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FBID Progress Report for March 1964

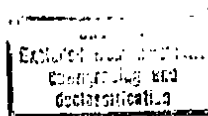
GENERAL

1. After a period of relative quiescence, the Cyprus situation again became extremely critical in the second week of March when widespread clashes between Greek and Turkish Cypriots brought a renewed threat of Turkish intervention. The crisis reached its peak on Friday, 13 March, and then began to subside with the arrival of the advance elements of the Canadian U.N. contingent. During the darkest period, the Sixth Fleet was again requested to move a ship within short steaming distance of the north coast to evacuate Mediterranean Bureau personnel if necessary.

Unfortunately, even with the arrival of the U.N. troops, a solution of the communal strife does not appear near, and FBIS is continuing to investigate alternate sites for Middle East monitoring, with primary attention directed toward establishing an emergency fallback area which would permit continued monitoring of Greece, Turkey, and Cyprus if the station at Karavas had to be evacuated. Initial contacts have been made with the U.K. High Commission in Cyprus to determine the possibility of moving to a British Sovereign Base area in such a situation. In addition, permission of the Israeli Government has been sought for an interim FBIS operation in Tel Aviv if necessary. If the Israelis approve, which seems likely, the equipment needed for the operation will be shipped from Cyprus for storage in Tel Aviv.

Meanwhile, Greece, Turkey, Italy, and Iran are being considered as possible alternate permanent sites for the Mediterranean Bureau. The American Embassy in Athens, however, has advised against an approach to the Greek Government at this time. No formal steps have been taken in regard to the other countries.

2. A cable to the American Embassy in Bangkok to confirm previous arrangements for establishing a Southeast Asian bureau there if it became necessary to evacuate Saigon brought a somewhat surprising negative response from U.S. Ambassador Martin. Reception surveys in 1955 and again in 1962 showed that Bangkok was an excellent location for Southeast Asia monitoring, and U.S. officials had agreed to furnish all the support necessary for an FBIS operation. Ambassador Martin, however, objects to increasing the size of the American official community, which now numbers 5,000, and foresees disapproval by the Thai Government. The



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Embassy response would not preclude an official request for relocating the bureau in Bangkok if an emergency situation threatened the loss of vital coverage. Baguio in the Philippines, where a reception survey was made in 1954, and Hong Kong also offer possibilities for Southeast Asian monitoring should FBIS be excluded from Bangkok. Fortunately, possible need for relocating the bureau has receded with an improvement in the Saigon security situation.

3. The opening of the Marcos Rodriquez Alfonso espionage trial in Havana elicited numerous requests for the fullest possible coverage. Tape recordings of the trial proceedings were supplied to the Department of State and USIA and selected videotapes were made available to OCR.

4. In response to an urgent weekend request, a memorandum was prepared and delivered to DIA by special messenger giving information on the location and current broadcasting schedules of North Vietnamese broadcasting stations.



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6. FBIS British, Austrian, and West German press reviews are now sent by special courier to the USIA to aid that agency in preparing a daily West European press review.

7. As an outgrowth of the Panama crisis, the Panama Bureau provided the Canal Zone Government with special compilations of items carried by Panamanian stations while in the government network and with special tape recordings. The bureau's contribution formed the basis of the U.S. Southern Command's presentation to the OAS.

8. Regular services initiated by FBIS field bureaus included the filing of all major Soviet statements on Vietnam to Saigon, all Soviet items on Panama to Panama, and all Peking voice items on the Congo to the American Embassies in Brussels and Leopoldville. In addition the Panama Bureau file is now being provided to the U.S. Army Security Agency in Fort Clayton and the Soviet Bloc Roundup and the Peking Press Review is being sent to the Army Attache at the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo.

9. During March 17 percent of the items appearing in the OCI Digest were based wholly or in part on material supplied by FBIS.

10. An RPB report entitled "Current Communist Comment on the Situation in South Vietnam" examined Moscow, Peking, and Hanoi reactions

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to speculation on expansion of the South Vietnam hostilities. Another, entitled "CPR Faces Problem of Dissidence Among Intellectuals," assembled evidence of heresies among Communist China's own scholars and writers which resemble the "distortions of Marxism-Leninism" that Peking imputes to Moscow. Report No. 13 on Cuban propaganda provided a collation of Cuban and Soviet leaders' statements on Guantanamo since Castro's taking power, with an introductory review of Cuban and Soviet stands on the issue.

11. Two Daily Report area supplements were published in March: a 9 March USSR/East Europe 62-page supplement contained Soviet Premier Khrushchev's 28 February report on agricultural production which was broadcast belatedly by Moscow, and a 40-page Far East supplement on 31 March contained the eighth Peking People's Daily-Red Flag article, criticizing Khrushchev and CPSU leaders, in the continuing series which began 6 September 1963.

12. FBIS and the Printing Services Division reached agreement on conversion to small-type offset printing for all Daily Reports by 1 August 1964, with the stipulation that page limitations will remain unchanged pending a full review of the situation six months after the conversion is completed. Meanwhile, Xeroxing of Latin America Daily Report mats to provide proofing copies has eliminated the problem of legibility experienced with carbon proofs of the small-type pages and has reduced proofing errors.

13. The Editorial Branch has established a file of all references to CIA by noncommunist radios to permit rapid response to requests for such material. The present "Copy to Liaison" flag required on all items mentioning CIA also serves as the key for collecting items for the new file.

14. Eighty-four percent of the Daily Report was devoted to broadcast materials and sixteen percent to press scrutiny.

15. FBIS and FDD have agreed on coordination procedures to minimize loss of coverage should the Mediterranean Bureau be forced to close down. FDD would immediately intensify its press scrutiny for those areas in which FBIS collection capability was reduced or eliminated, and FBIS would pass to FDD any requests for processing from consumers. FDD would adjust its distribution as necessary to meet FBIS consumer requirements.

16. Radio Moscow announced at month's end that it would soon introduce programs in Marathi and Malayalam, the former the chief Indic language of southern and eastern Bombay State and the latter the Dravidian language of Kerala in southern India. FBIS has no capability for coverage of these languages.

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17. FBIS has received a six-part study of high-frequency signal sources prepared for the Department of Defense by the Electronic Defense Laboratories. This study, the beginning of an experiment to locate signal sources within the Soviet Union, will make use of semiautomated direction finding equipment and computer analysis. FBIS program information will be used, as needed, to identify country origin of transmitters.

FACILITIES

18. As an economy measure, approval was granted for the African Bureau to increase its leased Lagos-London circuit to three hours daily Monday through Saturday when it became apparent that the cost of overruns of the two-hour period were exceeding the charges for an additional leased hour.

19. All components of the Transportable Monitoring Unit were tested and ancillary equipment was packed and stored aboard the unit in readiness for road tests or use in an emergency location.

20. The Army Signal Corps provided to the German Bureau without cost radioteletype monitoring equipment which will permit the bureau to print East German ADN transmissions for informational purposes.

21. The Mediterranean Bureau was supplied with a transceiver (fixed station) set and "walkie-talkie" equipment to augment emergency radio communications between the bureau and key personnel in Kyrenia.

22. The Saigon Bureau was allocated additional space in the Embassy Annex, providing a separate office for the bureau chief and adding a maintenance shop to bureau facilities.

23. Twelve houses being constructed in Kaduna for African Bureau local employees were in various stages of completion ranging from 10 to 75 percent at the beginning of the month.

ADMINISTRATION

24. discussed current aspects of Soviet military doctrine with members of the RPB staff during a weeklong visit to Washington for consultations with Agency personnel. Mr. Thomas Wolfe of the Rand Corporation participated in the discussion. Mr. Paul Borel, Assistant to the DD/I for Management, accompanied by the Chief, FBIS, visited FBIS headquarters and the East Coast Bureau for orientation; Mr. Norris E. Hammond, the Department of State Regional Communication Officer, Manila, visited the Tokyo and Okinawa Bureaus; and Mr. Leon Brantly and Mr. George Weld of ONI visited the Key West Bureau.

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25. During March no one entered on duty, no one transferred, and one employee was separated from FBIS. The on duty strength as of 31 March was There were eight professionals and five clericals in process during the month.

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26. The Office of General Counsel confirmed that employees assigned to the Canal Zone are eligible for home leave.

27. Effective 16 March 1964 the Engineering Staff was increased by three positions, a GS-14 Deputy Chief and GS-13 and GS-12 Engineers. A GS-9 Radio Operator, Panama Bureau; a GS-8 Radio Operator, East Coast Bureau; and a GS-7 Librarian, Editorial Branch, were eliminated from the T/O to compensate.

28. One Engineering position was transferred from the Mediterranean to the Austrian Bureau T/O.

29. During the month approval was granted to pay the school tuition cost for dependant children of foreign nationals at the Hokkaido Bureau.

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Attachments:

- Personnel Supplement
- Production Report
- Daily Report Wordage
- New Consumers
- Special Requirements



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PERSONNEL SUPPLEMENT TO MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

March 1964

1. Summary

<u>Number of Personnel</u>	<u>T/O</u>	<u>Ceiling</u>	<u>American</u>				<u>Promo- tions</u>	<u>Trans- ferred</u>	<u>Separated</u>	<u>Native</u>	
			<u>On Duty</u>	<u>In Process</u>	<u>Entered On Duty</u>	<u>On Duty</u>				<u>T/O</u>	<u>On Duty</u>

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* Includes one employee on Leave Without Pay

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2. Personnel Entering on Duty

None

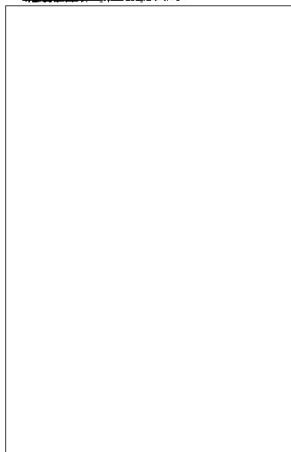
3. Promotions

<u>Name</u>	<u>Old Title, Grade Assignment</u>	<u>New Title, Grade Assignment</u>	<u>Date</u>
	Electron Eng(Radio), GS-12 East Coast Bureau	Electron Eng(Radio), GS-13 Engineering Staff	29 March 1964 50X1
	Secretary (Steno), GS-5 Editorial Branch	Secretary (Steno), GS-6 Editorial Branch	1 March 1964
	Electron Spec, GS-11 East Coast Bureau	Electron Eng(Radio), GS-12 Engineering Staff	29 March 1964
	Admin Officer, GS-10 Tokyo Bureau	Admin Officer, GS-11 Tokyo Bureau	29 March 1964
	Secretary (Typing), GS-5 Radio Propaganda Branch	Secretary (Typing), GS-6 Radio Propaganda Branch	15 March 1964

4. Reassignments

<u>Name</u>	<u>Old Title, Grade Assignment</u>	<u>New Title, Grade Assignment</u>	<u>Date</u>
	Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-13 Mediterranean Bureau	Publications Edit, GS-13 Editorial Branch	1 March 1964 50X1
	Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-10 Mediterranean Bureau	Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-10 Austrian Bureau	2 March 1964

Reassignments (Continued)



Electron Spec, GS-11 East Coast Bureau	Electron Spec, GS-11 Engineering Staff	29 March 1964	50X1
Info Sp(For Bdest), GS-9 Editorial Branch	Info Sp(For Bdest), GS-9 Panama Bureau	15 March 1964	
Info Sp(For Bdest), GS-11 Panama Bureau	Info Sp(For Bdest), GS-11 London Bureau	15 March 1964	
Info Sp(For Bdest), GS-11 Mediterranean Bureau	Info Sp(For Bdest), GS-11 Austrian Bureau	3 March 1964	
Info Sp(For Bdest), GS-8 Editorial Branch	Info Sp(For Bdest), GS-8 Mediterranean Bureau	15 March 1964	
Electron Spec, GS-11 Mediterranean Bureau	Electron Spec, GS-11 East Coast Bureau	1 March 1964	

5. Separations

<u>Name</u>	<u>Title, Grade, Assignment</u>	<u>Date</u>	
	Info Sp(For Bdest), GS-11 London Bureau (Death)	23 December 1963	50X1

6. OO Career Service Program

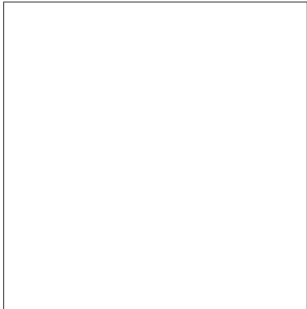
employees have been accepted for Career Staff Membership.

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7. Foreign Travel

<u>Name</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Duration</u>
	FBID West Coast, Saigon, Okinawa, Tokyo and Hokkaido Bureaus; Honolulu, Hawaii and Hong Kong, B.C.C.	29 February - 7 April 1964 50X1
	FBID Mediterranean and Austrian Bureaus	3 February - 21 March 1964
	Beirut, Lebanon	5 February - 5 March 1964
	FBID Mediterranean and London Bureaus	3 February - 20 April 1964
	FBID Austrian, German and London Bureaus	1 - 16 March 1964

8. Average T/O Grade: 9.95

Average On Duty Grade: 9.58

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1. Daily Average of Field Bureau Production, March 1964
(Average computed on basis of 5-day week)

FIELD BUREAU	MONITORED		WORDAGE FILED	WORDAGE DISSEMINATED**	ECONOMIC ABSTRACTS (No. Items)
	Voice	Press			
Africa	17.0	-	6,000	4,776	0
Austria	19.0	-	30,550*	28,965*	6
East Coast	27.2	228.4	23,800	16,482	0
German	10.3	-	19,296***	17,906****	0
Hokkaido	19.2	1.3	10,735	10,611	56
Key West	10.3	-	8,800	5,682	0
London	18.0	28.5	7,758	6,752	0
Mediterranean	28.0	24.0	6,500	2,940	1
Okinawa	58.9	50.1	38,900	31,012	6
Panama	26.6	29.0	8,300	4,936	0
Saigon	23.5	-	6,700*	6,320*	0
Tokyo	31.6	-	4,900	4,658	0
West Coast	<u>48.8</u>	<u>79.6</u>	<u>21,340</u>	<u>18,364</u>	<u>3</u>
Total FBIS	333.4	440.9	193,579	159,404	72
BBC:					
Caversham	156.0	129.5	60,719	53,245	32
Nairobi	11.5	-	4,691	4,349	0
Stockholm/Teheran	<u>11.0</u>	-	<u>xxx</u>	<u>xxx</u>	<u>0</u>
Total BBC	<u>178.5</u>	<u>129.5</u>	<u>65,410</u>	<u>57,594</u>	<u>32</u>
Grand TOTAL (FBIS-BBC)	<u>511.9</u>	<u>570.4</u>	<u>258,989</u>	<u>216,998</u>	<u>104</u>

A daily average of 128,948 words were filed to BBC.

* Includes Press Scrutiny.

** Includes DAILY REPORT, Wire Service, and miscellaneous publications.

*** Included in Caversham file.

**** Includes 4,500 words for "Weekly Report on East German Press".

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DAILY REPORT WORDAGE FOR MARCH 1964

<u>DAILY REPORT BOOK</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>AVERAGE</u>
USSR/EE	1,042,800*	47,400 (22 publication days)
Far East	830,280**	37,740 " " "
ME/AF/WE	686,840	31,220 " " "
Latin America	306,350***	13,925 " " "

Total Wordage for All Sections 2,866,270
 Total Daily Average 130,285
 Total Wire Service Wordage 774,101
 Wire Service Daily Average 24,971

*Includes 27,280 word USSR/EE Supplement
 **Includes 17,600 word Far East Supplement
 ***Entire Latin American book produced by the 14-pitch typewriter pilot project

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NEW CONSUMERS FOR FBIS PUBLICATIONS

March 1964

<u>PUBLICATION</u>	<u>CONSUMER</u>	<u>TITLE OR ORGANIZATION</u>
<u>Middle East, Africa West Europe DR</u>	Richard Mendosa	AID
<u>USSR & EE DR</u>	Paul Smith, USRO	State
<u>Latin America DR</u>	Chile Desk LA/WC	AID
<u>Trends & Highlights</u>	Nicosia, Cyprus	USIS
	Nicosia, Cyprus	FBIS
<u>Surveys of Bloc Broadcasts</u>	Nicosia, Cyprus	USIS
<u>Radio Propaganda Reports</u>	Nicosia, Cyprus	FBIS
<u>Station and Program Notes</u>	Dr. Albert Frost	Institute for Defense Analyses Advanced Research Projects Agency
<u>Program Schedules Communist</u>	Dr. Albert Frost	Institute for Defense Analyses Advanced Research Projects Agency

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SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS CONTROL

CONTROL NO.	REQUESTING OFFICE	DATE RECEIVED	ACTION DESK	DESCRIPTION	DATE COMPLETED	REMARKS
R-33-64	DIA	1 Mar	BIS	Technical broadcast info, including asp coordinates of DEV transmitters	1 Mar	Forwarded to special DIA courier to DIA recipient
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R-34-64	NSRAD	4 Mar	LQR	Info re Soviet space flights to moon	4 Mar	Info phoned via "Washington Switch" to NSRAD, Colorado Springs
CR-36-64	USIA	6 Mar	ECB Vienna Fkt	British, Austrian, West German press reviews	6 Mar	Flagged "Copy to Liaison"; picked up daily by USIA courier
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R-38-64	USIA	9 Mar	Key West	Request for original Spanish from Cuban cast for use in VOA rebroadcast	9 Mar	Material passed by courier to USIA L/A Press Section
R-39-64	OCI	27 Feb	London	Survey of broadcast or press references to Oswald before Kennedy assassination	10 Mar	Bureau canvass unproductive; negative report relayed to requestor
R-40-64	LOC	10 Mar	LQR	Loan of 1959-64 series of supplements to Library of Congress for microfilming	12 Mar	Material picked up and returned by Mr. Wisdom, LOC, per agreement
CR-41-64	EdRr	26 Feb	LQR	Distribution of D/R discards of Ulan Sator UNEN Press Reviews	10 Mar	Reviews relayed by D/R PE Section to CGS and FDD
R-42-64	State	10 Mar	LQR	Request for 8 March speech text of Zanzibar President Karuse	11 Mar	London queried; supplied excerpts acceptable to State requestor

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R-43-64	State	12 Mar	LJR	Reiterates urgent need for Sihanouk speech material, particularly text of key subject passages	12 Mar	Saigon Bureau advised by srv msg.
R-44-64	FCC	12 Mar	BIS	Request for info on transmitters in central and northern L/A in connection with "clear channel" interference study	15 Mar	Material assembled and relayed by courier
R-45-64	CGS	15 Mar	BIS	Info on DRV radio setup	15 Mar	Material assembled and relayed to CGS requestor
R-46-64	State	17 Mar	London MedSur	Soviet and clandestine broadcast comment on new Iranian Gov't and mid-April U.S. Iranian military maneuvers wirefiled to AmEmb/Teheran	17 Mar	Srv/msg to London and MedSur requesting 30-day service
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R-48-64	OCI	18 Mar	Fkt	Request for a copy of the Hamburg paper Echo Am Abend	25 Mar	Srv/msg to German Bureau; copy relayed to OCI requestor
R-49-64	OCI	19 Mar	OCB Panama	Request for text of all speeches by Brazilian leaders Goulart, Arraes, and Leonso Brizola for 30-day period	18 Apr	Srv/msg to field bureaus requesting service
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R-52-64	State	25 Mar	ECB WCB Panama KyWest	L/A reaction to U.S. aid program, U.N. Trade Conference at Geneva	---	Wire targets sent to select field bureaus
R-53-64	OCI	25 Mar	London	Request for full processing of three Voice of Arab Nations commentaries	26 Mar	Texts supplied by London and passed by courier to requestor
R-54-64	OCR	27 Mar	BIS	Info on television films from Southeast Asia	---	Info collected and relayed by BIS to requestor
R-55-64	USIA State	26 Mar	KyWest ECB	Audio tapes of Marcos Rodriguez Alfonso trial proceedings	---	Tapes supplied by field loaned to USIA and State for dubbing
R-56-64	ORR	27 Mar	London	Info concerning new Soviet Drift Station 13	30 Mar	Info supplied by London and relayed by courier to ORR
R-57-64	OCI	30 Mar	London	Request for more frequent service of Voice of Arab Nations program summaries	31 Mar	London advises summaries to be air mailed four or five times weekly