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EE's figures inaccurate here.*

MEMORANDUM FOR: DCSR/3

SUBJECT: Provisional Review of Positive Intelligence Production from  
Project AEVIRGIL for the Period 1 July 1959 to 10 June 1960  
(Official Evaluation to be given after 30 June 1960)

FROM: C/O AEVIRGIL

Statistics

1. A survey of the AEVIRGIL (AECARRERA) intelligence take during FY 1960 requested of SR and EE by this case officer revealed the following statistics:

Reports received/processed:	80 (EE-80)
Reports used in disseminations:	64 (EE-64)
Reports rejected:	16 (EE-16)
Reports awaiting dissem action:	0
Disseminations:	38 (SR-1, EE-37)
SOVMAT dissems:	7 (SR-7)

Comments

2. The oral evaluations given by SR and EE follow much the same line as those contained in a similar memo dated 14 October 1959, covering a review of FY 1959 activities. The reports officers concerned feel that with more direction and better debriefing the low-level sources reporting to the Berlin office could be made to produce more meaningful information. Similar suggestions, however, were the source of much Headquarters-Field correspondence in both 1958 and 1959. The upshot of this was that the Field said further direction was impossible considering the nature of the sources, their uncertain reporting dates, and increased efforts by East German security forces to prevent Soviet OB from reaching the Berlin office.

3. ACSI continues to be the prime consumer for the Soviet FPN numbers which have been gathered through this collection effort. ACSI claims that it cannot get this information in any other way.

4. One important factor in future considerations of production-potentiality of the AEVIRGIL office in Berlin is that ballooning operations were stopped as of March 1960; this in turn has cut down the number of visitors coming up to the Berlin office with trash and Soviet OB information. A case officer recently returned from Berlin speculates that quite possibly the trickle of informants may dry up altogether within a few months, since the East Germans have received no impetus to come to the office with the leaflet barrage stopped.

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