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SUBJECT: Instructions Prepared by Colonel Amen for Use of
Interrogators of War Criminals.

1. The inclosed interrogation suggestions were prepared by Colonel Amen for the use of interrogators on the Continent. There are two forms, the short form and the long form. The short form will be delivered to persons on the Continent, other than those directly connected with Colonel Amen's group, as suggestions for lines of interrogation which will be of value to the Office Chief of Counsel. The long form, a more comprehensive document in relation to our case, will be delivered to the interrogators directly under Colonel Amen's control.

2. One copy of each of the mentioned forms is circulated herewith for information.

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 - B. Education.
 - C. Occupations other than government or Nazi Party.
 - D. Brief summary of PW's life.
- II. Public and Nazi Party (or other organizations) positions held by PW and duties in each, from 1920 on.
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 1. Superior to whom he reported and others in chain of authority or command.
 2. Detailed description of his duties, with dates.
 3. His relations with Army, Navy, Foreign Office, Police, SS, SD, Gestapo, RSHA, Ministries of Justice, Interior, Labor, 4-Year Plan, Peoples' Court (Dr. Roland Freisler), etc.

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III. Organization and functions of each government and Nazi Party (or other organizations) department with which PW was connected, including description of the operating chain of command and personalities involved.

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- 3. Character of relationship during course of war.
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- 5. Development of enmity or discord between PW and any of the figures he names in answer to preceding subdivision.

V. Knowledge of oral or written orders, directives, information and names of potential witnesses concerning concentration camps.

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VI. Employment of foreign workers. (Specify countries.)

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1. Regulations and procedures for obtaining the workers and method of fixing their assignment.

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a. Activity of NSDAP.

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b. Propaganda activities.

(1) Organization and individuals responsible, method used, policy, purposes.

c. Ausland organization - names of Gauleiter, etc.

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a. Relation to local government, selection of government officials.

2. Functions and duties of security police, individual responsible, method of reporting, scope of his activities.

VIII. Werewolves Organization.

A. Persons and agencies responsible for policy and administration.

1. Personalities involved.
2. Chain of command.
3. Relation to other departments of the government.
4. Geographic organization.

B. Activities.

1. Purpose and function.
2. Numbers and organizations thereof.
3. Methods of reporting.

IX. Gauleiter Organization.

A. Bormann's relation thereto.

1. Policy prescribed.

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2. Scope of activities and duties of other persons involved.

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b. Racial and national groups involved.

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E. Specific instances where individuals were deprived of property of any description which then came into the possession of leading Nazi figures. (The specific instances should be closely inquired into for the exact details, including available documentation, in connection therewith so far as PW can remember.)

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V. Knowledge of PW of the initiation and development of potentially or actually unlawful activities of the Government and Nazi Party (or other organizations).

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A. Internal measures (in Germany) , such as (a) rigid internal control over the government and its agencies; (b) destruction of potential resistance by suppression of opposition elements; (c) racial discrimination and persecution of certain racial minorities; (d) religious persecution and suppression; (e) arbitrary withdrawal of citizenship and legal rights from certain racial groups; (f) organizing and utilizing suppression organizations, such as SS and Gestapo, and the training thereof for similar purposes in controlled and subjugated territories; (g) use of organizations, such as SS and Gestapo, to interfere with the administration of justice through action against court personnel when decisions were displeasing; (h) preparation of German people for wars of aggression, both psychologically and materially; and (i) scientific research and developments for war (new weapons, ersatz materials, etc.).

B. External measures (in other countries), such as (a) employment of divisive tactics and promotion of minority disputes and antagonisms; (b) establishment and employment of "fifth columns", spies and saboteurs; (c) employment of bribery, corruption and subversive propaganda; (d) entering into treaties and agreements with no intention of abiding by the provisions thereof; and (e) increasing its war potential and reducing the defensive capacity of other countries by cartel arrangements, trade arrangements, currency controls, etc.

VI. Knowledge of PW of the initiation and execution of actions designed

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to implement the illegal measures referred to in V hereof.

A. Internal measures: individuals who proposed the particular measures and the action considered necessary to implement them; individuals who were charged with the responsibility for the execution of the measures agreed on or ordered; the means which were used (including laws, pronouncements, edicts, unlawful terror and violence, arrest, confinement, confiscation of property, etc.) to execute the measures agreed on or ordered; and knowledge of PW of any written orders or directives pertaining to the foregoing.

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VII. Knowledge of oral or written orders, directives, information and names of potential witnesses concerning concentration camps.

A. Number and location. (See Exhibit 1 for names of camps.)

B. Type prisoners - political, foreign nationals, subject nations, prisoners of war.

C. Policy concerning administration of such camps:

1. Persons responsible for prescribing policy.

a. Organization charged with their administration.

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- b. Manner in which commanding officers assigned.
- 2. Jurisdiction of individual camp commandants to inflict:
 - a. Punishment of inmates.
 - b. Sentences to execution (hanging, gassing, etc.)
 - c. Torture.
- 3. Manner in which guard personnel assigned.
- 4. Authority determining the following:
 - a. Commitment orders (whether SS, SD, Courts, etc.)
 - b. Execution and extermination orders.
 - c. Orders regarding natural and unnatural deaths.
 - d. Allocation of food and medical supplies.
 - e. Care and treatment of inmates.
- 5. Policy regarding medical experiments.
 - a. By whom prescribed.
 - b. Selection of victims.
 - c. Purpose of experiments.
 - d. Organization charged with accomplishment of policy.
 - e. Names of responsible individuals.
- 6. Any detailed knowledge of conditions within particular concentration camps.
 - a. Camps personally visited.
 - b. Information on practices in concentration camps obtained from sources other than personal observations (to include knowledge of written orders and directives thereon): source of information; specific matters

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related by sources, including such details as are remembered; and action, if any, on part of PW with reference to such camps on any phase of the handling of the prisoners therein as a result of the information obtained.

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X. Trade negotiations. (Specify particular nation and dates. See IX for nations.)

A. Relation of trade negotiations and agreements to the preparation of Germany for war.

1. Use of such agreements as a method of reducing the capabilities of other nations to resist the foreign

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policy of the Reich.

a. Use of economic measures to control the political affairs of other countries.

(1) Fiscal program.

(2) Barter agreements.

(3) Exclusive and preemptive purchases.

B. Organization and individuals responsible for the policy prescribed.

1. Purpose of the activity, subjects covered by the agreements.

2. Method of supervision and administration.

3. Manner of reporting, organization and individuals to whom reports sent.

C. Relations of private industry to the program.

1. Organization and individuals responsible for the connection of private industry to the program.

a. Supervision, administration, methods of coordination.

XI. Knowledge of the participation by large industrial enterprises in the conspiracy.

A. Persons responsible for policy and administration of the major industrial concerns.

B. Use of industrial concerns as cover in foreign countries for -

1. Saboteurs.

2. Espionage agents.

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3. Persons charged with the promotion of divisive tactics and the development of minority disputes.

C. Use of the funds of industrial concerns in -

1. Financing the Nazi party outside Germany.
2. Bribery.
3. Propaganda.

D. Use by industrial concerns of material and equipment taken as loot from other countries.

E. Use by industrial concerns of slave labor.

XII. Werewolves Organization

A. Persons and agencies responsible for policy and administration.

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1. Policy prescribed.
2. Scope of activities and duties of other persons involved.
3. Chain of command.

B. Activities.

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1. Relation to other agencies of the government.
2. Methods of reporting.

C. Details of Gauleiter meeting at Thuringen December 1944 -
January 1945.

1. Persons present.
2. Matters discussed.
3. Policy prescribed.

XIV. Knowledge of PW regarding the initiation and execution of illegal activities in the waging of war.

A. Individuals responsible for initiating and executing the following:

1. Machine gunning and strafing helpless citizens.
2. Bombing undefended and unprotected cities (as Rotterdam) after surrender thereof.
3. Bombing hospitals.
4. Killing military prisoners, such as aviators and parachutists, after their surrender.
5. Torturing military prisoners to obtain information from them and for other purposes.
6. Violations of Geneva Convention through inadequate food and medical care for military prisoners and use thereof on direct military projects.
7. Violations of international conventions by use of hospitals and ambulances for unauthorized purposes (as ammunition depots and carriers).
8. Illegal use of Red Cross emblem on installations

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other than hospitals, etc.

9. Use of unrestricted submarine warfare without proper safeguards for crews of ships sunk or for identity of vessels belonging to non-belligerents.

10. Starvation of civilian population in occupied countries.

11. Destruction of property in captured territories ("scorched earth").

12. Shooting hostages.

13. Reprisals taken against entire villages.

14. Race destruction - treatment of racial minorities.

a. Policy regarding

(1) Underfeeding.

(2) Sterilization.

(3) Maltreatment.

B. Any specific instances of the above-listed measures of which the PW has knowledge, including any written orders or directives thereon.

1. Details of such activities.

2. Names of potential witnesses.

3. Authority issuing such orders or directives.

4. Individuals and agencies responsible for their execution.

XV. Spoliation of property.

A. Organizations and individuals prescribing the policy.

1. Chain of command.

2. Relation to other government agencies.

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B. Agency responsible for administration.

1. Personnel involved.

2. Scope of activities.

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Attachment - Exhibit 1

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EXHIBIT #1

PRISON CAMPS, PRISONER OF WAR CAMPS, CONCENTRATION CAMPS

- 1000 - Adolph Hitler
- 1001 - Buchenwald (concentration camp)
- 1002 - Auschwitz (concentration camp)
- 1003 - Sachsenhausen (concentration camp)
- 1004 - Orerbke (Orbke)(concentration camp)
- 1005 - Langerleuba-Oberhain (concentration camp)
- 1006 - STALAG VII (VIIa) Moersburg (PW camp)
- 1007 -
- 1008 - Eschweiler Mine Work
- 1009 - Mariadorf Mines
- 1010 - Meunchen-Gladbach
- 1011 - Langenstein (malachit camp)
- 1012 - Betzdorf (forced labor camp)
- 1013 - Anrath (prison)
- 1014 - Paris (general atrocities)
- 1015 - Belsen (concentration camp)
- 1016 - Dauchau (concentration camp)
- 1017 - Salzwedel (concentration camp)
- 1018 - STAMMLAGER XIIIa, Limburg
- 1019 - Oschereleben
- 1020 - Nutzweiler (concentration camp)
- 1021 - Meiste (concentration camp)
- 1022 - Hanover (concentration camp)
- 1023 - Nordhausen (concentration camp)
- 1024 - Wernigerode
- 1025 - Halberstadt
- 1026 - Calais and Wesserling (concentration camp)
- 1027 - STALAG IXA & IXB Ziegenhain
- 1028 - Leipzig (Thekla)
- 1029 - STALAG VIF Muenster
- 1030 - Amerefoort
- 1031 - Adolph Mine - Markstein, Germany
- 1032 - Muenster (penitentiary)
- 1033 - STAMMLAGER XIIa Limburg, Germany
- 1034 - STALAG VIA Hamer, Germany
- 1035 - Landesheilanstalt Hademar, Limburg, Germany
- 1036 - Breitenau Prison, Buxhagan, Germany.
- 1037 - Strafgefaegnis Freiendeck, Diez (Lahn) Germany
- 1038 - STALAG IXA, Altengrabow, Germany

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1039 - Reichskommissar fuer die Festigung deutschen Volkstums
 1040 - Mittelburg (concentration camp)
 1041 - Frankfurt (concentration camp)
 1042 - Wenzleben (concentration camp)
 1043 - STALAG XD, Wiezendorf, Germany
 1044 - STALAG XIID Trier
 1045 - Bohlen, (Alpeuroso)(concentration camp)
 1046 - Neuengamme (concentration camp)
 1047 - Vogelgesang (concentration camp)
 1048 - Griebro (concentration camp)
 1049 - Moringen (concentration camp)
 1050 - STALAG LUFT III, Sogan, Germany
 1051 - Oranieburg (concentration camp)
 1052 - Hammelberg (concentration camp)
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 1054 - Geislingen (concentration camp)
 1055 - Pottenstein (concentration camp)
 1056 - Flossengborg (concentration camp)
 1057 - Langendreer (prison)
 1058 - Osterhagen Lager
 1059 - Lager 21, Westeastedt
 1060 - Halmstedt (concentration camp)
 1061 - Mauthausen (concentration camp)
 1062 - Oberdonau (concentration camp)
 1063 - Ravensbruck (concentration camp)(also Sp. Rafensbruck)
 1064 - Munich (Stalag - concentration camp)
 1065 - Walzheim (concentration camp)
 1066 - Dalag Weniza (near Kiev, Russia)(concentration and PW camp)
 1067 - STALAG IV D, Dortmund (Hq moved later to Hemer)
 1068 - Ellerich (concentration camp)
 1069 - Landsberg (concentration camp)
 1070 - Esterwagen (concentration camp)
 1071 - Schoenhausen (concentration camp)
 1072 - Tegel (near Berlin)(German military prison)
 1073 - Chrdruf (concentration camp)
 1074 - STALAG III LUFT Nurnburg (Langwasser)
 1075 - Theresienstadt, Czech (concentration camp)
 1076 - Plaschow (concentration camp) Krakau
 1077 - Rothensee Lager

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