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TO INFO	Chief of Station, Germany ] 27, 15-13 (ATTN: Richard N. Alverson)	DATE	27-15-13
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1. The recent defection from Camp King of Sgt. Vladimir SLOBODA has occasioned a general review of document procurement procedures utilizing the facilities of Camp King, and suggests that it might be desirable to examine the matter more closely, in the field, where all information is readily at hand, to determine whether such procedures, for reasons of security, might possibly be altered.
2. Although we readily acknowledge that all pertinent facts are not available to us at Headquarters, it is our understanding that at the present, all documentation procured from German officials in Muernberg, Bad Reiburg, and Giessen, is effected through the intervention of Camp King. In short, our requests are submitted through the Camp King office, which carries the requests on to the German offices which actually issue the documents. Not only do additional numbers of personnel become knowledgeable of such requests, but a file on all such work [for KUNARK offices] in Germany is maintained in Camp King, the security of which would appear open to some question.
3. It may well be that for some reason it would be injudicious to raise the issue of direct liaison with the appropriate German officials [by KUNARK personnel] on such problems; nonetheless, it is our understanding that the ICJ(C) established AETOPAT as the coordinator of all legal West German documentation for all services, in which event, [direct liaison] with West German offices would appear to be authorized by such a designation.
4. We wish merely to raise the problem at this juncture for your consideration and look forward to the early receipt of your views and comments.

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