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Interrogation of Fritz Sauckel

PERSONS AND ORGANIZATIONS IMPLICATED,
AND SUBJECTS

1. FRITZ SAUCKEL
   a. Two personal Hand-written statements made part of record (p.9,15)
   b. Responsibility for allocation of labor- not recruiting (p.1,2,3,4).
      1. Supply of labor to priority agencies, Speer's Ministry, Reeder's
         shipyards, etc. (p.9,10).

2. SPEER
   a. Rigid Control of German labor supply (p.4,5,7,8,9,10,12,14,15)
   b. Personalities in Ministry of Armaments (p.10,11)

3. FUNK
   a. Ministry of Economies and war production (p.13)

RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALLOCATION OF LABOR

Maintains that higher echelons hired foreign workers (1 & 2).
His main job was to assign foreign workers, not the recruiting of them(p.2)
Refers to his paper entitled "Die Enormen Forderungen etc." which deals
with the over-all needs of all branches of industry and economy (p.3)
Personnel changes from one industrial location to another consumed most
of his time.(p.3)

GERMANY'S WAR LABOR REQUIREMENTS

The over-all need was for 10,000,000 workers - half to be recruited from
foreign Countries.(p.3) 20 to 25,000,000 workers were involved in trans-
port from one industry to another (4) Reasons are given for the need for
labor and their transfer in so - called "false fluctuations"(5,6,7)
Number of workers for the war effort from April 1942 to February 1945 was
10,5 to 11 millions- half foreign workers (7). Speer protected his factories
from Army draft requirements but all other do not suffer the same.(8)

A two - page paper in the handwriting of the witness entitled "Die Haupt-
bedarfsträger" is identified for the record (9). Following agencies were
supplied with Sauckel's labor first under the Four-Year Plan and finally
under the Central Planning Committee: (1) Speer's Ministry of Weapons and
Ammunition (2) Milch's Air Ministry (3) Reeder's Shipyards
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(4) Funk's Ministry of Economy (Speer took all these agencies in 1944 p. 9)

THE SPEER MINISTRY

Speer was the Chairman of the Central Planning Committee (10), demanding "everything for himself", making Sauckel's job of supplying all 10 agencies with foreign and domestic labor a problem (10)

The Speer organization consisted of Hotlage, in charge of Finance, also Major Liebel of Nuremberg and General Wegner in the same Dept. Production of pursuit planes under Saur and "arbeitseinsatz" under Dr. Hussmacher until 1944. (10) Dr. Schmeller was liaison from Speer to Sauckel. Complete OT in Europe required about 9,000,000 workers (11) Speer would not permit Sauckel to check on individual factory worker needs (12)

The Rüstungs-Commission was represented in each gau (13) The Ministry of Economics under Funk was only concerned with minorities of war production (13) "Workers were supplied to the different non-war producers (13) Speer and Goebbels attacked the supplying of workers to Civilian production (14). They also wanted to close retail stores (15)

One-page paper in the handwriting of the witness is identified. (15)
Co-Workers and staff meetings are listed in the paper (15).