

Walter STEINHOFF
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Essen, 18 February 1948

AFFIDAVIT

I, Walter STEINHOFF, resident of Essen-Bredeneu, Lilienstr. 24, being fully aware of the significance of the oath and of the fact that making a false statement on oath is punishable, declare the following for use before court, in particular before the American Military Tribunal, Nuernberg, in the case against KRUPP, defendant Prof.Dr.Edouard HOUDREMONT:

From 1936 until 1945, I was Zellenleiter (leader of the smallest local party unit) within the local group of Bredeneu of the NSDAP. The Brachtstrasse, where Prof.HOUDREMONT lived, was part of my unit. Prof.HOUDREMONT joined the Party only at a late date, I think in 1941. He was never active, if only for the reason that he lacked time. At one time, his behavior caused an unpleasant sensation in the Party, because he permitted the presence of Jews, half-Jews and enemies of the Party at musical evenings he regularly held at his house. I personally had to talk with him once about the fact that the local block warden complained about the treatment he experienced at the HOUDREMONT house. He had been dealt with by the employees and not given the chance to talk to Herr or Frau HOUDREMONT in person. Neither were the results of money collections and sales of badges in the correct proportion to the economic situation of Herr HOUDREMONT's family. I pointed out to Herr HOUDREMONT that such complaints could easily result in a wrong opinion about him on the part of the Party, and I asked him, out of a friendly interest

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in the family and also in his own interest, to remedy the
causes for the complaints.

(signed) Walter STEINHOFF

This is to certify the above signature of Herr Walter
STEINHOFF, of Essen, Lilienstr.24, identity card No. AU 035178.

Essen-Bredeneu, 18 February 1948.

Town of Essen

By Order of the Council of the Community

signed: GOCKEL

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official seal.