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15 June 1964

PROJECT RENEWAL

The purpose of this paper is to serve as a consolidation and renewal of two projects under the cryptonym WUDEPOT. These projects were formerly operated under the auspices of SR Division as: Project AEDEPOT, a hot-war and contingency agent training program, and Project AEACRE, basically a support program for AEDEPOT. The feasibility and desirability of this merger coupled with the transfer of supervisory responsibility from SR Division to DO Division has been the subject of numerous study group meetings. The transfer was achieved by memorandum signed by the ADD/P after coordination with the interested CS components and establishes the terms governing the relationship and responsibilities of the various divisions and staffs regarding WUDEPOT.

Primary justification for the renewal of this project is that its goals are in satisfaction of military hot war requirements levied upon and accepted by the Agency by the Joint Chiefs of Staff. The review presently being conducted by SOD with regard to "projects which respond to JCS requirements for stay behind" may lead to further re-evaluation of the validity of the JCS requirements as well as the feasibility of the Agency's capabilities to satisfy them. Until these policy issues are resolved however, the Agency has accepted specific targets and DOB through this project is making every effort to satisfy them. Concurrently, upon the recommendation and request of EE, NE and SR Divisions, the training program is being adjusted to better qualify the agent trainees as Agency contingency assets for unilateral use in situations short of hot war. Discussions are under way with SOD to use one WUDEPOT capability in support of CS counter-insurgency operations. These discussions are limited to selection of candidates and the role they might play in future critical situations in the lesser developed areas. Such advance planning and preparation is necessary due to the long lead time required to select and train agents to support C-I operations.

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At a later date, case-by-case determination of agent training will be against specific requirements.

1. Current Objectives

a. Progress made under Project AEDEPOT in the recruitment and training of agent cadres against hot-war needs in satisfaction of JCS requirements or Agency contingency needs has been notable and is progressing very satisfactorily. Agent candidates are constantly being screened, assessed and trained under strict security measures to determine and insure their suitability for the program and anticipated Agency needs.

b. The immediate objective for Fiscal Year 1965 is that of concentrating on the recruitment and training of agents in those ethnic groups which heretofore have not been satisfied in deference to other ethnic priorities. Requirements which have been met thus far are the spotting, assessment, recruitment, training and holding of 71 agents for SR Division, 25 for EE Division and 13 for NE Division. The breakdown of these figures by ethnic groups is:

SR Division

Russian	13
Ukrainian	18
Latvian	11
Estonian	11
Lithuanian	7
Byelorussian & Caucasus	11

EE Division

Polish	12
Hungarians	4
Czechoslovakians	8
Albanian	1

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NE Division

Syrian	3
Lebanese	2
Syrian Armenian	3
Palestinian	1
Egyptian Armenian	1
Palestinian Arab	1
Iraqi Jew	1
Palestinian Armenian	1

In the cases of SR and NE, these figures represent satisfaction of the bulk of their requirements. EE Division's requirements have been filled about 50%. Therefore, future effort will be toward the completion of recruitment and training for present needs plus that necessary in all ethnic groups for losses through attrition.

Attached as Addendum A is a chart which reflects in general the ratio of initial leads to trained assets in a holding status. It is evident that the agents now active represent detailed screening and selectivity. This process is a continuing one and will continue to account for a portion of loss through attrition as higher standards are established. A certain amount of recruitment therefore will continue to be necessary in those ethnic areas where anticipated quotas are already met.

c. In addition to the contemplated recruitment outlined above, discussions are being held with SOD with regard to possible Agency contingency needs for other geographic areas which SOD may foresee as modest agent requirements for non-Orbit areas.

d. Additionally, the project will continue to provide a mechanism whereby funds may be provided for the services of contract employees, housekeepers and contract agents employed by DO/DOB in complying with its charter in support of training and operations.

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2. Changes

a. One significant change has been a re-evaluation in the number of specific hot war requirements levied upon the Agency by JCS, thereby reducing the over-all number of agents needed by the Area Divisions. Another change is the broader outlook taken by the Area Divisions and SOD in the possible use of these agents for Agency contingency needs.

b. Two specific changes involving training have been:

(1) Incorporation of parachute jumping by the agents during training.

(2) Additional emphasis of FI subjects throughout the basic course.

c. A technical change may result from a current review by Office of Communications of method and equipment to be utilized by graduate agents in the maintenance of their commo skills. Effort will be made by DOB to continue to support this post graduate training within its capabilities and dependent upon the uniformity of the respective Area Divisions' requirements.

d. Changes effected in personnel are:

(1) an instructor, resigned.

(2) , an instructor, achieved staff status.

(3) , housekeepers, were transferred to OO.

(4) , full time P.A. in the field, transferred to SR.

(5) , debriefer/translator, picked up from EE.

(6) The formerly approved part time spotter in U.S. slot has been dropped.

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3. Intelligence Production

Not applicable since the projects were those of training, holding and support.

4. Effectiveness

a. As reported previously, the main tests and proofs of effectiveness were the response to WH and EE contingency needs when a total of 36 SR agent assets volunteered for cold war assignments well removed from the hot war needs for which they had been recruited and trained. Another measure of effectiveness ~~this past year~~ was the participation of 16 agent graduates in the ZI military exercise SWIFTSTRIKE III, and 26 in the European exercise SEARULER. In both cases, wartime situations were simulated and emergency methods of alert, assembly, and dispatch were implemented. The agents were infiltrated into their "target" areas where they performed condensed versions of their wartime roles. All reports received from both military and WPS representatives in the field reflected very high quality performance on the part of the agent assets.

b. An additional measure of effectiveness of the project is the continuing growth of the agent cadres by ethnic groups as reflected in "Current Objectives" above.

c. Support provided by the project has been very satisfactory. That of the contract personnel has served very well to supplement the DOB staff complement. Although not used in support of the DOB training, the safehouses and housekeepers have served frequently in support of numerous activities of other elements of the Agency.

5. Problems

a. There have been no project problems which were not resolved on the Base level.

b. The primary problem of DOB relating directly to the project is the Base T/O. With the transfer of DOB responsibility from SR to DO Division the Base is undergoing a loss of nine staff personnel. This in turn may obviously place certain limitations on the capabilities

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of the project in relation to the acceptance of requirements from Area Divisions. More specifically, it emphasizes the responsibilities for war and contingency planning which must remain with the specific staffs and Area Divisions.

6. Liaison

The project 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 the 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 and Base.

8. Plans

a. There are no operational achievements anticipated in the normal sense; however, the project stands ready to commit on relatively short notice, the agent reserve cadres, now totaling 109 in all ethnic groups, to such hot war needs as may arise. Additionally, it is believed those agent personnel provide a ready pool for Agency contingency needs even though this is beyond the purpose for which they were recruited and trained.

b. It is anticipated that about 30 agents will be recruited and trained during the coming year to further satisfy Area Division needs and to provide opportunity to replace any marginal agent assets.

c. In addition to the two scheduled 18-week basic training periods, it is anticipated that a minimum of 40 graduate agents will be brought back in FY 1965 for two-week refresher training periods. Effort will be made (consistent with our personnel capability) to conduct this retraining in three or four separate general ethnic groups in order to provide opportunity for more specialized training.

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d. DOB will continue to make available to all Agency elements for operational support the two safehouses and housekeepers carried under this project.

e. Limitations which may affect conduct of the project lie primarily in the reduced staff complement commented on in paragraph 5 above. It is believed this further emphasizes justification for the continued use of select contract personnel to supplement the staff complement of DOB.

9. Costs

a. Estimated FY 1964

AEDEPOT

Salaries (including taxes)	\$ 108,200.00
Travel	6,000.00

AEACRE

Salaries	<u>25,000.00</u>
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TOTAL \$ 139,200.00

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

6 Project officers/Recruiters	full time
5 Instructors	full time
Medical	as required
Communications Personnel	as required
Other support	as required

c. For the ensuing period (1 July 1964-30 June 1965)

(1) Salaries of Agents

(a) ²³ 30 agents @ \$165.00
per week for 18 weeks \$ ~~89,100.00~~

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(b)	40 agents (Class I-XIII) reserve training @ \$330.00 per 2 week re-training period.	\$	<u>13,170.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$	102,270.00
(2)	Travel		
(a)	²³ 30 trainees @ \$125.00 per rd. trip	\$	3,750.00 2,875
(b)	40 agents @ \$125.00 per rd. trip		4,690.00
(c)	Emergency travel		<u>1,000.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$	9,440.00
(3)	Holding Costs		
(a)	100 agents (Class I-XIV) @ \$50.00 per quarter	\$	20,000.00
(b)	15 agents (Class XV) @ \$50.00 per quarter (1/2 year)		<u>1,500.00</u>
	TOTAL	\$	21,500.00
(4)	Resettlement		
	2 agents @ 4 weeks salary (average \$660.00)	\$	1,320.00
(5)	Salaries of Contract Personnel in support capacity		
	2 Instructors	\$	16,800.00
	2 Debriefers/Translators		16,500.00

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2 Housekeeping Couples	\$ 10,000.00
1 Automotive Mechanic	<u>7,690.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 50,990.00

(6) Miscellaneous

(a) Reimbursement for loss of annual paid vacations or bonuses	\$ 1,500.00
(b) Reimbursement for loss of salary while undergoing assessment in Washington, D.C. 60 men @ \$25.00 per day for 3 days	4,500.00
(c) Military or Agency aircraft charges @ \$110.00 per hour for 15 hours	1,650.00
(d) Costs of WAEPPA insurance coverage for 30 trainees 5 mos. @ \$8.63 per mo.	1,300.00
(e) "One time" ²³ parachute jump pay for 30 men @ \$250.00 for 5 jumps	<u>5,750.</u> 7,500.00
(f) Medical expenses not properly processable through BEC for security or expedient reasons	<u>1,500.00</u>

TOTAL \$ ~~17,950.00~~

GRAND TOTAL \$ 203,470.00

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As detailed above, an increase in fund authorization of \$64,000.00 is requested for FY 1965 over estimated FY 1964 obligations. This increase results, in the main, from budgeting for 30 agents' salaries for related costs for FY 1965, as compared with obligations covering a total of 23 agent candidates during FY 1964, with only 18 of these candidates actually completing the course. Additionally, salaries for two contract instructors were authorized but not employed during FY 1964. These instructors will be required during FY 1965.

10. Annexes

The effectiveness of equipment and services provided by TSD and DDS has been excellent.

☐ Chief, SO/DOB ☐

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		POA Leads	Recruit- ment Trips	Con- tacted (1)	Invited for Assm't	SECRET Asses'd (2)	Arriv'd for Class (3)	Grad- uated (4)	Entr'd Resrve	Termi- nated	NOW <u>SR</u>	ACTIVE : <u>EE</u>	<u>NE</u>	
Class I	1957						80	8	4		4			
Class II	1958						7	7	7	4	3			
Class III	1958	30	1	18	7	7	7	7	7	1	6			
Class IV	1959	66	4	37	16		8	8	7	1	6			
Class V	1959	61	5	30	14		11	9	7	1	6			
Class VI	1960	99	7	45	31		13	13	13	5	8			
Class VII	1960	161	9	103	43		10	10	10		10			
Class VIII	1961	147	10	69	30		10	9	9	2	6	1		
Class IX	1961	180	7	109	37	22	9	8	8		4		4	
Class X	1962	300	16	164	66	44	20	16	16	2	6	5	3	
Class XI	1962	502	23	282	83	57	18	14	14	2	4	4	4	
Class XII	1963	325	10	210	46	48	21	18	18	1	4	11	2	
Class XIII	1963	349	13	237	57	35	14	11	8	3	4	4		
Class XIV	1964	478	15	297	69	69	9 (5 EE, 3 SR, 1 NE)							
TOTAL											71	25	13	

(1) The balance could not be located or had moved.

(2) The balance dropped out due to change of mind, employment problems, etc.

(3) Balance were screened out by assessment or were approved but could not come due to employment and family problems.

(4) Some students were terminated for cause during course while others were forced to quit because of personal considerations.

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