

Duesseldorf-Oberkassel, 11 March 1948

Affidavit

I,
Dr. Maximilian Gercke,
residing at Duesseldorf-Oberkassel, Markgrafenstr.15,

have been cautioned that I would render myself subject to punishment by making a false affidavit.

I declare in lieu of oath that my statements are true and were made in order to be introduced as evidence before the American Military Tribunal No. III, in the Palace of Justice, Nuernberg, Germany.

Supplementing the statement by the former department directors and group heads of the former Krupp Department AK in Essen, which I have signed, I wish to affirm the following in addition:

- 1.) I never was a member of the NSDAP.
- 2.) During one of the regular talks between Dr. Frick Mueller and the group chiefs we discussed the desire of several employees to be granted leave for going to the Nazi Party Congress in Nuernberg which was soon to be held.

Dr. Mueller expressed himself very plainly against this and remarked that he wanted to see this matter cleared up during a following discussion with the party representatives in charge.

Several hours later I was in the waiting room of Dr. Mueller. When he came in, and while walking past me, he said with apparent satisfaction that he had carried his point and that the employees would not go to the Party Congress in Nuernberg.

(Signed) Dr. Maximilian Gercke

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I herewith certify the foregoing signature, rendered before me, of Dr. Maximilian Gercke, residing at Duesseldorf-Berkassel, Markgrafenstr.15. Herr Gercke identified himself by his personal identity card, No. AJ 03472 AAA, issued for the British Zone.

Essen, 31 March 1948

Seal: Dr. Walter Ballas, Notary Public in Essen.

(Signed) Dr. Just
Attorney-at-Law
Officially appointed deputy
of Dr. W. Ballas, Notary Public, Essen.

Costs:

Value: RM 3.000.--

Fee according to Articles 144, 26, 39 of BMO RM 4.--
3rd Turn-over tax

RM 4.--
RM 12
RM 4,12
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The Deputy Notary Public
(Signed) Dr. Just