Interrogation of . . . . . . . . Fritz Sauckel
By. . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Major Monigan
Time . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . 2 November 1945 - AM

In accordance with a note which Sauckel sent asking for an interrogation, he stated that there were two matters which he wished to discuss. First, he feared that his response to my inquiry whether he would be willing to be interrogated further after the indictment was served was misunderstood. Sauckel stated that he was willing to be interrogated further and believed that since he had not been interrogated since the indictment was served that he had expressed an unwillingness to make further statements. The second point which Sauckel wished to discuss was his responsibility for the conditions existing in the transportation of foreign workers. While he emphasized that neither he nor his representatives had any control over the conditions in the transportation, nevertheless he made requests to the railway ministry to provide accommodations for the foreign workers similar to those made available for German soldiers and German workers. He repeated his former statements to the effect that the actual collecting and transportation of the workers from occupied countries to Germany was supervised by the local civilian or military administration in the occupied territory and was outside the sector of his administration.

In response to a request from M. Manneray of the French delegation, Sauckel was interrogated concerning the connection between the Legion Speer and the Organization Todt. Sauckel stated that he was not familiar with the details of any relationship between the two organizations other than that they were both under the Ministry Speer. Normally he was not called
upon to furnish workers for either organization and he was not aware of the basis upon which persons were put in the Legion or in the OT. He knew nothing about the military nature of either organization except that on some occasions when he passed their camps, the sentries posted there seemed to have some sort of military discipline. So far as he knew, the OT concerned itself with construction projects and the Legion Speer was a transportation corps.