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

A. Mission

See sections II and III, Part II, of the "Bulgarian Country Plan" for a discussion of the cold war mission and tasks.

B. Accomplishments

(1) Paramilitary

a. Bulgarian Guard Company - As a result of assessments of Bulgarian refugees in Athens and Istanbul, 33 new members for the Guard Company have been selected and will be airlifted to Germany during the first week in June, which will bring the company to full T/O strength of 200.

b. Covert Agent Training - Two of the seven agents trained in Germany and airlifted to Athens last month were found on arrival to be unsuitable and are awaiting disposal. Plans have now been formulated for the infiltration of the best qualified of the group. However, because of the loss in Germany of the original of his interrogation report (which gave information on his proposed contacts within Bulgaria), his mission has been delayed until final determination of whether the loss may have compromised the operation. Missions for the remaining agents will not be finally assigned until this complication has been resolved.

c. Dimitrov Test Operation - Contact with Dimitrov's deputy in Europe has not as yet been made. In the meantime, arrangements have been made through the CIA [] to lay on a two-week surveillance of this deputy to determine his contacts and habits.

(2) Political

a. Emigre Politics - One additional member of the Bulgarian National Committee has arrived in the United States, bringing the total to six. Attempts are being

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Note to secure visas for at least two more. In the meantime, the KGB has circularized the 13 bona fide members of the Committee and has received responses indicating that a majority favor the proposed reorganization.

b. Psychological Warfare

1) Radio Goriaia - Broadcasts continued on a daily basis, with a half hour program repeated five times.

<u>Previous Broadcasts</u>	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Total Number</u>
39	30	39

A contract has been signed with an expert on Bulgarian peasant life to supervise the programming for the station for a year beginning in August. He will be available during June for consultation in Washington at which time he will be briefed and given training in psychological warfare techniques.

2) Leaflet Drops - The Athens BUCOVIX station has informed Headquarters that any leaflet drops during the next few months would jeopardize current plans for attempts to establish indigenous contacts within Bulgaria through the infiltration of the agents mentioned above. It is therefore probable that such drops will be indefinitely suspended.

<u>Previous Drops</u>	<u>Current Month</u>	<u>Total Number</u>
2,000,000 leaflets	0	2,000,000 leaflets

3) News - No activity.

4) Propaganda

a) One contract agent has been dispatched to Greece during the current month.

b) Some samples of the new leva issues have been obtained, but in insufficient amounts to meet operational needs.

c. Reaction

No reaction to BUCOVIX operations in Bulgaria, limited to psychological warfare, has been noted.

d. Conclusions

(1) Favorable Conditions Exploited - None

(2) Problems Encountered

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(2) Problems Encountered

a. Interrogations of the former principal script writer of Gervasia, suspected as a Bulgarian agent, are still inconclusive. This has resulted in the dispatch of a polygraph operator from Washington to assist local personnel.

b. The loss in Germany of the interrogation report of an infiltration agent enroute dispatch into Bulgaria from Greece has resulted in delay of present operation plans until the extent of compromise can be determined.

(3) Deficiencies noted and corrective action taken - The need to dispose of two agents who had completed a long training course in Germany after their arrival in Athens for final staging has pointed up the necessity for greater care in disposing of undesirables as soon as their deficiencies are noted.

(4) Lessons Learned

No concrete conclusions can be drawn as all phases of activities have been in a planning or developmental stage.

(5) Miscellaneous Comments

The advantages of closer coordination both in Headquarters and the field between the two cover's operational branches of the agency are increasingly evident. In the matter of recruitment of contract agents, exchange of information on potential recruits and discussion of where their qualifications would best serve the over-all interests of the United States is resulting in more intelligent placement of the few persons who are qualified to serve in operations directed toward undermining the Communist regime in Bulgaria. In the field, closer coordination of activities has enabled each branch to take advantage of the experience and personnel of the other. For example, plans formulated for the infiltration of an OPU agent to explore possibilities of creating a small indigenous net within Bulgaria provide for his launching by two SO experienced border officers.

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PARAMILITARY AND PSEUDO-SOCIAL WARFARE ASSETS OF BGCORVOY

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A. Progress

The Project Outline for BGCORVOY provides for the following lines of action against Bulgaria:

- 1) Establishment of networks within Bulgaria in conjunction with the covert organization of Georgi M. Dimitrov.
- 2) A coordinated PW program against Bulgaria.
- 3) Establishment of separate GPC-controlled underground networks within Bulgaria.
- 4) Preparation for an economic warfare program.

Progress achieved to date has been as follows:

1) Attempts made over the past two years to negotiate with Dr. Dimitrov for the launching of an operation to test his assets within Bulgaria have not been successful. However, through an GPC cut-out, an agreement was signed by Dr. Dimitrov at a meeting in April 1952 which outlines the minimum conditions acceptable to GPC for such an operation. Plans are now being formulated for implementation of the agreement.

2) A black radio station which broadcasts from Athens to Bulgaria as Radio Carmania has been in operation since February 1951. Because of the inability to achieve a truly representative Bulgarian National Committee organization, the station broadcasts are made in the name of an as yet fictitious "Freedom Brotherhood." Broadcasts have been on a daily basis and transmitters purport to be located within Bulgaria.

3) Intensive efforts were made in 1950 to establish contacts within Bulgaria as the nucleus of an underground net. For this purpose 23 agents of a political group called the Democratic Bloc under the leadership of Dimitar Alimov Dimitrov were used. Six of the agents were captured, tried, and sentenced to death by the Bulgarian government, betrayed by one and possibly two informers in the group. It was subsequently discovered that the leader of the Democratic Bloc subsequently offered to sell out to the French. He now is a WH disloyal case, and support to his group has been terminated, all former agents being either disposed of or resettled.

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Since the failure of the above operation, eleven independent agents have been recruited and covertly trained in Germany. Six of these have now been air-lifted to Athens and are receiving final briefing for infiltration. The two best qualified will shortly be infiltrated to contact potential resistance agents known to one of them.

4) No feasible plans for economic warfare measures have been formulated.

B. Paramilitary Assets

By authority of HUCOM, the 4093 Labor Service Guard Company, under the supervision of the 7992 Labor Supervision Detachment, was established about 1 October 1951 at Eilichain, Germany. The table of organization provides for a maximum of 200 Bulgarian members.

Original plans for the Guard Company contemplated that it would provide a source for the recruitment of agents and the nucleus for the creation of guerrilla forces for use in the event of war. However, it has now been determined that unless arrangements can be made for the removal of the company from Germany to a point where tighter CIA control can be exercised the future usefulness of the company will be extremely limited. Under the present arrangement it cannot even be used as a holding operation for Bulgarian refugees who show potentialities for utilization in hot war irregular forces or for possible cold war agent use.

1) Guard Company Members

There are at present 165 Bulgarians in the Guard Company. Twenty are considered to be unfit for training and are to be discharged. As a result of an assessment by EHLIFE of Bulgarian refugees in Athens and Istanbul, 55 more have been selected for enrollment and will shortly be air-lifted to Germany. The complement will thus be increased to the maximum of 200. There is no period of enlistment, and members of the Company can leave at will.

2) Qualities

The calibre of personnel is being steadily improved by means of assessment of present personnel and of potential recruits. The original assessment by EHLIFE in December 1951 revealed that approximately 80 were poor prospects for any future cold or hot war use. These are being gradually eliminated. New recruits are only being accepted if they are physically and mentally qualified for guerrilla training and operation.

3) Training

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3) Training

A basic training program was initiated in March 1992 limited for the present to tent pitching, dry firing, close order drill, map reading and compass problems. Training is being carried out under the supervision of an American Commanding officer and two ECO's provided by BGCHEVOY.

4) Material

Except for training equipment, all BGCHEVOY paramilitary equipment is being stockpiled in Greece where it shares with other projects a ready pool of equipment, adequate to arm and equip 4,000 guerrillas.

C. Psychological Warfare Assets

1) BGCHEVOY operates a black radio station, "Radio Gervasia," which broadcasts on a daily basis to Bulgaria from Athens.

2) The station is wholly-owned, staffed, and operated by CIA.

3) Reports from recent refugees from Bulgaria indicate that the station can be heard in all parts of Bulgaria and probably in southern Rumania.

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