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INTERROGATION DIVISION SUMMARY

Interrogation of ROSENBERG, Alfred

By: Lt. Col. Hinkel, 6 October 1945, p.m.

Persons and organizations implicated, and subjects

1. ROSENBERG

- a. Procurement of labor (1-5)
- b. Documents

- (1) 309-PS dated 19 October 1944 (6)
- (2) 019-PS dated 17 March 1943 (7)
- (3) 021-PS dated 12 April 1943 (8, 9)
- (4) 194-PS dated 14 December 1942 (11)
- (5) 034-PS (15)
- (6) 257-PS (15)
- (7) 338-PS dated 16 June 1944 and 7 October 1942 (17)
- (8) R-36 (19)
- (9) 1754-PS (20)

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This session deals mainly with the procurement of labor.

Rosenberg was opposed to the recruiting of labor by force, admits however that the procurement of labor was handled administratively by the organization under his jurisdiction, the quotas being set by Sauckel. He claims he acted under Hitler's orders when extending cooperation to Sauckel. The letters written to Sauckel, however, do not show Rosenberg's disapproval of these methods (p.1-5).

A report received from Nickel regarding the Youth project in Ruthenia (309-PS dated 19 October 1944) is identified by Rosenberg (p.6).

Letter written by Sauckel asking for one million foreign workers, dated 17 March 1943 019-PS is identified by Rosenberg. He admits that he was doing his best to meet the quotas asked for by Sauckel (p.7).

Reproduction of Document 021-PS, dated 12 April 1943, is identified by Rosenberg as having been received by him. The report concerns a conference between Sauckel and others with reference to the manpower situation (p.8,9).

Rosenberg admits that he received complaints through consorship intercepts regarding treatment accorded to the native population. Asked whether he did anything to remedy this situation, he refers to other agencies such as the Political Division, or Division for Social Work, who visited labor camps to check on these reports (p.10). In this connection, he refers also to an order issued by him asking for just treatment of workers, Document 194-PS, dated 14 December 1942, being evidence (p.11)-

He identifies signature of Hierl in Documents dated 20 July 1943 and 13 July 1943, 034-PS, as well as Document 257-PS, setting forth the treatment of Eastern workers in Germany. He admits that the complaints in the document are justified (p.15). Other documents 538-PS, dated 16 June 1944 and 7 October 1942 are identified in the connection (p.17).

As to plans for aggressive action against Russia, a folder prepared in April, June, July, and August is identified by Rosenberg (p. 18).

As to conscription of labor he identifies R-36, containing two documents, one of them is identified as having been written by Bormann (p. 19).

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Letter written on 25 March 1945, addressed to Kajum-Chan is identified by Rosenberg. Kajum-Chan was working for the Ministry 1754-PS, (p.20).

Regarding discussions pertaining to the definition of "Jew", a mimeographed document dated May 1942 is identified by Rosenberg.