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Assistant Director for Operations

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Chief, IELD

Progress report for October 1949.

1. Since the beginning of the interim operation on China in September, the volume of material filed to Washington has steadily increased. Four thousand words daily of broadcast intercepts from China and Southeast Asia are being filed by teletype to Washington for dissemination.

2. IELD personnel have arrived in Bad Nauheim and Vienna to explore the possibility of supplementing present coverage of the Western Occupation Zones. A limited volume of press routing material has been received from Bad Nauheim since 21 October 1949. Physical facilities for the exploratory operation are being established in Vienna.

3. In accordance with a request from the Director, the following special reports were prepared for the White House:

a. "Foreign Radio Reactions to the President's Statement about an Atomic Explosion in the USSR." (Four reports)

b. "Foreign Radio Reactions to the House Hearings on the U.S. Armed Services Controversy." (One report)

In addition, the following reports were prepared for dissemination to the IAC agencies:

a. "Disproportionate Emphasis on Atom Bomb in Soviet Broadcasts to Turkey and Iran."

b. "The Communist Ken China Rem Agency's English Morse Transmissions to North America."

4. For the past four months IELD has furnished D/WB, OWS, material prepared by Information Services Branch, U.S. Section Allied Commission, Austria. This service has considerably augmented the present monitoring coverage of Western Zone German and Austrian transmitters. Since 24 October 1949 this information has been made available to all consumers by publishing it in the Daily Report.

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5. Biweekly publication in the weekly "Survey of USSR Radio Broadcasts" of statistics based on the application of quantitative content-analysis procedures to Soviet commentary subject matter has been temporarily discontinued pending revision of methods. It is estimated that regular publication of statistics will be reinstated during the month of December.

6. A daily average of 11,000 words was filed to the EBC during October.

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