

MNC-5110
4 March 1985

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service
 THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group
 SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Nicosia Bureau--February

I. GENERAL

A. Negotiations with the Archbishop of Cyprus for a four-acre plot of land for the new Nicosia Bureau were completed. This site, located on the western fringe of Nicosia, near the old airport, will be leased for 99 years. Formal signing of the lease is expected to occur in March, after both parties have approved the draft.

STAT B. Deputy Chief [] and Chief Arabic Monitor [] traveled to Cairo the week of 4 February to interview applicants for vacancies in the bureau's Arabic monitoring section. Eighteen candidates, selected from nearly 300 applications received in response to advertisements placed in the Cairo press, were interviewed and tested. From these, a "short list" of five was prepared and examined carefully. To date, the bureau has offered employment to two, and an offer will shortly be made to a third. STAT

II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. As domestic pressure escalated in opposition to Cyprus President Spiros Kiprianou's handling of the UN-sponsored summit with Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktas, the bureau provided significant service to Embassy political officers, keeping them apprised of developments; this service included telephone briefings on and the expeditious processing of a parliamentary resolution criticizing Kiprianou and the president's rebuttal. Bureau efforts drew praise from Embassy DCM Tom Carolan.

2. Bureau received a message from the BBC Newburo lauding our "excellent coverage" of the 7 February hijacking of a Cyprus Airways plane in Beirut.

3. Per a request from MOD, the bureau's cruising and Persian monitors surveyed the clandestine Voice of Feda'i radio from 28 January to 4 February to assess reception and content.

B. Technical

1. One extel ASR B315 was repaired and was sent back to Gulf.

III. ADMINISTRATION

A. Visitors

1. FBIS Director [] visited the bureau 3-5 February in connection with the bureau's relocation plans. STAT

2. London Bureau Senior technician [] 4-6 February, to brief regional engineer on communications equipment recently installed in Jordan Bureau. STAT

B. Personnel

1. Senior Editor [redacted] departed PCS 8 February. STAT
2. Editor [redacted] was promoted to GS-10 effective 3 February. STAT
3. Arabic Monitor [redacted] departed for Tel Aviv 24 February for a month's refresher work in Hebrew. STAT
4. Regional Engineer [redacted] was TDY in Tel Aviv 5-10 February. STAT

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Bureau Chief
EBIS/Nicosia

ATTACHMENT:

Production Report

NICOSIA BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR FEBRUARY 1965

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	314,000
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	87,600
(WIREFILED PROGRAM SUMMARIES	54,700)
(FYI'S, ADMIN'S, SVC., CRUISING,	32,900)
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	939

	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE: ----- (MINUTES OR ISSUES PER WEEK)	10,385 MIN	21,846 MIN	146 ISSUES
III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES: ----- (PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)			

CHINA	
BEIJING IN	
PERSIAN TO IRAN	0

CLANDESTINE (LEVANT)	
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF ARAB LEBANON IN	
ARABIC	9,200
(CLANDESTINE) RADIO FREE LEBANON IN	
ARABIC	9,000
(CLANDESTINE) RADIO FREE LEBANON IN	
ENGLISH	2,100
(CLANDESTINE) VOICE OF THE MOUNTAIN IN	
ARABIC	6,000

CYPRUS		
NICOSIA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ENGLISH	300	
NICOSIA DOMESTIC SERVICE IN GREEK	15,900	
NICOSIA TELEVISION SERVICE IN GREEK	2,300	
NICOSIA CYPRUS MAIL IN ENGLISH		600
NICOSIA I ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN GREEK		3,900
NICOSIA I ELEUTHEROTIPIA TIS DHEFTERAS IN GREEK		0
NICOSIA I SIMERINI IN GREEK		3,300
NICOSIA I SIMERINI TIS DHEUTERAS IN GREEK		0
NICOSIA KHARAVYI IN GREEK		4,000
NICOSIA KHARAVYI TIS DHEUTERAS IN GREEK		600
NICOSIA O AGON IN GREEK		1,500
NICOSIA O AGON TIS DHEUTERAS IN GREEK		400
NICOSIA O FILELEUTHEROS IN GREEK		400
NICOSIA O FILELEUTHEROS TIS DHEUTERAS IN GREEK		0
NICOSIA PRESS AND INFORMATION OFFICE IN ENGLISH		20,200
NICOSIA TA NEA IN GREEK		1,200
NICOSIA TURKISH CYPRIOT INFORMATION OFFICE IN ENGLISH		2,300
EGYPT		
CAIRO DOMESTIC SERVICE IN ARABIC	18,300	
CAIRO PALESTINE RADIO IN ARABIC	0	
CAIRO MENA IN ARABIC		61,300
CAIRO MENA IN ENGLISH		1,100
(EDITORIAL REPORT IN ARABIC)	400	

FRANCE		
PARIS AFP IN		
ENGLISH		20,500
GREECE		
ATHENS DOMESTIC SERVICE IN		
GREEK	18,200	
ATHENS AKROPOLIS IN		
GREEK		700
ATHENS AKROPOLIS TIS KIRIAKIS IN		
GREEK		1,400
ATHENS ATHENS NEWS IN		
ENGLISH		700
ATHENS ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN		
GREEK		1,600
ATHENS EXORNISI TIS KIRIAKIS IN		
GREEK		0
ATHENS I AYVI IN		
GREEK		500
ATHENS I KATHIMERINI IN		
GREEK		1,400
ATHENS KIRIAKATI KI ELEUTHEROTIPIA IN		
GREEK		200
ATHENS MESINURINI IN		
GREEK		4,700
ATHENS NEA PORIA IN		
GREEK		0
ATHENS RIZOSPASTIS IN		
GREEK		900
ATHENS TA NEA IN		
GREEK		4,200
ATHENS TO VIHA TIS KIRIAKIS IN		
GREEK		0
IRAQ		
BAGHDAD IN		
PERSIAN TO IRAN		0

BEIRUT DOMESTIC SERVICE		
ARABIC	38,000	
BEIRUT DOMESTIC SERVICE IN		
ENGLISH	5,100	
BEIRUT VOICE OF LEBANON IN		
ARABIC	19,200	
BEIRUT VOICE OF LEBANON IN		
ENGLISH	200	
INDIN RADIO OF FREE & UNIFIED		
LEBANON IN		
ARABIC	1,200	
TRIPOLI LEBANON ISLAMIC UNIFICATION		
RADIO IN		
ARABIC	100	
BEIRUT AL-NAHAR IN		
ARABIC		100
BEIRUT AL-SAFIR IN		
ARABIC		1,700
BEIRUT MONDAY MORNING IN		
ENGLISH		4,300
LIBYA		
TRIPOLI DOMESTIC SERVICE IN		
ARABIC	0	
TURKEY		
ANKARA YANKI IN		
TURKISH		0
ISTANBUL KULVAR IN		
TURKISH		1,000
ISTANBUL CUMHURİYET IN		
TURKISH		1,200
ISTANBUL DUNYA IN		
TURKISH		0
ISTANBUL GUNAYDIN IN		
TURKISH		1,300
ISTANBUL GUNES IN		
TURKISH		2,300
ISTANBUL HURRIYET IN		
TURKISH		1,600
ISTANBUL HILLIYET IN		
TURKISH		2,700
ISTANBUL TERCUMAN IN		
TURKISH		4,600
UNION OF SOVIET SOCIALIST REPUBLIC		
MOSCOW IN		
GREEK TO CYPRUS	0	
MOSCOW IN		
PERSIAN TO IRAN	10,100	