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To all State Police district office and State Police Office SECRET  
To all SD -oberabschnitte and all SD -Unterabschnitte

Priority ---Urgent---Submit immediately!

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Subject : Measures against Jews tonight .

Because of the attempt on the life of v. Rath, secretary of the legation in Paris, demonstrations against the Jews are to be expected throughout the Reich. In the course of tonight, 10 November 38 the following orders for dealing with these incidents are issued:

1. Immediately on receipt of this teletype message, the heads of the state police offices or their deputies are to contact, by telephones, the competent political authorities of their district Gau authorities, or Kreis authorities and are to arrange a conference, on the way the demonstration are to be carried out. The competent inspector or commandant of the civil police is also to attend.

In this conference the political authorities are to be informed that the German police has received the following instructions from the Reichsfuehrer-SS and Chief of the German Police, to which the measures of the political authorities would have to be in suitable accordance:

a. Only such measures are to be taken which do not cause our endangering of German life or property (e.g. burning of synagogues only if there is no danger of fire to the surroundings)

b. Shops and houses of Jews may only be destroyed not looted. The police have instructions to supervise the executions of this order and to arrest looters.

c. In shopping streets, special care must be taken that non-Jewish shops be protected without fail from damage.

d. Foreign subjects—even if they are News—may not be molested.

v 2. Under the stipulation that the general principles given under 1. are observed, the demonstrations which take place are not to be prevented but only supervised is that the general principles are observed.

3. Immediately on receipt of this teletype records to hand in all synagogues and offices of the Jewish religious communities are to be confiscated by the police to prevent their destruction in the course of the demonstrations. This applies to the historically valuable. The records are to be handed over to the competent SD authorities.

4. The State Police are in charge of the Security Police measures concerning the demonstration against Jews, insofar as the inspectors of the security police do not issue any instructions. Officials of the criminal police members as well as members of the SD, of the Special Purpose units (Verfuegungstruppe) and of the general SS can be called in to carry out the Security Police measures.

5. As soon as the course of the events of this night permits the use of the officials employed for this purpose, in all districts (Bezirk) as many Jews especially the wealthy, are to be arrested as can be accommodated in the available detention rooms. At first, only healthy male Jews who are not too old are to be arrested. After the arrest has been carried out, the competent concentration camps are to be communicated with immediately with regard to housing the Jews in the camps as quickly as possible. Special care must be taken that Jews arrested pursuant to this order are not maltreated.

6. The content of this order is to be forwarded to the competent inspectors and commandants of the civil police and to the SD (Oberabschnitt und SD Unterabschnitte) with the additional remark that the Reichsfuehrer SS and Chief of the German Police had ordered these police measures. The chief of the civil police, including the fire police, has issued corresponding instructions. In carrying out the measures ordered, the closest cooperation between the security police and the local police is to be maintained.

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The receipt of this teletype is to be acknowledged by teletype by the state police heads or a representative to the gestapo . Office for the attention of SS Standartenfuehrer Mueller.

Signed Heydrich  
SS Gruppenfuehrer

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