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MEMORANDUM

28 August 1950

TO: OPC (Attn:  )

FROM: OSO/FDS

SUBJECT: Interview with CARTEL 2

1. CARTEL 2 came to Washington for an interview on 19 August 1950. He mentioned several points which somewhat elucidated the plan for a newspaper in Germany and the newsletter in New York.

## NEWSPAPER IN GERMANY

2. There is some duplication of certain items in the budget for the newspaper in Germany: the personnel listed as the publishing board of directors are in effect the same as the editorial staff. Consequently the functions of the director and administrator as listed under item 2 of the budget should be eliminated.

3. The personnel suggested for the publishing board are:

- a. Ivan HRINIOCH
- b. Dr. RIEBET
- c. Engineer WRECIANA (presently in Switzerland)
- d. Major BAIDA
- e. W. STAKHIV
- f. Boris LEVITSKI
- g. BUTKOWSKI
- h. still to be chosen
- i. still to be chosen

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This publishing board would receive no compensation but would require some clerical assistance such as stenographers and bookkeepers. The editorial staff will consist of:

- a. W. STAKHIV, editor-in-chief
- b. IVASZKO, foreign editor

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- c. Dr. REBET, editor of internal politics
- d. Boris LEVITSKI, editor of economic affairs (listed in budget as administrative editor)
- e. WRECIONA, editor of Soviet affairs and foreign affairs generally.

Correspondents of the newspaper would be:

- a. Dr. M. PROKOP in New York
- b. Wolodymyr HAVRELIUK in Paris, France
- c. IVACHNIUK, Toronto, Canada
- d. Dr. HALENIAK (a pseudonym), Buenos Aires, Argentina
- e. SKOBOWICZ, Stockholm, Sweden

Correspondents in London, Vienna, Teheran, and Ankara have not yet been designated. Contributing authors would be:

- a. HLOBENKO
- b. Prof. Juri SZERECH, in Switzerland
- c. Prof. Boris PODOLOK
- d. Prof. Juri STUDENSKI, Germany
- e. Dr. W. N. JANIV, Germany
- f. Attorney Horest PYETLAR, Australia
- g. Petro BALEJ, Hollywood, California

4. In the initial issue of the newspaper the policy will be outlined and articles which would conform to this policy will be invited.

5. CARTEL 2 estimates that 5000 subscriptions to this newspaper would cover the essential costs of publication. Any sales above 5000 copies could be considered clear profit. CARTEL 2 estimates that at least 15 issues of the newspaper would have to be made in order to determine whether or not it would be a success and to accurately estimate the cost of production. This would necessitate a minimum of 4 months of complete support for the publication or an advance of between 30,000 and 40,000 DM. If the newspaper is completely successful during the first month or two of publication the cost would be reduced proportionally but since it would take several months for them to realize a return on their sales overseas, support for the entire 4 months period would have to be reckoned with. CARTEL 2 said that it takes approximately 6 weeks to ship an edition of the newspaper to the United States from Germany.

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6. CARTEL 2 emphasized that contributions from the various political factions in the Ukrainian emigration would be welcomed. As a concrete example of this, Boris LEVITSKI, a member of one of the socialist factions, has been invited as an editor of the newspaper.

7. The affairs of the UPA would be left to their present publication, Do Zbroi, and primarily political matters would be discussed and reviewed in the newspaper.

8. CARTEL 2 believes that the figures given for cost of production are actual and could not be cut appreciably, but personnel cuts would be possible and salaries might be lowered, but he insisted upon a just family wage for all participants.

#### NEWSLETTER IN NEW YORK

9. Concerning the newsletter to be published in New York, CARTEL 2 listed himself as editor, PROKOP as assistant editor, Prof. SZANKOWSKI and Dr. ANTONOWICZ as translators, authors and representatives to contact user publications. In addition, one person with an extremely fluent style in English and an understanding of Ukrainian would be necessary for rewrite.

10. CARTEL 2 does not believe that the newsletter will ever become completely self-supporting. He believes that as the reputation of the newsletter develops he may be able to sell articles to various newspapers and publications. CARTEL 2 proposes that if the newspaper is backed he and his colleagues would be in a position to prepare complete studies on specific topics dealing with the Ukraine at our request. CARTEL 2 believes that it will be possible to determine accurately the success of the newsletter within 6 months. If successful it should be at least 75% self-supporting by that time.

11. CARTEL 2 explains the necessity of a five-man staff for the newsletter on the grounds that personal contact with the editors of newspapers and magazines is necessary at least during the formative stage. The men he has chosen are well-qualified to perform this function.

12. CARTEL 2 was told that he could expect some definite reaction to his proposals for a newspaper and newsletter some time in September.

#### CRITICISM OF VOA

13. During the course of the interview, CARTEL 2 repeated the long-standing complaint of the Ukrainians about the political line of VOA. His remarks were little more than a reiteration of the complaints which have been published in numerous Ukrainian publications. CARTEL 2 had several concrete suggestions for the improvement of these broadcasts in order to broaden their appeal to Ukrainians, but essentially his criticism was that VOA treats socio-economic rather than nationalist problems.

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