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1. Munich, Germany
2. WASHF-20309, WASHF-18611, MEM-A-3797, Project CAVATINA, Project HIDER or AEROSSE, Source CAPLIN.
3. a. (1) The procurement of intelligence from the USSR. Development of support bases as a transit point for operations against the USSR.
(2) The pro tempore development of FJCAPE anti-Soviet propaganda activities to be carried on by the CARTEL group in Germany.
b. (1) The establishment of secure channels of communication (radio, s/w, courier and air delivery/pick-up) with the headquarters of the resistance movement, the UPA-UNVR-GUN, in the Ukraine.
(2) The continued accumulation of information on the present capabilities and the future potential of the Ukrainian nationalist movement.
(3) Special targets to be assigned by FIB.
c. (1) The utilization of personnel and facilities of the Ukrainian resistance movement in the homeland and abroad to support American intelligence operations directed at the Soviet Union.
(2) The training of an adequate number of homeland and emigre personnel in the techniques required for projected operational needs.
(3) The debriefing of Ukrainians in line with the objectives and targets outlined in "a" and "b" above.
(4) The establishment of a CARTEL newspaper in Germany. The responsibility for this joint activity of REDBIRD and FJCAPE will be coordinated in the field upon the arrival in Germany of an authorized FJCAPE officer.

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h. a. CARTEL 1	b. MEM-A-1037
CARTEL 2	MEM-A-1171
CARTEL 3	MEM-A-1007
CARTEL 6	MEM-A-1243
CARTEL 8	MEM-A-996
CARTEL 10	MEM-A-2106
CARTEL 11	MEM-A-2397
CARTEL 12	MEM-A-2399
CARTEL 13	MEM-A-2400
CARTEL 14	MEM-A-2398
CARTEL 16	MEM-A-4370
CARTEL 17	MEM-A-2302
CARTEL 18	MEM-A-4446
CARTEL 19	MUNI-1600
CARTEL 20	MEM-A-4445
CARTEL 21	MEM-A-4343
CARTEL 22	MEM-A-4344
CARTEL 25	MUNI-1980
CARTEL 30	MEM-A-6169

5. a. CARTEL 10 is presently in the U.S. where he is being debriefed by FDS personnel. He is housed in a safe apartment and will undergo technical training there under supervision of FDS case officers. It is contemplated that CARTEL 10 will be returned to Germany prior to the first projected drop in the spring of 1951, to assist the field case officer in an advisory capacity. CARTELS 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, and 20 are isolated for training purposes in MAT VII. Unbeknownst to the latter group, CARTELS 21 and 22 are presently housed in MAT VIII until Washington clearance is received at which time they will be permitted to join the other couriers. At present, none of the couriers, including CARTEL 10, has any contact with Ukrainian emigrants other than CARTELS 1, 3, and 6. Since

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August 1950 CARTEL 16 has made no trips to Munich where it is currently rumored that he has emigrated to America. All of the CARTELS at MAT have allied identity cards with the exception of 21 and 22 who will be issued them as soon as Washington clearance on them is received. The identity cards are made out under fake Polish names since all of the CARTELS speak Polish rather well. The cover story for the group is that they are DP's working for the 7635th Field Support Unit in Augsburg where housing is scarce and that they are temporarily living in houses seen to be re-occupied by Americans. For reasons of security it is contemplated that CARTELS 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, and 20 will be moved from MAT VII to another house possibly in an adjacent town. With the clearance by Washington of CARTELS 21 and 22 and the return of CARTEL 10 to Germany in the spring of 1951, accommodations must be provided for nine couriers. Since few houses in the MAT area are capable of housing so many individuals, it may be necessary to keep the couriers in two separate houses adjacent or nearby to each other. CARTELS 8 and 11 are presently in the homeland.

- b. The following case officers and training personnel are known to all of the CARTELS in Germany: (Mr. "H") (except for CARTELS 21 and 22 who know only his pseudonym and description given them by CARTEL 10 in the event of a mishap enroute to Amson from the homeland); (Mr. GORNI); (Mr. NALIN). (except to CARTELS 21 and 22); (Washington Representative) (except to CARTELS 21 and 22); (FEDJA) (except to CARTELS 21 and 22); (YIKHI-DOWHI). (except to CARTELS 21 and 22); (Mr. TSIFER) (except to CARTELS 21 and 22); (Mr. HAYE) (except to CARTELS 21 and 22). All American personnel are known to the CARTELS as members of an American intelligence organization. The senior CARTELS have intimated that they are aware of the identity of our organization through a process of elimination and analysis - moreover, they read the newspapers.

6. a. The senior CARTELS have the MOB agent phone number by which they contact case officer. When they call the MOB office, the seniors always use a public telephone booth. Meetings between case officer and the senior CARTELS take place in the safe apartment (ABAGUS 26) recently provided for them. A telephone is being installed in the ABAGUS 26 where CARTEL 6 will live. The new arrangement will greatly facilitate two-way contact between the case officer and the senior CARTELS and eliminate the necessity of having case officer seek out CARTEL 1 at his residence in the event the case officer is anxious to contact him in an emergency.
- b. Contact with the CARTELS in training at MAT is made at the safe houses where they live or at the MAT training shop.

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- c. Providing the spring 1951 operation is successful, communications link will be established between the headquarters of CARTEL 9 and LIMBER. The radio operators may be of any of the following: CARTELS 8 and 11 (already in the homeland), CARTEL 16, CARTEL 13 or 17, CARTEL 18 or 20, CARTEL 21 or 22. Subsidiary commo links with the homeland will include S/W correspondence to safe addresses in Slovakia, the United States, Canada, Australia, or Argentina through regular mail channels, overland courier contact, and possibly airplane delivery and pick-up.
7. It should be born in mind that the CARTEL couriers trained by us in the past, those presently in training, and those who will be trained by us in the future are not agents of AIS in the classic sense of the term. They are members of CARTEL 9 who make their way out to Anson from the homeland on courier missions or CARTEL 9 or CARTEL 30 members or representatives who are recruited by the Senior CARTELS for dispatch to the homeland with AIS training and assistance. The primary loyalty of all of the CARTELS in contact with us lies with the CARTEL organization in the homeland. The senior CARTELS have on numerous occasions expressed the view that they are a political entity working with AIS and not AIS agents. Since the senior CARTELS, both abroad and in the homeland, realize that their only chance for achieving the independence of the homeland lies in American support, they are cooperating and will cooperate with AIS up to a point. It is extremely doubtful that we can ever exercise one hundred percent control over the CARTELS; however, the degree of control will depend considerably upon the amount of covert and overt support which AIS and the American government give to the CARTEL organizations and to the realization of their goal - an independent homeland. The willingness of the senior CARTELS in Germany to permit us to photograph the entire contents of the pouch brought out by CARTELS 10, 21, and 22 in October 1950 is an enormous step in the direction of closer cooperation on the part of the senior CARTELS and an indication that our control over them is growing. The debriefing of CARTEL 10 in Washington will probably give further indication of increasing control made possible by directives from the CARTEL organizations in the homeland, permitting the CARTELS in Germany to cooperate more closely with the Americans. The CARTEL couriers (10, 13, 14, 17, 18, 20, 21, and 22) are at the complete disposition of the senior CARTELS (1, 2, and 3) and under oath to obey them. All important instructions, i.e. divulging of personalia, biographic material, information on CARTEL 9 activities and personnel must be made through the senior CARTELS who claim that in giving such instructions they cannot completely violate the couriers deeply ingrained sense of security as regards their persons, the safety of family, friends, acquaintances, and members of CARTEL 9 in the homeland. CARTEL 1 has stated that he does not believe that any revolutionary movement would ever reveal specific data on the strength, location, and identification of its personnel. Case officer does not believe the attitude of the senior CARTELS is unreasonable at this state of our relationship with

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them. No attempts will be made to force sensitive information out of the CARTELS but the importance of such information to the U.S. government for its evaluation of the amount of assistance it might give them will continue to be stressed to them as it has been in the past.

8. a. Equipment for the two personnel drops contemplated for spring and early summer 1951 includes: partisan uniforms for the drop personnel (about half of the couriers already have them); radio sets; dynamos; weapons; ammunition; food; maps; s/w materials; flashlights; compasses; knives; handgrenades; L-tablets; rucksacks; special packs for carrying radios, etc., on person of couriers; monies (including roses); first-aid kits; parachutes.
 - b. The supply drops will require weapons, ammunition, food, medicines; w/t sets, maps, and any special equipment or supplies requested by CARTEL 9 after W/T contact is established with LINNER.
 - c. Following is a list of special equipment on loan to or required by senior CARTELS in Germany:
 - (1) A safe-apartment with telephone for appointments and conferences (procured).
 - (2) An Elcor tape recording machine (procured).
 - (3) A Ukrainian typewriter (procured).
 - (4) A portable printing press (procured).
 - (5) A vehicle (required).
9. a. Coordination with Communications Section, Karlsruhe, and Communications Branch, Washington, on W/T training, procurement of equipment, operation of the prospective radio link.
 - b. Coordination with A-2 USAFE, Air Force Headquarters in Washington, and with Air Force officers delegated by A-2 USAFE to assist in the air dispatch.
 - c. Coordination on Washington level with the State Department for utilization of VOA to convey to CARTEL 9 important information disguised as innocent text. Coordination on Washington and field level with officials of FJGAPE for utilization of Voice of Free Europe facilities for same purpose as above.
 - d. Coordination with Supply and Finance Section, Karlsruhe, for procurement of specific items.
 - e. Coordination with TAD for training and for the procurement of special items of equipment.

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- f. Coordination with other bases in Germany and Austria for the collection of information on persons newly arrived from the CARTEL homeland, recent information from the CARTEL homeland, developments in the emigration in Europe plus any information pertinent to the security of the CARTEL operation.
- g. Coordination with other branches of AIS in Germany and Austria for the same purposes as in paragraph 9f.
10. The next personnel drop is scheduled for the latter part of May 1951. The deadline for training of the couriers and for the procurement of supplies for this operation is 1 May 1951. If the first group is successful in establishing W/T communications with LIMBER and contact with CARTEL 9, a second drop consisting of personnel and supplies will be made within one or two months of the original 1951 drop. Although the personnel for the second drop will have completed their training by 1 May 1951 they will continue on a training status until the date of their dispatch. The deadline for procurement of supplies for the second 1951 drop is 10 June 1951. Date of termination of this project is not contemplated at this time.

11. Estimated Costs.

	<u>Quarter ending 31 March 1951</u>		
a. Compensation (allowances)	1,500.00	DM	
Subsistence	4,000.00	DM	250.00 MFC
Upkeep of houses	1,200.00	DM	150.00 MFC
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 MFC
Maintenance of safe apartment in Munich	500.00	DM	50.00 MFC
d. Miscellaneous and unforeseeable expenses	2,000.00	DM	1,000.00 MFC
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TOTAL for Quarter	23,200.00	DM	2,450.00 MFC

For each courier housed at MAT: One carton of cigarettes per week
Two bottles of whiskey per month

For senior CARTEL staff : Sixteen cartons of cigarettes per month
10 bottles of whiskey per month.

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	<u>Quarter Ending 30 June 1950</u>		
a. Compensation (allowances)	1,500.00	DM	
Subsistence	4,000.00	DM	250.00 MFC
Upkeep of house	1,000.00	DM	150.00 MFC
Medical expenses	2,000.00	DM	
b. Travel	2,000.00	DM	
c. Operational expenses			
Supply items required to equip teams	6,000.00	DM	1,000.00 MFC
Maintenance of safe apt. in Munich	250.00	DM	50.00 MFC
d. Miscellaneous and unforeseeable expenses	2,000.00	DM	1,000.00 MFC
TOTAL	18,750.00	DM	2,450.00 MFC
e. Additional monies for dispatch with couriers in May and June 1951	30,000.00	roses	
	10,000.00	Austrian Schillings	
	50,000.00	Czech Kronen	
	800.00	Deutsche Marks	

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12. a. Documentation for CARTEL I when he has occasion to travel from Amzon to other countries of Western Europe and in connection with his imminent trip to the U.S.
- b. A possible disposal case in CARTEL II, should the intensive medical treatment he is now receiving fail to restore the strength of his right arm to a degree where he could be integrated into our projected operations.

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