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Biographic Intelligence Service

1. Effective 1 July 1961, the Biographic Register (BR) of CIA's Office of Central Reference will assume the responsibility of providing information on foreign political, economic, sociological and cultural personalities in addition to its previously assigned responsibility under DCID 1/9 involving scientific and technical personalities. The newly assigned function is being assumed as a result of transfer of responsibility from the Division of Biographic Information (BI), Department of State. This places under one management responsibility for biographic support on all categories of personnel except military.
2. Until such time as the necessary facilities are provided in the new CIA building in Langley, Virginia (about December 1961), the new BR function will be directed by CIA personnel physically located in the Department of State, utilizing the former BI quarters.
3. Inasmuch as many State Department BI employees will remain with the Department, a period of several months will be required for CIA to recruit and train new personnel to build up the necessary staff. It will therefore be necessary for BR to temporarily curtail some services previously furnished. Every attempt will be made to answer priority requests as promptly as possible, but we seek your cooperation and understanding during the period of reorganization and expansion.


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