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8 May 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Operations School

FROM : Assistant for Headquarters Training

SUBJECT : Weekly Activities Report No. 19
1-7 May 1957

I. SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

Nothing to report.

II. OTHER ITEMS

Plans

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a. The trial run of "Defense Against Communist Interrogation" held on 29 April was not a success. Therefore, we have decided to revise our approach by limiting our efforts, for the present, to obtaining an interpretation of CIA's policy for personnel subject to capture. Once this is done, we feel that we shall be in a better position to decide what further action should be taken. At the 29 April meeting a working committee was formed to assist the instructors. The first meeting of this group has been set for 20 June.

b. The tenth running of the War Planning course is scheduled to commence on 13 May. There are eleven students enrolled. Although efforts have been made to enroll students from the operational components of DD/P, the enrollment for this running of the course still follows the pattern of previous classes in that all students represent planning staffs rather than operational branches.

This 10th course will be offered in a different fashion from heretofore. Although remaining a three-week course, the final four days will be devoted to a war planning problem on which the students will work as small committees. This has been made possible by the elimination of the four-day orientation at the outset of the course. Since war planners from WPD/PPC are now taking the QFC it is no longer necessary to use four days in orientation.

c. The Foreign Service Officer Orientation has been set for 12 through 17 June 1957.

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d. On 6 May 1957, [redacted] conferred with [redacted] of TSS regarding his interviews with and evaluation of a [redacted]. This conference was of special value because the case is used for illustration during the course.

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e. CE Operations No. 11 will meet on Monday, 13 May 1957. The CI Staff reports that there are some 44 applicants for the fifteen places in this course. The selection of students will be made later this week.

There has been some demand that the Counterespionage Operations Course continue during the summer. All such requests have been referred to the CI Staff. Despite representations by the Divisions the Staff is not satisfied that competent officers can be excused from their work to take training during the summer months when so many others are absent on annual and military leave. The CI Staff will attempt to get firm commitments from the Divisions and will then notify the Office of Training of the number requiring CEO and whether added runnings are justified.

Courses

f. CE Operations No. 10 ended on 3 May 1957. It had the maximum fifteen students representing four Area Divisions and the Security Office. One student (GS-7) was admitted to the course through administrative error. She will be considered an auditor, and no evaluation will be prepared. This was a satisfactory group, but their ability would be classified as low-medium. They were plodding rather than quick. A course report has been prepared.

g. Staybehind Operations Course No. 17 was completed on 3 May with five students in attendance.

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h. [redacted] briefed a [redacted] official on Agency concepts of Unconventional Warfare on 8 May.

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Related Activities

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i. [redacted] will be at [redacted] 8-9 May where she will give the lecture on liaison operations in the OFC.

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j. On 7 May [redacted] teamed up with [redacted], Chief of Operations of the [redacted] Branch, EE Division, in presenting an operation against a CP target to the students in the ACO Course.

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k. [redacted] together with [redacted] has been designated by DIR to represent the Office of Training in working with [redacted] Assistant Executive Officer, DD/P, in reviewing the treatment OTR gives to records procedures and operational reporting.

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III. PERSONNEL

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a. We are pleased to announce the assignment of [REDACTED] to our staff. [REDACTED] has been the Requirements Officer of the

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[REDACTED] WE Division, and will report for duty on 15 May. She will be an instructor and will assist [REDACTED]

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b. [REDACTED] is still on sick leave but our last report from her is that she expects to return next week.

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c. [REDACTED] is taking annual leave this week.

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