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MINUTES OF THE FORTIETH MEETING OF SUBCOMMITTEE
ON EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE PUBLICATIONS

29 November 1954

Present

Members: John Lacey, State
Richard Bauer, Army
Lt. Cdr. G.B. McKinney, Navy
[redacted] NSA
[redacted] NSA (for [redacted])
John Anderson, AEC (for Dr. Charles Reichardt)
[redacted] CIA
[redacted] CIA, Chairman

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Stewart Lester, State
[redacted] CIA
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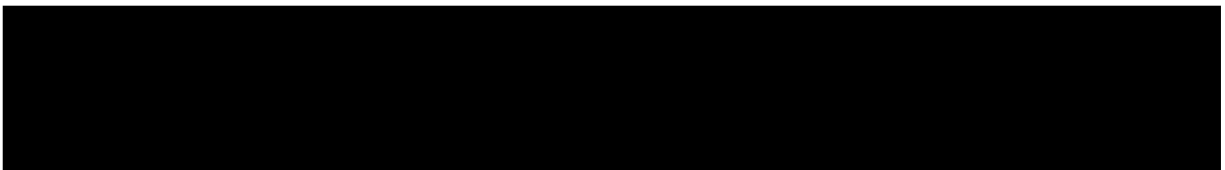
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1. The 40th meeting convened at 1400 hours and the minutes of the 39th meeting were approved.

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2. [redacted] Program

Mr. Lacey requested that the following rewording of FDD's proposed program would better suit State's needs:



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b. Item e "Social Problems": add to the provision "Social trends running along with or counter to traditionalism or occupational reforms."

c. Item f "Articles of Intellectuals": Change the priority of this category to "B." State would like to have more than the mere titles of articles by intellectuals. The report should also carry some annotation covering the scope and scholarship level of the articles. The Chairman stated that these changes would be made.

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The biographic coverage mentioned in the program is considered by State as of a very low priority and would like to see this give way to North Korean exploitation if and when sufficient material is available to require the manpower.

Army concurred in the program but desired that North Korean information found in satellite publications and normally reported in "Selected Briefs from the International Press" be also reported in the North Korean section of the [REDACTED] report.

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Navy concurred with Army and would like to add "Information on naval units and seaborne trade - North Korea."

The Chairman stated this would be covered.

CIA concurred.

NSA concurred with Army.

The Chairman stated that since a majority desired it, FDD will report North Korean information in the [REDACTED] report whether or not it is also reported in "Selected Briefs from the International Press" pending a full review of this latter publication in January.

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3. Latin America Program

Mr. Lester stated that State would find the proposed report more useful if the following amendments were incorporated in the program:

- a. The report be published biweekly instead of monthly.
- b. Paragraph 2: Nicaragua, Honduras, Haiti, Panama, and El Salvador are omitted. When it is possible to cover more countries State would like these five added in the order stated.
- c. Paragraph 1d: Strike "from [REDACTED] only" and report from all sources.
- d. Paragraph 2c(4): Change to "any new party coalition information and/or operation."
- e. Paragraph 2c: Add a new item 7 "Church-State relations in Argentina."
- f. Paragraph 2d: Add Venezuela and Uruguay to the countries mentioned under "Organized Labor Development."
- g. Paragraph 3: Add "Electric power in Chile."

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The Chairman stated that FDD will incorporate all these suggested amendments.

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Army, Navy, NSA, and CIA concurred in the program.

✓ A compiled review of all the FDD scheduled reports including the amended Latin American report will be drawn up and circulated to the Subcommittee representatives when completed. ✓

4. Scientific Abstracting

The Chairman reviewed the Air Force proposal and requested comment on the two provisions; (1) that four journals now covered by commercial sources be discontinued from the abstracting program; and (2) that consideration be given to selective coverage rather than cover-to-cover abstracting.

State: Mr. Lacey stated that State has a limited interest in the subject and had no comment at this time.

Army: Mr. Bauer stated that consensus of opinion in the Technical Services showed a preference for selective abstracting. Signal Corps and Corps of Engineers had not replied as yet. Army agrees that journals handled in toto by Consultants Bureau should be dropped. Army will submit detailed statement by journals.

Navy: Lt. Cdr. McKinney stated that Navy has no objection to selective abstracting. Navy would like to see the abstract cards spaced so they could be cut to 3x5 in conformity with their filing system.

At this point a discussion was entered into on the subject of selective distribution. The Chairman stated that he believed it would be well for this Subcommittee to provide "dissemination" with a selected recommendation by recipient and see if only abstracts of the desired journals cannot be sent to each.

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NSA: ██████████ presented a lengthy list of journals for which NSA does not desire to receive abstracts.

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CIA: ██████████ stated that he felt discussion of the abstracting program was a bit premature at this time.

The Chairman stated that prior to the next meeting, FDD will endeavor to draw up a consolidated list of desires by each agency for abstract cards by journal.

5. The Chairman then noted that with the completion of Latin America, examination of needs in all areas and hence the basic initial program of the Subcommittee was finished. Accordingly the Subcommittee would now be entering its second phase of work - the review phase. Therefore, the next meeting would be set for January and the agenda would include the following two items which appear at this date to call for an early review:

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(a) Review of the FDD publication "Selected Briefs from the International Press"

(b) Review of the Exploitation Program for Scientific and Technical Publications.

The Chairman requested that each member be prepared to comment.

(a) Whether his Agency considers the emanating reports satisfactory or unsatisfactory.

(b) If unsatisfactory, what should be eliminated.

(c) What information is needed that is not being reported or covered adequately.

(d) Other improvements in the program or reports.

6. The meeting adjourned at 1530 hours. The next meeting will be held on Friday, 14 January 1955, in Room 2125 M Building at 1400 hours.

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