

Geheime Feldpolizei, Bad Nauheim (Fond 1369)
Secret Field Police, Bad-Nauheim
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Descriptive summary

Title: Geheime Feldpolizei, Bad Nauheim (Fond 1369)
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Dates: 1939-1943

Accession number: 2004.756.4

Creator: Geheime Feldpolizei

Extent: 1 microfilm reel (partial)
801 digital images

Repository: United States Holocaust Memorial Museum Archives, 100 Raoul Wallenberg Place SW,
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Languages: German

Scope and content of collection

Consists of the war diary with files on organization and personnel matters, cooperation with other police departments in security tasks in the Taunus (Usingen, Reifenberg during deployment for the campaign in France and later use in France, Greece and Soviet Union), partisans and resistance in occupied territories. Includes orders, reports, correspondence, name lists of personnel, and financial statistics.

Note: USHMM Archives holds only selected records.

Administrative Information

Restrictions on access: No restrictions on access.

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Existence and location of originals: Rossiiskii gosudarstvennyi voennyi arkhiv

Related archival materials: Fishman, D. E. and Kupovetsky, M, Kuzelenkov, V. (ed.). Nazi-Looted Jewish Archives in Moscow. A guide to Jewish Historical and Cultural Collections in the Russian State Military Archive. Scranton: University of Scranton Press 2010.

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Historical note

The Geheime Feldpolizei (Secret Field Police) or GFP was the secret military police of the German Wehrmacht until the end of the Second World War. These units were used to carry out plain-clothed security work in the field such as counter-espionage, counter-sabotage, detection of treasonable activities, counter-propaganda, protecting military installations and the provision of assistance to the German Army in courts-martial investigations. GFP personnel, who were also classed as Abwehropolizei, operated as an executive branch of German military intelligence detecting resistance activity in Germany and occupied France. They were also known to carry out torture and executions of prisoners. The Geheime Feldpolizei was commanded by the Heerespolizeichef (Chief of Army Police), who initially had the equivalent military rank of major. Subordinate to the Heerespolizeichef, but equivalent to the rank of major, was the Feldpolizeidirektor who was in charge of a GFP unit or Gruppe. On 24 July 1939, the title of Heerespolizeichef was upgraded to the military rank of Oberst. After the war, the police organizations of Nazi Germany like the Gestapo and the Order Police (Orpo) Battalions were classified as criminal in their general disposition for the wide array of crimes they committed.

System of arrangement

Fond 1369 (1939-1943). Opis 1-3 (selected dela). Arranged in one series: 1. Records of the Secret Field Police, Bad Neuheim, Germany, 1939-1943.

Note: Location of digital images; Partial microfilm reel # 419: Image #370-1171.

Indexing terms

Germany. Heer. Geheime Feldpolizei--History.

Germany. Wehrmacht.

Nationalsozialistische Deutsche Arbeiter-Partei. Schutzstaffel Sicherheitsdienst.

World War, 1939-1945--Regimental histories--Germany.

Regimental histories.

Police administration--Germany--History, 1939-1945.
Underground movements--Europe--History--20th century.
Bad Nauheim (Germany)
Germany--Politics and government--1933-1945.
Reifenberg (Germany)
Taunus (Germany)
Usingen (Germany)
Diaries.
Correspondence.
Reports.

CONTAINER LIST

Note: No detailed summaries of folder contents available. Some folders may contain Russian summaries near the beginning of the file.

Reel 419

Fond 1369, opis 1

12 Correspondence with other police documents, including reports from Paris (1940).
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29 Reports from actions in USSR, 1942-1943. Folder begins at image 652

Fond 1369, opis 2

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Fond 1369, opis 3

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