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because, as a member of the MVD, this was considered as equivalent to military service. Nonetheless, in response to my query, Subject admitted that this was unusual as his activities were "of a kind which were performed by old women particularly close during this period, from October 1941 to September 1942, all able-bodied Soviet males were drafted into some form of army. During this period Subject lived in comparative ease, being assigned to cultural work in Kirov and other towns. According to Subject, he wore no MVD uniform but wore no insignia. He admitted that "preferred treatment" was bestowed upon him and his family when the MVD assisted them in evacuating his first wife and son from Moscow in August 1941 to beyond the Urals. (His son by his first wife reportedly died on 11 October 1943 of diabetes.)

L. In September 1942, Subject received an appointment to the Moscow 2nd Military Infantry Institute from which he graduated in June 1943 as a "lieutenant of infantry." Subject again admitted that this appointment was highly unusual as his background did not lend itself to this, as appointments were made out of the various military branches, and this implied that, as a foreigner (German), he was fully and especially trusted by the Soviet punitive organs who had cleared him both for this training and the institute and for promotion to officer status in the Soviet Army.

M. Initially he was sent to Alatov on the Volga, then to Orel where he was assigned to line front lines in August 1943. He was given a platoon of infantry troops in the 415th Infantry Division of the Soviet Central Front. However, in October 1943 he was wounded; he was hit in the left forehead by a German bullet. He was operated on in a field hospital and then transferred to a Moscow hospital after he had recovered sufficiently. He was reclassified after his recovery and not permitted to continue in military service with the intimation that he should serve on the front lines (region under hospital).

N. Because the wound failed to heal completely (he has a very obvious scar, with approximately a 1" depression, on his forehead), he said he was assigned to a warmer climate. The Soviet authorities, he stated, took pity and in January 1944 dispatched him to Tbilisi where he was assigned a "special officer's camp." He was wounded again, had osteomyelitis complications, and was subsequently released from the Soviet military forces. However, Subject reported that he continued to serve as a special agent of the MVD in various capacities, stationed in the city of Alatov, assigned until around May 1944. (NOTE: This aspect of Subject's story bothered me as it was obvious to me he understood that he had somewhere become confused in this aspect of his background.)

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