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<u>APPENDIX C</u> <u>M.I.9/S/P.G.(-) 1525</u>

The following information was obtained from BRITISH personnel who have been repatriated.

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DATE OF INTERVIEW:- 2 Nov 43.

The man who came to see me in the haystack at PLOUJEAN (4 kms North of MORLAIX) on 24 Sep $43~{\rm was:-}$

Dr LE DUC, MORLAIX.

He came back the following evening with trousers, a blue raincoat, and a beret for me and took me out to his car in which there was a man called:-

Loic RAULT, CARANTEC.

I jumped into the car when the coast was clear, lay low and was driven to CARANTEC (15kms N.W. of MORLAIX, on coast) to RAULT's house, where that evening I was visited by RAULT's sister, a Mme ROTHSCHILD; Dr LE DUC's wife was also there. I was given a room here and stayed until 4 Oct. On 26 Sep they fitted me out with more clothes and an identity card. We also destroyed any incriminating evidence, such as identity discs, escape box, kit, purse etc.

On 20 Sep Mme LE DUC and Mme ROTHSCHILD were summoned to the Gestapo in BREST in connection with an accusation of having helped some Americans to escape last Oct. The accusation could not be proved, but the incident had the effect of my having to be moved back to MORLAIX to the house of:-

Lucien MARZIN, Baker, MORLAIX.

I stayed here until the 25 Oct.

During this period Dr LE DUC bought a boat which was for the prupose of getting me across on about 20 Oct. The scheme fell through owing to the age of the boat and the bad weather. On 22 Oct I was informed that a boat was being built and would be ready about 30 Oct. On 26 Oct Dr LE DUC called for me and took me back to CARANTEC. I learned that the boat scheme very nearly fell through, as the Germans had visited the boat building yard, had taken notes, and that the boat would be missed. Owing to what I believe was due to Mme LE DUC's persuasion, the boat scheme was after all not dropped.

On 29 Oct I was taken to the boat builders' place and met one of the sons who was to cross. That night I met another of the passengers. At about 2000 hrs on 30 Oct I was led by Mme LE DUC and one of the people crossing to the boat-house and we embarked. We were seven in all. The boat was monoeuvred by another son of /the boat-builder's family

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I.S.9 (W), 19 Nov 43.

<u>Distribution</u>:

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the boat-builder's family who had been in hiding. The other members of the party were:-

- 1. Ernest SIBILEE (?)
- 2. Leon SIBILEE (?)
- 3. "CHARLES" (to join DE GAULLE).
- 4. FLEUROT (Christian not known).
- 5. A Colonial.
- 6. Another Frenchman.

(These all proceeded to WANDSWORTH).

We took off at 2000 hrs heading for PLYMOUTH. By daylight (31 Oct) we were well out to sea and started up the motor. I recognised EDDYSTONE at 1700 hrs on 31 Oct and after that we were picked up by a mine-sweeper, the "LOCH PARK", and the boat was taken in tow. We were transferred to a R.N. yacht and handed over to the Security people in PLYMOUTH.

- NOTE 1. Ernest SIBILEE claims to have been in touch with a man at BREST known as the chief of an organisation, who is supposed to be in touch with ENGLAND in morse once a fortnight for five minutes.
 - 2. Dr LE DUC asked me to inform the authorities that if he could obtain petrol he would, as he is a doctor and can run his car without restriction, give assistance to any of our evaders.
 - 3. Lucien MARZIN has a brother in PARIS in the railway service who maintains he could render useful assistance in sabotaging locomotives and railway trucks, when the '2nd Front' is started.