

Hess and Hess Fly to Britain

10–11 May 1941

The British summoned the real Hess (the Deputy Führer from 1933) through secret channels to Scotland and had arranged 10 May 1941 as his most portentous day. Switzerland, Portugal (British) or Spain (Fascist), Scandinavia, and Czechoslovakia were other possible destinations for his flight, but these were all optional decoys. At the same time a doppelgänger Hess flew to Scotland from a different location in Germany.

The dates on both the real Hess's and the doppelgänger Hess's three weather maps illustrated these other destinations. The fact that they had three weather maps meant that the real Hess did not know where he was going until after he had refuelled in northern France and received additional directions. The lack of clarity was intended from the beginning so that the myth of the real Hess (1884–1941) being an accidental defector or madman could be maintained and he would never be found.

The real Hess, Hitler's best friend and second in command, left Germany in secret on 10 May 1941 and landed his Messerschmitt Me110C near Abbeville in north-west France in a makeshift airfield. The Germans had secured these airfields all over France for the Battle of Britain (over eight months earlier). These were essentially flat grassed strips with a tower holding gravity-fed fuel and a telephone.

The real Hess refuelled himself and received further instructions by telephone as to his destination and departure time. He camped the night and was due to fly out the following evening, setting himself above the tail end of the Luftwaffe blitz on London. Karl Horn was with him.

The Omega Files say that Hess flew to England on 10 May 1941 to stop the war with Britain and was arrested as a 'war criminal'. However, they do not say that Hess spent a layover-night in France in order to wait for cover from the blitzkrieg. The blitzes went from September 1940 to May 1941 and Hess's cover was the last of the blitzes. Six weeks later Germany was focusing on Russia.

Hess's body double was well trained and this mission had been planned for a long time by both the British and the Germans. Doppelgänger Hess knew all of real Hess's history and had become an expert pilot.