

November 11, 1945.

MEMORANDUM FOR BOARD OF REVIEW:

Subject: The Slave Labor Program, the Illegal Use of Prisoners of War, and the Special Responsibility of Defendants Sauckel and Speer Therefor.

1. Attached is a copy of the above described brief, which was prepared by Lt. Karsten, Captain Mathias, Miss Zetterberg and me.

2. Several explanatory comments appear to be in order:

- (a) Instead of dealing with Sauckel's individual responsibility for the forced labor program in a separate brief on Sauckel, his responsibility was covered in Sections VI - IX of the Forced Labor Brief. This treatment seemed appropriate because Sauckel's criminality derives essentially from his role in the forced labor program.
- (b) Speer's individual responsibility for the forced labor program was also dealt with in a section of the Forced Labor Brief (X - XIII), and not in a separate Speer brief. This treatment is, however, open to some question because Speer shares special responsibility not only for slave labor but also for looting. It was not, however, possible to integrate the looting material relating to Speer, which was being prepared in Frankfurt, with the material on forced labor. It probably will be desirable to treat both of these matters in a single brief on defendant Speer. This question will be considered as we study the Frankfurt material.
- (c) Significant materials concerning conscription and mistreatment of foreign workers by the Todt organization (headed by Speer) were brought to the attention of the lawyers collecting the evidence too late for inclusion in this draft. It is hoped that any revision which these materials may suggest will be completed in the next day or two.

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