

, Sept. 21st 1946

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To
Offs. back Archival Depot
OMGBH - Economics Division
Liaison and Security Office LK/SK Offs. back
2nd MG 3n (Sup)
APO 633

Re: Removal of the Bibliothek des Deutschen Historischen Instituts in
Rom.

Following your order, dated Sept. 19th 1946, today we handed over
to your employees the library of the Deutsches Historisches Institut in
Rome in cases signed H 1 to 513, 519, 520, 521, 529 to 534.

All books are German property, gradually bought since the Institute
was established in 1936. Not one book is stolen from Italian public
or private libraries. There is, however, one exception. The cases
H 425 to 426 contain the books of the Austrian and the cases H 500
to 504 such of the Czechoslovakian Historical Institute in Rome; both of
these institutes were seized in 1938 and 1939 due to the annexation of
Austria, Bohemia and Moravia by the Reich; their libraries were par-
tially transferred to the Deutsches Historisches Institut by order of
the Reichsregierung.

Moreover we should like to point to the fact that the cases 392
to 396, 399 to 400, 406 to 411, 413 to 415, 457, 520, 521 and 529 to
534 contain books and scientific manuscripts of some of our collabora-
tors which are their special private property.

In case you want any help to facilitate the removal of the li-
brary and the matters referring to it, we always stand at your disposal.
Fr. Spitz, for long years librarian of the Institute, may inform you in
every respect, he is here at Romersfelder and will come to Offs. back
by your order.

Let us finally say for a receipt concerning all the cases delivered
to you.

Copy notified to

- 1) OMGBH - MFA and A section, APO 170
- 2) OMGBH - MFA and A section, Winteden