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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service
THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group
SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Jordan Bureau--August 1985

I. GENERAL

The whirlwind visits of Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs Richard Murphy on 13-15 August, and again on 17-18 August after stops in Tel Aviv and Cairo, kept all in the embassy hopping. The continuing high level of interest in all permutations of the Mideast "peace process," particularly as concerns Jordan and the Palestinians, was again brought to the fore.

II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. The Iraqi Air Force claimed it "completely destroyed" Iran's oil terminal on Khark Island during a 15 August raid. The claim was called into question by the Iraqis themselves when they followed up with two subsequent bombing attacks which, according to Baghdad's Voice of the Masses radio, were meant to obstruct efforts to repair the damage caused by the first raid.

2. According to the Beirut newspaper AL-SHARQ, cited by Radio Monte Carlo, the Syrian, Iranian and Libyan foreign ministers discussed possible purchases of nuclear weapons "to confront the Israeli nuclear threat." This came in the joint statement issued after the 24-25 August meetings in Damascus.

3. Information copies of the bureau's list of agreed translations of terminology used in Iraqi military communiques were pouched to NEAD, Gulf and London Bureaus.

B. Special Services

1. Bureau Technician [] replaced the printer on the ponyline to the embassy Political Section with a modified one to handle five-ply paper to meet the greater demands during Secretary Murphy's visit. The extra copies of incoming material were given to the Murphy delegation for briefing packages.

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C. Technical

STAT Bureau received one IBM PC system, with related software and two Epson printers. The system was set up, tested and adjusted by [redacted] Bureau will be borrowing another IBM system from an AID officer so we will have the requisite number for the computer training by CRW contractor scheduled to begin on 15 September.

III. ADMINISTRATION

Personnel

STAT Electronic Technician [redacted] received a PSI effective 4 August, to FBN 9/10.

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Chief, Jordan Bureau

Att: Monthly Production Report

JORDAN BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR AUGUST 1985

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	156,750
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	35,850
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	632

II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:	BROAD-CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI-CATIONS
----- (MINUTES OR ISSUES PER WEEK)	6320	13470	73

III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:

(PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)

CLANDESTINE (IRAN AND IRAQ)			
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI KURDISTAN IN ARABIC	0		
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF IRAQI REVOLUTION IN ARABIC	0		
BAHRAIN			
MANAMA WAKH IN ARABIC		0	
FRANCE			
PARIS RADIO MONTE CARLO IN ARABIC	3250		
PARIS AL-MUSTAQBAL IN ARABIC			230
PARIS AL-NATAN AL-'ARABI IN ARABIC			3340
IRAQ			
BAGHDAD VOICE OF THE MASSES IN ARABIC	18660		
BAGHDAD VOICE OF PLO IN ARABIC	11300		
BAGHDAD DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC	1530		
BAGHDAD INA IN ARABIC		17750	
BAGHDAD INA IN ENGLISH		140	
BAGHDAD AL-JUMHURIYAH IN ARABIC			0
BAGHDAD AL-THANRAH IN ARABIC			0
ISRAEL			
JERUSALEM IN ARABIC TO THE ARAB WORLD	2500		
JERUSALEM AL-FAJR IN ARABIC			1340

JERUSALEM AL-MITHAQ IN ARABIC		330
JERUSALEM AL-QUBS IN ARABIC		660
JERUSALEM AL-SHA'B IN ARABIC		300
JERUSALEM AL-TALI'AH IN ARABIC		0
JORDAN		
AMMAN DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC	12120	
AMMAN TELEVISION SERVICE IN ARABIC	4760	
AMMAN TELEVISION SERVICE IN ENGLISH	200	
AMMAN PETRA-JNA IN ARABIC		1400
AMMAN AL-BUSTUR IN ARABIC		2560
AMMAN AKHDAR AL-USBU' IN ARABIC		0
AMMAN AL-RA'Y IN ARABIC		4560
AMMAN THE JERUSALEM STAR IN ENGLISH		480
AMMAN JORDAN TIMES IN ENGLISH		3090
AMMAN SAHT AL-SHA' B IN ARABIC		1360
LEBANON		
NARJ 'UYUN LEBANON VOICE OF HOPE IN ARABIC	2190	
SUDAN		
KHARTOUM SUNA IN ARABIC		12410
KHARTOUM SUNA IN ENGLISH		13470
SYRIA		
DAMASCUS DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC	25210	
DAMASCUS TELEVISION SERVICE IN ARABIC	3870	
DAMASCUS SANA IN ARABIC		7640