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BY SPECIAL MESSENGER

Date: May 17, 1951

To: Director
Central Intelligence Agency
2430 E Street, N. W.
Washington, D. C.

Attention: Major General W. G. Wyman
Office of Special Operations

From: John Edgar Hoover - Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Subject: OTTO SKORZENY, wa
Rolf Steinbauer
INTERNAL SECURITY - GE

Reference is made to your letter dated May 1, 1951, your number SO DB 36848, concerning subject, a copy of which was designated for the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, Department of the Army. We have noted your evaluation of the information concerning the subject, as furnished by our informant, as substantially correct, and your request to be informed of the identity of our informant in order to avoid false confirmation of other reports concerning subject.

Our informant is a person residing in the United States who, to our knowledge, is not connected with any agency of the United States Government. In our contacts with the informant we have been given reason to believe that informant is not completely frank and sincere in furnishing information concerning subject. We are presently making inquiries concerning the informant to resolve our doubts. It is suggested that you may wish to renew your inquiry concerning the identity of the informant at a later date.

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In the meantime we will forward to you any information we receive concerning subject of interest to you. It would be appreciated if you would furnish us information concerning subject which you receive.

It was stated in referenced letter that the Department of the Army is in possession of detailed biographical information concerning Skorzeny. It would be appreciated if the Department of the Army would forward such information to this Bureau.

*cc - Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2
Department of the Army
The Pentagon
Washington 25, D. C.*

Attention: Chief, Intelligence Division