

EICHMANN, A  
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15 September 1948 [redacted]

Press release of this date from Aufbau, an American weekly in German and English published in New York City.

"One of the most perfidious Nazi agents seems to be the instigator of the recent pogroms in Cairo during which approximately 250 Jews and quite a lot of foreigners, among them the American citizen RASS, were murdered. According to Aufbau, American weekly in German and English the infamous Gestapo agent, Adolf Karl EICHMANN, who escaped from a prisoners camp at Regensburg, (Bavaria) is now in Egypt, apparently working underground. EICHMANN's relatives, living at Lins, (Upper Austria), received news which gives the impression that EICHMANN found asylum in Cairo.

18 February 1953 [redacted]

[redacted] stated that Simon WIESENTHAL had volunteered the following information on Rupert MANDL: WIESENTHAL reports that he had once been visited in Lins by one Baron von KLIMBURG from Vienna with the proposition that KLIMBURG would give WIESENTHAL Adolf EICHMANN's address in exchange for a promise that WIESENTHAL would insure that the Jewish element in Austria went to work on intelligence matters, with the results of their work going to KLIMBURG through WIESENTHAL. WIESENTHAL naturally turned the proposition down.

8 April 1953 [redacted]

[redacted] - Dr. ROETTL's reaction to the arrest of VERBER and PONGER

-- It would therefore appear that PONGER came to Western Austria frequently and for extended periods. Concerning the subjects of conversation which occurred on the occasions mentioned above I have certain memories. On his first visit, PONGER interested himself in the chief of Amt IV of the RSHA, MUELLER, and most especially for the Chief of Jewish matters, Adolf EICHMANN. Concerning EICHMANN, he informed me repeatedly that JOINT (or some other international Jewish organization) had placed a reward on EICHMANN's head of \$100,000 which I was supposed to collect since I certainly knew where EICHMANN was. (EICHMANN had been in Aussee at the time of the German collapse and had left his family here.) The particular interest of PONGER in

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EICHMANN and in other similar matters, into which I will go later, made me conclude that PERGER was active for the Israeli Intelligence Service or some other Israeli office. This was my explanation at the time to myself of his frequent visits to Aussee, for in Aussee at the time Frau EICHMANN was living under her maiden name, LIEBL, and I thought that POWNER was attempting to YEEEE learn in this area the present hiding place of EICHMANN. He asked me in a rather unsubtle fashion to take up contact with Frau LIEBL and in any case to look around in her vicinity since he was convinced that EICHMANN frequently returns to visit his family. When I refused to have anything to do with this matter, he dropped the subject until about a year ago when he told me that Israel now had definite information that EICHMANN was being lodged with the Grand Mufti in Egypt and asked whether or not I might be able to establish a contact. This would be an important thing to do and would be paid for from the \$100,000 which had been set as a price on EICHMANN's head. I was completely diffident in this matter although I knew that EICHMANN was not at the time in Egypt.

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The following traces on Karl HEINZ EICHMANN, Nazi war criminal, were obtained for us from Saide ORTHNER, wife of German ex-SS officer Felix ORTHNER by [ ] early in November 1953. Although none are more recent than 1951, they are being forwarded to HQ for possible background information.

During the winter of 1945-1946, EICHMANN was a prisoner in a U.S. POW camp at Rimini, Italy, SZ together with former Gestapo chief in Rome, KAPPLER, and the former Gestapo chief in Milan, an ex-Naval officer (n.v.) That winter, both EICHMANN and the ex-Naval officer were transferred to another U.S. POW camp and escaped, separately, after learning of the life sentence given KAPPLER by the Italians.

Their escape route led from Germany through Innsbruck to Rome. In Rome they obtained Syrian laissez-passers, money, and tickets to Syria from the Syrian Legation. The ex-Naval officer arrived in Syria in 1946 and became chief of Col. HINAWI's (SKISHAKLI's predecessor) body-guard. EICHMANN arrived in Syria 1947-1948.

After his arrival, EICHMANN disassociated himself with the German military advisors who had been brought to Syria to help fight

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the Israelis and described himself as "Political Advisor to the Syrian Government." He was converted to Islam in 1948. In 1951, he came to Cairo and contacted the ex-Grand Mufti, Hajj Amin al-HUSAYNIS in an effort to obtain financial help. This he did not receive. EICHMANN was forced to leave Egypt in 1951 as he had no permit to stay. The ORTNER was unable to state the present whereabouts of ~~EICHMANN~~ EICHMANN.

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8. [ ] stated that he was pleased to see that [ ] was becoming aware of the need to clarify background information on his sources since sufficient doubt existed as to [ ]'s veracity to affect the utilization of his production. [ ] stated that he felt that the bulk of derogatory information directed at [ ] stems from [ ] [ ] former superior in Linz. [ ] volunteered the following information concerning [ ] and [ ] Prior to [ ]'s departure from Linz, he was approached by [ ] who proposed that he participate in an operation to apprehend and turn over to Israeli representatives, one Adolf EICHMANN. EICHMANN, a notorious war criminal, was a target of the Israeli IS shortly after the war. An Assistant Chief of Staff, G2 correspondence, dated 31 March 1952, contains the following statement: "An Agent Report emanating from CIC Sub-Attachment "B" in Linz discloses that Engineer Simon WIESENTHAL, well-known journalist and Israeli intelligence operative, stated that a premium is offered amounting to 100,000 ANS for any leads that may result in apprehension of EICHMANN."

9. A letter emanating from the Counter Intelligence War Room, London to [ ] gives the following information of EICHMANN.

EICHMANN was an early member of the SD, in the old SD-Hauptamt II/111 (Juden-Referat) under Stubaf HAJEN, with whom he, on HEYDRICH's orders, is said to have visited Palestine in 1937. In 1938 he was in Vienna where, in order to facilitate emigration of the Jews, he organized the Zentralstelle fuer Juedische Auswanderer; later he was commissioned to organize similar institutions in Berlin and Prague. In 1942, HEYDRICH put him in charge of a special Referat, the Reemungsreferat, with the purpose of

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removing "undesirable elements", primarily Jews, from certain areas. This was under Amt IV B. For executive purposes, EICHMANN had a Sonderkommando with which he travelled about. His assistant, Stubaf GUENTHER, and several members of the Sonderkommando were SD members (as EICHMANN himself remained) while administrative details were handled largely by Gestapo personnel.

10. Presumably, EICHMANN and the Sonderkommando came under the jurisdiction of MUELLER OF Amt IV, but often EICHMANN received direct orders from HIMMLER. In the case of Hungary, EICHMANN was called by KALTENBRUNNER to liquidate the Jewish problem. There, as elsewhere, he was on the staff of the highest ranking police meetings and reported to WINKELMANN. The relations between EICHMANN and the Sonderkommando 1005 under Standartenfuhrer Paul BLOBEL, who carried out exterminations, are unclear. Apparently EICHMANN merely delivered the goods, while the Sonderkommando worked independently, under HIMMLER and (in part) under MUELLER. At any rate, EICHMANN was unable to tell HIMMLER in September 1944 exactly how many Jews had been liquidated because he lacked actual data. His estimate of 4,000,000 was called too low by HIMMLER.

11. After [ ]'s approach, [ ] agreed to take part in the project to capture EICHMANN and turn him over to Israeli IS. [ ] utilized all available police facilities without obtaining official authorization. Upon finding and arresting EICHMANN, subject was turned over to Simon WIESENTHAL who arranged for a chartered aircraft to carry EICHMANN to Israel. The aircraft was to file a flight plan for an east Mediterranean country (undisclosed), drop off EICHMANN in Israel, and continue to the original destination without disclosing the landing in Israel. [ ] states that the crew of the aircraft was paid a considerable sum to maintain silence.

12. After arrival in Israel, it would be announced that EICHMANN has been reported as an officer in the Arab Legion. According to plan, EICHMANN would be reported as a POW some six months after the announcement of his presence in the Arab Legion. This would cover the means by which EICHMANN came into Jewish hands, and would leave the explanation of his activities prior to capture to someone else.

13. [ ] told [ ] that he received AHS 3,000.00 for his part in the project, but that he was present when [ ] and WIESENTHAL discussed [ ] bonus of AHS 30,000.00. [ ]

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feels that since he is the only person who knows of [ ] action in the EICHMANN case, [ ] is accumulating and/or inventing as much derogatory information as possible for future use against [ ]

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6. A review of the part [ ] took in the planned abduction of Adolf EICHMANN clarified [ ]'s mistaken impression that EICHMANN had been located and turned over to Israeli IS representatives. [ ] stated that contrary to case officer's impression, he had described the plan which was to be followed and not a actual chain of events. [ ] had re-checked [ ] and [ ] files on EICHMANN and has been unable to locate additional information on the matter. In view of agent's insistence that the affair did not come off as planned, [ ] can only admit to having been in error or can assume that [ ] has thought better of having implicated [ ] in the matter.

12 April 1951 [ ] [ ]

[ ] Progress Report April 1951

(Note: In this dispatch [ ] is referred to as [ ] his old cryptonym, and [ ] and [ ] by their true names.)

6. --- The [ ] in Passau is a personal friend of [ ] named [ ]

7. [ ] relations with [ ] remain strained, and [ ] has forbidden [ ] to visit his home. [ ] theorized that [ ] is able to blackmail [ ] either by threatening to reveal that [ ]'s story of the rank he held during the war and of the war wounds he received is false or by revealing that [ ] x scindled WIESENTHAL in a deal to evacuate one EICHMANN, fnu, by air to Israel, an operation in which [ ] was also used. [ ] did not show much interest in this last story, but will raise the point again and attempt to get the necessary details at a later meeting.

(NOTE: Documents in file checked through 1951; no subsequent mention of the EICHMANN case.)

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(Card record) Probably identical with a Dr. Adolf EICHMANN rptd in '46 as German, b. 22 April 1901 in Palestine, height: 1.70 meters, hair - light brown, face oval. Founded the Z.f.J.A. in Vienna in 1935. Later went to Prague. On outbreak of war was believed to have gone to Berlin to set up the main hqtrs of the Z.f.J.A. and to have controlled from there all the special commandos sent to the newly occupied territories to deal with Jewish problems. During the last war he was an official of Amt. IV of RSHA. In July 46 it was reported, but never confirmed, that subject was believed to have been in Jerusalem or with the Mufti. In Aug 46 a rpt said subject might have left Egypt for Damascus in the company of certain Arab renegades.

3 December 52

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Karl Heinz EICHMANN believed to be ex-general. Resident in Egypt since 1946 and reported to have lectured the Egyptian army at Abbassia. Listed among German advisors to the Egyptian armed forces.

6 January 1954

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Forwards info re Karl EICHMANN, including a Frankfurt news release apparently indicating subj involved in express (bus?) accident, between Syria and Iraq. Says "Karl" IE EICHMANN of DIR [ ] probably iden with Adolf Karl of [ ] and with "Karl" EICHMANN, aka Karl Heinz, of [ ] Which of the two does Baghdad information think may have been involved in cited accident?

3 February 1949

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AFP report, with Tel Aviv dateline, published Austrian papers June, July 48, stated Hans EICHMANN, former SS General, in Cairo, raising officers to fight beside Arabs in Palestine. Reliable source verified presence in Egyptian barracks. Subsequently, said to have been brought to Egypt by Hajj Amin al-HUSAYNI.

19 March 1958

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Subject was born in Israel and became an SS-Obersturmbahnfuhrer. He is reported to have lived in Argentina under the alias CLEMENS since 1952. One rumor has it that despite the fact that he was responsible for mass extermination of Jews, he now lived in Jerusalem.

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