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INTERROGATION DIVISION SUMMARY

Interrogation of KEITEL, 28 August 1945, PM

PERSONS AND ORGANIZATIONS IMPLICATED, AND SUBJECTS

1. KEITEL

- a. Hitler's plans against Poland in 1939 (p.1)
- b. Conferences concerning preparations against Poland during summer of 1939 (p.5)
- c. Meeting held on 22 August 1939 by Hitler with Reichenau, von Bock, von Kessler, von Kluge, Brauchitsch, Halder, Busch, and Strauss (pp.9-20)
- d. Campaign against Czechoslovakia
(1) Plan "Green" - 388-PS (pp.21-23)

Hitler directed OKW to prepare plans against Poland in May 1939 (p.1), he held conferences with the Generals every two weeks during the summer of 1939. Keitel recalled a meeting of the Generals at Obersalzberg on 22 August 1939 which he attended and at which Hitler spoke (L-3, 798-PS, and 1014-PS) (p.5). Keitel recalled the following generals were present at the meeting:

REICHENAU	BRAUCHITSCH
VON BOCK	HALDER
VON KESSLER	BUSCH
VON KLUGE	STRAUSS

and in all about fifteen to twenty generals. Keitel said that Hitler spoke extensively and discussed the positions to be taken by England, France, and Italy (p.9-20).

With reference to Czechoslovakia Keitel is shown Exhibit A, dated 20 May 1938, consisting of five typewritten pages (extract from Plan "Green"--388-PS); this was worked out some time in the middle of May. Says it is possible he wrote the first part and assumes Jodl wrote the second part before his own letter was written (pp.21-23).

Keitel says he had no concrete proposal from Hitler, he and Jodl "tried to find out from Hitler what he thought" (p.24).