

4 September 1945

MEMORANDUM FOR COLONEL STOREY

Subject: Documents in file of SS Gruppenfuehrer
Philip Hoffman.

1. Our attention has been called to a newspaper article published in the United States, reading as follows:

PROOF OF GUILT FOR MURDERS IS FOUND

BERLIN, Aug. 21---Conclusive proof that the extermination of Europe's Jewry was plotted by the Nazi inner circle was discovered in the files of SS Gruppenfuehrer Philip Hoffman, chief of the infamous SS Race and Resettlement Office, it was announced today by U. S. Army authorities.

The files revealed that Reinhard Heydrich, notorious "hangman" of the Nazi Party, later assassinated in Czechoslovakia, extended invitations to a luncheon on Jan. 20, 1942, to 13 high Nazi and government officials to discuss the complete liquidation of "the Jewish question".

Attached to the invitations were photostatic copies of a letter from Hermann Goering charging Heydrich with its solution.

2. We do not know whether these documents have been made available to us. If they have not, it is suggested that steps be taken immediately to secure the originals of these documents for use in the trial.



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