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DOCUMENT ROOM INTERROGATION ANALYSIS

WITNESS: Jodl

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: Lt. Col. Hinkel

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Jodl gives his version of the conference concerning treatment of Allied fliers held early in June 1944. He says that during a conference with Hitler the question was discussed to what extent fliers could be, or could not be, considered as prisoners of war. There was a difference of opinion. The Fuehrer immediately ordered that no measures should be taken against members of the civilian population who attacked fliers forced to come down by parachute. Such instructions were issued by Bormann for civilians and transmitted to the Wehrmacht through Keitel (19). The question then arose as to which fliers would be considered as coming within the foregoing directives (21). Witness endeavored to learn from Goering the attitude of the Luftwaffe on this question (21). Further aspects of the question are then discussed (22-37).