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The purpose of this paper is to serve as a renewal and redesignation of Project IUDEPOT. This project was formerly operated as WUDEPOT under the auspices of DO Division, primarily in satisfaction of military hot war requirements levied upon the Agency by the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The Project has now been transferred to SO Division by memorandum signed by the ADD/P after a series of discussions devoted to Agency (CS) counterinsurgency operational needs versus the JCS requirements with their questionable validity.

Primary justification for the renewal of the project is to support an integrated program for the satisfaction of Clandestine Services contingency requirements through the conversion of selected hot war agent reservists now on the IUDEPOT rolls.

1. Current Objectives

There are presently 116 agents on the project reserve rolls, 12 of whom are NE Division assets. Of the remaining 98 agents, 86 thus far have been contacted in person to determine their availability for cold war contingency needs. Of this group, 67 have agreed to participate when called upon. Additionally, four agents have been serving other elements of the Agency abroad and steps are underway to transfer these personnel to the appropriate elements. To meet anticipated cold war needs, reviews are currently being made to select, retain and further train those who have appropriate cold war qualifications and potential. It is expected that this "hard-core" cadre will number about 70. Conversely, 23 agents have been re-evaluated downward for termination. It is believed that the 70 "hard-core" group will provide considerable support for an integrated program, under a single jurisdiction, to embrace the entire problem of C. S. contingency requirements.

2. Changes

a. Principal change being implemented for FY1966 is the redirection of the project for the maximum cold war utilization of available assets.

b. With the project emphasis now being placed on C. S. contingency needs and only secondary attention being given the remaining JCS requirements, the following reductions have been made in project personnel and equipment:

- (1) Two contract employees have been transferred to SR Division.

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- (2) The remaining contract employee has been made available to **OPPER** for reassignment.
- (3) The four safeskeepers have been transferred to other elements of the Agency.
- (4) Responsibility for one safehouse has been transferred to Office of Logistics together with household effects.
- (5) The lease on the remaining safehouse is being cancelled 31 May 1966 and the safehouse property has been transferred to Office of Security.
- (6) The lease on the one safeapartment has been cancelled effective 31 May 1966 and all furniture, having been classified as unserviceable by Office of Logistics, has been donated to Goodwill Industries.
- (7) The two suboffices in Washington, D. C. have been transferred, together with furniture, to SR Division and Office of Logistics.
- (8) All office furniture, equipment, supplies and safes in excess to the revised T/O have been turned in to the Agency warehouse.
- (9) The TVA has been reduced by ten vehicles, two of which were transferred to DO Division and eight to Office of Logistics.
- (10) Of the 22 staff personnel, three have been transferred and Office of Personnel has been asked to reassign nine additional.
- (11) The 14 military personnel now on board are being reduced to five who will be retained with the project. Initial retention of this minimal staff (which will be reviewed as the project redirects to its new primary task) is considered mandatory to:
 - (A) Conduct bona fide coordination and liaison with military elements at various military training sites on an opposite-number basis.
 - (B) Operate and maintain Fort Meade and Camp Pickett training sites to include 24-hour logistical support of restricted and "black" agents undergoing training.

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- (C) Provide instructor capability in a wide range of paramilitary subjects, pending OTR assumption of responsibility therefor, including:
 - (1) Combat experienced individuals familiar with small unit tactics and guerrilla warfare.
 - (2) Aerial delivery and airborne training capability by fully qualified military parachutists and riggers.
- (D) Generally provide full time cover for Status and Action in a variety of circumstances which predictably will arise but the exact nature of which is unknown.

3. Intelligence Production

Not applicable, per se, to the project. It is assumed that components utilizing project assets in future contingency situations will derive intelligence as a product of such use.

4. Effectiveness

a. Inasmuch as past goals have been for the satisfaction of hot war requirements, there has been no measure against which to judge the effectiveness of the program. However, as reported previously, the main tests and proofs of effectiveness were the responses to WH and EE Division contingency needs from a total of 48 agents volunteered for cold war assignments well removed from the hot war needs for which they had been recruited and trained. Additionally, over the years and in individual cases, eight agents have performed specific operational assignments for various elements of the C. S., four of whom are mentioned above and being permanently transferred to the respective Divisions.

b. Another possible measure of effectiveness was the participation of fifteen agent graduates in SI military maneuvers (SWIFTSTRIKE III) and twenty-six agent graduates in a European military exercise (SEARULER) in 1964. All reports received from both the military and WPS representatives in the field reflected very high quality personal performance and effective coordination on the part of the agents.

5. Problems

There have been no unresolved project problems, however, arrangements have been made with Office of Security to have all agents retested prior to any future operational commitment.

6. Liaison

The project has had no liaison with other governments, intelligence or security services.

7. Interagency Coordination

Liaison or coordination of necessary activities pertaining to the project is maintained with other U. S. Government Agencies through appropriate Agency offices. This is effected on an ad hoc basis with ACSI, Individual Army Commands, Department of the Interior, Immigration and Naturalization Service and so forth. The coordination with ACSI, in particular, has been extremely helpful in past recruitment phases of the project. Also of extreme importance has been the back-stopping provided by the Department of the Army to various aspects of the project.

8. Plans

a. The principal project task for FY1966 is to achieve the optimum cold war contingency utilization of available assets.

b. Once specific area division requirements are identified and accepted by SOD, HEBEPOT will coordinate and/or administer operational training as required in satisfaction of such C. S. contingencies. This will provide not only PM trained agents but will also provide broad-base training qualifications for possible FI, CI/CS or simulated CA operations. In this regard, HEBEPOT will serve as a secure operational facility for holding, administering, and retraining for operational requirements accepted from C. S. operating components.

c. In addition to any assigned operational training, the basic training program proposed for FY1966 is to continue to perfect the state of training for the 70 "hard-core" HEBEPOT reservists. This will consist of four call-up groups of approximately fifteen agents each for two weeks, specializing in:

- (1) Air Operations to include five parachute jumps.
- (2) Demolitions & Sabotage (theory and range practice).
- (3) Communications retraining (AS-3 equipment).
- (4) Maritime training and operations.

d. With the assistance of OTR, provide during early FY1966 two weeks refresher/advance training for the NS Division ARLEAP agents.

e. In addition to a programmed retraining of select personnel in the use of the AS-3 communications equipment, Office of Communications would likely be called upon for support in the refresher training preceding any given operational training program, depending on the specifics of the operational needs.

f. A blind broadcast program was initiated during FY1965 through which the agents maintain their communication skills. Upon receipt of the periodic broadcasts they are required to perform a variety of clandestine activities such as selection of dead drops, landing zones, drop zones, various type targets and so forth. Report of this activity is then made to the project officers through s/w. Presently this effort is being conducted for the 12 NE Division ARLEAP agents and 25 of the SS CROWHIPPER agent personnel. About 25 additional select JUDEPOT trained agents are in the process of being equipped with inexpensive receivers to enable them to take part in this training. Office of Communications has been requested to continue their broadcast support of this facet of training.

2. Costs

a. Estimated Costs for FY1965

Agent Salaries (including quarterly payments)	\$ 55,000.00
Contract Employees Salaries	\$ 26,000.00
Agent Travel	\$ 4,458.74
Station Support	\$ 33,000.00

SUB TOTAL \$ 118,458.74

Staff Salaries (approximate)	\$ 240,000.00
Sublease rents & utilities (approximate)	\$ 12,000.00

TOTAL \$ 470,458.74

b. Estimated case officer time and other support given the project:

6 Project officers/recruiters	full-time
5 Instructors	full-time
Medical Personnel	as required
Communication Personnel	as required
Logistical and other support	as required

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for the ensuing period 1 July 1964 - 30 June 1965

Agent Salaries	\$ 12,000.00
Quarterly Payments	\$ 1,200.00
FICA	\$ 225.00
Agent Travel	\$ 3,000.00
Agent Food	\$ 150.00
Staff Travel	\$ 100.00
Miscellaneous (Medicare, etc.)	\$ 100.00
	\$ 17,875.00

Overhead

Assistant Salaries (15 positions) (see Note 1)	\$ 2,250.00
Staff Salaries (see Note 1, below)	\$ 20,803.00
Vehicles Maintenance	\$ 1,100.00
Telephone	\$ 150.00
Postal Service	\$ 150.00
Equipment Repairs	\$ 100.00
Clothing-Fort Meade	\$ 1,500.00
FPA	\$ 1,000.00
Misc. Expenses	\$ 1,000.00
Requisitions	\$ 1,000.00
	\$ 31,053.00

FY 1964 311,905.00

Note 1: For support of staff assigned to newly reactivated or reassignment but no expense July 30 1964-1965. Inherent variability in the amount of staff is not reliably.

Annexes

The effectiveness of equipment used herein is provided in the list annexed particularly O/C) has been excellent.