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I. Preamble

The information contained in this report was received from three prisoners of war (LAUTERBACH, LIEBNER, and VECKENSTEDT), who were captured in the vicinity of GIESSEN on 28 March 1945. These men had been minor officials at the Gestapo offices at TRIER, had been drafted into Einsatzzug MOSELLAND, and were then sent to the front with this unit.

Josef LAUTERBACH, Kriminalsekretaer and SS Scharfuehrer, was born 20 October 1907 at WILLWERATH. He attended a Volksschule for eight years and then, from 1934 to 1936, worked for the TRIER Gestapo as a driver. From March 1936 to October 1940 he worked as a driver for the PRUEM Grenzkommando, an offshoot of the TRIER Gestapo.

He passed his Kripo entrance examination in March 1937 and served as Kriminalanwaerter until March 1940, when he was appointed Kriminalassistent. He served in this capacity with the TRIER Gestapo until February 1941, when he transferred to a Fliegendes Kommando concerned with frontier and passport control.

In April 1943 he rejoined the TRIER Gestapo, serving with Abteilung II (Auslaendische Arbeiter) until July 1943. He was then placed in charge of N - Referat until November 1944. At that time he was drafted into Einsatzzug MOSELLAND, where he worked as a cook from December 1944 until the time of his capture.

He is married and has two children. He joined the Nazi Party in 1933 and left the Catholic Church in 1938.

Paul LIEBNER, Kriminalsekretaer and SS Sturmscharfuehrer, was born 26 September 1902 at TAHREND, near DRESDEN. He completed eight years of Volksschule and then attended the MEISSEN Polizeischule in 1923. From 1924 to 1936 he served with the Schupo in MEISSEN, ZWICKAU, DRESDEN, and LEIPZIG. He joined the Kripo in 1936, but transferred to the DRESDEN Gestapo in 1938.

From 1939 to 1945 he worked with the TRIER Gestapo. From June 1939 until January 1941 he was placed on detached service with Grenzkommando PRUEM. He then returned to the main office at TRIER and served there until December 1944. He worked with Abteilung II, Referat KPD und Marxismus, and Referat Ostarbeiter, and with Abteilung III, Referat Grenzpolizei. In December 1944 he was drafted into Einsatzzug MOSELLAND.

He is married and has two children. He joined the Nazi Party in 1937 and left the Catholic Church in 1940.

Karl VECKENSTEDT, Kriminalobersekretaer and SS Sturmscharfuehrer, was born 22 May 1902 at MAGDEBURG. He completed eight years of Buergerschule and then worked with the KOELN Schupo from 1924 until 1936. He served with the TRIER Gestapo from 1936 to 1945, working first in Referat Schutzhaft of Abteilung II.

In 1938 he transferred to the BITBURG Aussendienststelle and worked there until 1941, when he shifted to Grenzkommando PRUEM. From 1942 until November 1944 he worked with the WITTLICH Aussendienststelle, and then worked for one month in the TRIER office. From December 1944 until March 1945 he saw service with Einsatzzug MOSELLAND.

He is married and has one child. He joined the Nazi Party in May 1933 and left the Catholic Church in 1937.

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## II. The History of the TRIER Gestapo

The Gestapo office at TRIER was organized in 1933. It was first a small organization, subordinated to the government agencies at TRIER. With the increase in power of the Gestapo, the TRIER office also grew in size and importance. During the period 1933 to 1943 it was known officially as the Stapostelle TRIER. After a reorganization in 1943 the TRIER branch was transferred to the jurisdiction of the Stapostelle at KOBLENZ and became an Aussendienststelle of the KOBLENZ Stelle.

At the beginning of October 1944 the offices of the Gestapo in the Reichsbahn Direktionsgebaeude were damaged in an air attack and activity was transferred to the Villa ZEIMET at TRIER-OLEWIG (GSGS 4346/K 50/ L 2228). On 19 December 1944 this new location was also bombed out and the offices were moved to the Hotel zur Post at ZELTINGEN/Mosel (GSGS 4346/ K 50/ L 4352) on 25 December 1944. Here the Gestapo Aussendienststelle was dissolved and its personnel transferred to the Einsatzzug MOSELLAND.

This designation was a cover name for a project of collecting and impressing into the Army all foreign workers and stray soldiers found in the area. Owing to the rapid changes in the tactical situation this task could not be executed successfully and the Einsatzzug found itself compelled to change the location of its headquarters rather swiftly to keep pace with the advancing American troops.

The following route of withdrawal was followed, beginning on 10 March 1945: ZELTINGEN to TRABEN-TRARBACH (GSGS 4346/K 50/L 5552), to HENNWEILER (L 7837), to KIRN (L 8032), to IDAR-OBERSTEIN (L 7123), to KIRCHHEIM-BOLANDEN (M 2018), to WORMS (GSGS 4346/L 50/M 481), to BENSHEIM (M 6421), to MAINZ-KASTEL (GSGS 4346/K 51/M 3957), to WIESBADEN (M 3664), to BIEBRICH (M 3760), to LORCH (M 0560), to BAD NAUHEIM (GSGS 4346/L 51/M 7297) to MUENZENBERG (G 7307). This was the last location where the entire unit still showed some semblance of cohesion. Thereafter the men were dispersed and many were captured.

In 1938 the TRIER Gestapo comprised 150 officials and employees. At its nadir in 1945, just prior to the long trek east, the total strength of the Stelle was about 20 men.

## III. Organization

When the TRIER office was still an independent Stelle - that is, prior to 1943 - it was organized into the following three departments:

| | |
|---|---|
| Abteilung I | Administration (Verwaltung) |
| Abteilung II | Domestic Affairs (Innenpolitik) |
| Abteilung III | Counter Espionage (Spionageabwehr) |

Abteilung I was transferred to KOBLENZ in July 1943, since, as an Aussendienststelle, all TRIER's administrative matters were handled by the parent Stelle.

### Commanders of the TRIER Gestapo

**WELSCH** 1934

Staatsanwaltschaftsrat, later German representative at the SAAR Plebiscite Commission.

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III. Organization (Continued)

GUETTER, Gerhard Dr — May 1935 until July 1936

Regierungsassessor and Untersturmfuehrer

KREUZER, Joseph — July 1936 to August 1938

Regierungsassessor and SS Untersturmfuehrer

NOELLE, Wilhelm — August 1938 to December 1940

Regierungsrat and SS Sturmbannfuehrer

HARTMANN, Walter — December 1940 to July 1943

Oberregierungsrat, SS Obersturmbannfuehrer

WENDLING, Joseph — 1 August 1943 to 15 December 1944

Kriminaldirektor. (Had previously served as deputy during several periods between 1936 and 1943).

PRUESS — 15 December 1944 to 12 March 1945

Kriminalrat, SS Sturmbannfuehrer. Also Commander of Einsatzzug.

SCHMIDT, Albert

Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. Commander of Einsatzzug from 12 March to 28 March 1945.

Abteilung I (Verwaltung)

This department kept personnel records of all men and women employed by the TRIER Gestapo.

The department was successively headed by:

STROHMEYER, Waldemar

Polizeirat, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. In charge from January 1935 until July 1943, when the department was transferred to KOBLENZ. STROHMEYER was then sent to the Einsatzkommando TRIESTE.

GIPPERT

Polizeioberinspektor, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. In charge of the KOBLENZ office between July 1943 and September 1944.

HOFFMEISTER

In charge of the KOBLENZ office between September 1944 and March 1945.

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III. Organization (Continued)

Abteilung II (Innenpolitik)

BUSCH, Fritz — From 1936 to 1942

Kriminalkommissar and SS Hauptsturmfuehrer

BAUMANN, Otto — From 1942 to 1943

Kriminalkommissar and SS Obersturmfuehrer

SCHMIDT, Albert — During 1943

Kriminalkommissar and SS Hauptsturmfuehrer

DIETRICH, Herbert — From 1943 to 1945

This department was divided into the following Referate (names of the officials active in the section are given in chronological order).

Referat Heintuecke (Perfidious Acts)

HOFFSTEDT, Gerhard — 1936 to 1939

Kriminalsekretaer and SS Sturmscharfuehrer

INDENBIRKEN — 1936 to 1939

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

PAPE, Kurt — 1941 to 1943

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

SACK, Andreas — From 1944 to March 1945

Kriminalobersekretaer, SS Untersturmfuehrer

RUSTER, Jakob — From 1944 to March 1945

Kriminaloberassistent, SS Hauptscharfuehrer

Referat Kirchenangelegenheiten (Church Affairs)

MUELLER — 1935 to 1939

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

HARDEGEN — 1936 to 1939

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

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II. Organization (Continued)

WEBER, Rudolf 1936 to 1942

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

VOLLMER, Walter 1942 to 1943

Regierungsrat, SS Sturmbannfuehrer

SCHADE, Otto 1942 to March 1945

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

WUNDERLICH 1935 to 1942

Kriminalangestellter and SS Scharfuehrer

Referat Partei und Presse (Party and Press)

FISCHER 1935 to March 1945

Kriminalobersekretaer, SS Untersturmfuehrer

Referat KPD und Marxismus (Communist Party and Marxism)

ERDMENGER, Fritz 1935 to 1939

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

SUDER, Toni 1936 to 1939

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

ROCKEL ? until 1944

HEDDERICH, Heinrich 1939 to March 1945

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

Referat Widerstandsbewegung (Resistence Organization)

HEDDERICH, Heinrich 1939 to March 1945

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

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III. Organization (Continued)

Referat Rundfunk (Radio)

Formed in 1939, after outbreak of war.

RUSTER, Jakob

Kriminaloberassistent and SS Hauptscharfuehrer

SCHMIDT, Paul

Kriminalsekretaer and SS Sturmscharfuehrer

HEDDERICH, Heinrich

Kriminalsekretaer and SS Hauptscharfuehrer

INDENBIRKEN

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

Referat Judenangelegenheiten (Jewish Affairs)

KRAUSE, Fritz 1936 to 1939

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

INDENBIRKEN 1936 to 1939

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

PLICHTZ 1939 to March 1945

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

BAUMANN 1942 to 1943

Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. In charge of Judenaktion.

Referat Wirtschaft (Economic Affairs)

RUSTER, Jakob 1936 to 1937 (?)

Kriminaloberassistent and SS Hauptscharfuehrer

HAMMES, Ernst 1936 to 1938

Kriminalangestellter, SS Scharfuehrer

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III. Organization (Continued)

SCHMIDT, Paul — February 1939 to May 1940

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Bewerber

Referat Auslaendische Arbeiter (Foreign Workers)

Formed beginning 1940.

SCHULTE, Gustav — 1940 to 1943

Kriminalsekretaer and SS Sturmscharfuehrer

SCHAEKE — 1940 to 1943

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

MAEUSER, Hermann — December 1942 to March 1945

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

ERNZERHOF

Nickname was Schoener Max. Kriminalassistent, SS Oberscharfuehrer.

SCHMIDT, Alfred — Summer 1944 to March 1945

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

SCHNITZLER, Joseph — ? until 1943 or 1944

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

HARZBECKER, Walter — 1940 to 1943

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

FUCHS, Heinrich — 1940 to March 1945

Kriminalangestellter, SS Scharfuehrer

Referat Schutzhaft (Protective Custody)

PAPE, Hans — 1936 to 1938

Kriminaloberassistent, SS Untersturmfuehrer

BLICHTA — 1938 to 1939

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

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III. Organization (Continued)

RUSTER, Jakob — 1939 (?) to March 1945

Kriminaloberassistent, SS Untersturmfuehrer

DILZER — 1939 to 1943

Kriminalangestellter, SS Scharfuehrer

LEYENDECKER, Fraeulein

Secretary

Abteilung III (Spionageabwehr)

NICKEL — ? until 1935

Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. Died Spring 1940

BROCKMUELLER — 1 March 1935 to end of 1935

Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. Deceased.

KLUTHE, Waldemar (?) — End of 1935 to December 1938

Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer

SIMON, Gerhard

Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. Became Leiter of Abt III in August 1940.

TRAUTWEIN

Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer

RUNGE, Walter — End of 1937 to 1940

Kriminalrat, SS Sturmbannfuehrer

FELDMANN, Erich

Kriminalkommissar, SS Obersturmfuehrer

PALLASCH, Wilhelm — 1942 to beginning 1943

Kriminalkommissar, SS Untersturmfuehrer

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II. Organization (Continued)

SCHMIDT, Albert — July 1943 to July 1944

Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer

FEICK, Gustav — From July 1944

Kriminalobersekretaer, SS Untersturmfuehrer

Referat Abwehr (Counter-Intelligence)

SNOWATZKI, Eduard — 1936 to 1939

Kriminalobersekretaer, SS Untersturmfuehrer

WILKE, Heinz — 1936 to 1940

Kriminalobersekretaer, SS Untersturmfuehrer

FEICK, Gustav — 1936 to March 1945

Kriminalobersekretaer, SS Untersturmfuehrer

SCHUETZ, Karl — 1936 to 1938

Kriminalangestellter, SS Scharfuehrer

STUCKENBROIK, Joseph — 1939 to 1940

Kriminaloberassistent, SS Hauptscharfuehrer

JOEHREN, Karl — 1939 to 1940

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

BIELER, Karl — 1939 to 1940

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

THIELE — 1939 to 1940

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

MAVERSBERGER — ? until 1940

Kriminalassistent, SS Oberscharfuehrer

STRATHMANN, Karl

Kriminaloberassistent, SS Hauptscharfuehrer

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LAERMEN, Dieter — End of 1940 to 1942

Kriminaloberassistent, SS Hauptscharfuehrer

HEDDERICH — 1940 to 1943

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

WILBERTS — 1939 to 1942

Kriminalangestellter, SS Scharfuehrer

Referat Grenzpolizei (Grepo) (Frontier Police)

KATZBACH, Heinrich

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

HOLZHAEUSER, Arno — 1940 (?) to 1943

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

PLETZER, Willi — 1941 to 1943

LIEBNER, Paul — 1940 to March 1945

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

The Registratur (Card Indices and Files)

Types of Indices. Three different files or card-indices were kept in the Registratur:

| | |
|---|---|
| Personalakten | Files on persons under indictment, arrest, or suspicion (Beschuldigte, Haeftlinge und Verdaechtige) |
| Namenskartei | An alphabetical card index listing all names filed under Personalakten |
| Fahndungskartei | An alphabetical card index of all names for which any Gestapo office in GERMANY had issued a warrant and for which a search was to be instituted. |

Disposition of Files. In November and December 1944 all files of Registratur TRIER were transferred to Aussendienststelle BETZDORF (GSGS 4346/K 51/G 1044). It was learned from members of Aussendienststelle BETZDORF that all the documents of Registratur TRIER together with the personnel files were destroyed at BETZDORF in March 1945.

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Personalakten. All documents relevant to cases of suspects, arrestees, or indicted persons were kept in individual envelopes. The color of these envelopes in the case of dossiers concerning Abteilung II was yellow, that of dossiers of Abteilung III was green. The sheets within the dossiers were filed in chronological order and numbered with blue or red pencil. The cards within the yellow files were blue and the cards within the green files were orange.

Withdrawal of any dossier had to be indicated by an appropriate slip in place of the dossier. It had to be initiated by the official working on the case, and marked with the code designation of the section concerned. All dossiers were to be retained in the Registratur for a minimum of ten years before being destroyed.

The Personalakten proper consisted of two separate parts:

The Personalblatt giving a description and photographs of the person concerned, and

The table of contents of the dossier and a register of all persons involved as witnesses and accessories before or after the fact, references to the various interrogation reports, the pertinent reports submitted by other Gestapo or police agencies, arrest reports, and reports of protective custody.

A Personalakte was established only if the case reports exceeded ten pages. All reports of less than ten pages were kept in the so-called Loose Leaf File.

Personnel files for all officials and employees working in the TRIER office and its subordinate field-offices were kept in Abteilung I. These files were not accessible to officials of other departments.

Namenskartei. The cards in this file showed the following information: full name, date and place of birth, profession, nationality, aliases, political convictions, religion, and residence. In a section at the bottom of the card were noted the date of arrest, reason for arrest, action taken, and a cross-reference to the Personalakte of the individual concerned

All cards processed by Abteilung II had a II in the upper center, and were of a blue-green color, while cards of Abteilung III were marked with a III and were of an orange-yellow color.

All entries on the card had to be typewritten and were to be initialed by the man working on the case (Sachbearbeiter). A tab fixed to one of the numbers along the upper edge of the card indicated whether the subject was a member of the Foreign Legion, whether his mail was under surveillance, whether he was a habitual criminal, a former Marxist, or a political leader.

Fahndungskartei. The cards in this file were printed in the shop of the Reichs Kriminalpolizei Amt BERLIN from data submitted by the various police agencies concerned. On each 7x10 cm card the following information was listed: names, birthday, place of birth, last residence, type of crime, date of initiation and expiration of the search, office initiating the search, and such particulars as whether the subject carried concealed weapons (also indicated by a black disk), forged papers, poison, and so forth.

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The color of the cards in the Fahndungskartei was changed every three or four months. All cards had to be reprinted at the end of this period and were reissued to the various police agencies. Cards were not reissued in those cases where the dragnet had been successful and the person arrested, or where the date of expiration had been reached. In the course of a year the color of the cards in the Fahndungskartei might be changed from grey to green to blue to red.

The cards of professional criminals were kept for a period of two years and no change in color was made. These cards were red at all times. The color of cards of persons who had been expelled from GERMANY was a light grey.

The type of crime was indicated by the appropriate entry on the card and by an attached colored tab. At Gestapo TRIER, members of the Foreign Legion were designated by a red tab, professional criminals by a yellow tab, persons expelled from GERMANY by a white tab. Whether the colors of these tabs were standard throughout GERMANY, and whether they were prescribed by the RSHA or subject to local variations, informants do not know.

The Fahndungskartei was accessible only to the officials in charge of this section. Withdrawal of any cards from the files by officials working on the various cases was not permitted.

The following persons were engaged in Registratur and Kartei:

KETSCHER, Albert — 1935 to 1943

Kriminalsekretaer and SS Sturmscharfuehrer

SCHMIDT, Alfred — 1943 to 1944

Kriminalsekretaer and SS Sturmscharfuehrer

BEHNKE, Wilhelm — 1944 to March 1945

Kriminalobersekretaer and SS Untersturmfuehrer

HEMMES, Felicitas

Clerk and secretary. Lived at TRIER, Ostallee

FOERSTER, Lieselotte

Clerk and secretary. Lived at TRIER, Metzelstrasse.

Nachrichtenreferat

N - Referat TRIER was formed in 1941 when (according to PW LAUTERBACH) similar sections were organized in all German Gestapo offices. It was an investigating agency formed for the purpose of discovering resistanc movements, sabotage groups, and all anti-German activities in general. One of the functions of the N - Referat was liaison with informants and agents, with V-Leute attached to the N - Referat, and also with the other sections of the Gestapo office.

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When, on 1 August 1943, Gestapostelle TRIER was transferred into Aussendienststelle TRIER, the N - Referat became a Nebenstelle of the N - Referat KOBLENZ. Personnel files and the Vertrauensleute Kartei remained at TRIER, however, in charge of PW LAUTERBACH, who was also in charge of liaison with all V-Leute.

Personnel.

PALLASCH, Wilhelm 1941 to 1942

Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer

SCHUETZ, Karl January 1943 to 1 August 1943

Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer

SCHULZ, Gerda

Secretary to SCHUETZ. TRIER, Klosterstrasse.

LAUTERBACH, Joseph (Source)

Until November 1944. Then all foreign workers were shipped east for security resons.

After 1 August 1943, when N - Referat TRIER became a Nebenstelle of N - Referat KOBLENZ, it was responsible to

SIMMER until September 1944

Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer

PREUSZ

Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer

Vertrauensleute. Informants and agents operated wherever it seemed desirable, but particularly within the foreign labor camps. Eighty per cent of all Vertrauensleute were recruited from the foreign workers themselves, particularly those of eastern nations (Russians, Poles). The remaining 15 to 20 per cent were Germans, including some former Communists and persons with a criminal record, who were given this opportunity to redeem themselves.

Generally all men appointed as camp commanders talked freely, and were fertile sources of information without ever being officially listed as Vertrauensleute. N - Referat TRIER employed a total of about 50 of these agents.

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Only ten of them were considered active Vertrauensleute, acting from either political motives or for idealistic reasons. The remainder served as informants in order to be given better positions or other aterial advantages (such small privileges as extra cigarettes or liquor). oney was not paid to this type of agent. Generally the yearly salary of the N - Referat for such an agent did not go beyond 200 RM.

The small group of Communists who served as informants were all recruited from concentration camps. They engaged in this type of activity in order to rehabilitate themselves socially and politically and in order to be considered eligible for employment.

V-Leute employed by Gestapo TRIER (for details see Item 4 below).

| | |
|---|---|
| CHAKIMSANO, Achmitt | Russian |
| DUPAUW, Marcel | French |
| HARKAWEZ, Peter | Russian |
| LEONENKO | Russian |
| MONZEL | German |
| NEU | Russian |
| PERMENTER | Luxembourger |
| PFEFFER, Gusti | German |
| PLOTNIKOW | Russian |
| SSJERAKUROW | Russian |
| WEISS, Wilhelm | German |
| WEISSENBERG, Fritz | German |

Files of N - Referat. For each V-Mann a Personalakte and the following three card indices were kept:

Namenskarte (name card)
Taetigkeitbereichskarte (field of activity card)
Deckbezeichnungskarte (code designation card)

These three types of cards all showed the following information: full name, code designation, residence, date and place of birth, and area of operations. The Namenskarte showed in addition the V-Mann's nationality, his race, the name of the Gestapo official coordinating his activities, and the date he began to work as a V-Mann.

Figures were used exclusively as code designations. The code was derived as follows: Each N - Referat in GERMANY had a code numeral (TRIER was given the number 70). V-Leute were numbered consecutively, so that for instance a code designation for Vertrauensmann 18 in TRIER would have been 70 18.

Whenever a report had to be sent to the RSHA on any Vertrauensmann, the dossier consisted of the report proper, a Personalbogen showing all personal data, two photographs, a copy of the Namenskarte and a copy of the Deckbezeichnungskarte. Names were never mentioned in the report proper, only the code designations.

All files and cards of the N - Referat at TRIER were burned near BAD NAUHEIM by order of SS Hauptsturmfuehrer PALLASCH on 27 March 1945 by PW LAUTERBACH.

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III. Organization (Continued)

Aussendienststellen (1933 to 1943)

AuDSt BITBURG (GSGS 4042/6/L 15)

Formed in May 1938. Disbanded in September 1941.

Commander.

Kriminalobersekretaer VECKENSTEDT

Other Officials.

KOSZLING

Kriminalsekretaer and SS Scharfuehrer

ADAM

Kriminalsekretaer and SS Sturmscharfuehrer

AuDSt WITTLICH (GSGS 4346/K 50/L 3955)

Formed in 1937 or 1938. Disbanded on 10 March 1945.

Commanders.

ROETTGER, Walter — 1937-38 to November 1943

Kriminalinspektor, SS Obersturmfuehrer

VECKENSTEDT, Kurt (Source) — November 1943 to May 1944

Kriminalobersekretaer

BESSER, Alfred — 1937-38 to 10 March 1945

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

Other Officials.

SCHNUETTGEN, Karl — During 1937 and 1938

Kriminalobersekretaer, SS Untersturmfuehrer

GUENTHER, Hermann — 1937-38 to 1943

SS Sturmscharfuehrer

PAPE, Kurt — ? to 1941

SS Sturmscharfuehrer

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III. Organization (Continued)

Grenzpolizeikommissariate

A Greko is a small Gestapo post of about four to eight men.

Greko LUXEMBOURG

Superseded Einsatzkommando (EK) LUXEMBOURG, which had been established immediately after the invasion of LUXEMBOURG in 1940. The Greko was activated in July 1943, taking over the entire personnel of the EK. In September 1944 personnel were transferred to Faehrenkontrolldienst on the RHEIN. Headquarters of this service was first at KOBLENZ, later moved to ALTWIED (GSGS 4346/K 51/F 9109).

Commander.

RUNGE, Walter 1940 to 1945

Kriminalrat, SS Sturmbannfuehrer

Other Officials.

SIMON, Paul Gerhard 1940 to 1945

Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer

SCHMIDT, Albert

Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer

WILKE, Heinz 1940 to 1943

Kriminalobersekretaer, SS Untersturmfuehrer

JOEHREN 1940 to September 1944

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

BIELER 1940 to September 1944

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

THIELE 1940 to September 1944

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

KATZBACH

No information

STOHF

Transferred to POLAND; killed in action

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III. Organization (Continued)

STUCKENBROCK, Joseph

Kriminaloberassistent, SS Hauptscharfuehrer

FEICK, Gustav 1943 to 1944

Kriminalobersekretaer, SS Untersturmfuehrer. Also in charge of N - Referat

Greko SAARBURG.

Formed 7 March 1936. Temporarily disbanded 1941. Reformed 1942 and finally disbanded September 1944.

Commanders.

SIMON, Gerhard 1936 (?) to 1938 (?)

Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer

TRAUTWEIN, Walter 1938 (?) to 1940

Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. Killed in RUSSIA.

SCHMIDT, Alfred Fall 1939 to Summer 1940

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

BEHNKE, Willi 1942 to 1943 (?)

Kriminalobersekretaer, SS Untersturmfuehrer

PLETZER, Willi 1943 to September 1944

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Hauptscharfuehrer

Greko TRIER.

Formed in March 1936. Disbanded in May 1940.

Commanders.

PALLASCH, Wilhelm 1936 to March/April 1939

Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer

SNOWATZKI, Eduard (alias WESSEL)

Transferred to Gestapo POZNAN

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III. Organization (Continued)

Greko PRUEM (GSGS 4042/6/L 07)

Formed 8 March 1936; disbanded in March 1945.

Commanders.

BEHNKE, Willi — March 1936 to July 1936
Kriminalobersekretaer and SS Untersturmfuehrer

ROETTGER, Walter — July 1936 to Fall 1937
Kriminalinspektor, SS Obersturmfuehrer

KOCKEROLS, Fritz — Fall 1937 to March/April 1939
Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer

PALLASCH, Wilhelm — March/April 1939 to October 1939
Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer

KLOECKNER, Hans — October 1939 to January 1940
Kriminalobersekretaer, SS Untersturmfuehrer

BUSSINGER, Gottlieb — January 1940 to August 1940
Kriminalkommissar, SS Hauptsturmfuehrer

SCHNUETTGEN, Kurt — August 1940 to Fall 1941
Kriminalobersekretaer, SS Untersturmfuehrer

VECKENSTEDT (Source) — Fall 1941 to May 1942
Kriminalobersekretaer, SS Untersturmfuehrer

SCHNEVOIGT, Reinhold — May 1942 to March 1945
Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

Other Officials.

SCHNEVOIGT, Reinhold — June 1940 to May 1942
Commander since 1942

SCHMIDT, Paul — 1938 to Spring 1939
Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

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III. Organization (Continued)

LOCKERT, Heinz — Fall 1938 to September 1939
Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

PLICHTA, Wilhelm — Fall 1938 to July 1939
Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

FLEMING, Kurt — Fall 1938 to July 1939
Kriminalobersekretaer, SS Untersturmfuehrer

LIEBNER, Paul (Source) — August 1939 to August 1940
Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

GEDITZ, Willi — Spring 1938 to January 1942
Kriminalsekretaer, SS sturmscharfuehrer

DIETZ, Albert — January 1942 to March 1945
Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer

Grenzpolizeiposten

Grepos were frontier police posts with one to three Gestapo men at each post.

Greko LUXEMBOURG

Grepo ESCH
Grepo DIEKIRCH

Greko SAARBURG

Grepo PERL
Grepo NENNIG

Greko TRIER

Grepo WASSERBILLIG
Grepo IGEL
Grepo ECHTERNACHERBRUECK

Greko PRUEM

Grepo BLEIALF
Grepo NEUERBURG

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III. Organization (Continued)

Standgericht LUXEMBOURG (LUXEMBOURG Military Tribunal)

Established in 1942, after introduction of compulsory military service in LUXEMBOURG, to try citizens of that state who refused to comply with the law or assisted others in such non-compliance.

Sessions of the tribunal took place in various localities throughout LUXEMBOURG. President of the tribunal was Walter (?) HARTMANN, Oberregierungsrat and SS Obersturmbannfuehrer. One of his assistants was Albert SCHMIDT, Kriminalkommissar and SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. (For fuller information see Item 4 below )

Persons convicted by the court were sent to a special SS camp at HINZERT, near HERMESKEIL (GSGS 4346/K 50/L 4318) for execution of the sentence or detention.

IV. Personalities in the Gestapo in TRIER

The Befehlsblatt des Chefs der Sicherheitspolizei und des SD, published by the RSHA in BERLIN, has been used to supplement information on some personalities got by interrogation. Whenever reference is made to these publications in the following personality descriptions, this reference will be abbreviated SD B. The SS Dienstalterslisten have also been used.

ADAM, Bruno

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer. In AuDSt BITBURG from May 1938 to September 1941. On September 1941 transferred to Dienststelle DRESDEN, from there transferred on September 1942 (?) to AuDSt BAUTZEN (GSGS 4346/K 50/A 6808).

BAUMANN

Kriminalkommissar. SS Obersturmfuehrer. Before 1942 with Kripo ESSEN. Since 1942 with Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II. In charge of Referat Judenaktion, which involved rounding up all Jews in TRIER and preparing them for transport to concentration camps at OSWIECIM, Poland, and TEREZIN (THERESIENSTADT), Czechoslovakia. In 1943 transferred to KdS UKRAINE at KIEV.

Age: 48 Build: Sturdy
Height: 1.78 m Hair: Greying

BEHNKE, Wilhelm

Kriminalobersekretaer, SS Untersturmfuehrer. Chief of Greko PRUEM March to July 1936. Chief of Greko SAARBURG 1942 to 1943. In Registratur und Kartei, Gestapo TRIER, from 1944 to March 1945. On 25 December 1944 transferred to AuDSt BETZDORF, in charge of transfer of all documentary material of Registratur to BETZDORF. Responsible for destruction of this material in March 1945.

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IV. Personalities in the Gestapo in TRIER (Continued)

BESSER, Alfred

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer. Gestapo TRIER.. In Aussendienststelle WITTLICH, 1937/38 to 1943. In Aussenposten WITTLICH 1943 to 10 March 1945. Commander of WITTLICH Aussenposten since May 1944.

BIELER, Karl

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. In Gestapo TRIER from 1939 to 1945:
In Abteilung III, Referat Abwehr, from 1939 to 1940
In Einsatzkommando LUXEMBOURG from 1940 to 1943
In Greko LUXEMBOURG from 1943 to September 1944
In Stapostelle KOBLENZ. Aussendienststelle TRIER, Aussenposten Kreis SAARBURG, and Nebenstelle WADERN.

BUSCH, Fritz

Kriminalkommissar. SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. In Gestapo TRIER. Chief of Abteilung II from 1936 to 1939 (or 1942?).

BUSSINGER, Gottlieb

Kriminalkommissar. SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. Chief of Greko PRUEM from January 1940 to August 1940. Party No 389879; SS No 15626; born 8 August 1910; appointed SS Untersturmfuehrer in 1937 with SD Hauptamt (see SS Dienstaltersliste 1938).

CHAKIMSANO, Achmitt

Russian. Vertrauensmann of Gestapo TRIER. His activities were supervised by MAEUSER.

CHRISTMANN, Kurt

Oberregierungsrat, SS Obersturmbannfuehrer. Chief of Gestapo Stelle KOBLENZ. Nazi of long standing, wore Kaempferwinkel. Home is said to be in MUENCHEN. Came to KOBLENZ from KLAGENFURT, where his family is reported to live. Said to have been a personal friend of SS Obergruppenfuehrer HEYDRICH. Transferred to undisclosed post in March 1945, reputedly because he caused the pregnancy of his secretary, Frau HOFFMANN. KdS SALZBURG (SDB of 4 April 1942). Assigned to SALZBURG Einsatzgruppe S as chief of Sonderkommando 10a (see SD B of 25 July 42). Transferred from SALZBURG to KLAGENFURT as commander (see SD B of 30 July 1943). Transferred from KLAGENFURT to KOBLENZ (see SD B of 19 February 1944).

Age: 37
Height: 1.78 m
Face: Narrow, oval
Build: Slender, athletic
Hair: Dark
Somewhat bowlegged

DILZER

Kriminalangestellter. SS Scharfuehrer. In Abteilung III of Gestapo TRIER, Referat Schutzhaft, from 1939 to fall 1943. Transferred to SS Arbeitserziehungslager at HINZERT.

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IV. Personalities in the Gestapo in TRIER (Continued)

DIETRICH, Herbert

Kriminalkommissar. SS Obersturmfuehrer. Member of NSDAP since before 1933. SS man of long standing. Originally a DAF employee at FRANKFURT. Inducted in 1939, discharged as Unteroffizier. Attended Fuehrerschule der Sipo, BERLIN-CHARLOTTENBURG in 1942. Transferred to TRIER Gestapo as Kriminalkommissar. Active in Abteilung II (Foreign Labor) 1943 to 1945. Physically maltreated arrestees to gain confessions. Fanatic anti-Semite. Brutal character. Married, no children. Member of Einsatzkommando LUXEMBOURG during German counterattack following 16 December 1944. (Chief of this EK was SS Standartenfuehrer HAHN.) Transferred from FRANKFURT/Main to Gestapo Stelle TRIER (See SD B of 28 November 1942). Appointed Kriminalkommissar, Gestapo TRIER (see SD B of 18 September 1943).

Age: 32
Height: 1.72 m
Complexion: Pale
Build: Slender
Hair: Blond

DIETZ, Albert

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. From January 1943 to March 1945 with Greko PRUEM.

DUPAUW, Marcel

French civilian worker. Vertrauensmann in Gestapo TRIER. Activities supervised by PLICHTZ.

ERDMENGER, Fritz

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. In Gestapo TRIER from 1935 to 1939. Formerly with Schupo. Active in Abteilung II, Referat KPD und Marxismus. Transferred to Gestapo in his home town, ERFURT, during 1939. Brutal, cruel to his subordinates but obsequious to his superiors. Maltreated prisoners; a sadist.

Age: 42
Build: Plump
Face: Full, pale
Eyes: Wears glasses

ERNZERHOF (Nickname Schoener Willi)

Kriminalassistent. SS Oberscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referat Auslaendische Arbeiter, from 1941 to 1945. In 1945 transferred to hospital at BERNKASTEL (GSGS 4346/K 50/L 5347).

FEICK, Gustav or Gustel

Kriminalobersekretaer. SS Untersturmfuehrer. Was for 12 years with Schupo in Central GERMANY (ERFURT-WEIMAR). Transferred to Sipo in 1936 and posted to Gestapo TRIER. Spezialbeamter in Grenzpolizeifragen und Abwehr from 1936 to 1943 in Abteilung III. In charge of N-Referat of Greko LUXEMBOURG from 1943 to 1944. From January 1945 to February 1945 was chief of Grepo ZERF. Became ill of a stomach ailment and went to Central GERMANY for treatment. Worked in close cooperation with Hauptmann SPONHEIMER, Ast TRIER, Stalag XII D, PETRIBERG.

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IV. Personalities in the Gestapo in TRIER (Continued)

Involved in and has knowledge of execution of French Commissioner CLEMENT, in German captivity since 1941 (see also SCHMIDT, Albert). Has knowledge of the kidnapping and shooting of a French agent, a native of LUXEMBOURG, by two German agents of French nationality in 1939 (see WILKE, Heinz). Married, three children, last address: TRIER, Stiftstrasse.

Age: 42 Hair: Light blond, bushy
Height: 1.75 m Walk: Slightly stooped

FELDMANN, Erich

Kriminalkommissar. SS Obersturmfuehrer. In SS and NSDAP since 1933. Fuehrerschule der Sipo, BERLIN-CHARLOTTENBURG in 1940. Since 1941 with Gestapo TRIER as Kriminalangestellter. Worked in Abteilung III. Transferred in 1942 to Amt VI, RSHA, BERLIN. Last address: TRIER, Lindenstrasse. Married. Hilfskriminalkommissar. Transferred from DARMSTADT to TRIER (see SD B of 31 May 1941). Appointed Kriminalkommissar TRIER (see SD B of 28 February 1942). Kriminalkommissar. Transferred from TRIER to RSHA (see SD B of 3 October 1942)

Age: 30 Hair: Blond
Height: 1.75 m

FISCHER

Kriminalobersekretaer. SS Untersturmfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referat Partei und Presse, from 1935 to March 1945. On DS with Aussenposten PRUEM (document 2 February 1945).

PISTER

SS Sturmbannfuehrer. Camp commandant of SS Arbeitserziehungslager HINZERT near HERMESKEIL. Transferred in 1943 to BUCHENWALD Concentration Camp as camp commandant. Will have knowledge of atrocities at HINZERT whither all serious cases were transferred from Gestapo TRIER (see also SPORRENBERG and "IWAN DER GRAUSAME"). Captured.

FLEMING, Karl (?)

Kriminalobersekretaer. SS Untersturmfuehrer. From 1938 to July 1939 in Greko PRUEM.

FOERSTER, Lieselotte

Clerk with registry section of Gestapo TRIER. Address: TRIER, Metzelstrasse.

FUCHS, Heinrich

Kriminalangestellter. SS Scharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referat Foreign Workers from 1940 to March 1945.

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IV. Personalities in the Gestapo in TRIER (Continued)

GEDITZ, Willi

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. From Spring 1938 to January 1942 with Greko PRUEM.

GIPPERT

Transferred from FRANKFURT/Main to KOBLENZ (see SD B of 11 July 1942). Polizeioberinspektor, transferred from FRANKFURT/Main to KOBLENZ (see SD B of 15 August 1942). Commander of Abteilung I till September 1944.

GUENTHER, Herrmann

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. AuDSt WITTLICH from 1937/38 to November 1943. Sent to front in 1943.

GUETTLER, Gerhard Dr

Regierungsassessor. SS Untersturmfuehrer. Chief of Stapostelle TRIER from May 1935 to August 1936. Married one of his former secretaries. Domineering personality, dreaded by his subordinates. Presumed brutal and unscrupulous in dealings with arrestees. Was dismissed from Gestapo during 1936 because of disagreements with superior officers in BERLIN. Later reinstated. Party No 1970214, SS No 87080. Born 17 June 1906 (see SS Dienstaltersliste December 1938). Promoted to SS Sturmbannfuehrer 20 April 1943 and became Inspektor der Sipo nd des SD at DUESSELDORF (see SD B of 20 April 1943).

Age: 39 Build: Slender
Height: 1.80 m Hair: Combed back

HAMMES

Kriminalangestellter. SS Scharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referat Wirtschaft, from 1936 to 1938. Transferred to Sipo Fuehrerschule, BERLIN-CHARLOTTENBURG. Later Police Attache in BARCELONA. Kriminalkommissar. Transferred from TRIER to AACHEN (see SD B of 7 June 1941). Appointed Kriminalkommissar AACHEN (see SD B of 10 January 1942). Transferred from AACHEN to RSHA (see SD B of 31 January 1942).

HARDEGEN

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Kirchenangelegenheiten, from 1936 to 1942. Transferred to Fuehrerschule der Sipo at BERLIN-CHARLOTTENBURG in 1942. Later Kriminalkommissar in S'GRAVENHAGE, Netherlands, until 1945.

HARKAWEZ, Peter

Russian. Vertrauensmann with Gestapo TRIER. Activities supervised by LAUTERBACH. Formerly at Ostarbeitslager der Reichsbahn, MORBACH (GSGS 4346/K 50/L 5535).

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V. Personalities in the Gestapo in TRIER (continued).

HARTMANN, Walter, Dr

Oberregierungsrat. SS Obersturmbannfuehrer. Chief of Stapostelle TRIER from end of 1940 to July 1943. Also Commander of Einsatzkommando LUXEMBOURG, 1940 to 1943, and since 1942 commander of Standgericht LUXEMBOURG. Born in SACHSEN, in vicinity of DRESDEN or CHEMNITZ. Came to TRIER from KOBLENZ and directed Gestapo at TRIER from LUXEMBOURG, where he and his family had their residence. As President of Standgericht LUXEMBOURG he was responsible for many executions. In 1943 he was suddenly dismissed and transferred to Waffen SS because of a brawl with civil authorities at LUXEMBOURG. Brutal, drunkard, occasionally hysterical. Dreaded by his subordinates. Transferred from TRIER to RSHA (see SD B of 19 June 1943).

HARZBECKER, Walter

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referat Foreign Workers from 1940 to 1943. Transferred to BAD NEUENAHR in 1943. Transferred to Stapo Stelle BYGDOSCZ, Poland, in 1944.

HEDDERICH, Heinrich

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referat KPD und Marxismus, intermittently between 1939 and 1945. In Abteilung II, Referat Widerstandsbewegung, in 1939. In Abteilung III, Referat Abwehr, between 1940 and 1943. Involved in and has knowledge of execution of eight Polish officers in 1944. These eight officers, accused of having formed a Polish resistance group, were inmates of Stalag XII W (see also SCHMIDT, Albert, and SPONHEIMER). Also with various Einsatzkommandos in POLAND and LUXEMBOURG.

HEGENSCHEID. DR

Regierungsassessor. SS Obersturmbannfuehrer. Deputy commander of Stapostelle TRIER from 1936 to end of 1939.

Age: 39 Build: Slender
Height: 1.70 m Hair : Blond
Other characteristics: Nervous, loud-mouthed

HENNES, Felicitas, Fraeulein

Secretary with Registratur, TRIER Gestapo, Lived at TRIER, Ostallee.

HERRMANN

Polizeiinspektor with Gestapo TRIER, 1935 (?) to 1939. Transferred in 1939 by disciplinary action to Stapoleitstelle REICHENBERG/Sued.

HOFEMEISTER

Polizeirat. With Gestapo KOBLENZ as Chief of Abteilung I from September (?) 1944 to March 1945. This section included the former Abteilung I of Stapostelle (later AuDSt) TRIER from July 1943.

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IV. Personalities in the Gestapo in TRIER (Continued)

HOFFSTEDT, Gerhard

Kriminalkommissar. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referat Heimtuecke, from 1936 to 1939. Transferred to Stapostelle POZNAN, Poland.

HOLZHAUSER, Bruno

Kriminaloberassistent. SS Hauptscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER from 1936 to 1945, but rarely with office, usually with Sonderkommandos. With Grepo IGEL from 1936 to 1939. With Sonderkommandos in POLAND and the USSR in 1939. From 1940 (?) to 1943 with Abteilung III, Referat Grenzpolizei. Transferred to temporary duty with RSHA in 1943. Beginning of 1945 temporarily in SCHOENECKEN (GSGS 4042/6/L 07), Kreis PRUEM, Involved in executing Russians and Poles accused of looting.

Age: 35 Build: Broad shoulders
Height: 1.75 m Face: Round, full
Carriage: Erect Hair: Dark blond
Other characteristics: false teeth

HRADETZKY, Xaver (?)

Kriminalangestellter. SS Untersturmfuehrer. Driver, adjutant, and friend of Dr Karl CHRISTMANN, Oberregierungsrat, SS Obersturmbannfuehrer, Commander of Stapostelle KOBLENZ. Austrian from WIEN, said to have participated in the revolt of 25 July 1934. Fanatic anti-Semite. Boasted of mistreating Jews in AUSTRIA.

IN NBIRKEN

Kriminalkommissar. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referate Heimtuecke, Judenangelegenheiten, Rundfunk, from 1936 to 1939. Transferred to Stapostelle POZNAN.

IWAN DER GRAUSAME (Covername)

SS Oberscharfuehrer or Hauptscharfuehrer. Member of SS Totenkopfverbaende. First sergeant in SS Arbeitserziehungslager HINZERT. Transferred to POLAND with his unit in 1943. Worked for PISTER and SPORRENBERG.

JOEHREN, Karl

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER from 1939 to 1945. In Abteilung III, Referat Abwehr, from 1939 to 1940. On duty with Einsatzkommando LUXEMBOURG from 1940 to 1943. From 1943 to September 1944 with Greko LUXEMBOURG.

KATZBACH, Heinrich

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung III, Referat Grenzpolizei, end of 1936 to beginning of 1943. With Einsatzkommando LUXEMBOURG from 1940 to 1943. With Greko LUXEMBOURG from 1943 to January 1944.

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IV. Personalities in the Gestapo in TRIER (Continued)

KETSCHER, Albert

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Registratur und Kartei, from 1935 to 1943. Transferred to BAD NEUENAHR in 1943 and placed in charge of supervising interned British civilians.

KIESEL

Oberregierungsrat. SS Obersturmbannfuehrer. Chief of Stapostelle KOBLENZ since March 1945. Successor to Oberregierungsrat and SS Obersturmbannfuehrer CHRISTMANN. Came from BYGDOSCZ, Poland.

KLOECKER, Hans

Kriminalobersekretaer. SS Untersturmfuehrer. Chief of Greko PRUEM, from October 1939 to January 1940. SS No 422321; IdS WIESBADEN (see SD B of 27 July 1944).

KLUTHE, Waldemar

Kriminalkommissar. SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung III, Referat Spionageabwehr, from end of 1935 to end of 1937. Transferred to Fuehrerschule der Sipo, BERLIN-CHARLOTTENBURG.

KOCKEROLS, Friedrich

Kriminalkommissar. SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. Chief of Greko PRUEM, from fall 1937 to March/April 1939. In SD Hauptamt; Party No 738328; SS No 280239; Born 27 June 1904; appointed Untersturmfuehrer in 1938 (see SS Dienstaltersliste of 1938).

KOESZLING, Erich

With AuDSt BITBURG, from May 1938 to Summer 1939. Transferred to Stapostelle DRESDEN.

KREUZER, Joseph Dr

Oberregierungsrat. SS Obersturmbannfuehrer. Commander of Stapostelle TRIER from July or August 1936 to August 1938. Home in the KOELN area. Old party member. In August 1938 transferred to Gestapo MUENSTER, later to AACHEN. Commander of Stapostelle HAMBURG, where he was awarded the Eiserne Kreuz, Erster Klasse, for heroic action during an air raid. Described as a quiet, unemotional man, uncommunicative. Treated his subordinates fairly and is reported to have been just to his arrestees. In SD Hauptamt; Party No 646335; SS No 163103; born 8 April 1907. Commissioned Untersturmfuehrer in 1936; promoted to Hauptsturmfuehrer in 1938 (see SS Dienstaltersliste, 1938). Assigned to Einsatzgruppe D from MUENSTER, assignment temporarily suspended (see SD B of 14 March 1942). Assigned to Einsatzgruppe D from MUENSTER (see SD B of 16 May 1942). SS Sturmbannfuehrer, appointed Oberregierungsrat MUENSTER (see SD B of 11 July 1942). Transferred from MUENSTER to HAMBURG as Commander Stapoleitstelle HAMBURG, and SS Obersturmbannfuehrer (see SD B of 12 September 1942). Chief of Stapoleitstelle HAMBURG, awarded Eiserne Kreuz II and I (see SD B of 18 September 1943). Relieved as Commander Stapoleitstelle HAMBURG (see SD B of 8 July 1944).

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IV. Personalities in the Gestapo in TRIER (Continued)

Age: 40
Height: 1.68 m
Build: Stout
Carriage: Erect
Hair: Dark
Face: Full, round

KRAUSE, Fritz

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, from 1936 to 1939. From 1936 to 1939 he worked under Kriminalkommissar and SS Hauptsturmfuehrer BUSCH in Abteilung III, Referat Judenangelegenheiten. Transferred to Stapo POZNAN in 1939.

Age: 40
Height: 1.75 m
Hair: Dark blond, full
Build: Slender
Face: Thin, narrow

LAERMEN, Dieter

Kriminaloberassistent. SS Hauptscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung III, Referat Abwehr, from end of 1940 to 1942. Transferred to Stapostelle INNSBRUCK.

LEONENKO

Russian Vertrauensmann with Gestapo TRIER. Activities supervised by PLICHTZ. Last seen at TRIER during summer of 1944.

LEYENDECKER, Fraeulein

Clerk with Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referat Schutzhaft.

LOCKERT, Heinz

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Greko PRUEM from fall 1938 to September 1939.

MAEUSER, Herrmann

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referat Auslaendische Arbeiter, from December 1942 to March 1945.

MAVERSBERGER

Kriminalassistent. SS Oberscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung III, Referat Abwehr, until 1940. Dismissed in 1940 for being caught in bed with an officer's wife.

MERGENEHR

Oberscharfuehrer. Driver for AuDSt WITTLICH.

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MONZEL

German civilian. Vertrauensmann for Gestapo TRIER. Formerly member of the KPD in TRIER.

MUELLER

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER from 1935 to 1939, Abteilung II, Referat Kirchenangelegenheiten. As such he was in charge of Katholische Aktion at TRIER, which he executed brutally and ruthlessly. Hated Catholic Church. Involved in an abortion case in 1939 and transferred to Stapostelle HILDESHEIM (GSGS 4346/L 53/C 5297).

Age: 50
Height: 1.60 m
Hair: Bald
Build: Stout, developing paunch
Face: Fat, round

NEU

Russian of German extraction. Vertrauensmann with Gestapo TRIER. Activities coordinated by LAUTERBACH. Last in Ostarbeiterlage REINSFELD (GSGS 4346/K 50/L 3821), near HERMESKEIL. Developed tuberculosis and was sent to hospital.

NOELLE, Wilhelm

Oberregierungsrat. SS Obersturmbannfuehrer. Commander of Gestapo TRIER from August 1938 to end of 1940. Home town: AACHEN. Old party member. With Einsatzkommando LUXEMBOURG from time of invasion until end of 1940. Transferred to Stapostelle BRNO, Czechoslovakia. Then was made commander of Einsatzgruppe in MARSEILLE or TOULOUSE. Said to have been accused of premature withdrawal and subjected to court-martial.

Age: 42
Height: 1.80 m
Face: Full
Build: Stocky
Hair: Dark blond

PALLASCH, Wilhelm

Kriminalkommissar. SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER from 1935 to 1945, with interruptions. Last address: TRIER, Neustrasse. Family evacuated to TRATTENHEIM/Mosel, end of 1944. Originally with Schupo, then with Political Police at HANNOVER. Transferred to TRIER Gestapo at end of 1935 as Kriminalassistent. Appointed commander of Greko TRIER in March or April 1939. Then transferred to command Greko PRUEM. With GFP from winter 1939 to end of 1940 as Feldpolizeiinspektor. Committed in FRANCE. Sent to Schnellkursus fuer Kommissare at beginning of 1940, became Kriminalkommissar upon graduation, returned to TRIER. Took charge of N-Referat, from 1941 to 1942. From summer 1942 to beginning 1943 was chief of Abteilung III. In spring of 1943 transferred to Kommando POLAND and reported to have been in command of a Stapo AuDSt in the vicinity of LUBLIN. Returned to TRIER after an attack of diphtheria, finally appointed deputy commander of Einsatzzug MOSELLAND. Described as whimsical, cantankerous; applied brutal interrogation methods. Boasted of the death sentences imposed by the Volksgericht on the basis of his investigations.

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IV. Personalities in the Gestapo in TRIER (Continued)

Age: 47
Height: 1.75 m
Build: Slender
Eyes: Wears glasses when reading
Face: Narrow
Complexion: Pale
Walk: Erect; slightly bowlegged

PAPE, Hans

Kriminalobersekretaer. SS Untersturmfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referat Schutzhaft, from 1936 to 1938. SS Bewerber, Stapo TRIER. Feldpolizeikommissar (see SD B of 12 June 1943).

PAPE, Karl

Kriminalkommissar. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. Before 1941 with AuDSt WITTLICH. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referat Heimtuecke, from 1941 to 1943.

PERMENTER

LUXEMBOURG national. Vertrauensmann with Gestapo TRIER. Activities coordinated by FEICK.

PFEIFFER, Gusti, Frau

German widow. Vertrauensfrau employed by TRIER Gestapo. Activities coordinated by SCHUETZ. Reported to have moved to STETTIN.

PLETZER, Willi

Kriminalsekretaer, SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung III, Referat Grenzpolizei, from 1941 to 1943. With Greko SAARBURG, from 1943 to September 1944.

PLICHTZ

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Greko PRUEM, from 1938 to 1939; Abteilung II, Referat Schutzhaft, in 1939; Abteilung II, Referat Judenangelegenheiten, from 1939 to March 1945.

PLOTNIKOW

Said to have been a former Russian officer. Vertrauensmann with Gestapo TRIER. Activity coordinated by MAEUSER.

PREUSS

Kriminalkommissar. SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. In charge of N-Referat of AuDSt TRIER.

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PRUESS

Kriminalrat. SS Sturmbannfuehrer. Commander of Gestapo TRIER from 15 December 1944 to 12 March 1945. Formerly Kriminalsekretaer with Stapostelle KOBLENZ. While he commanded TRIER office, this was transformed into Einsatzzug MOSELLAND. Fell ill during withdrawal and was left behind in hospital at SCHWALBACH (GSGS 4346/K 50/Q 3379) to be treated for peritonitis. Describes as nervous, cantankerous, generally disliked by his subordinates. Brutal and unscrupulous in his dealings with arrestees.

Age: 38
Height: 1.85 m
Build: Slender
Face: Narrow
Complexion: Pale, sickly
Bearing: Sloppy, stooped

ROCKEL

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referat KPD und Marxismus, until 1944. Killed himself accidentally while cleaning his pistol in 1944.

ROETTGER, Walter

Kriminalinspektor. SS Obersturmfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER; commander of Greko PRUEM from July 1936 to fall of 1937; commander of AuDSt WITTLICH, from 1937/38 to November 1943.

RUNGE, Walter

Kriminalrat. SS Sturmbannfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Chief of Abteilung III, Spionageabwehr, from 1938 to 1940; chief of Einsatzkommando LUXEMBOURG from 1940 to 1944. Commander of SD and Gestapo LUXEMBOURG, July 1944.

Age: 45
Height: 1.65 m
Eyes: Brown
Face: Round
Hair: Dark, greying

RUSTER, Jakob

Kriminaloberassistent. SS Hauptscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referat Wirtschaft und Rundfunk, from 1936 to 1939; Referat Schutzhaft, 1939 to March 1945; Referat Heimtuecke, 1944 to March 1945.

SACK, Andreas

Kriminalobersekretaer. SS Hauptscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referat Heimtuecke, from 1944 to January 1945.

SCHAEKE

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referat Auslaendische Arbeiter, from 1940 to 1943, then transferred to Fliegendes Kommando.

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## IV. Personalities in the Gestapo in TRIER (Continued)

### SCHEFE, Robert, Dr

Regierungsassessor. SS Obersturmbannfuehrer. Deputy commander of Stapo AuDSt TRIER. SD Hauptamt; Party No 1027861; SS No 267268; born on 23 August 1909; appointed Untersturmfuehrer 1938; Hauptsturmfuehrer in 1938 (see SS Dienstalterliste, October 1938). SS Sturmbannfuehrer; transferred from LODZ, Poland, to RSHA (see SD B of 7 February 1942). SS Sturmbannfuehrer; Regierungsrat; transferred to Kriminalpolizei Leitstelle BERLIN as commander (see SD B of 3 April 1943). Promoted to Oberregierungs-und Kriminalrat (see SD B of 19 June 1943.) Promoted to SS Obersturmbannfuehrer with Inspekteur der Sicherheitspolizei und SD BERLIN, 21 June 1943 (see SD B of 21 June 1943). Commander of KRIPO Leitstelle BERLIN, awarded Kriegsverdienstkreuz ErsterKlasse mit Schwertern (see SD B of 29 July 1944).

Age: 40
Height: 1.75 m
Carriage: Erect
Build: Athletic
Face: Full
Hair: Blond

### SPONHEIMER

Hauptmann in Army, not with Gestapo TRIER. Civilian occupation: jeweler in IDAR-OBERSTEIN. Inducted in 1939. Abwehr officer with Stalag XII, TRIER-PETRIBERG, from 1942 to the beginning of 1945.

### SCHADE, Otto

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Kirchenangelegenheiten, from 1942 to March 1945.

### SCHMIDT, Albert

Kriminalkommissar. SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER from 1940 to 28 March 1945. Last address: TRIER, Charlottenstrasse (address of family). Originally from MUENSTER, Westfalen. Formerly with Schupo and Kripo, transferred to TRIER from Stapostelle MUENSTER. Chief of various Abteilungen. Deputy commander of AuDSt TRIER since summer 1943. Beisitzender of Standgericht TRIER since 1942. Led punitive expedition against resistance group HOLZHEIMER into Northern LUXEMBOURG. Was liaison officer between Gestapo and Army from December 1944 to March 1945, then CO of Einsatzzug MOSELLAND. Responsible for many death sentences and for transfers to SS Arbeitserziehungslager HINZERT, near HERMESKEIL. Has knowledge of war crimes, such as murder of three American PW by members of the TRIER SD, in which SD Chief Willy GERMANN and SS Hauptsturmfuehrer HEINRICHS were also involved. In 1944 he was involved in the apprehension and was probably responsible for the execution of eight Polish officers, members of a resistance group in STALAG XII A (see also under HEDDERICH). Involved in and has knowledge of execution of the French Special Agent CLEMENT, in German captivity since 1940/41 (see also under FEICK and HEDDERICH). Has comprehensive knowledge of all activities of SD TRIER.

Age: 45
Height: 1.75 m
Build: Stocky
Walk: Slightly stooped
Hair: Greyish, dark, full
Face: Narrow, wrinkled
Complexion: Pale
Teeth: Gold bridge work on upper jaw

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SCHMIDT, Alfred

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER in Greko SAARBURG, from 1939 to 1940; Kartei und Registratur, from 1940 to 1943; Abteilung II, Referat Auslaendische Arbeiter, from summer 1944 to March 1945.

SCHMIDT, Paul

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Bewerber. With Gestapo TRIER 1936 to 1945. Last address: TRIER, General Wellmannstrasse. Formerly with Schupo in Central GERMANY for twelve years. Transferred to Gestapo in 1936. With Greko PRUEM from 1938 to Spring 1939. Then with Abteilung III, in charge of Referat Wirtschaft und Rundfunk. In 1942 in charge of transport of Jews to SPAIN. Beginning of 1943 transferred to Gestapo DARMSTADT. Returned to TRIER in Fall 1943. With Aussenposten SAARBURG (Document,1945).

Age: 42
Height: 1.78 m
Build: Stocky
Hair: Greyish

SCHNEVOIGT, Reinhold

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER in Greko PRUEM from June 1940 to May 1942. Commander of Greko PRUEM from May 1942 to March 1945.

SCHNITZLER, Joseph

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referat Auslaendische Arbeiter, until 1943 or 1944. Transferred to Stapostelle KRAKOW. Close collaborator of HARTMANN.

SCHNUETTGEN, Karl

Kriminalobersekretaer. SS Untersturmfuehrer. In Gestapo TRIER, AuDSt WITTLICH, after 1937 or 1938; Greko PRUEM, August 1940 to Fall 1941.

SCHUETZ, Carl

Kriminalkommissar. SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. Home in MAYEN (GSGS 4346/K 51/L 6392). Academic training. Entered Stapo TRIER as Kriminalangestellter. Unterabteilungsleiter from 1936 to 1937. In 1937 he attended Kommissarlehrgang, at Polizeifuehrerschule BERLIN-CHARLOTTENBURG, then returned to TRIER as Kriminalkommissar. In 1939 he participated in the Polish campaign, then was transferred to RSHA, Amt VI. Returned to Gestapo TRIER in 1941 or 1942. From December 1942 to 1 August 1943 in charge of N-Referat, TRIER. Transferred to Einsatzkommando ITALY in August 1943; transferred from RSHA to TRIER (see SD B of 3 October 1942). In 1944 he was placed on temporary duty with Befehlshaber der Sipo und des SD VERONA. Awarded Kriegsverdienstkreuz Erster Klasse mit Schwertern (see SD B of 15 April 1944).

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SCHULTE, Gustav

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referat Auslaendische Arbeiter, from 1940 to 1943, then transferred to Fliegendes Kommando.

SCHULZ, Gerda

Secretary of Karl SCHULTZ, Gestapo TRIER, N-Referat.

SIMMER

Kriminalkommissar. SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. Chief of N-Referat Stapostelle KOBLENZ, the echelon above N-Referat TRIER. Transfer from KOBLENZ to BREMEN cancelled (see SD B of 21 November 1942). Transferred to RSHA (see SD B of 8 July 1942).

Age: 39 Hair: Sparse, blond, part on left side
Height: 1.70 m

SIMON, Gerhard

Kriminalkommissar. SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER. 1936 to 1938: chief of Greko SAARBURG; 1939 to 1943: chief of Abteilung III; 1940 to 1945 with Einsatzkommando LUXEMBOURG. Described as a good Catholic, non-Nazi.

Age: 43 Height: 1.60 m

SNOWATZKI, Eduard, alias Eduard WESSEL

Kriminalobersekretaer. SS Untersturmfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung III, Referat Abwehr, from 1936 to 1939; transferred to Greko PRUEM in 1939; changed name to WESSEL in 1940; transferred to POZNAN.

SPORRENBERG

SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. Commander of SS Arbeitserziehungslager HINZERT, near HERMESKEIL. Later transferred to BUCHENWALD Concentration Camp. Has knowledge of conditions and executions at HINZERT. Member of the TOTENKOPF Verbaende.

SSJERAKUROW

Vertrauensmann employed by Gestapo TRIER. Activities coordinated by MAEUSER.

STRATHMANN

Kriminaloberassistent. SS Hauptscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung III, Referat Abwehr, from 1940 to 1941. Transferred to Grenzpolizeipesten STEINFURT. Kriminalassistent, with Kripo BRNO, Czechoslovakia; mentioned in dispatches (see SD B of 29 January 1943).

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STROHMEYER

Polizeirat. SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. Gestapo TRIER, Chief of Abteilung I, from January 1935 to July 1943. Transferred to Einsatz Kommando TRIESTE. Appointed Polizeirat (see SD B of 16 January 1944).

STUCKENBROCK, Joseph

Kriminaloberassistent. SS Hauptscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER from 1939 to 1945; Referat Abwehr 1939 to 1940; Einsatzkommando LUXEMBOURG 1940 to 1943; Greko LUXEMBOURG 1943 to September 1944.

SUDER, Otto (Toni)

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER from 1936 to 1945 (?); with Abteilung II, Referat KPD und Marxismus, from 1936 to 1939. Born on 4 August 1907 at GLADBACH.

THIELE

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Sturmscharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung III, Referat Abwehr 1939 to 1940; Einsatzkommando LUXEMBOURG 1940 to 1943; Greko LUXEMBOURG 1943 to September 1944.

TRAUTWEIN, Walter

Kriminalkommissar. SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER; Chief of Greko SAARBURG 1938 to 1940; Abteilung III, Spionageabwehr, until 1943. Killed on Eastern Front. SD Hauptamt; Party No 210651; SS No 107112; Born 21 November 1910; appointed Untersturmfuehrer in 1938 (see SS Dienstaltersliste of 1938).

VOLLMER, Walter

Regierungsrat. SS Sturmbannfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER from 1942 to 1943. Home: STUTTGART. Old and fanatic Nazi. Worked in Abteilung II, Referat Kirchenangelegenheiten, where he had opportunity to translate his hatred of the Church into practice. He was HARTMANN's deputy, went to LUXEMBOURG frequently, and is believed to have been a member of the Standgericht LUXEMBOURG. After leaving TRIER in the summer of 1943, he was to become Chief of the Stapodienststelle CHEMNITZ but was inducted into the Waffen SS instead. He was then transferred to the RSHA where he was placed in charge of Referat I A 2. Was promoted to SS Obersturmbannfuehrer. On bad terms with Kriminaldirektor WENDLING. Was wont to reprimand his colleagues and superiors for lack of proper SS conduct, but was sadly amiss on that score himself. Transferred from TRIER to CHEMNITZ as head of Gestapostelle (see SD B of 21 August 1943). Order of transfer from TRIER to Befehlshaber KIEV rescinded (see SD B of 28 November 1942). SS Sturmbannfuehrer, Regierungsrat transferred to RSHA as Referent I A 2 (see SD B f 3 June 1944).

Age: 46 Face: Full, round
Build: Stout Hair: Dark blond

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WAELDE, Adolf

Gestapo DUEREN. Transferred to Gestapo TRIER. Finally to Gestapo POZNAN, Poland, with SNOWATZKI.

WEBER, Rudolf

Kriminalsekretaer. SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER from 1936 to 1942. Formerly in Schupo (in his home-town KOELN ?). From 1936 to 1942 in Abteilung II, Referat Kirchenangelegenheiten. Attended Fuehrerschule der Sipo at BERLIN-CHARLOTTENBURG in 1942. Transferred to Sipo WARSAW as Kriminalkommissar in 1943. Described as unscrupulous, ready to instigate criminal investigation at the slightest provocation; fiercely anti-clerical. Promoted to SS Obersturmfuehrer on 21 June 1944; SS No 388265; with BdS KRAKOW (see SD B of 37 July 1944).

Age: 37
Height: 1.70 m
Build: Slender
Hair: Light blond, receding hair-line

WEISS, Wilhelm

German Vertrauensmann with Gestapo TRIER. Activities coordinated by PALLASCH and SCHUETZ.

WEISSENBERG, Fritz

German Vertrauensmann with Gestapo TRIER. Activities coordinated by VECKENSTEDT. Residence at BITBURG/Eifel.

WENDLING, Josef

Kriminaldirektor. With Gestapo TRIER, deputy commander between 1936 and 1943. Commander from July 1943 to 15 December 1944. Formerly with Kripo KOELN. Committed suicide with his wife in March 19..

WESSEL, Eduard

Alias SNOWATZKI, Eduard

WILBERTS

Kriminalangestellter. SS Scharfuehrer. Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung III, Referat Abwehr, from 1939 to 1942. Transferred to commitment in the West.

WONDERLICH

Kriminalangestellter. SS Scharfuehrer. With Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung II, Referat Kirchenangelegenheiten from 1935 to 1942. In 1942 sent to Fuehrerschule der Sipo, BERLIN-CHARLOTTENBURG. Later appointed Kriminalkommissar, with Stapostelle KOBLENZ (see SD B of 15 April 1944).

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WILKE, Heinz

Kriminalobersekretaer, SS Untersturmfuehrer. Formerly with Schupo. From 1936 to 1940 with Gestapo TRIER, Abteilung III, Referat Abwehr. From 1940 to 1943 with Einsatzkommando LUXEMBOURG in charge of N-Referat (all German and foreign agents). Transferred to SS Arbeitserziehungslager HINZERT for disciplinary action. Later transferred to Stapo LUENEBURG. Involved in the killing of a LUXEMBOURG national, a suspected Allied agent who had been kidnapped by two German agents. Also involved is FEICK.

Age: 42
Height: 1.75 m
Hair: Dark, receding hair-line
Build: Stout, broad shoulders
Face: Full, round

V. Personalities in the SD in TRIER

ARSCHGEIGE (Covername)

Covername for an informant used by HEINRICHS, Chief of SD Hauptaussenstelle TRIER.

Age: 48
Height: 1.75 m
Face: Short beard
Clothes: Usually wore dark suit, dark raincoat, dark grey felt hat

ASSMANN, Willi

SS Obersturmfuehrer. With SD TRIER, Aussenstelle PRUEM, from May 1936 to September 1939. Transferred to SD POLAND during spring of 1941. Worked in the area of RADOM or KRAKOW. Insidious. Responsible for arrest and punishment of innumerable innocent persons and for the physical maltreatment of his arrestees. Engaged in similar activities plus large-scale looting in POLAND.

Age: 40
Height: 1.70 m
Walk: Hesitant
Build: Stout
Face: Full, round
Hair: Dark blond

GERMANN, Fritz

SS Untersturmfuehrer. Chief SD Hauptaussenstelle TRIER from January 1944 to June 1944 (formerly with SD Aussenstelle PRUEM). The following incident involving GERMANN is reported by PW VECKENSTEDT: Toward the end of February or the beginning of March 1945, Kriminalkommissar and SS Hauptsturmfuehrer Albert SCHMIDT told source that the bodies of two or three American soldiers had been fished out of the MOSEL River. SCHMIDT did not specify the exact place but added that this incident would get the SD into trouble with the Army. He also stated that the TRIER SD would have done better had they buried the bodies, instead of throwing them into the water, and said that he had told GERMANN so. From these remarks VECKENSTEDT inferred that defenseless American soldiers had been murdered and that GERMANN, as the commander of the SD in that area, was involved in that crime. He believes that besides GERMANN and SCHMIDT, HEINRICHS, at that time the local SD Chief, would have knowledge of the crime, or might even have been an active accomplice.

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V. Personalities in the SD in TRIER (Continued)

Age: 25
Height: 1.75 m
Build: Slender, strong
Face: Round, with reddish cheeks
Hair: Full, blond
Eyes: Blue

**HEINRICHS**

SS Hauptsturmfuehrer. Head of SD Hauptaussenstelle TRIER, from July 1944 until February 1945.

Age: 32
Height: 1.70 m
Face: Round, full
Complexion: Pale

**JOST**

SS Untersturmfuehrer. With SD LUXEMBOURG. Was to return to LUXEMBOURG during ARDENNES counteroffensive. Remained at VIANDEN during period of offensive. Very bad reputation in LUXEMBOURG due to his many arrest of innocent people, and the bad treatment meted out to them.

Age: 29
Height: 1.72 m
Hair: Blond
Build: Slender, but wiry
Face: Full, appears swollen

**KNEBEL, Gottfried, Dr (?)**

SS Untersturmfuehrer. Head of SD Hauptaussenstelle TRIER from 1942 to December (?) 1943. Transferred to LUXEMBOURG, end of 1943. Born 23 December 1910; Party No 573720; SS No 48347.

Age: 35
Height: 1.65 m
Face: Full
Hair: Blond

**HOEDER, Dr**

Politischer Leiter in Gauleitung MOSELLAND and probably SD member. Was municipal librarian of TRIER. Worked at FRIEDRICH WILHELM Gymnasium in civilian life. Fanatical Nazi, gave indoctrination lectures to Gestapo.

Age: 38
Height: 1.72 m
Build: Athletic
Hair: Blond

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| BENSHEIM | L 50/M 6421 |
| BERNKASTEL | K 50/L 5347 |
| BETZDORF | K 51/G 1044 |
| BIEBRICH | K 51/M 3760 |
| BITBURG | GSGS 4042/6/L 15 |
| HENNWEILER | GSGS 4346/K 50/L 7837 |
| HERMESKEIL | K 50/L 4318 |
| HILDESHEIM | L 53/C 5297 |
| IDAR-OBERSTEIN | K 50/L 7123 |
| KIRCHHEIM-BOLANDEN | K 50/M 2018 |
| KIRN | K 50/L 8032 |
| LORCH | K 51/M 0560 |
| MAINZ-KASTEL | K 51/M 3957 |
| MAYEN | K 51/L 6392 |
| MORBACH | K 50/L 5535 |
| MUENZENBERG | L 51/G 7307 |
| PRUEM | GSGS 4042/6/L 07 |
| REINSFELD | GSGS 4346/K 50/L 3821 |
| SCHWALBACH | K 50/Q 3379 |
| TRABEN-TRARBACH | K 50/L 5552 |
| TRIER-OLEWIG | K 50/L 2228 |
| WITTLICH | K 50/L 3935 |
| WORMS | L 50/M 4875 |
| ZELTINGEN/Mosel | K 50/L 4852 |