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**BA-69** 25X1A6a

- Staff Housing

## Present Situation:

25X1A6a is a city of approximately 150,000 people located in a remote country almost entirely lacking in physical facilities for modern living or facilities for cultural enjoyment or recreation. 25X1A6a The streets of are unpaved. There are no central water or sewage systems as we know them. The best buildings which can be rented are considerably below the standards to which our personnel are accustomed. There is no central heating. The buildings are generally of weak wood frame with strew and mud walls and roofs. It is necessary to employ servents to keep the snow off the roofs in winter to prevent collapse from weight and softening of the mud from melting.

The present facilities are crowded. The personnel now required to work together under trying conditions are forced to live together in equally unsatisfactory circumstances.

At present there are 18 staff housing units under lease at an annual rental rate of \$15,635.

## Building Program:

The Department proposes to acquire a site and erect sufficient staff quarters to house the 25X1A6a American personnel. In view of the critical need in the acquire the site and complete the development work in fiscal year 1957. Funds for construction will be requested in 1958. It is estimated that construction costs will approximate \$200,000.

## Status of Project:

The FY 1957 request includes \$50,000 for a site and \$12,500 for architectural planning and development.

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