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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, SR

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SUBJECT

: Use of DOB Facilities by SR/DR

- l. The present marks a turning-point in the handling of the defectors under the control of SR/DR. AEFILTER 1 has been released from custody and protection in a safehouse, and is being settled in the domestic society and economy. AEFILTER 2 has been transferred from one safehouse to another, where he will be kept until he has acquired sufficient English to enable him to be established in the manner of AEFILTER 1. Both defectors have volunteered their gratitude for the manner in which they have been received and interviewed.
- 2. Debriefings of the two AEFILTERs have been in progress in the two safehouses since the end of February 1954. During that time, approximately 7,500 pages of reports have been produced, approximately 200 CS and CSDB reports disseminated, 3,000 Soviet and foreign nationals described or identified, and a history of the NKVD-NKGB-MGB-MVD prepared in draft form. Information such as this could not have been "bought" at any price, and has contributed significantly and uniquely to the records and operational potential of CIA. The debriefings could not have been accomplished as thoroughly and as rapidly as they have been if the DOB facilities used had not been available, and the specialized DD/P personnel made available for the handling of the debriefings.
- 3. Intelligence and consultative exploitation of both AEFILTERs will continue through the better part of 1955, after which time their continued usefulness to DD/P should be reviewed. Similar facilities should, therefore, continue to be made available for the same holding or debriefing purposes—as required.

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4. So far, the AEFILTER project costs have been relatively low, even considering the bonus given to AEFILTER 1. The expenses of the rental and maintenance of the two safehouses used in this project have been borne entirely out of DOB (Project AEACRE) funds. Unfortunately, the records of the Chief of DOB cannot adequately reflect the accomplishments realized through this expenditure of DOB funds. For this reason, it is suggested that copies of this memorandum be made part of the AEACRE files, and used as a limited guide in the event of the acquisition of AEFILTER 3, 4, etc.

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