

**PROJECT STATUS REPORT**

REPORTING PERIOD  
April 1953

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1. CRYPTONYM <b>RGCONVOY</b>		2. DIVISION OR BRANCH <b>SE/2</b>		3. COUNTRY Target: <b>Bulgaria</b> Base: <b>Greece &amp; Turkey</b>		4. DATE ORIGINALLY APPROVED a. Program b. Project: <b>24 Apr. 1950</b>	
a. Program		b. Project <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		ROOM NO. <b>1110 "J"</b>		EXTENSION <b>3115</b>	
5. NAME OF CASE OFFICER <b>[ ]</b>				SIGNATURE OF CASE OFFICER <b>[ ]</b>			
6. TYPE OF PROJECT <input type="checkbox"/> FI <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PP <input type="checkbox"/> PM <input type="checkbox"/> SUPPOR							
7. STATUS <input type="checkbox"/> OPERATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> LIQUIDATING							
8. PERSONNEL ASSIGNED		O/S		U.S.		9. FY ALLOTMENT TO DATE	
U.S. - - - - -		<u>16</u>		<u>8</u>		[ ]	
FOREIGN NAT'L - - - - -		<u>3</u>		<u>0</u>			
TOTAL		<u>19</u>		<u>8</u>			
10. FY OBLIGATIONS TO DATE  [ ]							

11. Summary

The general aim of PP activities against Bulgaria is limited at the present time to use of all available psychological warfare assets to break the Communist stranglehold in Bulgaria, to bring about the downfall of Communist officials and their followers, to keep alive the hope of eventual liberation in the minds of the Bulgarian people, and to encourage the people to resist apathetic acceptance of Communist slavery by passive resistance.

Negotiations to establish a workable and secure operational relationship between CIA and Dr. G. M. Dimitrov to permit the launching of an infiltration operation to test his assets within Bulgaria have been terminated because of Dr. Dimitrov's insistence on retaining operational control of the agents. Evidence accumulated through the long period of attempting to recruit a proposed infiltration team indicated conclusively that any operation into the country utilizing personnel controlled by Dimitrov would be neither workable nor secure from CIA's standpoint.

Broadcasts of Radio Gorianin have continued to play the theme of impending purges in the Communist hierarchy and to stress the importance to Bulgaria of the Balkan Pact. Pursuant to new guideposts for preparation of scripts prepared by the Athens PW personnel after discussions with Chief, SE/2, broadcasts have been noticeably shortened and items have been repeated and summarized in subsequent broadcasts to obviate the effect of constant Soviet jamming of the programs. Since no results have been forthcoming after several months of negotiations for resettlement of six locally hired Bulgarians working on PW programs in Athens through PEP channel, arrangements have been made with the Greek Government for direct resettlement to either Argentina or Brazil. The removal of these individuals, guilty of security violations in varying degrees, will enable reorganization of the project on a more secure basis utilizing contract agents now being recruited and processed in Washington.

✓ Leaflets bearing resistance slogans have been sent to Athens for infiltration, probably by air drop, in May. Five hundred thousand leaflets bearing the complete text of the Balkan Pact, have been approved and are being printed in Washington. These will also be distributed in the country during May. When balloons are available in Athens, it is planned to distribute propaganda by this means.

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