

MNC-3055  
1 September 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS  
 THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group  
 SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Nicosia Bureau--August 1983

## I. GENERAL

Events in Lebanon continued to figure prominently in the bureau's workload during the month, due largely to the tension surrounding the imminent Israeli redeployment, the surprise visit to Beirut of Israeli Defense Minister Arens, and the intensive shelling of Beirut airport. Even Cyprus had an opportunity to play a minor role in the crisis when the Lebanese Army organized an airlift between Larnaca and Beirut to ferry Lebanese citizens stranded as a result of the closure of the airport.

The Voice of Palestine was monitored at the bureau on 2 August for the first time in nearly a year after going off the air following the Palestinian evacuation from Beirut. The station, which is believed to be located in Tripoli, Lebanon, broadcasts two 2-hour casts daily. The bureau added these casts to regular coverage on 10 August.

## II. OPERATIONS

## A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. Regular coverage of Cairo Television from our recording site in Limassol was suspended on 17 August following a survey that showed the monitoring of the television on a delayed basis to be unproductive. However, the bureau will continue to maintain its recording site in order to monitor Cairo Television on an ad hoc basis and to enhance our access to Egyptian media in a crisis.

2. The bureau resumed coverage of Moscow Persian and Radio Nejat-e Iran casts on 30 August following our Persian monitor's return from leave. On the 31st, we resumed coverage of the Turkish press following our press monitor's return to duty.

## III. ADMINISTRATION

## A. Personnel

1. B&F Chief [redacted] TDY'ed at the bureau 4-10 August.
2. Regional engineer [redacted] visited Tel Aviv Bureau 16-18 August to interview candidates for the engineering vacancy there.

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3. Cruising monitor [redacted] conducted a cruising survey from Gulf Bureau during his 18-27 August TDY. STAT

4. Former FBIS editor [redacted] stopped by the bureau on 25 August to renew old acquaintances. STAT

5. Editor [redacted] concluded a lengthy TDY at Nicosia Bureau on the 27th and departed for her new assignment in Amman. STAT

6. Deputy Chief [redacted] took R&R leave 1-14 August. STAT

B. Engineering

1. The bureau's emergency power system was given an unexpected test on the 18th when a local brownout in Nicosia momentarily cut off the electricity supply. Fortunately, the emergency generator activated instantly with virtually no interruption to the bureau's power supply. The brownout did, however, create some temporary communications problems due to technical difficulties [redacted] STAT

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Acting Chief  
FBIS Nicosia Bureau

Attachment

A. Production Report

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NICOSIA BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR AUGUST 1983

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:  
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TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	475,200
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	155,200
(WIREFILED PROGRAM SUMMARIES	104,100)
(FYI'S, ADMINS, SVC., CRUISING, ETC.	51,100)
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	1,537

BROAD-CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI-CATIONS
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II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:  
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(MINUTES OR ISSUES PER WEEK)

11,995	21,420	152
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III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:  
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(PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

CHINA  
BEIJING IN  
    PERSIAN TO IRAN AND AFGHANISTAN           0

CLANDESTINE (LEVANT)  
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF ARAB LEBANON IN  
    ARABIC                                   10,500  
(CLANDESTINE) RADIO FREE LEBANON IN  
    ARABIC                                   11,100  
(CLANDESTINE) RADIO FREE LEBANON IN  
    ENGLISH                                   300  
CLANDESTINE (IRAN&IRAQ)  
(CLANDESTINE) RADIO NEJAT-E IRAN IN  
    PERSIAN                                   1,400

## CYPRUS

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NICOSIA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ENGLISH	0
NICOSIA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN GREEK	16,000
NICOSIA DOMESTIC TELEVISION SERVICE IN GREEK	500
NICOSIA CYPRUS MAIL IN ENGLISH	1,000
NICOSIA I ALITHIA IN GREEK	300
NICOSIA I ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN GREEK	800
NICOSIA I ELEUTHEROTIPIA TIS DHEFTERAS IN GREEK	600
NICOSIA I SIMERINI IN GREEK	3,800
NICOSIA I SIMERINI TIS DHEUTERAS IN GREEK	2,600
NICOSIA KHARAVYI IN GREEK	1,300
NICOSIA KHARAVYI TIS DHEUTERAS IN GREEK	0
NICOSIA O AGON IN GREEK	6,600
NICOSIA O AGON TIS DHEUTERAS IN GREEK	600
NICOSIA O FILELEUTHEROS IN GREEK	2,800
NICOSIA O FILELEUTHEROS TIS DHEUTERAS IN GREEK	0
NICOSIA PRESS AND INFORMATION OFFICE IN ENGLISH	200
NICOSIA PRESS AND INFORMATION OFFICE IN GREEK	0
NICOSIA TA NEA IN GREEK	800

## EGYPT

CAIRO DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC	24,000
CAIRO PALESTINE RADIO IN ARABIC	0
CAIRO MENA IN ARABIC	35,800
CAIRO MENA IN ENGLISH	15,200

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## FRANCE

PARIS AFP IN  
ENGLISH

57,400

## GREECE

ATHENS DOMESTIC SERVICE IN

GREEK

17,700

ATHENS AKROPOLIS IN

GREEK

1,200

ATHENS ATHENS NEWS IN

ENGLISH

1,300

ATHENS ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN

GREEK

1,800

ATHENS EXORMISI IN

GREEK

2,000

ATHENS I AUYI IN

GREEK

400

ATHENS I KATHIMERINI IN

GREEK

1,300

ATHENS KIRIAKATI KI ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN

GREEK

0

ATHENS MESIMURINI IN

GREEK

4,300

ATHENS NEA PORIA IN

GREEK

0

ATHENS RIZOSPASTIS IN

GREEK

3,000

ATHENS TO VINA TIS KIRIAKIS IN

GREEK

0

## IRAQ

BAGHDAD IN

PERSIAN TO IRAN

900

## LEBANON

BEIRUT DOMESTIC SERVICE IN

ARABIC

121,500

BEIRUT DOMESTIC TELEVISION SERVICE IN

ARABIC

1,600

BEIRUT VOICE OF LEBANON IN

ARABIC

69,100

INDIN RADIO

LEBANON IN

ARABIC	10.600	
NORTH LEBANON VOICE OF PALESTINE IN		
ARABIC	32.500	
BEIRUT AL-BAYRAQ IN		
ARABIC		400
BEIRUT AN-NAHAR IN		
ARABIC		0
BEIRUT AS-SAFIR IN		
ARABIC		4.500
BEIRUT MONDAY MORNING IN		
ENGLISH		2.700

LIBYA

TRIPOLI DOMESTIC SERVICE IN  
ARABIC

0

TURKEY

ANKARA YANKI IN

TURKISH

0

ISTANBUL CUMHURIYET IN

TURKISH

0

ISTANBUL DUNYA IN

TURKISH

0

ISTANBUL GUNAYDIN IN

TURKISH

0

ISTANBUL HURRIYET IN

TURKISH

0

ISTANBUL MILLIYET IN

TURKISH

0

ISTANBUL TERCUMAN IN

TURKISH

0

UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC

MOSCOW IN

GREEK TO CYPRUS

1.700

MOSCOW IN

PERSIAN TO IRAN

3.100