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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY  
Geography Division, ORR

Project Initiation Memorandum

To: Chief, Geographic Research

Project No.: 60.1801

From: Chief, Geography Division

Date: 8 September 1959

1. Subject of Proposed Project: Assistance on Boundary Inventory Program, Department of State.
2. Statement of Problem: At the recommendation of the Bureau of the Budget, the Office of the Geographer, Department of State, will maintain an inventory file of information on all international boundaries. To assist in the establishment of the inventory, the Geography Division has been requested to furnish brief analyses of the significant problems associated with boundaries within or touching upon the Sino-Soviet Bloc. Cartographic illustrations will be included where essential for clarification. A break-down of the boundaries involved, and the D/GG Branch having responsibility, is as follows:

Europe Branch

Albania-Greece	Rumania-Hungary
Albania-Yugoslavia	Rumania-Yugoslavia
Austria-Czechoslovakia	Hungary-Czechoslovakia
Austria-Hungary	Hungary-Yugoslavia
Bulgaria-Greece	Czechoslovakia-Germany
Bulgaria-Rumania	Czechoslovakia-Poland
Bulgaria-Yugoslavia	Poland-Germany
	East Germany-West Germany

Near East/Africa Branch

Bulgaria-Turkey	Soviet Union-Iran
Soviet Union-Afghanistan	Soviet Union-Turkey
	China-Afghanistan

USSR Branch

Soviet Union-Poland	Soviet Union-Estonia
Soviet Union-Rumania	Soviet Union-Finland
Soviet Union-Hungary	Soviet Union-Latvia
Soviet Union-Czechoslo- vakia	Soviet Union-Lithuania
Soviet Union-Korea	Soviet Union-Mongolia
Soviet Union-China	Soviet Union-Norway
	Soviet Union-Japan

Far East/Pacific Branch

Mongolia-China	China-Sikkim
China-Bhutan	China-Vietnam
China-Burma	Kashmir-Pakistan (special case)
China-Hong Kong	Kashmir-India (special case)
China-India	Kashmir-China
China-Korea	China-Tibet
China-Laos	North Korea-South Korea
China-Macao	North Vietnam-South Vietnam
China-Nepal	North Vietnam-Laos

3. Requester: G. Etzel Percy, IRC/GE, Department of State. (Letter of request attached)
4. Responsible Analyst and Branch: As above.
5. Kind and Extent of Cooperation Desired from:
  - a. Other Divisions of the G Area (include maps):  
As noted above.
  - b. D/GL Domestic Procurement:
  - c. Other parts of CIA:
  - d. Outside CIA:
6. Estimated Man Hours in D/GG: 1,000.
7. Probable Completion Date: February 1961. (Each Branch to maintain an average of one study per month until completion.)
8. Probable Form of Final Publication: CIA/RR G/E.
9. Recommendations Regarding Distribution of Finished Report: One copy only to requester, plus necessary file copies.

10. Coments:

Approved:

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