
DENAZIFICATION

ANNEX V

17 November 1947 (French Zone)

ORDINANCE No. 133 from the C.i.C. relating to Denazification

(Official Journal No. 122, 21 Nov. 1947)

In view of the Decree of 15 June 1945 on the establishment of a French High Command in Germany, amended by that of 18 October 1945,

In view of Control Council Directive No. 24 on the elimination of Nazis from Administration and responsible posts dated 12 January 1946 and its amendment dated 16 Nov. 1946,

In view of Control Council Directive No. 38 on the punishment of Nazis and militarists dated 12 October 1946,

In view of Ordinance No. 44 from the French C.i.C. in Germany dated 28 May 1946, on the establishment of electoral lists for German elections with implementation Order No. 61 from the Administrator General dated 29 May 1946,

In view of Ordinance No. 45 from the French C.i.C. in Germany dated 28 May 1946 on the establishment of electoral lists for the Saar elections with Implementation Order No. 62 from the Administrator General dated 29 May 1946,

In view of Ordinance No. 79 from the French C.i.C. in Germany relating to the implementation of Control Council Directive No. 38 dated 18 February 1947,

In accordance with the proposal of the Deputy Administrator General for the Military Government of the French Occupation Zone,

The Legal Committee in accord,

ORDERS THAT:

Art. 1 All provisions will be made by the Laender Governments to expedite the completion of the work of denazification.

Art. 2 These measures will deal primarily with the tracing and the appearance before purging organizations of members of organizations declared criminal by the Nuremberg verdict as well as the heads and principal active members of the Nazi Party or its affiliated organizations.

Art. 3 In future, no purging measure will be taken against ordinary nominal members of the Nazi Party and its affiliated organizations who have held no title or office in it.

This decision does not apply to members of organizations declared criminal by the Nuremberg verdict or to any individual who, in accordance with the provision of Directive No. 38 falls into the category of major offenders or offenders.

Art. 4 The categories of persons benefiting by Art. 3, on whom sanctions may have been imposed, will recover their political or civic rights and may, in future, compete for any public or private post or employment.

Art. 5 For past judgments, certification of benefit under the preceding article will be made by the State Commissioner for Purges who will transmit the decision taken to the General or High Delegate. These will become enforceable only after a lapse of two months, from the time of their transmission. During this period, the General or High Delegate may oppose the said decisions which will then be considered void.

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Art. 6 The present ordinance will be published in the Official Journal of the French High Command in Germany and executed as law in the French Zone of Occupation.

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