

PROJECT APPROVAL NOTIFICATION

PROJECT **CATOPIC**  CA  FI/CI

ACTION		COMPONENT	
<input type="checkbox"/> NEW PROJECT		DIVISION OR STAFF	<b>IR</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> AMENDMENT		BRANCH	<b>W/O</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RENEWAL <input type="checkbox"/> ANNUAL <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BIENNIAL		DESK	<b>Germany Bonn</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> TERMINATION		CASE OFFICER	<b>7858</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> EXTENSION		EXTENSION	
<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER			

AUTHORIZATION

APPROVING AUTHORITY	DATE APPROVED	AMT THIS ACTION	FY	TOTAL FUNDS AUTHORIZATION
<b>AEDP</b>	<b>12 May 1972</b>	[ ]	19 <b>73</b> 19 <b>74</b>	[ ]
PERIOD OF APPROVAL		FINANCIAL CODE SYMBOL		
FROM <b>1 July 1972</b> TO <b>30 June 1974</b>		<b>2136-3969</b>		

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10 MAY 1972

MEMORANDUM FOR : Assistant Deputy Director for Plans

THROUGH : MPS/BG

SUBJECT : Renewal of Project CATOMIC in FY 1973 for [ ]  
in FY 1974 for [ ]

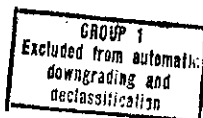
1. This project covers the [ ] activities against the Soviets. Other projects cover operations against the Soviets in [ ] Altogether, half of the manpower of the [ ] works against the Soviet target and the [ ] contributes one fifth of that total. [ ] now has 28 assets who are used to track and provide access to the Soviets. This is a net increase of five since the beginning of the project year and further recruitments are expected. A total of eight assets have been in regular, sustained contact with four prime Soviet targets. In addition, one East German and one Chinese are being developed by project assets. These six cases are about the maximum the Desk feels [ ] should try to carry with the present number of case officers and agents. To attempt more would be to run the risk of spreading [ ] efforts unproductively thin.

2. At Headquarters a task force is assembled to analyze each case and to give guidance to the field. The Headquarters task force includes SB and EUR Desk officers as well as psychologists and other specialists as needed. Likewise, in the field each of the operations is run by a task force which brings to bear all of the [ ] assets and resources which are appropriate to the case. During the course of the year there has been measurable progress in getting closer to the prime targets although there have been no recruitments or recruitment attempts. Between Headquarters and the field there is a mechanism for reviewing target priorities and ensuring that effort is not wasted on unproductive cases. Field reporting on the individual cases is full and detailed and is available for inspection at the Desk, but very little of it has found its way into the project outline.

3. FI/INT finds that this project, whose primary purpose is the collection of operational data on Soviet target personalities, yielded as a by-product three positive intelligence items. These were of moderate significance, but none was used in intelligence publications.

4. The largest part of the budget goes for agent salaries, [ ] The individual salaries are not high; the average for each of the 24 persons who receives a salary is less than [ ] Similarly, the operational expenses of each of the 28 agents averages about \$360 per

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year for a total of [ ] An additional sum of [ ] FY 1973 and [ ] FY 1974 is asked for the development of new assets. This project's overall budget is not a particularly large sum; it comes to less than ten percent of what [ ] spends on Soviet operations.

5. Measuring progress of a project of this type devoted to the development and eventual recruitment of Soviet officials is a difficult and imprecise task. This particular project presentation lacks useful descriptive detail on the nature of relationships being developed with target individuals by the various access agents and other evidence of progress along the road toward the goal of recruitment. It would be strengthened by data relating operational activity to such mileposts as (a) the development of a relationship of such trust with the target that it yields personal confidences and other insight into his feelings and beliefs; (b) the discovery of potentially exploitable vulnerabilities and susceptibilities, (c) the decision that recruitment is eventually worth attempting, and (d) the taking of actions to intensify vulnerabilities or otherwise pave the way for a recruitment approach.

6. From discussion with desk officers at Headquarters the Staff has obtained additional information on progress being made. It is persuaded that the project's assets are being effectively used to develop close personal access to Soviet targets and that a few interesting vulnerabilities have been uncovered although no recruitments have been attempted. The Staff recommends approval of the FY 1973 and FY 1974 budgets as requested.

[ ]  
Chief  
Foreign Intelligence

Attachment  
Project

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**R DIVISION PROJECT ROUTING SHEET**

**CRYPT**                 **CATOMIC**           

DATE	RECOMMENDATIONS/ACTION
	<b>BRANCH CHIEF'</b>
	<b>E/BF - E/SS</b>
29/3/72	<b>E/INTEL</b> This project is not oriented towards the production of P.I., and it has yielded correspondingly little. We cannot expect any change in that.
	<b>E/CA AND/OR E/FI/CI</b> Believe it is more time for the project to concentrate on: a) agents with access to <del>primary</del> Soviet targets. b) tracked agents with greater <u>all round</u> capability. <i>CA</i>
3 Apr 72	<b>E/COPS</b> compares favorably with other projects of this type in cost, numbers, mixture and degree of direct access to the Soviets. Recommend approval
	<b>DC/EUR</b>
	<b>C/EUR</b>

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**PROJECT ACTION**

**CATOMIC**

	TYPE OF ACTION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	FI/CI		CA		OTHER
	NEW PROJECT APPROVAL	DIVISION <b>European</b>					
	AMENDMENT NO.	FIELD STATION					
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> RENEWAL FY 196 73-74	BRANCH <b>German</b>			DESK <b>DAO</b>		
	EXTENSION	CASE OFFICER				DATE <b>6 Mar 72</b>	
	TERMINATION	ROOM NO. <b>4C44</b>	BUILDING <b>Hqs.</b>	TEL. EXT.	RED <b>1582</b>	BLACK <b>7858</b>	

**CONCURRENCES OF DIVISIONS**

ORGANIZATIONAL ELEMENT	TYPED NAME (and signature)	DATES		MEMO ATTACHED	
		IN	OUT	YES	NO
C/E/G/W		9 March 72	9 March 72		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
DC/E/G		9 MAR 1972	9 Mar 1972		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
C/E/G					
E/BF		3/16/72	3/16/72		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
E/INTEL		29 March 72			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
E/EXO		29 March 72			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
E/FI-CI		30 March 72			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
E/COPS		30 April 72			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SB/X/EU		4 April 72			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
SB/PPC		4 Apr 72	6 Apr 72		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

**CONCURRENCES OF OTHER COMPONENTS**

		DATES		MEMO ATTACHED	
		IN	OUT	YES	NO
AC/EUR			7.4.72		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
FI STAFF			10.4.72		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
CI STAFF	18/		21 Apr 72		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
C/MPS/BG			11 May 72		

**ALL FUTURE ACTIONS ON THIS PROJECT REQUIRE APPROVAL OF DD/P OR ADD/P**

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No longer valid  
P/ydw - 4/26/73*

**APPROVAL**

	PERIOD	AMT THIS ACTION	FY	TOTAL AMOUNT	
	FROM 1 Jul 72	TO 30 Jun 74		1973 1974	
APPROVING AUTHORITY <b>DDP</b>		SIG	DATE		

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CONSOLIDATED CATOMIC PROJECT RENEWAL

CATOMIC - [ ] West Germany, Soviet operations consolidated project covering 28 existing access agents and providing for the recruitment of additional agents. Cost: FY 73 \$65,000 and FY 74 \$70,000.

	<u>APPROVED</u>	<u>OBLIGATED</u>
FY 1972	[ ]	[ ] (Estimate)

I. SUMMARY:

Project CATOMIC is the Soviet access agent project for [ ] [ ] It is targeted against selected personnel at the Soviet Embassy, Bonn, West Germany and the Soviet Trade Mission, Cologne, West Germany.

II. PURPOSE:

The basic purpose of Project CATOMIC is the collection of significant operational and assessment data on selected Soviet primary targets, with emphasis on vulnerability data or susceptibility clues which could lead to recruitment or defection of intelligence sources. CATOMIC agents also facilitate, in appropriate cases, direct staff officer access to Soviet targets for advanced assessment or recruitment purposes. These objectives are listed as Priority A-1 in the current Operating Directive [ ] [ ]

III. DESCRIPTION

CATOMIC is the cryptonym assigned to [ ] [ ] consolidated Soviet operations access agent project. It is designed to cover existing assets utilized against the local Soviet target and new agent prospects currently under development. Project CATOMIC is directed against officials selected from the 170 persons assigned to the Soviet Trade Mission, Cologne, West Germany and the Soviet Embassy, Bonn, West Germany.

Primary project objectives will be to manipulate existing assets into contact with selected Soviet targets. At the same time, assets who do not have such contact or who temporarily lack the potential for acquiring it will be utilized as tasking agents and to investigate or to provide access to non-Soviet agent prospects. A much greater emphasis will be placed on efforts to recruit sources in contact with Soviet Primary Targets.

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IV. CHANGES:

The CATOMIC program has grown during the first seven months of FY 72 from 23 active access agents to a current total of 28. It is expected that by the beginning of FY 73 four agents will have been dropped or put in reserve and six added. The cost of developing and compensating agents is rising rapidly due to such factors as devaluation of the Dollar, revaluation of the Deutschmark, inflation, and a rising living standard in Germany. We project that salaries and operational expenses for FY 73 will total [redacted]. Developmental activity for the development and recruitment of new and higher quality agents will total [redacted]. If necessary the Station will seek to absorb any overrun from [redacted] IOA or [redacted] IOA (if any is made available). The following is a breakdown of agents currently covered under the project CATOMIC.

A. OLD ASSETS:

CATOMICs 5, 6, 8, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 27 continue to be active agents. CATOMIC/33 is the new crypt for CASCOFF; CATOMIC/34 is the new crypt for CATOPHAT/14, and CATOMIC 35 is the new crypt for CAEXCUSE. CATOMICs 29, and 30 are not active cryptonyms. CATOMIC/10 was amicably terminated because of her lack of access and her disinclination to develop any. Although occasionally met, CATOMIC/13 is not an active agent. CATOMIC/26 has been placed in reserve, and it is not expected he will be used during FY 73. CATOMIC/28 plans, in the near future, to move back to the United States.

B. NEW ASSETS:

Since the last project year, nine assets have been recruited for the CATOMIC program. Following is a description of these new agents.

(1) CATOMIC/31 is a 43-year old woman who is divorced from a German Foreign Service Officer. A POA was granted on 12 July 1971, and she was recruited on 15 July 1971. She was given a polygraph examination on 23 November 1971. She is met in her apartment or in outlying restaurants. She has an ops phone number for emergency use. She is being used for spotting and assessing and has been used on tracking operations. She also has good connections with a number of conservative German politicians and German Foreign Service officers.

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(2) CATOMIC/32 has been a CIA agent for 17 years and recently arrived Bonn. He is a senior diplomat for a friendly NATO country. Although his access is mainly to diplomatic circles, he will also be used for tracking operations. Due to his previous service in China, he will also be used against the Chinese target. His POA was granted on 9 September 1954. He has an operational phone number and is met in various safe-houses in the [ ] area. It is too early since his arrival to evaluate his performance, but he seems well motivated, intelligent and loyal.

(3) CATOMIC/36 is a 34-year old city planner who recently moved to the [ ] area. He is a long-time CIA agent who was first recruited in Berlin in 1965. His POA was granted in May 1965. He has taken two polygraph examinations. He departed Berlin in 1969 for personal reasons to live in the Nuernberg area. For the period he was in Nuernberg, he was not an active CIA agent. In 1971, at our suggestion, he moved to the [ ] area and was again picked up as an active agent. He is met in his apartment or in isolated restaurants. He has an emergency ops number and mailing address. He has been used in tracking operations and will also be used for spotting and assessing.

(4) CATOMIC/37 is a 28-year old German female who is a dental assistant and a part-time Avon Lady door-to-door sales-woman. A POA was granted on 20 August 1971, and she was recruited in September 1971. She was given a polygraph examination in November 1971. She has been used for tracking assignments. In addition, she has been in touch with an East German primary target, LHNABOB.

(5) CATOMIC/38, a scientist and director of a scientific institute, is in contact with two members of the Soviet Embassy S&T staff. We are encouraging him to expand his Soviet contact possibilities in both the S&T Sector and with current priority targets. He has reported on visits of Soviets to his institute. He has also provided an introduction to a German national holding a key position in Soviet/German scientific exchange relations. In addition, he has contributed positive technical intelligence on joint Soviet/French research efforts. In addition to deepening his personal contacts with local Soviets. We foresee an increasing TORADIUS reporting role for C/38.

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(6) CATOMIC/40 is a 30-year old widow who was first granted a POA on 9 December 1969. She was recruited in the summer of 1971. We were initially interested in her reporting on a Soviet official she knows socially. She is now being used for tracking, spotting and assessing operations. She has been administered the psychological assessment test. She is met in her apartment or in isolated restaurants. She has an emergency ops telephone number. She is the girl friend of CATOMIC/41, and she can be used with him as a team or independently.

(7) CATOMIC/41 is a 33-year old medical and space doctor who was originally spotted as a result of his association with CATOMIC/40. A POA was granted on 1 July 1971, and he was recruited during the summer. He has been administered the psychological assessment test. Meetings are held in his apartment or in outlying restaurants. He has an ops phone number for emergency use. He is considered to be excellent agent material and to date has been responsive to direction. He has been used on tracking and assessing operations. He can work independently or together with CATOMIC/40.

(8) CATOMIC/42 is a 30-year old German national who was educated in the United States. He works for an American Management Consultant firm in the [ ] area. A POA was granted on 21 October 1971, and he was recruited in November 1971. C/42 is expected to make a quality asset for the CATOMIC program, although it is too early to judge his performance.

(9) CATOMIC/43 is a 26-year old Latin American diplomat. A POA was granted in November 1971, and he was recruited in December. He is presently being trained against the Chilean target and debriefed on his contacts in the diplomatic community. He will be phased into Soviet access ops and used for spotting and assessing, in due course. At this point C/43 is viewed as a long-range CIA asset who has the potential to rise to a prominent position in his service and country. Meetings are held in outlying restaurants. He has an ops phone number for emergency contact.

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V. ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

Although Project CATOMIC is the funding mechanism for a basically operational program, three positive intelligence reports were forwarded to Headquarters during the first half of FY 72. Without drawing down on their level of activity against primary Soviet targets, CATOMIC agents have also contributed significantly to non-Soviet access operations. CATOMICS 27 and 32 are active against the Chinese primary target STMINQT/1. CATOMIC/32 has also been used against a primary Soviet target, AECHICHI. CATOMIC/43 continues to provide assessment data on members of the Chilean Embassy. CATOMIC/37 is in touch with LHNABOB, the East German primary target. CATOMICS 5, 6, 8, 14, 15, 19, 20, 22, 23, 33, 34, 35, 38, 40, and 41 have been active in spotting and assessing operations against Soviet targets. CATOMICS 6, 12, 15, 17, 18, 22, 24, 25, 26, 27, 31, 32, 35, 36, 37, and 41 have been used in the first half of the year for Soviet tracking operations. CATOMIC/35 developed a sustained relationship with primary target AEWILLET. In addition, CATOMICS 21, 26 and 27 had one-time contact with AEWILLET. AEWILLET attempted to become intimate with CATOMIC/22 until we instructed her to break contact. CATOMIC/6 has a meaningful relationship with primary target AETOWHEE; they meet regularly. CATOMIC/14 knows a primary TORADIUS target, AEWARBLER; they also have frequent meetings. CATOMIC/19 has a deep and extremely complex relationship with primary target AERAVERN. CATOMIC/20 also knows AERAVERN well. In summary, although the project year still has five months to go, we feel we are well on the way to accomplishing our goals of recruiting quality agents and putting them in touch with our primary targets.

VI. PROBLEMS:

There were no problems during the first half of the project year.

VII. COORDINATION:

Not applicable.

VIII. FUTURE PLANS:

We will continue to spot, recruit, train and test new assets while terminating those who are unsuccessful, as we move toward our previously stated goal of forty fully qualified, fully responsive CATOMIC agents. We anticipate a unit cost of approximately salary and operational expenses, for those CATOMIC agents who will receive compensation under the project, and anticipate a unit cost of approximately \$500 for the operational expenses of those CATOMIC agents who receive no salaries.

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IX. COSTS:

The estimated cost for Project CATOMIC for FY 73 and FY 74 is itemized as follows:

	<u>FY 72</u>	<u>FY 73</u>	<u>FY 74</u>	<u>FY 75</u>
<u>CATOMIC/5</u>				
Salary	[ 500 ]	[ 500 ]		
Ops Expenses				
TOTAL	[ 500 ]	[ 500 ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/6</u>				
Salary	[ 600 ]	[ 600 ]		
Ops Expenses				
TOTAL	[ 600 ]	[ 600 ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/8</u>				
Salary	[ 400 ]	[ 400 ]		
Ops Expenses				
TOTALS	[ 400 ]	[ 400 ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/10</u>				
Salary	[ 400 ]			
Ops Expenses				
TOTAL	[ 400 ]	TERMINATED		
<u>CATOMIC/12</u>				
Salary	[ 400 ]			
Ops Expenses				
TOTAL	[ 400 ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/13</u>				
		NOT ACTIVE		
<u>CATOMIC/14</u>				
Salary	[ 600 ]			
Ops Expenses				
TOTAL	[ 600 ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/15</u>				
Salary	[ 500 ]	[ 500 ]		
Ops Expenses				
TOTAL	[ 500 ]	[ 500 ]	[ ]	[ ]

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	<u>FY 72</u>	<u>FY 73</u>	<u>FY 74</u>	<u>FY 75</u>
<u>CATOMIC/17</u>				
Salary	[ 300 ]	[ 300 ]	[ ]	[ ]
Ops Expenses	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/18</u>				
Salary	[ 100 ]	[ 100 ]	[ ]	[ ]
Ops Expenses	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/19</u>				
Salary	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
Ops Expenses	[ 600 ]	[ 1,200 ]	[ ]	[ ]
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/20</u>				
Salary	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
Ops Expenses	[ ]	[ 200 ]	[ ]	[ ]
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/21</u>				
Salary				
Ops Expenses	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200
TOTAL	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200
<u>CATOMIC/22</u>				
Salary	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
Ops Expenses	[ 600 ]	[ 100 ]	[ ]	[ ]
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/23</u>				
Salary	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
Ops Expenses	[ 400 ]	[ 400 ]	[ ]	[ ]
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/24</u>				
Salary	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
Ops Expenses	[ 300 ]	[ 300 ]	[ ]	[ ]
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]

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	<u>FY 72</u>	<u>FY 73</u>	<u>FY 74</u>	<u>FY 75</u>
<u>CATOMIC/25</u>				
Salary	[ 300 ]	[ 300 ]	[ ]	[ ]
Ops Expenses	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/26</u>				
Salary	[ 300 ]			
Ops Expenses	[ ]			
TOTAL	[ ]			
				NOT ACTIVE
<u>CATOMIC/27</u>				
Salary	[ 400 ]	[ 400 ]	[ ]	[ ]
Ops Expenses	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/28</u>				
Salary				
Ops Expenses	\$ 400			
TOTAL	\$ 400			
				TERMINATED
<u>CATOMIC/31</u>				
Salary				
Ops Expenses	\$ 200	\$ 300		
TOTAL	\$ 200	\$ 300	\$ 300	\$ 300
<u>CATOMIC/32</u>				
Salary	[ 100 ]	[ 400 ]	[ ]	[ ]
Ops Expenses	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/33</u>				
Salary	[ 500 ]	[ 300 ]	[ ]	[ ]
Ops Expenses	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/34</u>				
Salary	[ 400 ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
Ops Expenses	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/35</u>				
Salary	[ 500 ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
Ops Expenses	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]

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	<u>FY 72</u>	<u>FY 73</u>	<u>FY 74</u>	<u>FY 75</u>
<u>CATOMIC/36</u>				
Salary	\$ [ ]	[ ]		
Ops Expenses	200	200		
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/37</u>				
Salary	[ ]	[ ]		
Ops Expenses	100	200		
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/38</u>				
Salary	[ ]	[ ]		
Ops Expenses	200	300		
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/40</u>				
Salary	[ ]	[ ]		
Ops Expenses	100	300		
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
<u>CATOMIC/41</u>				
Salary				
Ops Expenses	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200
TOTAL	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200	\$ 200
<u>CATOMIC/42</u>				
Salary				
Ops Expenses	\$ 100	\$ 300	\$ 300	\$ 300
TOTAL	\$ 100	\$ 300	\$ 300	\$ 300
<u>CATOMIC/43</u>				
Salary	[ ]	[ ]		
Ops Expenses	300	300		
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
TOTAL	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
Salaries & Ops Expenses for Recruited Agents	[ ]			[ ]

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	<u>FY 72</u>	<u>FY 73</u>	<u>FY 74</u>	<u>FY 75</u>
Developmental and new Recruitments	[	]C	]C	]C
GRAND TOTAL	[	]C	]C	]C

<sup>1</sup>Represents funds for 5 1/2 months left in FY 72.

X. FOREIGN CURRENCY:

No special need for foreign currency exists which [ ] cannot supply through its normal mechanisms.

XI. COMMITMENTS:

No special commitments have been made.

XII. SOURCE OF FUNDS:

Current operating European Division program has programmed [ ] for CATOMIC in FY 73 and [ ] or CATOMIC in FY 74.

XIII. ACCOUNTABILITY:

Funds cited for the CATOMIC Project will be expended in accordance with agency regulations and will be accounted for on the monthly [ ] accountings.

XIV. ANNEXES:

None.

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CATOMIC Production Review  
1 July 1971 - 30 March 1972

1. During the review period, the positive intelligence production of Project CATOMIC, admittedly a by-product of this operational program aimed at developing access to MHHARSH officials, was undistinguished. Four CATOMIC assets provided information for six field information reports. Although four of these were disseminated by Headquarters, their contribution was marginal.

2. CATOMIC-14 reported remarks of CDU Chairman Barzel of uncertain authenticity; the context in which the remarks were made was not clear. Although an interesting beginning effort, it was not a persuasive political account. The private remarks of a Soviet journalist stationed in Bonn were also reported by CATOMIC-14. SB Division found the report lacking in positive intelligence significance and it was not disseminated.

3. CATOMIC-19 provided information for two reports. One warned of the then impending removal from office of the Iranian Foreign Minister Zahedi; NE Division published the report and later advised that the event took place. Forewarning of Chancellor Brandt's visit to Teheran was the substance of CATOMIC-19's second report. This was not disseminated because of Headquarters' low opinion of CATOMIC-19's reliability. Nevertheless, LNCUFF was advised officially by the FRG of the impending visit about one week after this information was obtained, well in advance of the Brandt trip. CATOMIC-19 would appear to be better than we thought, but he has no regular access to important data.

4. Comments of Arab representatives on the slow pace in developments in West German - Arab States relations were reported by CATOMIC-33. This report was disseminated at Headquarters, but it was considered to be of only routine background interest. While it probably accurately reflected the well-known hesitant position of Iraq in the question of a resumption of diplomatic relations with the FRG, the reported estimate of the adverse effect of the Brandt visit to Israel on FRG-Arab relations appears to have been exaggerated.

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5. CATOMIC-38 supplied information on the characteristics of the Soviet parametric amplifier used at Nancy, France. The report described an earlier stage in Soviet technology and was of no value from a scientific intelligence standpoint. The report was published, however, as an indication of the marginal Soviet input in the context of Soviet-Franco S & T cooperation.

6. CATOMIC coverage is not impressive by any standard. The level of contact appears to be too low to afford insights into Soviet political activity comparable to those provided by well-placed MHRUSH assets who have meaningful access to MHHARSHERS or their FRG interlocutors. Barring the acquisition of CATOMIC assets to whom MHHARSH contacts might confide important information, or the recruitment of some MHHARSH personality worth debriefing, it appears the prospects for useful intelligence from the CATOMIC program are not promising.

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