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Detmold, 3 Nov 45.

To 121 Mil Gov Det Detmold.

Subject: Youth Movements.
Reference: Your 121 MG/ER/11 dt. 25 Oct 45.

In answer to para 3 of the letter under ref I herewith give you a report about present conditions of Youth Movements:

In the time of National Socialism the HJ destroyed or absorbed all former Youth Organizations. After the dissolution of the HJ, therefore, there did not remain anything that could have served as a starting-point for new Youth Movements.

A circumstance by which the reorganization of Youth Movements is being rendered very difficult is the shortage in suitable personalities among the young people, as all young people were influenced in their ways of thinking by the oppression of the party organizations, and now they must learn anew.

The new Youth Movements have, therefore, to be directed from higher authority. It is planned to appoint a "Jugendwart" for each Kreis, Bezirk, and community.

New Youth Movements so far have not yet been formed. In Kreis Detmold, however, the following 2 groups are being organized: A union continuing the tradition of the former "Christlicher Verein junger Männer", a Protestant Youth Organization, and another group for girls, continuing the tradtion of the former "Christlicher Verein junger Mädchen", the female section of the same organization. Catholic Youth Organizations will be formed in a similar way. The young working people seem to unite in the "Sozialistische Jugand".

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by order:

Oberschulrat.