

## STRATEGIC SERVICES UNIT

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TO : Maj. General W. J. Donovan  
FROM : Philip Bastedo

1. Attached is copy of a report believed to have been prepared by Tiessler, dated 27 March 1942, of a meeting held at the Propaganda Ministry in Berlin. The meeting dealt with propaganda about prisoners of war and discloses that by 1 February 1942, 587,000 Soviet prisoners had died on the Eastern Front.

2. It is believed the document may be of use in the forthcoming trials of war criminals and, in particular, to officials of the Soviet Union.

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*Capt. Brown*

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