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PERSONS, FIRMS OR ORGANIZATIONS INVOLVED Ostministerium [HJ- Kriegseinsatzkommando] BERGER, Gottlob- SS- Ogruf. BRAEUTIGAM, Min .Dirijgent, Ostministerium NICKEL, Hauptbannfuehrer STRAUBE, SS-Ustuf.

TO BE FILED UNDER THESE REFERENCE NO- Gottlob BERGER  
HEADINGS NG- Ministry for Occupied Eastern Territories  
NO- Heuaktion

SUMMARY (Indicate page nos.)

This is a one-page carbon copy, initialled by BERGER, of his letter dated 6 July 1944, to the SS and Police and SD agencies at Bialystok; copies went to the office of the Gauleiter, to Ministerial-Dirigent BRAEUTIGAM and to Hauptbannfuehrer NICKEL.

It is stated that the "Hitler Youth Task Force (HJ- Kriegs-Einsatz Kommando) Center" has to continue recruiting of white-Ruthenian and Russian juveniles for military duties in the Reich. As an additional task, the transfer of "racial valuable" juveniles of 10-14 years of age into the Reich (e.g. Heuaktion (Analyst) is indicated. The "Fuehrer" is said to request this activity to be carried out still more energetically.

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Special train Gotenland 7.8.1944  
(handwritten: Geheim)

- 1) Chief of Civilian Administration  
Bialystok
- 2) Competant SS and Chief of Police Office.  
Bialystok
- 3) Competant SD Office  
Bialystok

Concerns. HJ-War Recruiting "Mitto"

The HJ-War Recruiting "Mitto" up to now stationed at Minsk must by all means continue recruiting White Ruthenians and Russian forces for the Reich. In addition it is the Kommando's task to transfer to the Reich racially valuable youth, 10 to 14 years old. This competence is not effected by changes resulting from the evacuation and transfer from and to the receiving camp in Bialystok, Krajowo and Oltei. The Fuehrer wants this operation to be accelerated.

I herewith order that all possible assistance be given to facilitate the Komando's mission. Should unexpected difficulties arise, I want immediate notification by teletype.

East- Ministry  
Signed by Berger  
Chief of Fuehrungsstabes Politik

- 4) Copy to:  
Gauleitorbuoro  
Ming.Dgt.Dr.Braeutigam  
Hau ptbannfuehror NICKEL
- 5) Ogruf. Borger please take notice
- 6) To the files Hou 13.7.

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I, oustava Hanna, Civ.No. B-397991, hereby certify that I am thoroughly conversant with the English and German languages and that the above is a true and correct translation of Document No-3128.

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