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SUBCOMMITTEE ON EXPLOITATION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGE PUBLICATIONS

I. PRESENT FDD PROGRAM FOR WESTERN EUROPE

The following is a description of the current FDD program for the exploitation of foreign language documents on Western Europe. This program is devised to meet the needs of the IAC agencies as previously expressed by their representatives on the Subcommittee for the Exploitation of Foreign Language Publications and as modified through subsequent operational liaison with IAC analysts.

The sources covered by the program include central and provincial newspapers of the respective countries of Western Europe; selected periodicals dealing with the subjects indicated; and selected monographs.

Results of the exploitation program are published in the following scheduled reports: Monthly Information Report on Western Europe and Weekly Index of [redacted]

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Items on Communist and Communist-front organizations, East-West travel and contacts, East-West trade, and international arms traffic are reported in the weekly Selected Briefs from the International Press.

These three reports are "UNCLASSIFIED" and marked "FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY."

1. Monthly Information Report on Western Europe

This report contains information in the following categories on Finland, Scandinavia, [redacted] Benelux, France, Switzerland, Austria, Italy, Spain, and Portugal, by countries.

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a. Foreign Affairs

(1) Position of public leaders and private groups on the European integration movement.

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(2) [redacted] development in foreign relations (expansion of diplomatic representation; foreign policy with respect to areas of intensive trade efforts, such as Latin America, the Near and Middle East).

(3) Spain's objective in Europe, Latin America, and Arab countries and its role in the Hispanidad and Mozarabidad.

(4) Important articles in responsible publications on any aspect of US-Portuguese relations.

b. Internal Affairs

(1) Calendar of the French National Assembly.

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- (2) Announcements of French government decrees.
- (3) French public polls.
- (4) Activities of North African nationalist groups in France.
- (5) Political and sociological developments of the new armed forces in
- (6) Local elections in states and Austrian provinces (only from local and Austrian newspapers respectively).
- (7) Ecclesia comments pointing up the Catholic Church's disagreement with Franco government policies.

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c. Organized Labor Activities

- (1) Policies, political action, strikes, petitions, educational program, strength, leadership, and finances of trade unions in Finland.
- (2) Cooperation between Communist, Socialist, and Catholic labor unions in France.

d. Biographic Information: Only diplomatic personnel changes of France and Benelux.

e. Military

- (1) Command changes and unit moves (army only) for Finland, Scandinavia, Benelux, France, Italy, and Portugal.
- (2) Biographic sketches concerning army officers of field grade and above, as well as promising lower-grade officers for Finland, Scandinavia, Benelux, France, Italy and Portugal.
- (3) Reaction to NATO activities appearing in provincial newspapers and newspapers published in Oslo, Fontainebleau, and Naples.
- (4) Graphic data on military installations in Scandinavia and Finland.
- (5) Arms production and inventories in Sweden.

f. Economic

- (1) Telecommunications.

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(2) Agreements and developments in international civil air transport.

(3) Specific industrial information on industries or processors whose products remain under control for export to the Soviet bloc (telecommunications and ship-building only); specifications of [redacted] chemical and petroleum processing machinery.

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(4) Specific financial information (domestic and foreign sales of precious metals; French investments in overseas territories, including French North Africa, [redacted] investors operating in Near East and Far East; development of [redacted] commercial banks since 1948 and the Federal Bank of Issue).

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g. Geographic information: escape and evasion data, particularly

(1) border data (crossings, boundaries, demarcations); and

(2) regulations covering entry and use of forests, preserves, and state lands.

2. Weekly Index of [redacted]

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This report, which will be issued in the FDD OO-W series, will index the content of [redacted] a Turin morning newspaper, published daily except Monday, and [redacted] published Monday afternoon in Turin. The index will list selected articles dealing with events of national and international importance, grouped under the major categories: political, domestic; foreign affairs; and economic, military, scientific, and sociological. It will not include articles by foreign correspondents.

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3. The following reports have been produced under the FDD Exploitation Program for Western Europe:

MONTHLY INFORMATION REPORT ON WESTERN EUROPE -- as of May 1955

		<u>Date Published</u>
No 1	Summary No 329	5 Jan 55
No 2	" No 371	3 Feb 55
No 3	" No 406	7 Mar 55
No 4	" No 441	1 Apr 55
No 5	" No 465	26 Apr 55
*No 6	" No 508	25 May 55

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as of 7 May 55

<u>OO-W No</u>	<u>Date Span</u>
30690	1-5 Jun 54
30703	6-13 Jun
30704	14-20 Jun
30748	21-27 Jun
30798	28 Jun - 4 Jul
30837	6-11 Jul
30884	12-18 Jul
30900	19-24 Jul
30906	25-31 Jul
30921	1-7 Aug
30942	8-17 Aug
30962	18-24 Aug
30974	24-29 Aug
30982	30 Aug - 5 Sep
30999	6-17 Sep
31016	20-24 Sep
31047	25 Sep-2 Oct
31065	3-9 Oct
31073	10-16 Oct
31082	17-22 Oct
31083	23-29 Oct
31093	30 Oct - 5 Nov
31099	6 - 12 Nov
31101	13-19 Nov
31105	20-26 Nov
31115	27 Nov - 3 Dec
31122	4-10 Dec
31126	11-15 Dec
31129	16-19 Dec
31134	20-28 Dec
31142	29 Dec-4 Jan 55
31145	4 - 11 Jan
31151	12 Jan-18 Jan
31163	18-25 Jan
31176	25 Jan-1 Feb
31183	8-10, 12-15 Feb
31191	11, 15-22 Feb
31210	22-1 Mar
31215	1-8 Mar
31224	8-15 Mar
31239	15-22 Mar
31251	22-26, 28, 29 Mar
31254	29 Mar- 5 Apr
31261	5-11 Apr
31283	12-23 Apr
31290	24-29 Apr
31294	30 Apr-7 May

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II. PROPOSED CHANGES IN THE FDD PROGRAM FOR WESTERN EUROPE

The following modifications of the current program are recommended as a result of comment from the substantive consumers of the information presented in the scheduled reports outlined above. These modifications will not affect the current work load against which full manpower available in FDD is applied for work on Western Europe, except for a portional reserve in some areas to support specific requests.

The subject categories are listed according to priority.

In view of the fact that many of the present requirements pertaining to Western European countries have not been productive, the following recommendations are made for a more effective reporting on these countries in lieu of the Monthly Information Report on Western Europe unless additional categories of requirements are received by FDD:

1. Reporting on a Continuous Basis

a. Communist and Communist-front activities, East-West travel and contacts, and East-West trade will be reported in the weekly Selected Briefs from the International Press.

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b. Foreign commercial and financial activities of [redacted] (including foreign policy, particularly with respect to areas of intensive trade efforts) will be reported bimonthly as an OO-W. X

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c. Trade-union activities in Finland will be reported bimonthly as an OO-W.

d. Cooperation between Communist, Socialist, and Catholic labor unions in France will be reported bimonthly as an OO-W.

e. Activities of North African nationalist groups in France will be reported in the Monthly Information Report on Africa.

f. French investments in French Africa will be reported in the Monthly Information Report on Africa.

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g. [redacted]
The index will list selected articles dealing with events of national and international importance, grouped under the major categories: political, domestic; foreign affairs; and economic, military, scientific, and sociological.

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to Weekly Index of [] The index will list selected articles dealing with events of national and international importance grouped under the major categories: foreign affairs, political (including announcements of French government decrees and calendar of French National Assembly), political parties, elections, personal cabinets of Ministers, military and economic (national problems, statistics, budgets, fiscal problems).

Public leaders & private groups in European Integration Movement
2. Ad hoc reporting.

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a. Information on local elections in [] and Austrian provinces. The collection of statistics on Italian shop steward elections has been discontinued as of 6 April 1955, on the advice of the primary requesters.

Geographic