OTTO SKORZENY
INFORMATION CONCERNING

This Bureau is in receipt of information concerning the captioned individual from a source of unknown reliability. For your information this source resides in the United States and it is not known if he is in a position to obtain information concerning the whereabouts of Skorzeny.

The information is to the effect that a man who answers the description of this individual - even to a scar on his face - is said to be working in Spain with a group of Nazis with the blessings of Franco. Their meetings are alleged to be on a ship that comes into a port regularly on the west coast of Spain.

Information available concerning Skorzeny indicates he is the individual who reputedly effected Mussolini's abduction in 1943 from Allied hands. He was reported to have given himself up, tried before a court and released. He was then taken into custody by the Germans but escaped on July 25, 1948.

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