

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : Chief, FBIS

DATE: 7 January 1965

FROM : Chief, Panama Bureau

SUBJECT: Monthly Progress Report - December 1964

GENERAL

- I. The Bureau was assigned the bulk of WCB's Latin American coverage, and its monitorial T/O was increased by two. Candidates [redacted] and [redacted], both of whom are completely bilingual and possess excellent qualifications, were to report for duty in early January. 50X1
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- II. Deputy Chief [redacted] arrived. 50X1
- III. USIS chief Carl Davis and his deputy, Harry Kendall, visited the Bureau. On their request copies of monitor's summaries of all Panamanian casts are mailed to USIS daily. 50X1
- IV. [redacted] visited the Bureau. 50X1
- V. The [redacted] were parents of a boy, [redacted] 50X1
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Attachments:

- Classified Personnel Report
- Foreign Personnel Report
- Operations Attachment
- Technical Attachment

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OPERATIONS ATTACHMENT - Panama Bureau - December 1964

I. Following is the net publishable wordage filed to Headquarters during the month of December, by country of origin. The slight reduction in the total reflects the usual Latin American preoccupation with the religious holiday.

Peru	58,070
Argentina	36,810
Panama	21,680
Colombia	14,510
Chile	11,430
Brazil	11,220
Costa Rica	6,530
Venezuela	6,380
Honduras	5,100
Ecuador	3,990
Bolivia	3,120
Uruguay	1,790
Nicaragua	1,390
Paraguay	530
Mexico	450
El Salvador	270
Guatemala	<u>240</u>

Total 183,510

II. The Bureau worked a Saturday and Sunday schedule in an attempt to arrive at the most comprehensive coverage from the combined West Coast-Panama lists. Except for AFP, Sunday monitoring was unproductive; with East Coast Bureau agreeing to cover AFP on Sunday, the Sunday shift was dropped. However, a full monitoring effort is made on Saturday: editors and teletype operators are on duty 2100-0530, monitors 1100-0530 GMT.

TECHNICAL ATTACHMENT - Panama Bureau - December 1964

- I. Reception from Brazil and Central South American was improved by the new Vee antenna. Mediumwave reception from Central American and Colombia was improved by use of Beverage Wave antenna.
- II. The Log periodic antenna was installed but the dialing direction is faulty and must be repaired.
- III. Cruising: Seven cruising reports were sent to 17 STAT news alerts were reported to editors from sources not on regular coverage.
- IV. No power or communication outages.