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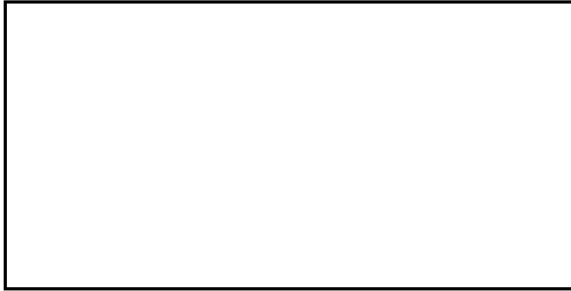
MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD:

29 Sep 66

SUBJECT: Minutes of the COINS/Soviet Personality Panel 26 Sep 66

1. The sixth meeting of the COINS/Soviet Personality Panel was held on 26 September 1966 at 1000 hours at CIA.

2. The following individuals were present:



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3. The minutes of the fifth meeting on 19 Sep 66 were read, corrected and approved. These minutes will now be published.

4. RESPONSIBILITY AND AUTHORITY - The PFIAB Recommendation No. 2 contained in White House Memorandum dated 15 June 1965 directed that the initial efforts of the Intelligence Community were to be directed towards the Soviet Biographic or Personality Problem. Therefore, one of the major objectives in the COINS Experiment is to develop a long range program for handling and mechanizing wherever practical the Soviet Biographic and Personality files in the Intelligence Community. This problem is very large, very complex and very parochial, and it will not be solved easily or quickly. Therefore, the total problem must be cut up into digestible chunks as it can not be digested all at once.

5. APPROACH - The Soviet Biographic and Personality Problem in the Intelligence Community requires a detailed study of four separate operations namely the sources, collection responsibilities and techniques, files, and the users and their requirements. The small set of files in the COINS Experiment will be used as the basis for conducting a study in each of the four areas previously mentioned and will enable the COINS Committee to:

- a. Uncover and identify the problems involved (e.g., Data standards, name variants, and variations, transliterations, etc.).
- b. Develop and recommend a coordinated, community-wide set of proposed solutions for handling each problem area.
- c. Initiate a pilot community-wide program to test the proposed solutions.

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d. Develop a set of tested procedures and mechanisms for studying the entire Soviet Biographic and Personality Problem in the Intelligence Community.

6. FOUR AREAS TO BE STUDIES

a. Source

(1) Categories of Sources - The sources of information exploited by the Intelligence Community can be conveniently divided into the following three categories with the majority of it being derived from the first two sources.

(a) Open Sources - Includes all those sources normally open to the general public, such as books, journals, magazines, newspapers, news dispatches, etc.

(b) Classified Sources - Includes all those sources of the Intelligence Community which are not normally available to the general public,

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(c) Sensitive Sources - Are those sources which are not widely distributed even within the Intelligence Community.

(2) Source Study Objectives - There are actually two reasons for examining source information:

(a) First, to determine the extent of duplication and if it is excessive, develop a plan to eliminate the unnecessary duplication in the future.

(b) Second, to determine if there are any gaps in our sources of information with respect to Soviet Biographic information and if there is, identify the void and develop a plan to cover it as quickly as possible.

b. Collection

(1) Responsibilities - This will be a study to identify collection responsibilities of each Agency and determine whether or not these responsibilities are being adequately met and if not making appropriate recommendation to see that they are adequately met.

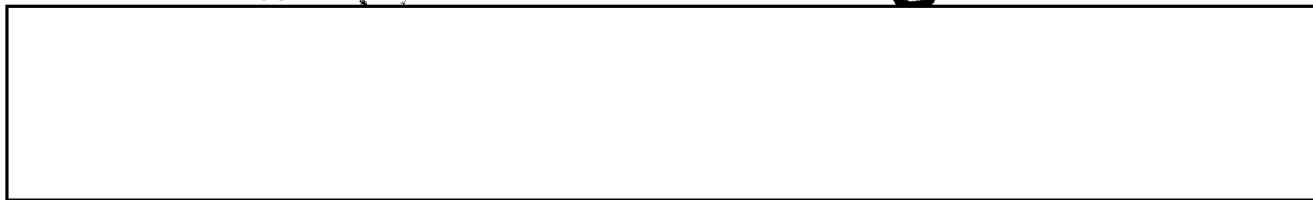
(2) Collection Procedures and Techniques

(a) Examine the collection requirements and procedures for each source indicating amount of control the Intelligence Community can exercise indirecting the collection effort (i.e., whether or not the effort can be directed.)

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11. [redacted] CIA, distributed copies of the occupational specialty codes used in the Biographic Register [redacted]

12. Next weeks meeting will be held at DIA at 1000 hours on 3 October 1966 and the agenda is as follows:

- a. Name Variations
- b. Military Rank Codes
- c. Military District Codes
- d. Military Service and Component Codes.

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