Name: STAHL, Dietrich

Nationality: German

Region: Berlin Charlottenburg 9, Karolinger Platz 12

Occupation: 6A, 25 F

Political Attitude: 13

Birth date and place: 23 January 1857, Tesel/Rhein.

Work and Political History: Dietrich Stahl, owner and manager of a munitions factory in Berlin, Theodor Bergmann KG, Berlin, is one of Speer's followers who has been appointed to a highly important position in the Reich Ministry of Armaments and War Production. In August of 1944, Stahl became Head of the Hauptausschuss Munition (Main Committee Ammunition) in the Speer Ministry, succeeding Edmund Geilenberg (q.v.). The Main Committee Ammunition is one of twenty-one Main Committees under Speer for the control of production of every type of war equipment. The Committee has some eighteen subcommittees controlling the output of all types of ammunition. Previous to his appointment as head of the Main Committee Ammunition, Stahl had been head of two of these subcommittees.

Source 1 reports that one Stahl served temporarily as Deputy Head of the Reichsgruppe Industrie (National Group Industry), the most important of the seven National Groups comprising the corporative organization of German business established by the Nazis in 1933. Although sources gives no first name, it is very well possible that the report refers to Dietrich Stahl.

Stahl's prestige in Nazi circles, is his appointment in Berlin in 1942 as honorary consul of the German puppet State of Slovakia. Stahl also received the title of Lehrratsfhrer, which is reserved for korpsen in the German war economy who are in excellent standing with the Nazi Party.
Summary: Through his business interests in the munitions trade and by virtue of his position as head of the Main Committee Munitions in the Reich Ministry of Armament and War Production, Stahl has played an important part in formulating and executing Nazi economic policies and in providing the army with ammunition.

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