

## KV 2/560

### Part I

This is a crucial file in the Johann Jebsen / Artist (Johnny, Jonny) complex

Reflected in the context of **Sdf. Dr. Joachim Wrede** @ Wiegand @ Wanda  
Johann Jebsen left Germany, as to escape from being forced to enter military service.

He was rather wealthy and could afford living everywhere when necessary.

The drive of this contribution - is the great nonsense on the web and elsewhere.

My main objection, is: to counter the nonsense contributed on Wikipedia, currently.

I acknowledge, that they are dependant upon those willing to edit onto a subject.

I feel myself not competent enough to contribute a full sound history; though, sufficiently capable to counter most of the nonsense being caused on behalf of its current editor.

I admire Wikipedia's policy; and this contribution is meant - as a more comprehensive approach; on this intriguing subject publically.

To contribute understanding - I have to reconsider a range of file series again.

This Survey, is being based upon re-studying those files. Though, it will, necessarily, becoming a longer lasting successive contribution series.

Like usually: all selected file sections, are my personal choice; my comments and/or corrections are recognisable due to the application of: **blue** or **red** colours.

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W R E D E, DR. JOACHIM

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 Dr. Joachim Wrede  
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most secret

B.I.Inf. Captain Gwyer.

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B.I.a. signed - D.I. Wilson.  
29.12.43.

B.I.Inf. Captain Gwyer.

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B.I.a. (M.I.5)

signed - D.I. Wilson.

26.12.43

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B.I.a. Mr. Wilson.

The identification rests on two facts:

a) How both WIEGAND and WREDE are Sonderfuehrers working for Ast. Brussels normally resident in Paris.

b) How the date and method of WIEGANDS' journey to the Peninsula in connection with MARQUIS are identical with those of a similar journey made by WREDE. I do not think the message you quote opposed this. You will notice that the preamble says "for information to PAULA for Ast for RICHTER for WREDE". I take this to mean that a copy of the telegram was sent to these people to keep them in the picture which is quite consistent with the fact that the text concerns WREDE himself. RICHTER is ZF Alst PARIS but as you will have notice, JEBSEN's links are normally with ZF sections. As to your other points - the information was intended for Lisbon and sent at his request. I see no reason to suppose that he knew WREDE before.

B.I. Inf. signed - J.M.A. Gwyer.  
30.12.43.

B.I.a. Mr. Wilson.

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b) How the date and method of Wiegand's journey to the (Iberian) Peninsula in connection with the Marquis (The French resistance groups acting in the Southern Mid-France countryside, and who were paid for undisturbed passage-through) are identical with those of similar journey made by Wrede. I do not think the message you quote opposed this. You will notice that the preamble says "for information to Paula (Alst Paris) for the Ast (Abwehrstelle) for Richter for Wrede". I take this mean that a copy of the telegram was sent to these people to keep them in the picture which is quite consistent with the fact that the text concerns Wrede himself. Richter is ZF (= Paymaster) Alst (Abwehrleitstelle) Paris but as you will have notice, Jepsen's links are normally with ZF (financial) sections. As to your other points - the information was intended to Lisbon (the place where Jepsen was situated) and sent at this request. I see no reason to suppose that he knew Wrede before.

B.I. Inf.

signed J.M.A. Gwyer.

30.12.43

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B.I.Inf. Captain Gwyer.

Thank you for the explanation, which removes most of my doubts. In the meantime I have got an advance copy of the R.P.S. Report on FREAK, which will be passed to you shortly, which gives us a little more information about WIEGAND which may enable you to verify his identity.

WIEGAND is probably German, but on occasions he uses Belgian papers. He speaks French and German; medium height; about 30 years old; thin face; blond hair; wears glasses. He has a German I.S. car at his disposal in Paris, and poses as one of the directors of a German company PAX A/G., which has an address at Rue Copenic 52, Paris. This company is said to exist and has a registered entity, but is a fiction and does not operate in any way,

WIEGAND took FREAK to the address mentioned, on the door of which there is a big plaque with the name PAX A/G, but inside is a large flat of several floors which is used as a hideout for agents on their way through Paris. The telephone number is Passy 6707. WIEGAND does not live there but the flat is run by an efficient woman known as MARGUERITE.

If WIEGAND is WREDE I shall be glad to have further information about WREDE.

B.I.a.  
31.12.43.

signed - D.I. Wilson.

B.I.Inf. Captain Gwyer.

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31.12.43

signed - D.I. Wilson

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B.I.a. Mr. Wilson.

I think there must be a mistake somewhere in all this. According to the directory, there is no number 52, rue Copernic. Moreover, the telephone number - Passy 6707 - belongs, according to the 1939 Telephone Directory, to C.H. LUSSY, Journalist and deputy for VAUCLUSE, and M. Ernest RUSS of 32 Avenue Kleber. The Rue Copernic runs into the Avenue Kleber, but, so far as can be made out from the map, the intersection is some distance away from number 32. I think we must assume therefore, unless FREAK has made a mistake in the telephone number, either that he did in fact visit two addresses, one in the Rue Copernic, and one in the Avenue Kleber, or that he was wrong in his assumption that the telephone number, PASSY 6707, was that of the flat itself. The second appears the more likely supposition. Number 32 Avenue Kleber must be more or less opposite the Hotel Majestic, which is as you know the Headquarters of the Militärbefehlshaber Frankreich. As you will remember, secret sources imply that WREDE has an office there, since he can be reached by a message addressed to Militärbefehlshaber for Sonderstab WREDE. I assume this to mean that he works under cover of an office attached to the Befehlshaber. It would be quite likely in these circumstances, for him to have an office at 32, Avenue Kleber i.e., opposite the Befehlshaber's headquarters. It would also be reasonable, if he has an undercover flat in the rue Copernic, for the latter to be reached by telephone through the former.

I am trying to verify these deductions with the aid of an up-to-date BOTIN, since we do not possess anything later than 1939. Can FREAK be asked in the meantime to pinpoint the Rue Copernic address on the map? I can provide a street plan of Paris if you want one.

B.I.a/Inf.  
1.1.44.

signed - J.M.A. Gwyer. (Capt)

B.I.a. Mr. Wilson.

I think there must be a mistake somewhere in all this. According to the directory, there is no number 52, Rue Copernic. (AOB, it is not realized by both men: that when a street-name is of Jewish origin or other enemy names, that such names pragmatically could have been changed. For instance, in Amsterdam: the Wilhelminastraat (name of our Queen) had been changed in: Gasthuisstraat, as the Wilhelminastraat begins just opposite the Wilhelminagasthuis = hospital) Moreover, the telephone number - Passy 6707 - belongs, according to the 1939 telephone Directory, to C.H. Lussy, journalist and deputy for Vaucluse and M. Ernst Russ of 32 Avenue Kleber. (AOB, again, they neglect the option, that these latter named, were also suspects and their telephone connection being confiscated and routed other ways) The Rue Copernic runs into the Avenue Kleber, but, so far as can be made out from the map, the intersection is some distance away from number 32. I think we must assume therefore, unless Freak has made a mistake in the telephone number, either that he did in fact visit two addresses, one in the Rue Copernic, and one in the Avenue Kleber, or that he was wrong in his assumption that the telephone number, Passy 6707, was that of the flat itself. The second appears the more likely supposition. Number 32 Avenue Kleber must be more or less opposite the Hotel Majestic, which is as you know the Headquarters of the Militärbefehlshaber Frankreich. As you will remember, secret sources imply that Wrede has an office there, since he can be reached by message addressed to Militärbefehlshaber for Sonderstab Wrede. I assume this this to mean that he works under cover of an office attached to the Befehlshaber. It would be quite likely in these circumstances, for him to have an office at 32 Avenue Kleber i.e., opposite the Befehlshaber's headquarters. (Why not considering the existence of some underground (Wehrmacht) or hired cables crossing Rue Kleber?) It would also be reasonable, if he has an undercover flat in the Rue Copernic, for the latter to be reached by telephone through the former. (AOB, thus a direct link from Rue Kleber to the address at Rue Copernic)

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B.I.a/Inf.  
1.1.44

Signed - J.M.A. Gwyer. (Capt.)

KV 2/560, page 5 Examples of Minutes sheets

19.4.44.	Extract re WREDE from Mr. Wilson's Report (B.I.a) on TRICYCLE's Lisbon visit.	13a.
10.5.44.	Extract re WREDE from B.I.a. note on ARTIST/TRICYCLE Case.	13b.
19.4.44	Extract re Wrede from Mr. Wilson's report (B.I.a) on Tricycle's Lisbon visit.	
10.5.44	Extract re Wrede from B.I.a not on Artist (Jebsen)/Tricycle (Popov) Case.	
10.8.44.	M.S.S. History Sheet for WREDE	14ab
24.8.44.	Extract from B.I.a. report on DREADNOUGHT & his contacts with the G.I.S. with reference to WIEGAND.	14b
10.8.44	M.S.S. (RSS intercepts) History Sheet for Wrede	
24.8.44	Extract from B.I.a report on Dreadnought (KV 2/867.. 2/870) & his contacts with the G.I.S. (German Secret Service) with reference to Wiegand.	
11.9.44.	Extract re WREDE from Camp 020 Daily Reports in SCHMITT case.	15a.
11.9.44	Extract re Wrede from Camp 020 Daily reports in Schmitt (KV 2/227) case.	
9.10.44.	Extract re WREDE @ WIEGAND from B.I.a. report on Mr. Wilson's interview with ARTIST contacts.	17a.

9.10.44 Extract re Wrede @ Wiegand from B.I.a. report on Mr. Wilson's interview with Artist (Jebsen) contacts. (AOB, both Artist/Jebsen and Wrede had been in the hands of, likely, RSHA Amt IV in casu Heinrich Müller / Gestapo Müller)

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8.12.44.	Extract from SCI Interrogation Report on MEJASSON,	18a.
15.1.45.	Extract from Camp 020 Interim Report on NAGEL, mentioning WREDE,	18b.

8.12.44 Extract from SCI Interrogation Report on Mejasson (KV 2/562)

15.1.45 Extract from Camp 020 Interim report on Nagel (KV 2/561)

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Extract for File No.: P.F. 600,610.....Name: WREDE.....

Original in File No.: P.F. 600,055 UNVERSACT.....Serial: 112a.....Receipt Date: 4.8.45.....

Original from: Camp 020 Interim Report.....Under Ref.:.....Dated:.....

Extracted on: 7.1.46.....by: I.P.....Section: W.R.H.....

Information given by UNVERSACT about his contacts in BRUSSELS.

118. WREDE, Dr. @ WEYGAND:

Early in 1942 Dr. WREDE was introduced to KRATZER in Brussels by Von und Zur MUEHLEN. As KRATZER was dissatisfied with von KERCHENHEIM in Paris, he agreed to WREDE joining I.H. for the purpose of taking over Paris. UNVERSACT introduced him to the work which he would have to undertake in the French capital. It was suggested that UNVERSACT should be sent to Paris, but he preferred to stay in Brussels.

WREDE had a flat in the Avenue Victor Hugo, and an office in the rue Copernic, which was looked after by a housekeeper named MARGOT. WREDE was supposed to be friendly with HANSEN, and as a result of the Anti-Hitler plot in July 1944, WREDE was arrested and later executed.

PF 60055 Unversagt (is to be dealt with in due course)

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Wrede had a flat in the Avenue Victor Hugo, and an office in the Rue Copernic, which was looked after by a housekeeper named Margot. Wrede was supposed to be friendly with Hansen, and as a result of the anti-Hitler plot in July 1944, Wrede was arrested and later executed. (AOB, this latter consideration is most likely not valid, as on KV 2/91-1 page 34, the British came to the conclusion that Wrede's disappearance has to be linked with the Jebsen's case; with whom Wrede maintained frequently contacts!)

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Extract for File No.: PF. 600, 610 Name: WREDE  
 Original in File No.: SF. 52/Belgium/1 Link V. 2 Serial: 38a Dated: 3.8.45  
 Original from: Cap. Doc. forwarded by Under Ref.: WRD/G/SAALFELD/II/2  
W.R.D.  
 Extracted on: 16.9.45 by: AJC Section: H.4.a.

Extract from Identity Disc List of Ast Belgien  
 Personnel from 1941-1944.

Identity Disc No.	Name & Rank	Place & Date of Birth	Home Address	Remarks
Nachr. Ers Battr. 2 70	<u>WREDE</u> <u>Joachim</u>	Soderhof- Ringelheim 15.9.1911	Wilhelm WREDE Lutzlow b/Gramzow Uckermark	List 10.2.1942 Posted from 15/ Fuhrg. Nachr. Rgt. 40

Extracts for file No. PF 600610

Name Wrede

Extract from identity Disc List of Ast Belgien.

Identity Disc	Name & Rank	Place & Date of Birth	Home Address	Remarks
Nachrichten Ersatz Battr. 2	Wrede Joachim	Soderhof- Ringelheim 15.9.1911	Wilhelm Wrede Lutzlow bei Gramzow Uckermark	List 10.2.42 Posted from 15 Fuhrg. Nach. Rgt. 40

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For: PF.600,610 WREDE, Dr. Egon @ WIEGAND. 200  
 Original in: PF.601,357 HAGEMANN v.3. at 66a  
 From: Camp O20 Dated: 29.5.45.  
 Extracted by: BL/H4a On: 24.6.45.

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Extract from Camp O20 interim report on Julius HAGEMANN, Trupp 123 recruiter.

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II. SUBSEQUENT MOVEMENTS AND ACTIVITIES GENERALLY

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April 1942 Early in April 1942, Major KRAZER, told HAGEMANN that he was setting up a special office in Paris, known as the Aussenstelle der Ast-Belgien, specifically to deal with agents in transit etc. This office was run by Sdf. Dr. WREDE, to whom HAGEMANN was introduced and asked to lend his support from time to time. A note on this organisation is attached at Appendix VI.

April 1942 HAGEMANN states: "In the course of time, from the beginning of June 1942 onwards, I used to visit the Aussenstelle practically every day to assist WREDE, who gradually had more and more to do. Through the Aussenstelle I got to know almost all the officers who came under the command of Major KRAZER, Leiter Eins, Ast-Belgien. In due course, I took over, in the absence of the officers concerned, the administration of their agents in Paris, or those who were in transit; i.e. providing them with ration cards, tobacco cards, money, laissez-passers, night passes, tickets, town plans, and the smoothing over of any difficulties which arose with the German authorities."

In the summer of 1942, HAGEMANN recruited a Frenchman, named L'HOPITAUX @ JUAN, whom he had met in a Paris bar. This man, HAGEMANN claims, openly stated that he wished to contact some one in the Abwehr and that he required an espionage job, which would take him to Oran, where he had lived before the war. HAGEMANN at once put him in touch with Dr. WREDE, and he received extensive training over a period of two years. Further details are given under the Appendix to this report, dealing with agents. (Appendix II)

Extract.

Original in: PF 601357 Hagemann FAT 123 (to be dealt with later as well)

Subsequent movements and activities generally.

April 1942

Early April 1942, Major Kratzer, told Hagemann that he was setting up a special office in Paris, known as the Aussenstelle der Ast-Belgien (later known as **Sonderstab Wrede**), specifically to deal with agents in transit etc. (**Escape-lines**) The This office was run by Sdf. Dr. Wrede to whom Hagemann was introduced and asked to lend his support from time to time. A note on this organisation is attached in Appendix VI.

Hagemann states: "In the course of time (**Im laufe der Zeit**), , from the beginning of June 1942 onwards, I used to visit the Aussenstelle practically every day to assist Wrede, who gradually had more and mote to do. Through the Aussenstelle (**Sonderstab Wrede?**)I got to know almost all the officers who came under the command of Major Kratzer, Leiter Eins, Ast-Belgien. In due course, I took over, in the absence of the officers concerned, the administration of their agents in Paris, or those whom were in transit; i.e. providing them with ration cards, tobacco cards, money, laissez-passers, night passes, ticket, town plans, and the smoothing over any difficulties which arose with the German authorities.

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KV 2/560, page 11

July 1944. In July, Dr. WREDE was suddenly summoned from Paris to K.d.M. Wiesbaden where he was arrested by two SD officials in Major JENNEWEIN's office, and taken to the Military Prison, 61 Lehrterstr. Berlin. It was common knowledge that WREDE was a personal friend of Oberst HANSEN and it seems that evidence was found on HANSEN's person, when arrested in connection with the Hitler Plot in July, incriminating to Sdf. Dr. WREDE. HAGEMANN states that WREDE had previously had to answer a charge in Berlin, made by SCHELLENBERG, to the effect that he was negotiating in collusion with outside sources for a post-war job with the Shell Oil Co. in Portugal. WREDE, on that occasion, returned to Paris highly distraught and mentioned to HAGEMANN something about being threatened with torture. WREDE's first interrogation in Berlin, as far as HAGEMANN remembers, took place sometime in June 1944. Oberlt. von METTENHEIM (see under FAK 130), told HAGEMANN later that he had learned through Oberst MICHAEL that WREDE had been garrotted on 20th December 1944. According to HAGEMANN, Fwb. ZIETMANN (see under FAK 130), who at the time was employed in Oberstlt. KUEBARTH's office in Berlin, knows the full history.

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(upset) and mentioned to Hagemann something about being threatened with torture. Wrede's first interrogation in Berlin, as far as Hagemann remembers, took place something in June 1944 (July?) Obflt. Von Mettenheim (see under FAK 130), told Hagemann later that he had learned through Obst. Michael that Wrede had been garrotted (strangled, hung?) on 20<sup>th</sup>. According to Hagemann, Fwb. Zietmann (see under FAK 130), who at the time was employed in Obstlt. Kuebart's office in Berlin, knows the full history. (AOB, Kuebart was more or less together with Obst. Hansen arrested on 22<sup>th</sup> July 1944, at Baruth (Belinde barracks))

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(a) Enemy Personnel Contacts	
1) <u>Personnel of Ast-Belgien, rue de la Loi, Brussels, known to HAGEMANN:</u>	
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19. Major Von u. zur MUEHLEN	Cousin of Dr. WREDE. Known by HAGEMANN to have been employed in Ast-Brussels.
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24. Frl. Grit ROEDENBECK.	Comes from Hamburg. Intimate friend of Dr. WREDE.
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(a) 11) <u>Personnel of the Aussenstelle der Ast-Belgien, 30, Avenue Kleber, Paris:</u>	
1. Sdf. Z. Dr. Joachim WREDE @ Dr. WIEGAND @ Dr. WINTER	Leiter of the Aussenstelle and was responsible directly to KRAZER in Brussels from 1942 until about July 1944. Was a friend of Oberst HANSEN, and was in some way connected with HANSEN's part in the Hitler Plot. In July 1944, was summoned to Major JENNEWEIN's office in K.d.M. Wiesbaden, where he was arrested and taken to the Military Prison, 61, Lehrterstrasse, Berlin. According to Oberleutnant Von METTENHEIM, WREDE was executed on the 20th December, 1944.
	<u>Description:</u> German; 34 years; slender build; 1.75 m.; 70 Kgs.; light brown hair; grey eyes, wears spectacles; oval, unhealthy, pale face; wore uniform; speaks French.
2. Theodor PETURSINI @ PETERS	Came to Paris from Budapest in December, 1943 and acted as deputy to Dr. WREDE.
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3. Gefreiter Werner EFFMANN @ EFFENDI?	Driver and recruiter in the Aussenstelle. Intimate friend of Dr. WREDE, whom he probably supported financially.
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4. Julius HAGEMANN @ BALBO	Part-time assistant to WREDE.
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5. Annemarie HELDMANN	Secretary to WREDE.

### Enemy Personnel Contacts

#### Personnel of Ast-Belgien, Rue de la Loi (Wetstraat), known to Hagemann:

19. Major Von und zur Mühlen      Cousin of Dr. Wrede. Known by Hagemann to have been employed in Ast-Brussels.
24. Frl Grit Roedenbeck              Comes from Hamburg. Intimate friend of Dr. Wrede.

(ii) Personnel of the Aussenstelle (Sonderstab) der Ast-Belgien, 30, Avenue Kleber, Paris:  
 1. Sdf. (Z) (= Zugführer = Lt.) Dr. Joachim Wrede @ Dr. Wiegand @ Dr. Winter Leiter of Außenstelle (Sonderstab) and was responsible directly to Kratzer in Brussels from 1942 until about July 1944. Was a friend of Obst Hansen, and was in some way connected with Hansen's part in the Hitler Plot. (AOB, likely not the fatal cause of his final fate) In July 1944, was summoned to Major Jennewein's office in K.d.M. Wiesbaden, where he was arrested and taken to the Military Prison, 61, Lehrterstrasse, Berlin. According to Obstlt. Von Mettenheim, Wrede was executed on 20<sup>th</sup> December, 1944.

(AOB, see next: the story is not entirely as has been painted here: Likely Hagemann might have something to hide).

## KV 2/560-Wrede Joachim RSS-V2.pdf Intercepted W/T message

10.8.44  
84284. Brussels area(Stn.Vogelsang) - Wiesbaden. No. 5. To WESTERWALD for WANDA. I shall arrive on Friday evening. Rendez-vous at BALBO's house.  
ONKEL KARL.

10.8.44 Brussels area (Stns. Vogelsang) – Wiesbaden. No.5 To Westerwald (Alst. Paris) for Wanda (= Sdf. Wrede) I shall arrive on Friday evening. Rendez-vous at Balbo's house. Thus Hagemann's house!

Now we know about the RSS intercepted message, likely sent from Brussels; in my perception Julius Hagemann has since become a dubious source. Who "Onkel Karl" once was, I don't know.

(84284 is the ISK running deciphering number)

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PF.55032/WRC4a 16th May, 1945

Dear Bristow,

HAGEMANN, now at Camp 020, had mentioned ARTIST in the list of personalities which he gave to his interrogators in the Field. He had also given, by reference to their German cover names, particulars of the group of B.l.a. agents associated with ARTIST which were accurate in substance although muddled in detail.

I have had HAGEMANN further interrogated on the subject of ARTIST and I enclose a copy of the result.

WREDE has in connection with these cases more often been referred to in the past under his alias WIEGAND, and according to HAGEMANN was killed after the July attempt on Hitler's life.

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Yours sincerely,  
signed: D.I. Wilson

Major D. Bristow,  
S.I.S.

Dear Bristow,

Hagemann, now at Camp 020, had mentioned Artist (Johann Jebsen) in the list of personalities which he gave to his interrogators in the Field. He had also given, by reference to their German cover names, particulars of the group of B.l.a. agents (M.I.5) associated with Artist which were accurate in substance although muddled in detail.

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Signed by D.I. Wilson

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About the same time Sdf. Dr. WREDE was himself summoned to Berlin. On his return to Paris he told HAGEMANN that he had undergone a severe interrogation by SCHELLENBERG. WREDE was in a highly nervous condition and mentioned something about the unpleasantness of having one's finger nails torn off, from which HAGEMANN understood that WREDE had been threatened with torture. HAGEMANN says he then realised that something was not in order concerning WREDE's relations with PAULA @ IVAN I, IVAN II, MARQUIS, MOLDENHAUER @ JOHNNY and the Yugoslav Professor, but he never learned the details. However, he states that full particulars of the incident and also the subsequent fate of WREDE, must be known to Feldwebel Fritz ZIETMANN of F.A.K. 130, who, at that time, was employed in Oberstlt. KUEBARTH's office in Berlin.

Camp 020/14.5.45.  
AFS/NCY

sgd. A. Springer, Capt.

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And Johnny = Johann Jebesen, M.I.5 Double-Cross name Artist) and the Yugoslav professor (Dreadnaught?), but never learned the details. However, he states that full particulars of the incident and also the subsequent fate of Wrede, must be known to Feldwebel Fritz Zietmann of FAK 130, who, at that time, was employed in Obstlt. Kuebart's office in Berlin (Baruth / Belinde).

Signed A. Springer, Capt.

14.5.45.

\* The Germans, in contrast to Anglo-Saxons, were writing 'W' where English speakers write it with a 'V'.

AOB, here we have the real tragedy being explained. All those operating from Portugal, with the exception of Ostro, were under suspicion already for quite some time. Jebesen/Artist, Johnny his German cover-name; Ivan (Iwan) Popov's German cover-name, his M.I.5. Double Cross name was Tricycle. Here we encounter the real reasons of this dramatic episode. Jebesen with his many financial manipulation and tricky matters, Popov was also under suspicion of the RSHA Amt IV; but survived.

The nucleus of the dramas were the actors themselves. To what extent Wrede was involved I don't know. But - his frequent contacts with Johann Jebesen, might also have caused Wrede's fatal end. Nix, Hansen's friendship being the reason.

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liaison office of the Ast BRUSSELS to the officials of the German administration in PARIS. After a visit in March 44 by Oberst HANSEN and Oberstlt HUEBENER, WREDE went twice to LISBON where he was in touch with a German named "JONNY" and the KO. End July 44 ordered to WIESBADEN and arrested at the office of the KdM. Transported to the military prison in BERLIN. Arrest reported to have been in connection with the HANSEN affair. Beginning 45 Oberlt von METTENHEIM said that WREDE had been strangled by the Gestapo in the prison on 20 Dec 44. WREDE had a Jewish girl named "CLAUDE" as mistress in PARIS whose marriage to a Portugese he arranged. She was wealthy as a result of black market operations in France and it was reported that he intended to marry her after the war. He was said to have been promised a good position with the SHELL Co in LISBON for post war.

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I thought it inadvisable to question ARTIST's mistress, Madeleine Mme. SCHMIDT, openly about ARTIST, but GLUSEVIC arranged a casual meeting between her and TRICYCLE. TRICYCLE ascertained that she had not heard of ARTIST since WLEGAND brought her back a letter from him in April, but she had more recently ARTIST's friend Von KAJENECK in Paris. ....

I thought it inadvisable to question Artist's mistress Madeleine Mme Schmidt openly about Artist (AOB, **have they interrogated Baronesse von Gronau after the war, with whom Jebesen lived very close in his flat, in Lisbon? She was also employed at the KOP Office in Lisbon!**)

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KV 2/201-1, page 43; Derived of the extended Ostro/KOP W/T file series:  
Decrypted RSS intercepts from communication between Lisbon and Berlin

14.4.44. 2115. **Lisbon-Berlin. 676.** To HIOB SENIOR through HIOB I. Ref our W/T message 664 of 13/4 (above). According to a communication from JONNY to BALLHORN on morning of 14/4 JONNY has learnt from GRONAU and the latter in her turn from CRAASS, that OSTRO has been in the country for 2 days and has also resumed in old activity in BERLIN. JONNY asked whether the OSTRO connections with ENGLAND could be ascertained. JONNY also knew that HION SENIOR had given permission to OSTRO concerning connection of OSTRO to KO via CRAAS. JONNY is equally au fait already with HARRY's order to CRAASS concerning ban on further relations with OSTRO and remarked in this connection that CRAASS has no thought of conforming to this order but was adhering to the instructions of HIOB I via OSTRO. As K P cannot continue to work in such circumstances it is urgently requested that CRAASS and GRONAU be immediately recalled, giving routine reduction of staff as justification in order not to give JONNY prior warning. LUDOVICO DIAS HARRY.

14.4.44 (intercepted W/T message)

**Lisbon-Berlin 676.** To HIOB (= **Heer I (area Ost) Berlin**) Senior (= **Obst. Hansen**) through HIOB ‡ (nonsense as HIOB supposed to be Abwehr section I) Ref. our (previous message) 664 of 13/4 (above. According to a communication from Jonny (**German agent's cover-name = British named Artist**) to Ballhorn (**German cover-name of V-Mann Hans Brandes**) on morning of 14/4 Jonny learnt from (**von**) Gronau (**Jebsen's mistress**) (**secretary at the KOP!**) and the latter in her turn from Craass (**her girlfriend also secretary at the KOP**), that Ostro (**cover-name of Paul Georg Fidrmuc M.I.6 and M.I.5<sup>th</sup> menace; where it all started with!**) has been in this country for 2 days and has also resumed in old activity in Berlin. Jonny (**real name Johann Jebsen**) asked whether the Ostro connections with England could be ascertained. Jonny also knew that **Hion (?) Senior** had given permission to Ostro concerning connection of Ostro to **KO** via Craas. (**Ostro/Fidrmuc, was an independent agent, who could not be ordered by anyone, thus also not by KOP, though, only at best kindly be suggested; as he did not exist in their administration!**) Jonny (**Jebsen**) is equally au fait already with Harry's (**Leiter I H, Aloys Schreiber of KOP**) order to Craas concerning ban on further relations with Ostro (**Ostro's wife, however, was on very friendly terms with Mss Craas**) and remarked in this connection that Craas has no thought of conforming to this order but was adhering (**remain**) to the instructions of HIOB ‡ via Ostro. As KOP cannot continue to work in such circumstances it is urgently requested that Craas and **von** Gronau be immediately recalled, giving routine reduction of staff as justification in order not to give Jonny (**thus Jebsen**) prior warning. (**hinting on what ultimately turned out to be Jebsen's abduction on 29<sup>th</sup> April, of two weeks later**). Ludovico DIAS Harry (**Ludovico von Karsthoff cover-name of Leiter KOP; Diaz maybe Ii at KOP, and Harry is Leiter I H, Aloys Schreiber of KOP**)

This W/T message reproduction is proving, that the Germans were already well alarmed!

(for more information at chapter II: <https://www.cdvandt.org/klatt-ostro-josephine.htm> )

(KOP stood for: **Kriegsorganisation in Portugal**)(KOs were Abwehr Offices, established in friendly neutral countries)

**M.I.5's dramatic dilemma was:** that they were already informed what will happen soon, but they couldn't warn him (**Jebsen**), as this would have brought the essential **Fortitude endeavour** in great danger! **The latter significance prevailed under all circumstances!** And, **sadly - M.I.5 caused Jebsen's (Artist's) blow themselves;** by means of asking Artist to find out matters about Ostro (Paul Georg Fidrmuc) <https://www.cdvandt.org/klatt-ostro-josephine.htm> Part II

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KV 2/560, page 48 Likely a M.I.6 letter

"..... WIEGAND writes concerning the motor car affair that he has submitted the thing in Palais and will let me have a decision. Let us hope that it was not again quite an imiaginary business. I have good purchasers now, definitely,, at a good conditions for WREDE and ourselves. I asked him to-day for a fina offer but I almost fear that from that side they will again be too vague.

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Termination of  
section  
**Part I**