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SOURCE LINE W/M

Excerpt from Daily Log Notes - Chief, MOS

5. Wednesday, 10 August 1966
 (Lutz) Mrs. Dougall, saying she was from the Asian and Communist Affairs Office at State, called on 10 August and said that someone had told her to call MOS on a problem of how to tell the mode of transmission of certain FBIS copy. She had the idea that NCNA International Service items were voice and after I explained it to her she was quite unhappy. Seems she has been doing some sort of abstracting work with FBIS material and has been misinterpreting the sourcelines. Said she was very unhappy now that she has found she is wrong in some of the items she has processed. The particular item she called about yesterday was a wire item of TANYUG. Since all the sourceline is in uppercase on teletype copy, she was not sure whether it was voice or press. Also, "there are others in this office who are most of the time unsure as to the type of transmission the item has been culled out of and used in FBIS books." Said: "INR remains confused most of the time as to the transmission mode and tells us to call FBIS to clarify certain items, and it just takes everybody's time. Couldn't you put a "V" or a "P" for voice and press items in the sourceline so we could tell how it was broadcast?" Informed me that the parameters of dissemination was "very important where Chinese materials were concerned." I told her I would pass her plaintive plea along to others in FBIS.
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