

MILITARY COURTS FOR THE TRIAL OF WAR CRIMINALS

D.J.A.G's Case No. 339-343/JAG.....

Name of Accused (including Rank, if any)	Arm or Former Arm of the Service	Age	Date and Place of Trial
Heinrich J.G.C. SPECHT Heinrich SIEMER Franz MERCIER Hans ROSENCRAZ Wilhelm Heinrich BERNICKE	All German Nationals		17 June 1946: HAMBURG
			Convened by
			Commander, Hamburg District

CHARGES

Joint
Charge

COMMITTING A WAR CRIME in that they at OSTENBEK near GLINDE on or about 31 March 1945, in violation of the laws and usages of war, were concerned in the killing of an unknown British airmen prisoner of war, believed to be an Australian Flight-Serjeant.

President and Members of the Court (except Legal Member)	Judge Advocate/ Legal Member
Lt. Col. P.R. ASHBURNER, M.C., Royal Fusiliers. Sqdn. Ldr. E. GENTLE, Royal Australian Air Force. Lieut. W.C. PATTERSON, Grenadier Guards.	E.R. BOWEN, Esq., M.P., Barrister-at-Law

Pleaded	Finding
All accused Not Guilty	SPECHT Guilty SIEMER Died during trial MERCIER Not Guilty ROSENCRAZ Not Guilty BERNICKE Not Guilty

Sentence and Minute of Confirmation

SPECHT sentenced to 10 years' imprisonment. Confirmed by Commander Hamburg District on 21 August 1946.

When and where Promulgated :—

On 23 August 1946

Date of Receipt	To whom sent	Date sent	Purport