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5. a. CARTELS 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, and 20 are presently isolated for training purposes in MAT VII. Only CARTELS 13, 14, and 17 have had no contact with Ukrainian emigrants. CARTEL 16, who has been living in Munich for the past year or so, came to Munich on weekends until just recently in order to establish his cover story that he is getting engaged to a German woman living near Stuttgart and will live in a village near there. It was not wise for him to disappear suddenly and totally from the Munich scene where he is well-known among other emigrants. All inhabitants of MAT VII are in possession of Allied Identity Cards which list them under fake Polish names. All speak Polish well. The cover story of the group is that they are DP's from Augsburg who are temporarily living in houses soon to be re-occupied by Americans. CARTELS 18 and 20 were moved to MAT VII on 7 August 1950. CARTEL 18 lived in a DP camp prior to 31 July 1950. He did not give any cover story to his friends in camp to justify his disappearance. CARTEL 20, who lived with friends, explained that he was leaving for America. This cover story is substantiated in part by the fact that his friends knew that he had been processed and accepted for emigration.

b. The following case officers and training personnel are known to all CARTELS in Germany under the following pseudonyms: (Mr. H), (CHORNI), (MALEH), (HERBERT); (TSIFER) is known to CARTELS 1, 2, 3, 6, 14, and 17 plus the May 1950 drop team as "TIKHI-DOWHI". is not known at all to CARTEL 2 or to the May 1950 drop team. CARTEL 3 also knows real name because he read it on AGO card when it fell out of the case officer's pocket during an automobile trip to the MAT area. The Redbird desk officer in FDS, who is in contact with CARTEL 2 in New York, is known as All American personnel are known to the CARTELS as members of a branch of American intelligence. Undoubtedly, the elder CARTELS have been able to guess by a process of elimination the true identity of the American outfit they are dealing with.

6. a. CARTEL 1 is usually contacted in his residence by appointment through CARTEL 3. The latter has an MOB agent phone number, but, like CARTEL 1, cannot himself be reached by phone. When calling the case officers he claims that he uses public telephone booths only. CARTEL 6 is also

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contacted through CARTEL 3. Contact with the CARTELS in training is made at the safe houses where they live.

b. After the drop operation, provided that it is successful, the important communications link will be between headquarters CARTEL 9 and LIMBER via radio. The radio operators may be any of the following who have been trained in radio: CARTEL 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, or 17. Subsidiary communications links with the Ukraine will include s/w correspondence to safe addresses through ordinary mail, possibly overland courier contact and, if deemed worthwhile, dispatches of personnel by air.

7.
 - a. See same paragraph in MGM-A-2167.
 - b. Same as paragraph 7b in MGM-A-2167 with substitution of CARTEL 17 for 10 and 13, 14, 16, 18, and 20 for 11-14 and deletion of 15.
8. Equipment for drop team includes: radio sets, dynamos, clothing, weapons, ammunition, food, maps, s/w materials, funds, rucksacks, wrist watches, parachutes, entrenching tools, leather helmets, compasses, knives, L-tablets, canteens, handgrenades, flashlights, and miscellaneous pocket articles. For a typical partial list see paragraph 8 of MGM-A-2167. All items required, with the possible exception of ROSES, and an adequate amount of foreign weapons and ammunition, are available in the American Zone of Germany or to COS.
Special equipment on loan to or required by the senior CARTELS in Germany:
 - a. Ukrainian typewriter (on hand)
 - b. Printing press (on hand)
 - c. Tape recording machine (on hand)
 - d. Ukrainian-English dictionaries (not yet on hand in adequate quantities)
 - e. A safe house for appointments and conferences (procured)
 - f. Telephone communication (to be installed in safe apartment)
 - g. Legitimate Kennkarte under fake names (to be procured locally)
 - h. Allied Identity Cards under fake names for use if emergency evacuation through U. S. army facilities necessary (to be procured locally)
9.
 - a. Coordination with Communications Section in Karlsruhe and Communications Branch in Washington on training, procurement of equipment, operation of the prospective radio link, etc.

- b. Coordination with A-2 USAFE and Air Force Headquarters in Washington plus local liaison by MOB personnel with air force officers delegated by A-2 USAFE to assist in the air dispatch.
- c. Coordination between the case officers and MAT training personnel.
- d. Coordination with Supply and Finance Section, Karlsruhe for procurement of specific items.
- e. Coordination with TAD for the procurement of specific items and for training.
- f. Coordination with bases in Germany and Austria for the collection of information on persons newly arrived from the Ukraine, fresh news from the Ukraine, developments in the Ukrainian emigration in Europe, plus any indications pertinent to the security of the operation.
- g. Coordination with other branches of the AIS in Germany and Austria for the same purposes as in paragraph 9f.
10. The next drop is tentatively scheduled for around 26 August 1950. The deadline for the procurement of supplies for this drop is 10 August 1950. The tentative date by which all training of the August drop team will have been completed, except for dry runs in the aircraft and a few night problems at MAT, is 16 August 1950. The para jump, firing and night problem training for CARTELS 18 and 20, who are new men inexperienced in these techniques, began on 7 August 1950 and should be accomplished by 20 August 1950 at the latest. The HIDER crew and aircraft are scheduled to be ready for trial flights and flight training on or about 15 August 1950, when practice flights for the whole group can begin. Final briefing of the leaders will take place between 10 August and 20 August 1950.

11. Estimated Costs	Quarter Ending 30 Sept 1950	
a. Compensation	600.00 DM	
Subsistence	2,000.00 DM	150.00 MPC
Upkeep of house	750.00 DM	60.00 MPC
Medical expenses	2,000.00 DM	
b. Travel	2,000.00 DM	
c. Operational expenses		
Supply items required to equip teams	10,000.00 DM*	1,000.00 MPC
Maintenance of safe apt. in Munich	200.00 DM	50.00 MPC

* This does not include items drawn on a reimbursable basis, since

is not yet known whether payment will be made in vouchered or unvouchered funds.

Miscellaneous and
unforeseeable exp. 1,000.00 MPC

For Six Couriers now housed at MAT VII
One Carton cigarettes per person per week.
Two bottles whiskey per person per month.

For Senior CARTEL Staff.
Sixteen cartons cigarettes per month.
Eight bottles whiskey per month.

Estimated Costs	Quarter Ending 31 December 1950	
a. Compensation *1	2,400.00 DM	150.00 MPC
Subsistance	1,440.00 DM	150.00 MPC
b. Travel (including recruiting trips & travel of staff to ops area)	2,500.00 DM	
c. Operational Expenses *2 (upkeep of operational apt., incl. tel.)	300.00 DM	150.00 MPC

*1 Calculated at 200.00 DM per month for CARTEL 14; an estimated 400 DM, plus \$50 per month deposited in the States for the substitute for CARTEL III. Subsistance payments include wife. Salary of 200 DM per month and subsistance for CARTEL VI, included when undergoing W/T training. Other DM expenses will be incurred if, as & when we find recruits.

*2 Except for maintainance of operational apt. these are unforeseeable until a new operational plan is formulated in detail.

12. Special Problems and Commitments.

Dispatch of the August drop team will leave us with a total asset of one courier, CARTEL 14, who came out in November 1949. CARTEL 14 began w/t training with CARTELS 10, 11, 12, 13, and 17 in the spring of 1950 but was soon eliminated because his right arm, wounded by a rifle shot in 1948, had healed improperly and was not capable of the performance required in commo training. His arm was operated on in May 1950 but recovery has been slow and probably never will be complete. If through the August personnel and/or supply drop, contact is established with the underground in the homeland, CARTEL 14 could be dispatched with future recruits on a reception drop, but he would be a dubious addition to the partisan strength. However, even if contact is established, we envisage having CARTEL 14 on our hands for some months to come. Unless additional couriers come west this fall, the period of comparative lull that may follow the August drop can be gainfully employed in a careful debriefing of CARTEL 14, bearing in mind Washington's desire for complete and detailed operational information, hitherto unprocurable. We hope that the psychological advantage gained by Subject's realization that he alone of the 1949 team remains in the West, and the fact of his nearly seven months' acquaintanceship with case officer, much of his past reticence for reasons of security will be dispelled. If it is deemed necessary later, it may even be possible to dispose of CARTEL 14 by having senior CARTELS send him into a DP camp with a suitable cover story.

With the imminent emigration of CARTEL 3 to the U.S., and with the necessity of raising the operational capabilities of the CARTEL staff in Germany, CARTEL 1 has already been requested to investigate the possibility of augmenting his staff with Eugene VRECHIONA, @ Joseph BERAN, member of UPA Foreign Affairs Section and ZPUHVR representative in Switzerland. This reportedly highly qualified member of the CARTELS, an engineer and journalist by profession, could conceivably be housed and supported by us in exchange for which he would devote his full time and ability to our CARTEL problems and operations. Furthermore, it is hoped that two capable recruits can be found in the emigration to assist VRECHIONA or some other man of his caliber in the capacity of leg-men. CARTEL 1 has been further requested to scour the emigration for at least four men who are suitable candidates for w/t, crypto, s/w para and other allied training, to spend the winter months in MAT under intensive instruction in aforementioned fields.

