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Albert Speer did serve Hitler and the German war effort without question. and through this passive obedience Speer was able to succeed in his ambitions and <sup>had</sup> ~~had~~ <sup>had</sup> a drastic effect on the Nazi war effort.

In 1941 Speer was

In 1942 Speer was appointed the Minister for War and then for Armaments and munitions. He reorganised the system and infrastructure of the weapons industry. He created rings and committees which increased production. Main committees were responsible for the production of weapons and the rings represented the raw materials and parts.

Through this reorganisation productivity increased and became largely more efficient.

As Speer was appointed the assignment to rebuild the German capital he was responsible for the forced removal of Jews to the east. This rebuilding required massive amounts of

workers. ~~Initially~~ my were taken from the German labour force but as these men were conscripted Speer ~~utilised~~ from occupied European territories. Prisoners of war, ~~not~~, ~~not~~ violating the Geneva Act. Not only did Speer allowed prisoners of war to work as forced labour but he soon complained as only thirty percent of Russian prisoners were committed to mis forced labour.

Speer was responsible for extending the war by a year and a half. He helped to stop Hitler's scorched earth policy by travelling to the front to convince commanders to disobey Hitler's orders.

Speer attempted to convince Hitler that the war was over to no response and when in 1944 it showed Hitler lists of the decline in production of weapons and tanks.