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FY1964 PROJECT AERODYNAMIC RENEWAL

1. Current Objectives

Utilizing AECASSOWARY/2 as the principal agent, Project AERODYNAMIC lends support to a group of anti-Soviet Ukrainian emigres (AECASSOWARY/1) under the direction of a principal agent. The Project's primary objectives are :

a. To encourage and exploit new and existing anti-Communist, Ukrainian national aspirations in the Ukrainian SSR.

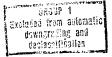
b. To further the SR objective of recruiting Soviet citizens by exploiting AECASSOWARY/1's contacts with Soviet Ukrainians.

c. An ancillary objective is the gathering of intelligence on the UkSSR and the USSR as a whole, to satisfy United States needs.

2. Changes

KUBARK financial support has been extended to AECASSOWARY/1 in various amounts since the days of REDSOX operations in 1950. In 1957, when the nucleus of the group immigrated to the United States, it was legally incorporated (as AEBEEHIVE) under the laws of the State of New York for the stated purpose of research and study of international communism and for the publication and distribution of literature. Support has been continued in the form of a subsidy through the present time in yearly amounts varying from L = 1 to L = 1. There has been close KUBARK supervision of AECASSOWARY/1 operational activities and a relationship of complete cooperation.

A review of existing operations indicates that in furtherance of the SR mission, there is a need to stabilize the group's publication and mailing operations and to place greater emphasis on contact operations against Soviet targets. Experience indicates that there is little or no need for the presently maintained tight control on every operational and administrative detail which places a burden on both AECASSOWARY/1 and KUBARK. It is planned now to decrease detailed KUBARK supervision by extending to the group a flat KUBARK subsidy divided into the following two categories:

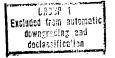


(1) A specific and set amount for personnel and administrative costs, and publications and mailing operations costs. This amount would remain stable.

(2) An amount would be designated specifically and exclusively for contact operations. This latter amount would be subject to change, depending on the increase or decrease of activity in the field of contact operations. Specific stipulations will be made to stress contact operations against the Soviet target. As KUBARK's experience with AEGIDEON has proven, this deemphasis of KUBARK supervision and the granting of more freedom and flexibility to AECASSOWARY/1 in its method of operation will force the leadership of AECASSOWARY/1 to assume more responsibility for operational initiative and economies in all categories of its operations. This arrangement should permit a more accurate measure of actual operational production against the KUBARK subsidy.

Under the proposed flat subsidy, detailed financial and administrative reporting will no longer be required, and only certain financial information will be requested on operational expenditures. KUBARK will still retain complete control for the group's overall activities, but will permit it more flexibility.

To increase the value of the AECASSOWARY/1 contact operational effort, additional personnel assets are needed to exploit contacts with Soviets travelling in the West. This means that principal members of the group must be permitted to move about, unhampered by time-consuming administrative details, in order continually to develop and tean new assets for such activity. AECASSOWARY/29, as the principal operations officer for AECASSOWARY/1, will be permitted under the new arrangement to travel to various areas in the Free World to reassess existing and develop new AECASSOWARY/1 assets in order to organize and train a net of AECASSOWARY/1 operatives in areas which offer the greatest operational potential and in which AECASSOWARY/1 already has sympathizers who are considered suitable for contact operations and for comprehensive reporting. It is planned to have AECASSOWARY/29 devote his time exclusively to developing and training operationally efficacious AECASSOWARY/1 sympathizers in areas of operational potential to act as his principal contacts operations men. They, in turn, will develop and train sufficient individuals in their respective areas for use in contacts against Soviet citizens who may appear in their areas. If a sufficient number of such operatives are developed and trained, AECASSOWARY/1 should be able to conduct effective contact operations in the key areas of the Free World which offer operational potential, and greatly increase its efforts toward



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accomplishment of the Project objective. AECASSOWARY/29 will be available for on-the-scene supervision of any operation against a Soviet target of particular interest which may develop in any of the areas. This will eliminate completely the need for any KUBARK staff involvement, except where deemed operationally desirable. In the event AECASSOWARY/29's activities against a Soviet target in any given area infringe upon the responsibilities and activities of another KUBARK division, the target, of course, will be turned over to the area division. AECASSOWARY/2 has been completely cooperative in all such instances in the past. It is expected that this arrangement will permit a more expanded and efficient, and in time perhaps even less expensive AECASSOWARY/1 contact operational capability. The activities would be continually reviewed to insure accomplishment of the Project objective and the furtherance of the SR mission.

When all the details of this new plan have been discussed and firmly agreed upon, the Administrative Plan will be rewritten to reflect all the changes proposed.

3. Intelligence Production

There were 13 disseminations to the intelligence community during FY1963. One of the reports revealed more definite expressions of dissatisfaction than previously received. Others confirmed information received from other sources about general discontent, shortages, prejudices and the Novocherkassk uprisings. One of the reports identified new areas in the USSR where civil disorders occurred following the June price rise. Another report was of particular interest because it indicated that foreign broadcasts on the Cuban crisis were getting through to the people in the Ukraine at least right at the time of the crisis. In addition, there were two reports on the political implications of the release from prison and arrival in Rome of the Uniate Metropolitan Slipyy following the first session of the Ecumenical Council.

4. Effectiveness

a. Considerable effort in FY1963 under Project AERODYNAMIC was directed at contact operations against Soviet citizens travelling in the West, against Soviet students in Western universities and against recent arrivals from the Soviet Union for permanent residence in the United States. The political philosophy of AECASSOWARY/1 is sufficiently liberal so that Soviet Ukrainians are quite willing to talk with its representatives

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and sympathizers. For these contact operations, AECASSOWARY/1 has a pool of young, second generation Ukrainians in all areas of the Free World from which they can draw upon as appropriate and necessary. These are mostly students or professionals with backgrounds which make them peculiarly suitable for carrying on effective discussions with Soviets of similar experience. They are not paid employees, but merely sympathizers of AECASSOWARY/1.

are not paid employees, but merely sympathizers of AECASSOWARY/1. When they have been used for contact operations, they have been reimbursed only for necessary operational expenditures and no U. S. Government involvement was revealed to them or to the Soviet citizen. Were KUBARK to establish such a pool of independent individuals who could make worthwhile contacts with Soviets for CA purposes, it would cost several times more than the present cost of Project AERODYNAMIC, if in fact such a pool could be established and maintained at all.

b. Contact (which was a near defection) established by an AECASSOWARY/1 operative at the Helsinki Youth Festival with a prominent young Soviet Ukrainian writer continues to be maintained via correspondence. AECASSOWARY/2 is lending guidance to this contact with the aim of recruitment or defection in the event the Soviet writer again appears in the West with a Soviet cultural exchange group. There have been two personal contacts with the Soviet writer in the UkSSR since his appearance in Helsinki. He has requested books in the emigration and has furnished information about the activities of Soviet Ukrainian writers and Ukrainian youth.

c. Of the 67 Soviet citizens with whom conversations were held by AECASSOWARY/1 operatives in the West, at least 7 were tentatively identified as being connected with the RIS. Biographic information and personality assessments on them were supplied to KUBARK. In one case there were repeated contacts held with a Soviet Ukrainian writer in Canada who had been sent to the West for a period of several months to study Ukrainian emigre writers and their literature. The contact later was followed up in the United States. The Soviet was given various emigre publications, including 8 books of contemporary literature published in the West. He retained some of the publications and returned others after having reviewed them and discussed them with his contacts.

d. There were repeated contacts held with two Soviet Russian professionals, members of the USSR Academy of Sciences, aspects of Soviet and Western politics, literature, industry and education were discussed at great length and, as a result, biographical information and personality assessments were made available to KUBARK. A letter was received from one of the Soviets, an industrial relations man who was interested in the role of American industry in politics, since his return to the

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e. An AECASSOWARY/1 sympathizer who is a student at Columbia University established contact with five Soviet educators who were visiting with a delegation from Tashkent. The members of the delegation visited in the home of the AECASSOWARY/1 operative on a social basis. There was a second contact with four members of the group who were later escorted on a shopping tour in New York. Personality information on the Soviets was provided to KUBARK.

f. Four of the Soviets with whom contact was maintained were exchange students in Western universities. Two of the students located in U. S. universities visited the homes of AECASSOWARY/1 contacts during holiday celebrations and accompanied them to Ukrainian emigre gatherings and to church services. In addition, two AECASSOWARY/1 sympathizers attended a reception given by the Ukrainian Delegation to the United Nations at which time they conversed and exchanged ideas with top men of the Ukrainian Delegation.

g. The bulk of the Project budget was spent on the publication and distribution of literature to Soviet citizens which tends primarily to exploit the nationalist, anti-regime tendencies of Soviet citizens located in an area of the Soviet Union of strategic importance. That these Ukrainian nationalist tendencies continue to exist and that AECASSOWARY/1 publications have been more than a mere source of irritation to the Communist regime, has been witnessed by past and very recent public statements (see below) made in the Soviet Union, as well/as by individual reports obtained from various Soviet sources. AECASSOWARY/1 literature has devoted much attention to the young literary generation in the UkSSR which in recent years has become an important element in Soviet internal politics. Present attacks against this literary element in the Ukraine also encompassed the Ukrainian emigre literary group abroad which has been explicitly named in the same context. AECASSOWARY/1 publications continuously attacked Russification and the centralization drive in the UkSSR, and appealed to Soviet Ukrainian citizens to defend their rights as supposedly guaranteed by the Constitution of the UkSSR. This is the line along which the present struggle of Soviet Ukrainians is being waged, as demonstrated in the Soviet press.

There has been an increase in attacks made against the Ukrainian emigration in general, and against AECASSOWARY/1 in particular, consisting of public declarations by Soviet



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dignitaries and articles in the Soviet press and in the pro-Soviet Western press, supplemented by special pamphlets. Simultaneously, direct personal approaches and threats have been made to AECASSOWARY/1 personnel apparently with the intention of [a] producing an atmosphere of fear and panic, by implying the possibility of physical liquidation, and [b] arranging for negotiations between top AECASSOWARY/1 personnel and members of the permanent Ukrainian Delegation to the United Nations. The purpose of the request for direct negotiations with AECASSOWARY/1 leaders probably is to afford Soviet Ukrainians an opportunity to ascertain AECASSOWARY/1 policy and future aims and to eventually force AECASSOWARY/1 toward a position more favorable to Soviet political purposes. An additional motive may be to compromise AECASSOWARY/1 in the eyes of the whole emigration by disclosing and deliberately misinterpreting AECASSOWARY/1 talks with them.

h. The principal organ of AECASSOWARY/1, a Ukrainianlanguage non-partisan monthly journal, <u>Suchasnist</u> (The Present), is largely of a cultural and educational nature and, therefore, appeals to both emigre and Soviet Ukrainian intelligentsia. It is distributed to subscribers in the emigration and has been mailed at a rate of approximately 300 copies monthly to Ukrainians in the UkSSR, Poland and Czechoslovakia. It is widely considered to be the best Ukrainian-language periodical published in the West and has also received praise from individual Soviet Ukrainian readers. The journal and its authors have also been repeatedly attacked in the Soviet Union. (The last several issues of the journal were completely sold out as soon as it was off the press and it has been necessary to run reprints of certain articles to satisfy the many requests for it.)

The Ukrainian-language Information Bulletin which 1. is addressed specifically to Soviet Ukrainian citizens has been mailed to the Soviet Union at a rate of approximately 3,000 copies monthly. There is evidence, manifested in various ways, that at least some of these Bulletins did reach the addressee and that the Bulletin's presence is embarrassing to the Soviet Letters written generally in abusive terms have been Government. received from Soviets to whom literature was mailed. Such letters are obviously written on orders of Party or police organs as they generally contain official propaganda arguments i.e., praise for Soviet achievements and scorn for Ukrainian emigres for collaboration with the U.S. Government which they claim aims at the subjugation of the Ukraine. Other writers of letters received, on the other hand, request future copies of the publication and suggest topics for discussion in these publications. It is not surprising that many more responses are not received. `The literature is mailed to individuals who are either Communist Party members or who serve with the

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administrative apparatus, and to educational and scientific institutions. None of these, for obvious reasons, would risk maintaining correspondence with foreign addressors. Quite likely also, for security reasons, such an addressee would surrender the literature received to the Party or police organs.

j. Eight special Ukrainian and Russian-language brochures and booklets were mailed in FY1963 to the Soviet Union at an average rate of approximately 125 per month. Other copies of these brochures were personally handed to Soviet citizens travelling in the West.

AECASSOWARY/1 produces only one non-Ukrainian k. language publication, the English-language Digest of the Soviet Ukrainian Press which is a by-product of the daily research of the Soviet Ukrainian press done by members of the organization and, therefore, of negligible added expense to the project. It is the overt activity which serves as cover for the covert activities of AEBEEHIVE. The Digest is mailed to 71 subscribers in the United States and Canada at a rate of \$15,00 a year, or \$30.00 for three years. There are nine KUBARK consumers of the Digest who have requested to be kept on the distribution list because the Digest is the only publication of its kind. There is a French-language edition of the Digest done by the AECASSOWARY/1 representative in Paris also at negligible added expense because the AECASSOWARY/1 representative's services are maintained and utilized in various ways, such as in contact and mailing operations.

There have been examples in the past that emigre 1. activities have forced the Soviet Government to permit similar activities in the Ukraine. For example, after extensive celebrations in the West of the 100th-anniversary of the death of the Ukrainian poet laureate, Taras Shevchenko, similar celebrations took place on a rather large scale in the UkSSR. Announcements regarding a Shevchenko monument to be placed in Washington, D. C. in 1964 were followed by a Soviet announcement that a Shevchenko monument would be placed in Kiev. Publication of a Ukrainian Encyclopedia in the emigration in 1949 forced Soviets to follow suit, although no Ukrainian encyclopedia had been published before in the history of the UkSSR. Real evidence that publication of the Ukrainian Encyclopedia in the West provoked the Soviet Ukrainian encyclopedia appeared in the 13 February 1960 issue of the Soviet newspaper, Pravda Ukrainy.

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m. Some of the AECASSOWARY/1 literature, particularly in the case of hard-cover books, is mailed (at a rate of about 10 monthly) to Ukrainian institutions and individual Ukrainian nationals in Poland who either remail copies to the Ukraine or distribute the books to Soviet Ukrainians who visit Poland as tourists or exchange students. Receipt of the books in Poland have been acknowledged in almost 100 per cent of the cases.

n. Sample Soviet documents considered of value by KURIOT personnel have been supplied as a result of the debriefing of a Soviet citizen who recently emigrated to the United States.

5. Problems

Although AECASSOWARY/1 sympathizers in the emigration appear to be on the increase, particularly among students and young professionals who are Americans of Ukrainian birth, attracting qualified and suitable employees for AEBEEHIVE is a growing problem. On graduation, students are anxious to establish themselves in a profession with financial and job security which they do not expect to find at AEBEEHIVE.

6. Liaison

Not applicable.

7. Interagency Coordination

The Federal Bureau of Investigation is informed of contacts made with AECASSOWARY/1 members and operatives by Soviet diplomatic and other Soviet personnel. The Bureau also has been informed about AECASSOWARY/1 mailing operations against Soviet citizens living in the United States.

The U. S. Department of State is aware of KUBARK support of AECASSOWARY/1.

8. Plans

a. All AECASSOWARY/1 publications described in the foregoing and which are now in existence will be continued during FY1964, as will the dissemination of AECASSOWARY/1 literature to the Soviet Union via open mail channels and via direct hand distribution in contact operations.

b. It is planned to emphasize in FY1964 contact operations against Soviet citizens, utilizing the services of AECASSOWARY/29 in the role of the AECASSOWARY/1 principal operations officer. He will concentrate on building a more effective pool of personnel in various fields to be utilized against Soviet delegations and individual appearing in the West, and against Soviets at the set

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United Nations. See paragraph 2, "Changes," for additional plans for contact operations.

c. Effort continues to locate suitable personnel for the contact and assessment of existing internal leads in the USSR, with the aim of eventual in-place recruitment of a Soviet citizen, insofar as operational conditions will permit at the given time.

9. Costs

An attempt has been made to establish the cost of maintaining separately each activity under the Project, i.e., publication costs, contact operations costs, housekeeping costs and the cost of sustaining the organization. The nature of the activities are such, however, that each ties into the other so completely that it is impossible to separate one from the other. As an example, unless the AECASSOWARY/1 monthly journal is published and distributed to emigre subscribers, it would be of little significance in the mailing operations program, or perhaps would not be in existence at all. AECASSOWARY/1 personnel engaged in the publication of this journal, are also used in contact operations and in writing activities for other special AECASSOWARY/1 publications used in the mailing operations program. They also participate in the organization's round-table conferences in various cities which serve to attract sympathizers and new operational type personnel.

A small amount of money has been spent in the past, and will continue to be spent toward the temporary and partial support of new emigre students who are of interest to KUBARK. Through this program, KUBARK was able to resettle a Soviet defector, DS-960, and maintain contact with him via AECASSOWARY/2 for the purpose of further development and possible use in the future.

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