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Summary:

German non-technical G.A.F. personnel in U.S. custody including Hans Kammler.

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Prof. Von Braun	Chief engineer on V-2. Worked on this project as a civil servant in peacetime.
Dr. Steidelm	Theory, design, and development of control system throughout.
Dr. Wendling	Static and projection firing trials.
Dr. Dabisz	Ground installations.
Dipl. Ing. Henenbourg	Engineering design.
Mr. Rader	Transport vehicle design.
Mr. Technical	Chemistry-fuels.
Mr. Heller	Internal ballistics.
Mr. Kicker	Electrical engineer for round and projectiles.
Dipl. Ing. Mueller	Capacity and effects of alterations in production of rounds.
Mr. St. Abel	External ballistics.
Dr. Frickie	Chief designer of rockets using solid fuels, to Ohlmetall Barrie.

GERMAN NON-TECHNICAL PERSONNEL

47. The following is a list of key German Air Force non-technical personnel presently being held for interrogation.

Reichsmarschall Hermann Goering Commander in Chief of Luftwaffe.

Generalfeldmarschall Oberst Erich von Manstein	Secretary of State for Air and Inspector General of the GAF-Director General of Equipment.
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General der Flieger Koller	Chief of General Staff of Luftwaffe.
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Dr. Albert Speer	Minister for Armament and War Production.
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General Martini	Director General of GAF Signals.
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General von Criegern	General Quartermaster of Luftwaffe.
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Oberst. Kienitz	1c of GAF General Staff.
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Dr. Beckendorff	Chief of GAF Weather Service.
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Oberst. Schmitz	Being groomed for job as Chief of GAF General Staff.
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Generaloberst Flanagan	Chief of Commissar Officers.
Generalmajor Korszik	Chief of Air Transport.
General Seisler	Chief of Luftwaffe Personnel.
General Pickert	Chief of G/F Flak Artillery.
Generaloberst Richter, Freiherr von Hammerstein	Judge Advocate of the Luftwaffe special tasks and troop estimate Staff.
Generalleutnant Olbrich	Specially detailed officer for defense against 4-engine'd bombers.
General Kammhuber	"
General Oberst Neiss	Specially detailed officer for defense against enemy long-range arms.
Obergruppenführer Kammer	Inspector of all units of the Luftwaffe working with rocket-propelled arms.
General der Flieger Bodenschatz	In the office of the Air Minister (also political representative for army affairs.)
General Kreipe	(Academy for Air Warfare) Chief of all actical and Technical Training.
Generalleutnant Dr. Schröder	Chief of G/F Medical Services.
Generalmajor Helmut von Frieden	Chief of G/F Historical Section.
Generalleutnant Lauter	High Commander for Gas protection of Troops.
General der Flieger Förster	Chief of Aeronautics.
Generalmajor Lindner	Chief of Civil Defense (Luftwaffe).
President Reichenau	Chief G/F Weather Research Service (Reichenau's Forschungsbüro).
Generalfeldmarschall Sperrle	Director of G/F Plans.
Generalmajor Mitschold	Commanding General, Ground Attack.
Oberst. Har	Well-known Commodore of J.G3 lately flying jets.
Gen. Von Hassow	Commanding General, Training.
Oberst. Kiliinger	Interrogation of Allied Air Crew.
Generalmajor Lbel	Commanding General, Jagddivision 2.
Generalmajor Galland	Formerly Commanding General, Fighters.

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Generalmajor Boner

Chief Signal Officer, Luftwaffe Air Defense.

Ingénieur Bonberg

With the GAF-Hochfrequenz and Forschungsanstalt, Weinstadt. (Radio Intercept Service).

GAF-TECHNICAL INFORMATION SEIZURE

48. GAF RELATIONS WITH JAPAN. Helmut Weber, official German Government interpreter on all German-Japanese negotiations relating to the Japanese air effort, evacuated to United States 15 May, 1945. Documents evacuated with Weber consisted of a basic document of thirty pages and six annexes, setting forth:

- a. Japanese aircraft production, 1939-1945.
- b. Japanese flask guns.
- c. Japanese Navy aircraft as of 1 June, 1944.
- d. Aircraft equipment manufacturing industry in Japan and Manchuria.
- e. Aircraft production data for Japan as of 1 June, 1944.
- f. Japanese Air armament industry and equipment as of 1 June, 1943.

49. GERMAN AIR EQUIPMENT SHIPPED JAPAN. Documents concerning the supply of German war material to Japan have been recovered near Berchtesgaden. This file contains correspondence from 1 Gruppe/6 Abteilung, German Air Ministry, Intelligence, dated from January, 1943 to March, 1945, concerning the supply of all types of equipment for aerial warfare, including models of the ME 262 and 163 (transported in a specially modified U-Boat), quantities of V-1 equipment, high explosive and incendiary bombs, searchlights, radar apparatus of all descriptions including models of the Kursburg and Freya, radio and signals installations, telephones, teleprinters, etc., and all types of aircraft parts. In addition the following photographic equipment destined for Japan has been seized:

- a. 25 Automatic aerial cameras Eb 20/30, complete
- b. 60 Film magazines FE 30/60.
- c. 6 Electric drives 24 V (Amet) with control box.
- d. 6 view finders 18/1.

50. GAF MISSION TO JAPAN. Adjutant to head of GAF mission to Japan, Oberleutnant Schumann, seized with two other officers of mission, prior to their departure for Japan by submarine. Schumann's evacuation to United States was recommended. Other two officers not sufficiently knowledgeable to warrant evacuation. Technical drawings of German aircraft and engines for shipment to the Japanese Air Force with mission have been seized.

51. GAF INTELLIGENCE. The records of GAF Intelligence on the

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