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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, SR/DOB

SUBJECT : CACCOLA Training and Operations Plans

REFERENCES : A. MGA - 164  
B. EGMA - 3272  
C. EGMA - 3720  
D. EGMA - 4571

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1. In accordance with agreements reached with CAPABLE 1, KUBARK will continue to collaborate with CAPABLE 1 during the 1953-1954 operational year. At the present time it is contemplated that the entire CACCOLA complex of AESAURUS will be transferred to DOB by late fall 1953 and that all CACCOLA operations will be implemented and mounted there.

2. CACCOLA instructors as listed below will be transferred to DOB in accordance with arrangements now being completed by Chief, SR/DOB.

CAPABLE 14 - Chief Instructor  
CACCOLA 3 - Soviet Reality  
CACCOLA 8 - W/T Instructor  
CAPABLE 42 - Ass't. W/T Instructor

3. It is contemplated that the CACCOLA training program for the 1953-1954 operational year will proceed through two phases:

Phase I

a. Certain preparations have already gotten under way. Six individuals completed the CAPABLE 1 Cadre School in January. Nine individuals will complete the Cadre School in May, and twenty-five or thirty individuals will be enrolled in the 15 April to 15 July cycle of the School. All of these individuals will be assessed for both KARKAS and AKTIVIST type missions by the CSOB Assessment Section.

b. Those individuals mentioned above who prove acceptable will start training at CSOB early in July. They will be given basic training in W/T, fieldcraft, and Soviet reality. About 1 October 1953 the entire group (Training Unit A) will move to DOB, where they will begin an intermediate training course of some three months duration. During this training period, tradecraft will be added to the curriculum.

c. By 1 September 1953, it will have been possible to assess the capabilities of these individuals undergoing training and to decide which will be used for KARKAS and which for AKTIVIST. It also will be possible to select those individuals

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who will function as W/T operators on black base teams.

d. After determination is made (as stated in paragraph c above) of future assignments for members of training Unit A, another group of individuals will be recruited by CSOB to provide non-W/T agents needed to complete black base or doubleton teams. This group (Training Unit B) will arrive at DOB by 1 November 1953 and should be placed in a safehouse separate from Training Unit A. However, this house should be in the same general area as that occupied by Training Unit A so that Units A and B may be trained and assessed by the same staff.

Phase II

a. In January or early February, 1954, the KARKAS singleton agents will be separated from their fellow trainees in Training Unit A. Thereafter in Phase II of the 1953-1954 CACCOLA training program, Training Unit A will consist solely of KARKAS type agents.

b. Training Unit B during Phase II would be composed of AKTIVIST type agents who will be trained for singleton, doubleton, or black-base missions.

c. It is contemplated that KARKAS agents will be dispatched in late March or early April of 1954.

d. AKTIVIST missions probably will be ready for dispatch late in May or early in June, 1954.

4. It is contemplated that Chief, SR/DOB will assign a sufficient number of KUBARK staff personnel to support the CACCOLA program. At the present time the minimum requirements are as follows: (Pseudonyms in parentheses indicate persons nominated by CSOB).

- a. Chief Project Officer
- b. Project Operations Officer
- c. Project Administration Officer
- d. Project Intelligence Assistant
- e. Training Officer, Sub Unit A
- f. Training Officer, Sub Unit B
- g. Assistant Training Officer, Sub Unit A

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- h. Assistant Training Officer, Sub Unit B
- i. W/T Instructor, Sub Unit A
- j. W/T Instructor, Sub Unit B (Phase II)

5. It is contemplated that CAPABLE 1 will furnish staff personnel as follows: (Cryptonyms in parentheses indicate personnel nominated by CSOB).

- a. Senior CAPABLE 1 Representative and Chief Instructor (CAPABLE 14)
- b. Assistant CAPABLE 1 Representative and Instructor
- c. Sovietization and Tradecraft Instructor (CACCOLA 3)
- d. Assistant Tradecraft Instructor
- e. W/T Instructor, Sub Unit A (CACCOLA 8)
- f. W/T Instructor, Sub Unit B (Phase II) (CAPABLE 42)
- g. Housekeeping Couple, Unit A
- h. Housekeeping Couple, Unit B

6. Logistical support requirements are contemplated as follows:

- a. Safehouse for Unit A
- b. Safehouse for Unit B
- c. Two covert vehicles for Unit A
- d. Two covert vehicles for Unit B
- e. Two covert vehicles for Project Officers.

It is suggested that safehouses and covert vehicles assigned to Units A and B should be given the same cover as there will be considerable traffic of staff personnel between the two units. It is further suggested that the two safehouses be within reasonable distance of each other.



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