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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

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SUBJECT: Terrorist Bombings in Germany (U) -- INFORMATION *15 Dec 1982*
MEMORANDUM

(S) In the last two days there have been three terrorist bombing incidents in the vicinity of Frankfurt, two of which resulted in serious injury to two US Army personnel, one SP5 and one Captain. These incidents were clearly designed to do bodily harm, evidenced by the use of pressure-type detonators that are activated by sitting on the car seat. These terrorist acts represent a serious escalation of the current terrorist campaign against the US military presence in Germany.

(S) USAREUR and EUCOM are making a major effort through command and intelligence channels, public affairs, flyers and briefings to ensure that all military personnel and dependents are aware of this increased threat and the precautions to take to reduce their vulnerability (e.g., checking car for forced entry and any foreign material before entering, locking cars, renting garages).

(S) The focus on enhancing awareness of our personnel in Germany is correct. Increased US military and German security measures (e.g., patrolling, surveillance, neighborhood watch) that were initiated earlier this fall following the series of bombings of property are considered to be effective, although they cannot prevent all acts of terrorism. Local German authorities believe that these most recent bombings (two of the incidents involved US military POVs parked in German housing areas) are the result of intensified patrolling of US housing areas.

(S) I discussed the latest bombings this morning with Reinhart Rupprecht, Chief of the FRG's International Security Division in the Ministry of Interior. The Germans are embarrassed, frustrated, and somewhat defensive, clearly hoping for our understanding of the difficulties of dealing with this problem. Rupprecht went so far as to speculate that perhaps the only

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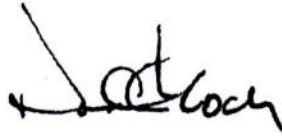
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answer is to eliminate off-post housing and move everyone on to casernes. I said I thought it premature to consider handing the terrorists such a victory, but that further actions against our people would almost certainly cause some awkwardness in our relations. I remain convinced the Germans are doing everything possible to combat this problem.



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

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SUBJECT: Anti-Terrorism Initiatives in the FRG --
INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

JAN 1983

On 17 December 1982 State Secretary Froehlich hosted a meeting between US and German officials to emphasize how seriously the FRG regarded the threat created by the car bombings in early December. In attendance were the DCM and other embassy officials plus representatives from the MOI, BKA Hessian State Police and the Foreign Ministry. The German authorities stressed that they were ready to do everything possible to prevent such outrages.

It was agreed that since August there has been a change in the terrorists' targeting. Attacks now focused against US housing areas and individuals. In response to this change in targets the German police have assigned an additional 200-300 policemen to patrol these areas, on foot as well as in vehicles. Other German initiatives include a campaign to increase awareness and cooperation of the German public and a rewards program.

The FRG officials indicated that the US could help by:

- (a) Strengthening the MPs.
- (b) Conducting more joint US-German patrols.
- (c) Lengthen the tours of duty for MPs to facilitate greater familiarity with the local area and their German colleagues.
- (d) Increase the awareness of what individuals could do to protect themselves.

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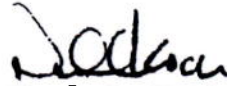
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~~set~~ The meeting concluded with an expression by the Foreign Ministry representative of their concern and willingness to help in any way it could. Another meeting of this nature is to be held in about two months.



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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

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SUBJECT: Terrorism in the Federal Republic of Germany (U) --
INFORMATION MEMORANDUM

(S) During the past week, in two separate operations, German authorities captured three of the four leading members of the terrorist Red Army Faction. The RAF is the single most dangerous terrorist group indigenous to Europe, and the capture of Brigitte Mohnhaupt and Adelheid Schulz on November 11, and Christian Klar on November 16, are achievements of profound significance.

(S) Brigitte Mohnhaupt has been the de facto leader of the RAF following its metamorphosis from the Baader-Meinhof Gang following the suicide deaths of Ulrike Meinhof in May 1976 and Andreas Baader in October 1977. Mohnhaupt, along with Klar, planned and executed the near-successful attack on General Kroesen in 1981. Her fingerprints were on the RPG-7 found at the attack site. I attach file cards on the three, and you may be interested to note Mohnhaupt's skill with disguises as well as her impressive linguistic capabilities.

(S) With regard to your concern for compensation to U.S. personnel whose property has been damaged in recent bombings, my understanding is that this is accommodated through insurance. I discussed the general issue with our personnel security people at EUCOM and there is a consensus that the FRG is extremely attentive to U.S. interests and that any representation on the point would be construed as both ingratitude and insensitivity on our part. It has been discussed informally, however, and the Germans are making every effort to further improve their coverage.

(S) It should be noted that these attacks on "soft" targets are a reflection of FRG success in attacking terrorism, inasmuch as it has become extremely difficult to operate against high-value targets in Germany. Notwithstanding, these attacks should be seen as "farm team" activities by groups seeking to develop skills and establish their bona fides. In addition to the real possibility of these attacks resulting in "accidental" injury or death, they also indicate that there will be others anxious and able to follow Mohnhaupt, Schulz and Klar.

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