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1. AGENCY/PROJECT DATE: 10/21/51 REVIEWER: [Signature] BG CONVOY	2. DIVISION OR BRANCH EE-I	3. COUNTRY(S) Bulgaria	4. ESTIMATED COMPLETION PERCENT: _____ DATE: _____
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PLAN

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6. FINANCIAL MECHANISM

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7. PHASE

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8. FUNDING

FY ALLOTMENTS TOTAL TO DATE	OBLIGATIONS CURRENT MONTH	FY OBLIGATIONS CUMUL. TO DATE	UNOBLIGATED BALANCE
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9. NAME OF CASE OFFICER: **[Signature]** ROOM NO. **2107-K** EXTENSION **2656** SIGNATURE **[Signature]**

10. FACTS, EVALUATION AND COMMENT: (Use additional plain sheet if necessary)

1. Activities

A. Controlled or Subsidized Organizations - The gray propaganda radio broadcasts of Radio Gorianin were continued on a daily basis. Specific targets have been the peasant population and the Army, with Bulgarian nationalism the theme stressed.

B. Prospects for the fuller utilization of the Bulgarian National Committee as a rallying point for the anti-Communist Bulgarian emigration and as a cover for OPC operations appear somewhat brighter. However, the various parties to the present act of negotiations are still in the maneuvering stage, and nothing firm was agreed upon in the month of November.

C. The procurement of Bulgarian currency to finance operations within Bulgaria is becoming increasingly difficult, and our regular sources in Istanbul and Athens are approaching exhaustion. Despite efforts to procure such currency by commercial transactions in Western Europe, and by approaches to friendly governments with diplomatic representation in Bulgaria, a critical shortage of Bulgarian currency will probably occur about May 1952. We are exploring all sources and examining the possibilities of counterfeiting.

2. Paramilitary Operations

A. The Bulgarian Guard Company has now reached a strength of 170 men. Recruiting has been temporarily suspended, because the authorized strength of the company is but 200, and it is desired to bring in about 80 recruits from Greece early in 1952. During the next few months many of the recruits probably will drop out or be discharged as unfit for the rigorous training required, so that even with the arrival of the contingent from Greece, the strength of the company will not exceed the 200 man limit. All recruits brought into Germany will be properly documented so that the disposal to the German economy of those who later prove unsatisfactory will not be difficult. The basic training of the company includes carbine instruction, range exercises and overnight bivouacs. As was anticipated, the G. M. Dimitrov Agrarians are making a determined attempt to attain a firm grip on the company to further their party aims. However, by selective recruiting, a political balance has been striven for, and at present the political composition of the company is one-third

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active G. M. Dimitrov retainers, one-third lukewarm Dimitrov supporters, and one-third professing aloofness from all political factions.

B. The training program for infiltration agents has been lengthened. In addition to intensive paramilitary training and exercises, the trainees are receiving instruction in clandestine operations, communications and sabotage. Much of the training is carried on by field exercises. When infiltration operations are resumed, these men will be available as border crossing guides and couriers for high level agents on organizational missions.

3. Evaluation and Comments

A. BGCONVOY remains in its formative and organizational phase. Psychological warfare activity in the form of radio broadcasts will be carried on throughout the winter, but agent operations have been suspended at least until early spring.

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