10 November 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of ^Foreign Intelligence SUBJECT : Project AECHAMP (Renewal) UECLASSIFIED AND RELEASED BY CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY SOURCESMETHODSEXEMPTION 3B2B NAZIWAR CRIMES DISCLOSURE ACT DATE 2007

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- 1. <u>FURPOSE</u>: To maintain a CE/CI operation directed against Lithuania to, (a) protect REDSOX operations and assets in Lithuania and (b) to furnish by-product positive and CE information on Soviet/Satellite intelligence services. In addition, to spot, recruit, and train agents for REDSOX missions into Lithuania.
- 2. PERSONNEL:
 - a. j is an agent dispatched into Lithuania in 1951. He is assumed to be RIS controlled. S/W communication exists with the agent and an effort is being made to arrange for his exfiltration.
 - b. Jare both escapees from Lithuania. They were both RIS controlled but have been broken. was hospitalized for a period of time, while going interrogation. It is possible that these two agents will be set up as targets for the RIS.
 - c. C]came out of Lithuania with] in July 1954. He is RIS controlled but did not reveal this to his case officer. A returned to Lithuania on 22 October 1955 on a playback operation.
 - d. Grover R. MOLONORIE (p) and Arthur J. HAWORTH (p), both under memoranda in lieu of contract, serve as spotters among the Lithuanian communities around the world. Both are influential in Lithuanian circles and are reimbursed for travel and operational expenses. MOLONORIE has recently completed a trip to Europe, while HAWORTH is contemplating a trip to South America. Three possible leads to new REDSOX recruits developed from MOLONORIE's trip.
- 3. PAST APPROVALS:

| Action Approved | Date 21/6/49 | Office | Period | Authorization |
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| (Project AECAPSTAN) | | | | |
| Renewal | 26/10/50 | AD/SO | 1 Nov. 50-31 Oct. 51 | |
| Renewal | 10/12/52 | DC/FI | 1 Nov. 51-31 Dec. 52 | |
| Renewal | 4/2/53 | C/FI | 1 Jan. 53-30 June 53 | |
| Renewal | 8/10/53 | COP-DD/P | 1 July 53-30 June 54 | |
| (Project AECHAMP) | | | | |
| Renewal | 13/11/54 | C/FI | 1 July 54-30 June 55 | |

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Approximately []was spent on Project AECHAMP during the past renewal period.

HISTORY: Project AECHAMP, which originally encompassed operations 4. against all three Baltic States, currently includes three activities directed against the Lithuanian SSR: (1) The exfiltration of (who it is believed could be exploited to considerable intelligence advantage; (2) The determination of the authent city of an alleged I claim to represent. underground organization which This operation has many CE ramifications depending upon whether such an organization evists and whether the underground organization is RIS] playback mission (PERSONNEL above) includes controlled. bringing out the leader of the underground organization; (3) The recruitment of new personnel for REDSOX operations into Lithuania. This Project will be amended to provide for training of any new agents recruited.

5. EVALUATION: RQM/RE reviewed Project AECHAMP for the period 1 July 1954 through 30 June 1955. Number of reports received: 45. Disseminations: 11. Positive intelligence is obtained through debriefing agents when they come out of Lithuania. Much of this information was fragmentary and acquired prior to the period of RQM/RE's review. The information dealt with military maneuvers, Lithuanian reactions to Kremlin policies, and economic subjects. Evaluators in Army, State, and ORR considered the information of value. Rating: "C."

6. <u>ACTION REQUESTED</u>: Renewal for the period 1 July 1955 through 30 June 1956 at a total cost of ____. Authority is requested to obligate these funds from the DD/P - SR Division budget for the current fiscal year.

Breakdown:

Compensation - payment to Otis V. TETERS for a \$ 800 two month period. TETERS was transferred to Project AEJAMMER 1 September 1955.

Travel - encompassing travel in the area and costs of travel by MOLONORIE and HAWORTH, to and from Europe and South America respectively.

Supplies and equipment - a logistics annex is attached to the project outline.

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Commitments: \Box has been promised a \$5,000 bonus if he is exfiltrated. Additional amounts of \Box have been promised for each additional person that C might bring out with him.

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STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS: 7.

a. FI/OPS recommends approval for the express purpose of effecting the exfiltration of ______. Should a REDSOX operation develop during the renewal period, the operation should be submitted as a separate project.

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b. CI/OPS concurs in approval with the provision that there be a continuing reevaluation of the status of

Chief, Plans 18 255 Approved, to include recommendations in paragraph 7 above: Chief, Date FI Staff Coordination C/CCB/OCL s-DC/CCB/NOC s-C/FI/OPS/SOD 8-AC/FI/OPS

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