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3 August 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, SR/3

SUBJECT: Activities Report for Period 1-31 July 1960
Project AERODYNAMIC

RENEWAL DATE: 1 July 1960

CASE OFFICERS: [] and []

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Contact Operations

1. Hamburg International Law Biannual - 8-13 August 1960

En route to Hamburg from Argentina, Professor HALAJCZUK is due in New York on 4 August to meet with AECASSOWARY/2 for discussions regarding contact operations at the International Law Biannual. Although we have not been able to determine definitely whether or not the Soviet Ukrainian international law Professor, Vladimir M. KORETSKIY, will be attending the Biannual, names of other Soviets registered for attendance have been obtained and the names checked out with SR/6 and RI. One of the expected Soviet participants is on the SR target list. The Subject is an Uzbek nationalist who during his assignment as Soviet Press Attache in Bangkok in 1954-55 had openly expressed anti-Communist and anti-Russian sentiments. There was an unsuccessful defection attempt made by SMOTH in 1955 when he was recalled from Bangkok. A cable was sent to [] to determine whether or not SMOTH has continuing interest in the Subject and to obtain whatever additional information they may have on him.

A list of requirements was dispatched to FROB for transmittal to A/29 on his arrival in Frankfurt. The requirements also will be discussed with A/29 in New York prior to his departure.

2. Rome Olympics

In preparation for their contact operations at the Olympics, A/2 and A/29 were briefed by WE/4/Italian desk on Rome realities. [] of SR/2 discussed with them means of contact with him in Rome.

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The AECASSOWARIES have reserved five rooms in Rome for use by their personnel. They are trying to get a room for their use in the Ukrainian Catholic College in Vatican City which will afford some territorial advantages.

3. The [] [] approved Stephen OLIYNYK's application for a grant for one month of research study in the UkSSR. He has applied for and is awaiting word regarding his Soviet visa. If he obtains the Soviet visa, he should leave in late August or early September. Requirements will be obtained and he will be briefed by AECASSOWARY/15 prior to his departure. He will not be made aware of direct Agency interest until his return at which time he will be thoroughly debriefed.

4. On 1 July 1960, A/15 debriefed Stepan CHORNIY [] [] , now in Detroit, on the Vynnyky-Lvov area where he lived until September 1957. CHORNIY emigrated to the United States from the Ukraine via Poland in June of this year. He was able to supply information on subjects such as Chortivska Skala, a military installation; the Lvov house numbering system; a list of old and new names of streets in Lvov; streetcar routes; KGB informers in Lvov; anti-Soviet jokes being circulated in Lvov and information on the general situation in the area. SR/Reports verbally commented on the extensiveness and thoroughness of the report and stated that much of the information will be used for dissemination.

5. A cable was received from [] [] informing that [] [] had made contact with A/34 in Stockholm who will be utilized in conjunction with A/29.

A/34 informed Lee about Ivan ~~LESCHUK~~ ^{LESCHUK}, a dentist from Lvov, who visited him in the summer of 1958. According to A/34, LESCHUK, a former UPA member whom A/34 remembered from underground meetings in 1940 in the Ukraine, still is a rabid nationalist and anti-communist, and he claimed presently to be a member of a resistance group in the Ukraine. The resistance group, according to LESCHUK, although no longer fighting Communism with arms, is attempting to penetrate influential posts with their members. Similar indications of the penetration of influential posts have come to us from reports received by A/2. Contact is being maintained with LESCHUK by A/34 via the latter's mother in Lvov.

Literature Distribution

The reporting on literature distribution will always be one month late, to allow time for more accurate information to be compiled. During the month of May the following distribution was made. A detailed breakdown is available in AERODYNAMIC files.

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Books and pamphlets mailed
to the UkSSR

(From Canada)	150	
(From England)	150	
(From Germany)	120	
(From U.S.)	138	
Total		558

PROLOGUE Magazine

(Copies distributed to both Iron Curtain and Western Countries)		1487
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DIGEST OF THE SOVIET UKRAINIAN PRESS

(To subscribers and foreign country universities in the free world. Also includes 10 copies distributed in CIA)		288
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INFORMATION BULLETIN

Total Copies distributed (from 43 cities in 8 countries in the West)		2308 (by mail)
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Books and pamphlets mailed to Ukrainians,
and libraries and universities in Poland

(Receipts acknowledged for 30 copies)		59
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AECASSOWARY Newspapers distributed by mail

To UkSSR	1101	
To USSR	3	
To Poland	182	
To Other Satellites	28	
Total		1314

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Administrative

1. A/29's documentation. Original plans to have A/29 supplied with a Mexican passport had to be dropped in view of the fact that the facility was compromised to the Cubans, although A/29's name was not compromised with the facility. A legal, backstopped Belgian passport was then requested from [] and as of 31 July, we are still awaiting response from the field. It is hoped that A/29 can leave the United States by 7 August.

CCB has provided backstopped supplementary cover for A/29 which should preclude speculation by A/1 employees in Europe regarding his source of ample funds to permit his travelling around.

2. In view of [] imminent return to Headquarters, and because there are no Project AERODYNAMIC case officers in the field, [] introduced [] (using the name []) to A/3 and A/6 as their Agency referent for local AECASSOWARY/1 matters.

3. Name traces and clearances are being obtained on all A/15 contacts in the United States and Canada and also on those individuals A/2 plans to contact during his travels in Europe this summer. However, because of the present workload of getting A/2 and A/29 off to Europe, getting A/15 started on his U.S. contacts, and the fact that [] has been involved in the operational and administrative aspects in connection with his trip to the Rome Olympics, the traces and clearances are not all completed. The majority of individuals involved in A/2's case have been used in one way or another by the Agency previously. Traces and clearances on these individuals are extremely time-consuming because most of the documents in which the names appear are difficult to locate as they have been transferred to other files over the period of the past several years. This name tracing procedure, although slowing our work down considerably at present, will be eliminated for the future because the documents are being consolidated into 201 files which we are establishing.

4. Frankfurt was notified by cable of an allotment of \$10,000 for use by the field for AERODYNAMIC operations.

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