To the Head of the Sicherheitspolizei and the SD  

Mü-Pasing, October 30, 1940

On the letter of 8/13/40

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And the letter of 7/23/40

Ref Number 41/92/40 Wa./C.

Reichsführer SS Personal Staff

Re: Astrological Documents from the publisher Huber in Diessen vor Munich

Attachments: 5 Documents

The assessment of astrological literature falls outside the realm of activity of the department of “Applied Geology.” Only after extensive consultation with the Curator of the “Ahnenerbe” have I taken on this task and in this work I rely on my many years of theoretical and practical engagement in the field of astronomy.

I. Release recommended:
   1. Astronomical Ephemeris for the year 1940
      a. Content: Astronomical Tables
      b. Appraisal: The document predominantly serves astronomical purposes, can however be used for astrological purposes.
      a. Content and goal: M. Trew was a mathematics professor at the University of Altdorf. His document, translated here into Hochdeutsch, is a polemic, not against astrology in general, but rather against the barbarization in that time, when wild superstition, charlatanry and deception as well as widespread degeneration spread. The author wishes in this respect to appear, as he particularly emphasizes verified experience, to know of new ways and to be focused on the most plausible explanation as well to seek to grasp the individual problems at their roots.
      
      Appraisal: The document concerns itself with a historical-scientific issue, in which it provides a valuable contribution to the history of the development of Astrology.

II. Confiscation recommended:
   1. Thomas Ring, Planet Signatures
Content: The astronomical planetary signs and their alleged cosmobiological significance for people, animals and plants. This doctrine of signatures is viewed as a crucial supplement to the astrological chart.

Appraisal: The document neither constitutes a contribution to precise scientific investigation of cosmic impacts on organic life nor can it provide unobjectionable and valid explanations for the claims made within. Fantastically exaggerated conjectures are popularized in a forceful way, which can only cause confusion and harm to people who are little or not at all critically inclined.

2. Fritz Brunhübner, the new planet Pluto.

Content: The purported astronomical impact of the planet Pluto on earthly-organic life.

Methodology: The procedure applied here consists fundamentally of the author arbitrarily singling out random coincidences of calculated Pluto constellations and the hour of birth of a politician, scientist or sports personality along with particular traits of character, lifestyle and accomplishments and inversely believing in a causal relationship with the current position of Pluto.

Appraisal: Although, astronomically speaking, the planetary nature of the heavenly body named Pluto must still be considered rather problematic, the author has constructed an entire doctrine around the impact of this planet on earthly happenings, which based on the methodology depicted above cannot claim any logical rigor and also has no statistical probability.

III. Undecided,

As it concerns itself with the foundation of an astrology, which falls fully outside the domain of the laws of precise natural science.

H.H. Reinsch, The Dynamics of the Cosmos

Content and goal: The content of this document is not the explanation of an astrological practice, but rather the foundation and appeal to a paradigm shift of Astrology in the direction of a cosmosophy cleansed of extraneous parts. Cosmosophy is to the author the means to demonstrate, within the polar unity of Man and Cosmos, the rhythm of the latter and to bring the internal psychic rhythm of man into harmony with the rhythm of the cosmos, as for Man only such a harmony can signify the possibility for the highest life development.

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