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FOREIGN BROADCAST INFORMATION SERVICE
HONG KONG BUREAU

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Foreign Broadcast Information Service
FROM : Chief, Hong Kong Bureau
THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group
SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Hong Kong Bureau--October 1987

I. GENERAL

1. On 2 November the Philippine remote become operational on a limited basis. The Bureau can now clearly receive and remotely tune to AM radios in the Manila area. It can also receive one FM station via the dedicated telephone line. The remote will become fully operational when the Philippine applicant now in processing enters on duty in late November/early December.

Okinawa regional engineer [redacted] and Hong Kong bureau chief TDY'ed to Manila the last week in October to install equipment and antennas. The bureau chief also interviewed several applicants for the local contract position. Two strong candidates were identified and one was put into processing.

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2. On Sunday, 25 October, Hong Kong increased staffing in the editorial, Chinese, and teletype sections and extended Bureau operations 4 hours to assist Okinawa Bureau in coverage of the opening of the 13th National Chinese Communist Party Congress. Okinawa, as the bureau with primary responsibility, provided the FYI's on the opening 2-hour and 31-minute speech by acting party General Secretary and Prime Minister Zhao Ziyang and determined processing plans. Hong Kong played its part by processing the last 86 minutes of the Zhao speech. The BBC expressed "high praise" for the "'extremely fast' processing by both bureaus" of the speech.

II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. The Bureau conducted a formal 1-week comparison of the XINHUA English file it receives via landline and the RTT service Okinawa Bureau monitors. The comparison revealed two important differences: Hong Kong generally receives XINHUA items

before Okinawa and the file received in Hong Kong does carry some unique Hong Kong-sourced materials. With the concurrence of C/MOD, Hong Kong now covers this service for immediate and flash materials as well as the unique Hong Kong-sourced items. Items unique to the Bureau's file will bear the sourceline "Hong Kong XINHUA in English" while the items common to the two services will use the standard "Beijing XINHUA in English" sourceline.

2. In response to a request from C/MOD, London and Hong Kong bureaus considered the question of which bureau could better backstop Okinawa's primary coverage of the XINHUA English service. Hong Kong pointed out that at this time it has neither the staff nor the mechanical ability to play a good, sound backstopping role, but that it will assume backstopping responsibilities whenever London Bureau's reception is unmonitorable. London agreed to remain the primary backstop bureau.

3. At the end of September and in early October during the demonstrations and riots in Tibet, the Bureau supplemented its regular coverage of the 1130 GMT Lhasa Xizang Regional Service by placing the 0100, 0610, and 1430 GMT newscasts on ad hoc coverage. The Bureau thus was able to provide better service to consumers interested in the disturbances.

4. On the night of the 6th, the Bureau extended operations 3 hours to monitor events in the Philippines following news agency reports that another coup was about to be staged. After ascertaining that the situation appeared normal, the Bureau closed with the Wire's concurrence and reopened early the next morning to take the first Manila radio newscast live. The Philippines appears to be assuming a Bolivian atmosphere, with a new coup, coup plan, or aborted coup reported virtually every other day.

B. Lateral Services

1. After receiving an immediate request from the Consulate in Guangzhou on the 22d, the Bureau filed several radio reports on the unexpected appearance of Premier Zhao Ziyang with other leading party and state officials at an ashes internment ceremony in Guangzhou for the late Ye Jianying. Zhao's appearance at a ceremony for antireformist and military leader Ye, coming so close before the opening of the party congress, was seen by many as an attempt by Zhao to gain military support for his reforms.

2. At the request of USIS officer Dan Sreebny, the London Press Monitoring Unit processed and filed an IZVESTIYA article critical of an article in the FAR EASTERN ECONOMIC REVIEW on Taiwan defense issues. Sreebny sent London/PMU a thank-you

message in which he said that "the assistance from London Bureau enabled us to provide a special service to an important media contact."

C. Technical

1. In preparation for the start-up of the Manila remote operation, the technical staff completed installation and testing of the Hong Kong to Manila equipment at the Bureau.

2. At mid-month, the Bureau pouched and air freighted the following equipment to Manila for the remote operation:

- a) One Sony ICF-2001D receiver s/n 76491.
- b) One Penril 1800 DED modem s/n 2090.
- c) One Control Data TRG SU.1-30-50 antenna multicoupler s/n 016
- d) One JVC C-140HM color TV s/n15170267
- e) One Sharp VC699E video recorder s/n 324458
- f) Two Watkins Johnson WJ-8718 receivers s/n 3054, 3060
- g) Four National RQ2732 recoders s/n 6BBPD22677, 6BBPD22673, 6BBPD22724, 6BBPD22735.

3. The Bureau received from Headquarters a replacement spare Emerson UPS for the LAN. When it was bench-tested, it was found that it did not operate, but after further investigation it was found that only a wire was loose.

III. ADMINISTRATION

A. Personnel

1. The Bureau has begun EOD processing for an additional Philippine monitor candidate. Owing to Hong Kong Government immigration rules and regulations, we do not expect her to join the Bureau until just after the new year.

2. Processing for the two Chinese monitor applicants is continuing. One monitor is scheduled to EOD in mid-November.

B. Building and Grounds

The new modular furniture for the large Chinese monitors' work area on the 14th floor was fabricated and put in place the weekend of 24-25 October. However, this project will not be completed until mid-November after the new partitions arrive and are set up.

IV. VISITS

1. [redacted] TDY'ed to Manila 27-31 October to oversee installation of the remote operation and to interview and hire a contractor.

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2. [redacted] and wife visited the Bureau 1 and 2 October while on a private visit to Hong Kong.

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Chief, FBIS Hong Kong Bureau

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cc: 1 - C/Bangkok
1 - C/Okinawa
1 - C/Seoul

HONG KONG BUREAU PRODUCTION REPORT FOR OCTOBER 1987

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	1211420
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	75740
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	1698

	BROAD-CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI-CATIONS
II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE:	2990	20430	236
III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES: (PUBLISHABLE WORDS PER MONTH)			

CHINA	
BEIJING DOMESTIC SERVICE IN MANDARIN	15170
BEIJING INTERNATIONAL SERVICE IN TAGALOG	4260
CHANGSHA HUNAN PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	6450
CHENGDU SICHUAN PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	4410
GUANGZHOU GUANGDONG PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	5770
GUIYANG GUIZHOU PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	1040
HAIKOU HAINAN ISLAND SERVICE IN MANDARIN	3010
KUNMING YUNNAN PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	1500
LANZHOU GANSU PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	1870
LHASA XIZANG REGIONAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	24540
NANNING GUANGXI REGIONAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	4240
TAIYUAN SHANXI PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	1080
URUMQI XINJIANG REGIONAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	3080
WUHAN HUBEI PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	7970
XIAN SHAANXI PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	5200

XINING QINGHAI PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	3640
YINCHUAN NINGXIA REGIONAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	390
ZHENGZHOU HENAN PROVINCIAL SERVICE IN MANDARIN	4580
BEIJING XINHUA IN ENGLISH	1710
BEIJING XINHUA HONG KONG SERVICE IN CHINESE	660
BEIJING BAN YUE TAN IN CHINESE	14620
BEIJING CHINA DAILY IN ENGLISH	69600
BEIJING GONGREN RIBAO IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING GUANGMING RIBAO IN CHINESE	44320
BEIJING GUOJI SHANGBAO IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING GUOJI WENTI YANJIU IN CHINESE	11840
BEIJING HONGQI IN CHINESE	68980
BEIJING JIEFANGJUN BAO IN CHINESE	60980
BEIJING JINGJI CANKAO IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING JINGJI GUANLI IN CHINESE	46270
BEIJING JINGJI RIBAO IN CHINESE	20600
BEIJING JINGJI YANJIU IN CHINESE	32930
BEIJING JINGJIXUE ZHOUBAO IN CHINESE	960
BEIJING LIAOWANG IN CHINESE	10790
BEIJING LILUN YUEKAN IN CHINESE	22630
BEIJING LISHI YANJIU IN CHINESE	10280
BEIJING NONGMIN RIBAO IN CHINESE	4260

BEIJING RENMIN RIBAO IN CHINESE	106510
BEIJING RENMIN RIBAO OVERSEAS EDITION IN CHINESE	3270
BEIJING SHIJIE JINGJI IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING SHIJIE LISHI IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING SHIJIE ZHISHI IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING WENYI BAO IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING WENZHAI BAO IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING XINWEN ZHANXIAN IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING ZHEXUE YANJIU IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING ZHONGGUO FAZHI BAO IN CHINESE	960
BEIJING ZHONGGUO JINGJI TIZHI GAIGE IN CHINESE	0
BEIJING ZHONGGUO QINGNIAN BAO IN CHINESE	1460
CHENGDU SICHUAN RIBAO IN CHINESE	0
CHONGQING CHONGQING RIBAO IN CHINESE	0
GUANGZHOU KAIFANG IN CHINESE	0
GUANGZHOU NANFANG RIBAO IN CHINESE	3360
GUANGZHOU YANGCHENG WANBAO IN CHINESE	0
HONG KONG LIAOWANG OVERSEAS EDITION IN CHINESE	35090
KUNMING YUNNAN RIBAO IN CHINESE	0
SHANGHAI SHIJIE JINGJI DAobao IN CHINESE	13330
TAIYUAN SHANXI RIBAO IN CHINESE	1520
WUHAN CHANGJIANG RIBAO IN CHINESE	0

WUHAN HUBEI RIBAO IN CHINESE	0
XIAN SHAANXI RIBAO IN CHINESE	0

HONG KONG HONG KONG COMMERCIAL RADIO IN ENGLISH	930
HONG KONG ASIA TELEVISION LIMITED IN ENGLISH	1020
HONG KONG AFP IN ENGLISH	81060
HONG KONG XINHUA IN ENGLISH	5350
HONG KONG ZHONGGUO TONGXUN SHE IN CHINESE	8910
HONG KONG ZHONGGUO XINWEN SHE IN CHINESE	30550
HONG KONG ASIAWEEK IN ENGLISH	2600
HONG KONG CHANWANG IN CHINESE	0
HONG KONG CHENG MING IN CHINESE	9410

HONG KONG CHING PAO IN CHINESE	12140
HONG KONG CHIUSHIH NIENTAI IN CHINESE	4980
HONG KONG FAR EASTERN ECONOMIC REVIEW IN ENGLISH	11760
HONG KONG HONGKONG STANDARD IN ENGLISH	35820
HONG KONG HSIN WAN PAO IN CHINESE	970
HONG KONG KUANG CHIAO CHING IN CHINESE	0
HONG KONG MING PAO IN CHINESE	640
HONG KONG PAI HSING IN CHINESE	0

HONG KONG SOUTH CHINA MORNING POST IN ENGLISH	72060
HONG KONG SOUTH CHINA SUNDAY MORNING POST IN ENGLISH	7540
HONG KONG SUNDAY STANDARD IN ENGLISH	3950
HONG KONG TA KUNG PAO IN CHINESE	3640
HONG KONG TA KUNG PAO IN ENGLISH	3750
HONG KONG WEN WEI PO IN CHINESE	6290

PHILIPPINES	
BAGUIO CITY MOUNTAIN PROVINCE BROADCASTING COMPANY IN ENGLISH	6650
LAOAG CITY NATION BROADCASTING COMPANY CORP. STATION DWRI IN ILOCANO	0
MANILA FAR EAST BROADCASTING COMPANY IN ENGLISH	26550
MANILA RADIO VERITAS IN TAGALOG	14530
QUEZON CITY RADYO NG BAYAN IN TAGALOG	0
QUEZON CITY SPORTS RADIO 738 IN ENGLISH	8430
DAVAO CITY THE MINDANAO DAILY MIRROR IN ENGLISH	0
DAVAO CITY THE MINDANAO MIRROR-BULLETIN IN ENGLISH	750

MANILA BUSINESS STAR IN ENGLISH	7060
MANILA MANILA BULLETIN IN ENGLISH	64970
MANILA PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER IN ENGLISH	43870

MANILA THE MANILA CHRONICLE IN ENGLISH	22740
MANILA THE NEW PHILIPPINES DAILY EXPRESS IN ENGLISH	0
MANILA THE NEW PHILIPPINES SUNDAY EXPRESS IN ENGLISH	0
MANILA THE PHILIPPINES STAR IN ENGLISH	8350
MANILA THE SUNDAY TIMES IN ENGLISH	0
QUEZON CITY MALAYA IN ENGLISH	19020
QUEZON CITY WE FORUM IN ENGLISH	0