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Renewal - FY 1963

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<b>PROJECT ACTION</b>				PROJECT CRYPTONYM <b>AEDEPOT</b>	
	TYPE OF ACTION		FI/CI	<b>X</b>	CA
	NEW PROJECT APPROVAL	DIVISION <b>SR</b>			
	AMENDMENT NO.	FIELD STATION <b>Domestic Operations Base</b>			
<b>X</b>	RENEWAL FY 1963	BRANCH <b>DOB</b>	DESK		
	EXTENSION	CASE OFFICER <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"><span>[Signature]</span><span>[Signature]</span></div>			
	TERMINATION	ROOM NO. <b>5-B-4802</b>	BUILDING <b>Headquarters</b>	EXTENSION <b>11,55319</b>	

**CONCURRENCES OF DIVISION**

ORGANIZATIONAL ELEMENT	TYPED NAME (And signature)	DATE	COPY NO.	MEMORANDUM ATTACHED		
				YES	NO	DATE
SSO/SR/DOB	[Large Signature]	6 JUN 1962			✓	
CSR/DOB		6 JUN 1962			✓	
SR/BF		8 June			✓	
SR/Pers		6-8-62			✓	
SR/SS		6/11/62			✓	
SR/Plans		6/18/62			✓	
SR/COP		21 Jun 62			✓	
DC/SR		25/9/62			✓	

**CONCURRENCES OF OTHER COMPONENTS**

DDS (OC)	[Signature]	2 Jul 62			✓
CI/OG	[Signature]	18 July 62			✓
DDP/PG/CA	[Signature]	16 Aug 62			
C/CA/PEG	(signed) [Signature]	16 Aug 62	2		

**APPROVAL**

PERIOD		TOTAL AMOUNT	FY	AMOUNT
FROM	TO			
1 July 1962	30 June 1963	\$ 145,825	1963	\$ 145,825
			196	\$

APPROVING AUTHORITY	SIG	DATE
DDP/Chief, PG	[Signature]	16 Aug 62

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Deputy Director (Plans)  
THROUGH: DDP/PG  
SUBJECT: Project AEDEPOT

1. The Foreign Intelligence Staff recommends approval of the AEDEPOT project renewal.

2. The changes made in AEDEPOT during the past year not only will increase the potential of the project but also exemplify the careful supervision given it.

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Chief  
Foreign Intelligence

Attachment  
Project

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5 June 1962

**PROJECT RENEWAL**

1. Current Objectives

a. The advances made by Project AEDEPOT in training agent cadres and slotting them against target complexes have been notable and are progressing satisfactorily. Potential agent candidates are constantly being screened and processed under strict security measures to determine and insure their adaptability and suitability for the Project. Moreover, such screening is conducted with the aim of satisfying the most urgent of the outstanding requirements.

b. An immediate objective for Fiscal Year 1963 is that of completing the revised NE requirements of 20 trained agents. It is anticipated that this will be achieved within the next two training courses to be held (August 1962 and February 1963).

c. Increasing attention is also being devoted to the assessment and recruitment of EE agent cadres. It is expected that 50% of each class will be devoted to fulfilling EE requirements.

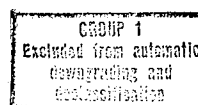
2. Changes

a. A significant change has been the determination that the majority of the 15 CINCAL targets are operationally unfeasible. The SR target responsibilities should therefore carry the following weight.

CINCEUR	27
CINCAL	2 (estimated as possibly feasible)
CINPAC	5

b. Another important change in the Project has been that of replacing the RS-1 and RS-6 radio equipment by the AS-3. This incorporates the use of cut-number message systems as opposed to the previous Morse Code Alphabet. In addition to permitting high speed transmission, the change-over is expected to double the number of qualified radio operators and thereby improve, in this respect, the operational potentials of the teams.

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3. Intelligence Production

Project AEDEPOT, being primarily a holding project, has not attempted to produce any positive intelligence reports.

4. Effectiveness

a. The loyalty and devotion of the AEDEPOT agents to "the cause" continues to be a proven testimonial to the effectiveness of this Project. As a direct consequence of the Berlin crisis, EE Division requested that a minimum of twelve AEDEPOT agents, possessing Polish language capabilities, be contacted to determine their availability for missions into Eastern Poland. Eighteen graduates were contacted and of these 15 volunteered and arrived for specialized training. Of the 15, several volunteered their willingness to be dispatched well in advance of hostilities. It should be noted that the preponderance of this group were Ukrainians who, in spite of their usual antipathy towards the Polish people, were still willing to undertake such assignments.

b. Another method by which the effectiveness of the AEDEPOT Project may be judged is that of showing the continuing growth of agent cadres. The following represents the current ethnic breakdown of the active assets under contract.

SR Assets

Armenian	2*
Azerbaijani	1*
Belorussian	3**
Estonian	7
Georgian	1
Jewish	1**
Kabardin	1
Kalmyk	4**
Latvian	11
Lithuanian	8
Russian	11
Ukrainian	<u>18**</u>

TOTAL 68

EE Assets

Albanian	1
Polish	3
Romanian	2
Hungarian	2
Czechoslovakian	<u>1</u>

TOTAL 9

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NE Assets

Arabic origin	3
Armenian	<u>4</u>
TOTAL	7

Note: \*An asset which can readily be used in the Near East.

\*\*Includes one or more assets which can be used in Eastern Europe.

Thus, of the SR requirements (34 targets @ 3 men per target = 102) each target could be covered by a two man team. Some of the target teams, however, would be forced to utilize personnel whose language capabilities for the designated areas are insufficient. As a result, efforts are being made to channel recruitment activities along even more specific ethnic (Language) lines.

5. Problems

There were no significant problems which were not effectively resolved on the local (project) level.

6. Liaison

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

7. Interagency Coordination

Liaison and coordination of necessary activities pertaining to the Project is maintained with other U. S. Government Agencies through appropriate CIA offices. This is effected on an ad hoc basis with ACSI, individual Army commands, Department of Interior, the Immigration and Naturalization Service, etc. The coordination with ACSI, in particular, has been invaluable in furthering and facilitating the preliminary recruitment phases of the Project. Also of extreme importance has been the backstopping provided by the Department of Army to various aspects of the Project.

8. Plans

Project AEDEPOT stands ready to commit its graduate agents in support of UW training to be administered to friendly forces or nations combating the inroads of communism. There are no outstanding limitations which

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may affect conduct of the Project; to the contrary, with the emphasis placed by the President of the United States on the expansion and perfection of CLW capabilities, it may reasonably be expected that the role of Project AEDEPOT will be increased and its importance strengthened.

9. Finances

a. For the Past Period

(1) Itemized Costs

Salaries including taxes	\$78,212.23
Travel	<u>8,319.13</u>
	\$86,531.36

(2) Estimated case officer time and other support given the Project.

2 Project Officers	full time
4 Recruiters	full time
Medical	as required
Training Staff	as required
Communications Personnel	as required

b. Costs for the ensuing period (1 July 1962-30 June 1963)

(1) Salaries of Agents

*File 65  
50 @ 500  
140 @ 250*

(a) 40 Agents @\$500 per month for a period of 4 months	\$80,000.00
(b) 84 Agents (Class I-X) reserve training @\$250 per 2-week period	<u>21,000.00</u>
Total Salary	\$101,000.00

(2) Travel

(a) 40 Agents @\$125 per round trip	\$ 5,000.00
(b) 85 Agents @\$125 per round trip for reserve training	10,625.00
(c) Emergency travel	<u>1,000.00</u>
	\$16,625.00

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(3) Holding Costs

(a) 84 Agents (Classes I-X) @\$50 per quarter	\$16,800.00
(b) 15 Agents (Class XI excluding NE) @\$50 per quarter (1/2 year)	<u>1,500.00</u>
Total Cost	\$18,300.00

(4) Resettlement

2 Agents @ one month's salary, average salary of \$500 per month	\$ 1,000.00
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(5) Communications

(a) 60 Instructographs @\$40 each	\$ 2,400.00
(b) 1 Master Tape	150.00
(c) 400 tapes @\$.50 each	200.00

(6) Miscellaneous

(a) Reimbursement for loss of annual paid vacations and/or bonuses	\$ 1,500.00
(b) Reimbursement for loss of salary during assessment process - 40 men @\$25.00 per day for 3 days	3,000.00
(c) Military and Agency aircraft @110 per hour for 15 hours	<u>1,650.00</u>

TOTAL \$145,825.00

10. Annexes

The effectiveness of equipment and services provided by TSD and DDS (OC) has been outstanding.

Chief, SR/DOB

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